

Trinity News for the week of July 3, 2022



Letter from our Governance Team

Letter to the Trinity Community

First of all: many thanks to everyone who came out for our Annual General Meeting last Sunday, despite the heat! It was great to be able to hold it in person as well as on Zoom. Thank you also to those who have agreed to take positions of leadership for the next year.

This will be the last letter from Governance until at least September. **We have been doing this for 2 1/2 years and a break is needed.** The new Governance Team will make decision about its future in September.

It has been a very interesting experience writing these letters, especially when your mind goes blank about what to say! We hope you have enjoyed them and found them useful. The Coffee Chat on Wednesday mornings has also been a great success and its continuation was discussed last Wednesday. We will let you know what will be happening

Let's hope last weekend wasn't our summer!! Although it was a little hot for some it was great to see the sunshine and feel the warmth. It makes you feel so good. Please take care in the heat and look out for the vulnerable, be they family or friends.

The office will be staffed by volunteers over the summer so please be patient if you wish to contact them, it may just take a little while longer to get back to you. We are grateful to all those who volunteered.

One other change over July and August is that there will be no announcement sheet every Friday, so if you have something to tell the congregation it may have to be announced in Church on Sunday mornings.

So from your Governance Team we wish you a very happy and safe summer. It has been an interesting 3 years and we hope the next year will not be quite so challenging although new things are afoot!! The new Team will need your prayers and support as you gave to us.

As has been said before if you or anyone you know require assistance please call the church office at 604-942-0022 and we will do our best to assist.

Blessings and stay safe,

Wendy Squires, Pat McCann, Robert Nicolson, Rev Cathcart, Syd Sawyer, and Judi Carroll



The week of July 3, 2022

Announcements

Hybrid Worship on Sunday, July 3, 2022 SUNDAY at 10:30 am: Rev David will lead us in worship today. To join the ZOOM Meeting, *CLICK HERE* to "log on" on Sunday morning or dial 778-907-2071 to participate by phone. Or come in person! We will send out an email with all the ZOOM information on Sunday morning as well.

<u>Trinity + Worship</u>: Missed the In-Person Sunday Gathering? Unable to attend in-person as well as ZOOM? Check out the Sunday service which was led by Rev David, *CLICK HERE*, streamed on our YouTube Channel this past Sunday, June 19. **Or, and this is new**, *CLICK HERE* to read the full June 19 worship service in PDF format.

From W&M: the July 3 Hymn Sing (first Sunday of the month!) will now be at 10:10 to 10:25 am to allow 5 min. for Announcements (and starting YouTube) so the Church Service can start in good time at 10:30 am.

<u>Trinity United Thrift Store</u>: reopened at last! Going forward they will be open Wednesdays from 12 noon to 7 pm with Communicable Disease Protocols in place. This week they made a *perfectly respectable* \$590.00! Way to go Thrift!

Office News: Office Administrator, Zoë, will begin her summer break starting July 1 until August 23 so the office reception will be staffed by an intrepid team of volunteers: Betty Anne Dempsey, Linda Lund, Peggy Horvath, Jennifer Marshall, and Judy Maki. Rev David will be assisted in the creation of the Sunday PowerPoints by another amazing volunteer, Mark Sawyer. Please bear in mind going forward that phone messages, mail, and email will be checked less frequently. There will also be a hiatus on these Friday Announcements until Zoë returns in September.

<u>Murder on the Orient Express:</u> Theatre in the Country has a new production upcoming. Time is fast approaching... save the night of September 14. *CLICK HERE* to read all about this outreach evening.

<u>Camp Spirit 2022</u>: Trinity United will be again hosting a week of Camp Spirit this year! **July 11 - 15, 2022**

Speaking of Camp Spirit, they need some craft supplies! Please check your cupboards for: Toilet Paper rolls, Rocks, Tissue paper, Jars - mason jars/jam jars/sauce jars, Random Sparkly things (For a hand print mould on plaster of Paris with gems, tiles, fairy stones, shells etc.), Yarn and popsicle sticks (For god's eyes), Old or collected magazines, calendars or newspapers (For collages), and Circular stamp makers - q-tips, straws, plastic milk jug lids. You can drop them off to the office before July 11.

