The week of Mar 12, 2023

Announcements

<u>Daylight Saving Time Begins Again:</u> Don't forget to set your clocks forward 1 hour Saturday night as we "**Spring Ahead**" into March 2023. It certainly "came in like a lion", let's hope it "goes out like a lamb"...

Hybrid Worship on Sunday, March 12, 2023: This Sunday we are led in worship by Rev David. It is the Third Sunday of Lent and we celebrate Communion, *CLICK HERE*. To read the order of service for Sunday, *CLICK HERE*.

<u>Doers Meeting</u>: Monday, March 13 @ 6:30 pm in the Church Hall. Green is the lucky colour! Discipleship is seeing how our lives are a sacred calling and, out of our faith, connecting our gifts with the world's needs. Come together at Trinity to be a part of the "Doing" and hear what each other is doing and wants to do. We will hear reports from Worship + Music, Governance, United Church Women, leaving time for Property, Christian Education, and Outreach interest groups to meet as well. Hope to see you - Joy Galea, Syd Sawyer, and Irene MacIver.

<u>Games Night next Sat, March 18</u>: Tickets now available for TUMS Games Night March 18. Contact Harvey.

<u>St Patrick's Day Tea</u>: Our Lady of Assumption, Sat, March 18 from 1 - 3 pm. Assumption Centre 3141 Shaughnessy St - Tickets \$15 * Lunch * door prizes * Entertainment.

Wed Morning Coffee Chat: Last Wednesday, the Coffee Group celebrated their 150th Wednesday Morning Coffee ZOOM chat.

Congratulations to everyone on their amazing weekly commitment to connecting in this way. If you are not receiving the ZOOM invite to the Chat and you would like to, contact the office (office@ucpoco.ca).

<u>Ladder Question</u>: We cannot locate the 6ft aluminum step ladder anywhere. If anyone knows where it is, please contact the office. *Thank you*.

<u>First United Lenten Calendar:</u> This year's theme for Spiritual Care at First United is truth-telling. As we enter the Season of Lent, we offer a

calendar of prayer and contemplation based on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's **Call to Action #60**. Just click the links on each day of the calendar to access new content! **CLICK HERE** to get the First United Lenten Calendar.

World Day of Prayer: Thank you to all who attended and/or leant-a-hand for the World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 3rd. This year the service was prepared by the World Day of Prayer - Taiwan. Between 50 and 60 people attended and this is a great increase over past years! We enjoyed "Afternoon Tea" and fellowship following the service. An offering of \$745.00 was raised, which is wonderful. Funds raised by WDP support social justice projects. In Canada, these WDP grants are distributed by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada [WICC]. WICC is a national ecumenical organization with a mission to empower Christians to pursue justice, peace, and reconciliation standing together in prayer and action.

<u>Thrift Number this week</u>: A contemplative \$358.60. Winter blues...

<u>Card-Making Workshop:</u> There is only one spot left! Sat, April 1 from 1 to 3 pm in the Hall. *Please contact Pat Bradley or Syd Sawyer asap if you would like to take part.*

<u>Devastating Earthquakes in Turkey and Syria</u>: Please include the people of Turkey, Syria, and other countries affected in your prayers, and consider making a donation to the emergency relief fund. Going forward, Trinity will send all donations directed to the Emergency Global Response through the Mission and Service Fund. Label the envelope to indicate your wishes "Syria/Turkey Earthquake" or **CLICK HERE** to donate online.

Help Support Ukrainian Refugees: We sadly mark the one-year anniversary of the Russian war of agression in the Ukraine. The invasion of Ukraine is costing precious lives and creating a humanitarian crisis as people flee to safety. You can help. Right now, people urgently need shelter, clean water, food, and medical attention. Please show your support by making a gift today. CLICK HERE.

<u>UCC PIE Day</u>: Moderator Carmen Lansdowne invites you and your faith communities to participate in PIE Day, a time to be PUBLIC,

INTENTIONAL, and EXPLICIT in welcoming and affirming Two-Spirit and LGBTQIA+ people in our churches, families, and society. *CLICK HERE* for her video. PIE Day is March 14, a day to celebrate with people across Canada, (and maybe with some pie too!)

<u>Trinity + Worship</u>: Missed the In-Person Sunday Gathering? Here is the Sunday service, *CLICK HERE*, streamed on our YouTube Channel on **March 5th** with Rev David. And *CLICK HERE* for the PDF (written) version of the service.

<u>First United Toast Talks</u>: Be sure to register so you can hear all the latest updates on First United's latest programs and the redevelopment. **Thursday, March 16, 4:30 pm** - 5:15 pm *followed by our AGM at 5:30,* Online, via Zoom. **CLICK HERE** to register.

<u>Trinity Prayer Circle</u>: We have two prayer circles set up to receive and act on your prayer requests. Please refer prayer requests to Linda Lund (778-883-3064/linda.lund60@gmail.com).

Prayers of the People: Mar 12 to Mar 18, 2023

In the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle of the World Council of Churches this week, we pray for Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden. *CLICK HERE* to find out more about this part of the world and the ecumenical prayer cycle.

<u>PMRC Prayers</u>: In our own Pacific Mountain Region of the United Church of Canada, we pray for St. Andrew's-Wesley UC, St. Columba UC (Grand Forks), St. David's by the Lake, St. David's UC (West Vancouver), St. George's UC (Courtenay), and St. John-Gaulbert SM (Port McNeill).

Healing Pathways: We are offering distance healing whenever convenient for both practitioner and receiver. Contact Linda Lund (778-883-3064/ linda.lund60@gmail.com). We may not connect "Hand to Hand," we must deepen our practice of connecting "Heart to Heart".

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