The week of January 15, 2023

Announcements

Hybrid Worship on Sunday, January 15, 2023: This Sunday we are led in worship by Craig Perry. Craig has led us several times over the course of Covid, so we are excited to welcome him in-person at last! To join the ZOOM Meeting on Sunday, *CLICK HERE*.

<u>Office News</u>: Rev. David will be away until the 23rd, taking some welldeserved vacation time after Christmas. Zoe is back in the office Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 am to 2 pm.

2023 Envelopes: To make donating easier, we once again are providing envelopes with your personalized envelope number. You can pick them up on Sunday from Dave S. in the Narthex or during Zoe's office hours in the office on Tuesday and Thursday. *If you don't have an envelope number yet, give the office a quick email to let us know!*

Doers' Meeting 2023: Trinity United Church Doers, come together to start 2023! **Wed, Jan 18th @ 6:30 pm** in the Church Hall. "Everything Chocolate" with Coffee, Teas, and dessert offerings! Possible interest group times with: Worship and Music, Christian Education, Property, United Church Women, Pastoral Care. This is our chance to grow and communicate as a church family. *Collective wisdom is amazing!*

Upcoming Worship Dates: Make sure you plan to attend worship Sunday, January 22nd when we will have a Town Hall meeting with the Development Steering Team after worship. The Team will be leading us in worship that day as well! And then a further Town Hall meeting with take place Sunday, February 26th after the worship time. Be sure to attend both as the first meeting will facilitate discussions or time to think about our options and the second meeting will be a time for the team to hear some responses.

<u>Thrift News</u>: This week's total is \$1015.45! Stupendous. Way to go everyone at Thrift.

<u>Get Yer Tickets Now</u>: On the afternoon of Jan 29th at 2 pm, Choral Connections Choir will be presenting a concert at Trinity as a

fundraiser for them **and Trinity**. It is to be called "United in Song" and you can buy tickets from Judy J or from the office.

Memorial Tree: For those of you unable to make it to the Sanctuary over Christmas, you can **CLICK HERE** to see a picture of our wonderful Memorial Tree as it has been this season. (Or scroll down to the bottom of this email.)

<u>Trinity + Worship</u>: Missed the In-Person Sunday Gathering? Here is the Sunday service, *CLICK HERE*, streamed on our YouTube Channel on January 8th with Robert N.

Living Life to the Full: This is an important WORKSHOP from Inlet United Church and the Canadian Mental Health Association. Tuesdays from January-March, 1:00 - 2:30 pm, online via Zoom. You can register by emailing Denise Clarke (dclarke5@telus.net) and learn more about the program, **CLICK HERE**.

First United Thank-you: "Our Christmas campaign has wrapped and I'm thrilled to share that for our programs and services, **our supporters have collectively given an outstanding: \$601,174!** Every dollar given will help provide essential services, community connection, and healing to our neighbours in the DTES. Thank you for contributing to this life-saving and life-changing work!" As well, "You also showed up in other ways, too – as advocates for a more equitable society. As of January 5, 513 of you signed our petition asking Mayor Ken Sim to urgently prioritize affordable housing for all."

<u>Help Support Ukrainian Refugees</u>: The unjust war in the Ukraine continues. The winter will be hard and you can help! All 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: Jan 15 to 21, 2023

In the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle of the World Council of Churches this week, we pray for Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United

Arab Emirates, and Yemen *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 Our Place Society (Victoria), Osoyoos UC, Pacific Spirit UC, Peachland UC, Pemberton Church Plant, and Peninsula UC.

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".



Memorial Tree 2022