Help Support Ukrainian Refugees: More than 6,000,000 Ukrainians have fled their homes for safety in neighbouring countries since the devastating invasion began. Many refugees are struggling to meet basic needs while grieving the loss of family, friends, and home. You can help. For just \$25, you can give a hygiene package with items like toothpaste, laundry detergent and disinfectant. For \$38, a food basket of staples. For \$40, a hygiene package and incontinence products. All of these gifts go directly to support Ukrainian refugees through our Mission & Service partner ACT Alliance. *CLICK HERE*.

<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: July 3 to July 9, 2022

In the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle of the World Council of Churches this week, we pray for Sudan, South Sudan, and Uganda. *CLICK HERE* to find out more about this part of the world and the ecumenical prayer cycle. In our own Pacific Mountain Region of the United Church of Canada, we pray for Camp Spirit! (Here at Trinity week of July 11)

<u>Healing Pathways</u>: We are offering distance healing during those times or 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".

This week's prayer roster:

July 3

Bernice McPhee La Vernne Miller Bryon, Zharina, Zen and Theo Morrow/Patricio Frieda Nietzel Jyothny & Jesudas

July 4

Kalaya Nilson Ken, Justine and Nina Parco Jim and Ann Pollock Nory Ramos

July 5

Judy Rawsthorne Barb Robertson Karen Robson Robert Rooney

July 6

Brenda and Glenn Seebach Jo, Donna-Lynne, Ross and Bethea Shearer Debbie Sherstobitoff Ryan Handy Janet Becker

July 7

Linda Siew Geoffrey and Annelies Stegen Pat and Doug Taylor Ria Van Holten Dianne Webber

July 8

Brian and Josee Wheatley Trudy Zonneveld Rosa Ortega Chris Longley and Geoff Fulton

July 9

Dawn Carman Michelle and Zachary Carman Lynne Kennedy Lavina Shaw Syd and Wayne Sawyer



DOERS Minutes

Doers Hybrid Meeting - June 15, 2022

This was the first in person meeting held since Feb 2020.

A welcome back and acknowledgement of the territory – Peggy H. Rev. David presented opening and closing worship.

Financial Report:

- No report.

Governance Team Update:

- AGM to be held June 26, 2022 in the sanctuary after the service. Bring a bag lunch if you wish.
- Judi C., Syd S., Rev. David and Robert N. are continuing with the discernment program.
- Tom Shaw (previously from St. Catherine's) is still in the process of trying to start up the soup kitchen. He has some volunteers but is looking for others. They will possibly be making sandwiches the day before the luncheon but these are things still to be determined along with the start date. If you are interested in helping contact Judy C. and she will pass on Tom's contact info.

General Items

Fundraising Idea update:

The Car Boot sale will be held Saturday, September 17th from 10 am to 3 pm. Parking spaces for approximately 40 vehicles will be sold at \$35 each which will go to the Church. Any monies from items sold will go to the seller unless they wish to donate to the church. Lunch & coffee are still being discussed. It is important that we promote this sale, so please let friends, neighbours or anyone who might be interested in getting rid of "saleable items" to contact either Wendy Squires at wsquires@telus.net or call Barb Robertson at 604-942-1161. Each person at this meeting received 2 notices – one to keep for themselves and one to give away. More info will be forthcoming as necessary and advertising is being planned.

- Please keep your ears and eyes open on your travels over the summer as new fundraising ideas may come to light.

Christian Education:

- Camp Spirit will be held July 11-15/22 for ages 5-11. At this time there are 33 campers registered along with 2 leaders in training. They are looking for another

person who would be interested in leading an activity (a craft etc.). All adults working around children will need a security clearance from the RCMP as the ones we have on file are now outdated. Camperships will be \$150, so please if you are able to donate any amount that would help those not able to pay would be appreciated. When you make your donation, please make clear that it is to go to Camp Spirit Campership.

2211 have now finished reading the book "Cause For Hope". This book was
enjoyed by all with many lively discussions. They are planning a get together
(picnic) sometime in the summer and are inviting anyone who would like to join
them for this event.

