

**TRINITY  
UNITED  
CHURCH**  
PORT COQUITLAM

# Deepening Our Discipleship



## Matthew 25:40

*"...Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."*



## Vision

**What we would like to see as a result of our work.**

Trinity United Church envisions the Reign of Christ, when all will be reconciled as one. Until then, we build relationships here and now to create a stronger community.



We do that by improving the standard of living for those most at risk in our community: the underhoused or the homeless, those recovering from addictions and

mental illness, the elderly and families living on low incomes, and people who are new to Canada.

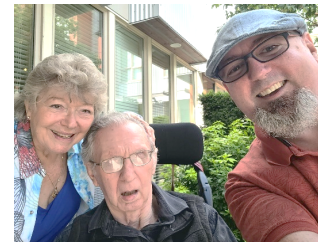



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***We believe that life is better for the whole community when life is better for the poorest and most disadvantaged among us.***

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We want to eradicate extreme poverty in Port Coquitlam and the TriCities, not through gentrification and dislocation of poor populations, but by improving the lives of every individual.



## Purpose

**What Trinity is here to do.**

The way of Jesus is one of compassion and love. Love is not about feeling warm and fuzzy, but about treating one another as the image and likeness of God, Emmanuel.




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***The Purpose of Trinity United Church is to serve our neighbours, Particularly those who are most vulnerable.***

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We have decades of history, providing housing to seniors and families, providing goods to low-income families through the Thrift Shop, hosting the food bank,

Extreme Weather Shelter, job programs, community nursing, the list goes on and on.



We have decades of partnership with Fraser Health, BC Housing, The City of Port Coquitlam, the Tri-City Homelessness Task Force, St Catherine of Alexandria Anglican Church, and others providing for the marginalized and vulnerable.



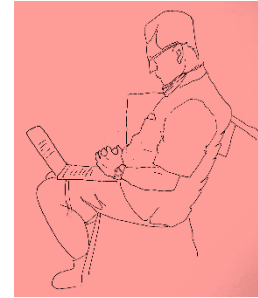
## Mission

### How we might accomplish our purpose.

It is Trinity's mission to seek partners in the Tri City Area who will work with us to provide:

- a soup kitchen,
- warming/cooling centers,
- shelter programs for the homeless and underhoused,
- an Extreme Weather Shelter,
- public showers and lockers
- a Thrift store (as a social enterprise, not a volunteer non-profit),
- as well as lower-cost housing and access to human resources (advocates, social workers, navigators).

We want to help keep people from living along the river, or at least support them to live more securely.



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### *We imagine a complete rebuild of the property and building.*

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We'd be willing to turn some of the property to commercial or market housing to support staffing the larger project. It would be our hope to recognize \$100,000 to \$200,000 annuity and/or income from any development so that our ministry in the neighbourhood can continue.



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