

The week of May 21, 2023

Announcements

Hybrid Worship on Sunday, May 21, 2023 at 10:30 am: This Sunday we are led in worship by **Joy Galea and the UCW**. It is the seventh Sunday of Easter. To join the ZOOM on Sunday, ***CLICK HERE***. To read the order of service for Sunday, ***CLICK HERE***.

MUFFIN SALE: This Sunday. UCW ladies will be selling muffins this Sunday (21st) after church. Price this month is still a bargain at 50 cents each - for a limited time only.

New Church Directory: The new 2023 Church Directory is now available. Pick up a copy at worship on Sunday, or drop by the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Rev David News: Rev David is on vacation until **May 31**. He will then be available but he will also be attending the PMRC AGM from **June 1 to 4**. If you would like to keep up on his doings while he's away, you can give him a follow on Instagram, just search **@cathcartdavid**.

Thank you to all who attended the Doer's Meeting on Monday evening.

TUC AGM upcoming: Our Annual Congregational Meeting is on **Sunday, June 11th**. A time to celebrate the work, time and talents of everyone at Trinity! The meeting will take place within the worship service – "Worship and Work must be One!" – with fellowship and lunch to follow. Please join us! There is a **sign-up sheet for lunch** in the hallway across from the kitchen door **OR** you can send an email to Zoë at: office@ucpoco.ca or call her at 604-942-0022, confirming your attendance for lunch. *Deadline to sign up is noon on June 5th.*

Thrift Sales: Week of May 14 - \$1120.78! Week of May 21 - \$780.45!
Here comes the sun....!!

Mission & Service Report: In 2022, Trinity sent **\$14,500.50** to Mission & Service. Thank you, all who gave. "Faithful" is a good descriptive word to apply to Mission & Service supporters at Trinity. Our congregational goal for M&S was again set at \$10,000 and we exceeded that goal. With both individual givers (through direct giving and PAR) as well as group giving (as with UCW and others): we have

participated in God's Mission. We are called to share what we have been given -- our time, our talents, and skills, our monies, and our physical resources. **Thank you for your leadership. Thank you for your generosity.** Your faithful support makes all the difference.
Respectfully submitted, Joy Galea, Mission & Service Enthusiast.

Kapa'a United Church of Christ: New May 2023 Edition Newsletter of our Sister Church on Kauai, the Kapa'a United Church of Christ. **CLICK [HERE](#)** to read more.

Harmony Vocal Ensemble Concert: Sun, May 28, 2:30 pm here at Trinity! "Spring Reboot" - join their lovely singers for a nostalgic look at our lives during and after the pandemic, with a lot of memories and maybe even a "HAIR"-raising experience or two! Ticket available from the office, \$20.

Golden Ears Drag Brunch: This coming **Saturday, May 27**, Siblings in Christ at Golden Ears United Church are hosting a fabulous ticketed fundraising event ... **DRAG BRUNCH!** Nestled in a lower-mainland community that shares geography with loud and aggressive so-called Christian activists and organizations, ***Golden Ears shines a bright light of Belonging, Liberation, Justice, and JOY for 2SLGBTQIA+ folks*** in their area. The PMRC has heard from the minister and friends that the Golden Ears United community is feeling a little worried about what they have faced already, and what they may face outside their event this Saturday. In the weeks leading up to their event, Golden Ears UC has been subjected to a barrage of anti-gay, anti-drag, anti-trans actions and trolling because of their positive, inclusive, All-Ages event. ***As queer folks and allies alike, the PRMC invites you to show your personal support to Golden Ears United this weekend!***

PMRC AGM: Registration is now open for the 5th Annual General Meeting of the Pacific Mountain Regional Council, **June 1 - 4, 2023.** **CLICK [HERE](#)**. Keynote speaker will be The **Rev. Dr. Jacqui Lewis**, who comes to us with a desire to use her gifts to help create an antiracist, just, gun violence free, fully welcoming, and gender-affirming society. We're excited to see what Jacqui has to teach us as we gather in June!

Broadview Article: "Canada's updated MAiD program is appealing to 'desperate' Canadians, advocate says". Left without sufficient

supports, more and more people with disabilities are applying for medical assistance in dying. ***CLICK HERE*** to read.

Broadview Donation Matching: First, thanks to those who have given so generously to our Spring campaign, we've achieved close to 70% of our fundraising goal. We're nearly there! AND three more generous Broadview supporters have come forward, offering to match gifts during the last weeks of the campaign. We wouldn't be the longest continuously-published magazine in North America without you. ***CLICK HERE*** to donate.

Trinity + Worship: Missed the In-Person Sunday Gathering? For a video of the most recent Sunday service, ***CLICK HERE***, streamed on our YouTube Channel on **May 14**.

Devastating Earthquakes in Turkey and Syria: Please continue to 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: The Russian war of aggression in the Ukraine continues. 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***.

Trinity Prayer Circle: 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: May 21 to May 27, 2023

In the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle of the World Council of Churches this week, we pray for Indian Ocean Islands: Comoros, Madagascar, Maldives, Mauritius, and the Seychelles. ***CLICK HERE*** to find out more about this part of the world and the ecumenical prayer cycle.

PMRC Prayers: In our own Pacific Mountain Region of the United Church of Canada, we pray for Wilson Heights UC, Winfield UC, Zimbabwe United Methodist Vancouver, and Zion UC (Armstrong, Ashcroft, Merritt).

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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