Nominating:

- Beth Anderson noted that all needed positions are filled. She also informed the group that she will be stepping down from the nominating position.

Stewardship:

- As summer tends to be the lowest time of the year for donations, a reminder to please keep submitting your donations over this time as our finances are in need.
- Trinity pledged \$10,000 to Mission & Service for the year 2022. As of now we have raised \$5000 towards our goal with the hope of reaching our total by the end of the year.

Break Out Rooms

Property:

- Parking lot repairs at accessible parking area Priority high. People have fallen so edges and cracks need to be cleaned and filled with some type of compound.
- Parking lot repair at lot entry area ramp Priority high. Numerous areas have uneven edges along sidewalk. Beth/Sheri will kill grass, veg. with white vinegar. We will consider professionals to look at concerns regarding repairs and quotes.
- Clean debris from fellowship hall fan (external). Priority med. This is very close to the Hydro line so Hydro may have to be consulted. Remove bird nest material and wire cover. Replace "cover cage" on external fan with mesh cover that will keep birds and rodents out.
- Repair, sand and paint Thrift entranceway railings when weather permits Priority med.
- Orkin to be contacted re: rodent traps. No current information about status of KKP "infestation". Check boxes around the building. Need for inside mouse traps? Priority med.
- Repair/replace light fixture outside kitchen furnace room door. Also replace tubes around thrift, kitchen and elsewhere Priority high.
- Remove "popsicle" light posts and replace with some form of decorative stand. We will get Ian MacIver to deactivate the power to lights.
- Emergency Evacuation Plan has been reviewed and will be presented to the Doers group for implementation in September.
- Lawn Maintenance someone is needed to cut the grass before Camp Spirit starts (July 11th) as Sherie will be away. She will be purchasing some soil and is looking for perennials if anyone has plants available. A weed eater has been made available for purchase from Bet A. Sherie B. will attend the Garden Club meeting next Tuesday to see how they might be of help.

UCW:

- Coffee after services A roster will be set up by Joy G. and Pat Mc. and posted for people to sign up on. The thought is to have one person who is familiar with the set up try and find a person from the congregation who is new to this and show them the process. If there is a Sunday with no names to help, coffee time will not take place that day. The first coffee date will be June 26th.
- Trinity's car trunk sale to take place September 17th. Everyone will need to come together to make this a success.
- Thrift Maureen reported that we are making about \$700 a week (with June 15th being the fifth week open). Items that are not being sold are taken to Big

Brothers which we receive \$.20 a pd. for. To date we have made approximately \$130 for this.

- Pat reported that UCW has made \$10,096.92 as of June. Discussion followed and it was decided to disperse as follows: \$3,600 to Trinity operating fund, \$1000 to First United Church, \$1000 to the Food Bank and \$400 to Mission & Service.

Worship & Music:

- Monthly Hymn Sing before service is happening the first Sunday of the month.
- The hymn books will be returned to the sanctuary this week.
- The signup sheet for flowers in now up in its usual spot.
- Bagged communion elements will continue over the summer and will look at possible change in Sept.
- Scripture readers are needed.
- Sept. 11th will be a welcome back service.
- Oct. 30th will be a membership service.

Pastoral Care:

- Changes with regard to sending out the written copy of Sunday service: It will no longer go out on the Sunday afternoon, but will be available as a pdf copy later in the week. You can click on the email link. If someone needs a hard copy of the service, Rev David can supply one.
- Changes on the Trinity Memorial page online: Names will be in order of the most recent memorials first. The page will have our writeup of the person and then will have links to an obituary (if we have one), the YouTube or livestream of the service, the memorial video (if there is one) and finally a link to the pdf copy of the service.
- There is planning for a Fall car trunk sale in the Trinity parking lot on Saturday, Sept 17th. Please see the handout for information.
- In mid August we would like to mail out to the congregation a Coming Events flyer to welcome people back in the fall. If you are planning anything for the fall season, please get the information to Wendy by Aug. 15th so we can get it to Zoe when she is back in the office.

From your Doers Team (Irene, Joy, Peggy)



Actual photo of the Holy Spirit...she promises to swim beside you. Let's go.