



MINISTER’S MESSAGE—REV. KENDRA

Blessings of Easter and Holy Week to all, with prayers of rebirth and renewal rising high. We have now moved from the season of birth to the season of death and rebirth; from a time of closing an era with our beloved Rev. Bob to officially opening a new chapter with the approval and posting of our church profile on ChruHub. The strength, openness and resilient faith of our church family continues to shine brightly through our ministries, our relationships, and the vibrance of our worship offerings. What a blessing it is to have the opportunity to enjoy the richness of experience and ministry gifts of our Trinity family.

Holy Week is nearly upon us, and I am especially excited to share that we will be holding a Good Friday Worship and an Easter Sunday Worship this year. The highs and lows of Holy Week hold space for us to really acknowledge the highs and lows we experience in our own lives. As we move through the pain, grief, fear and despair of Good Friday, we might hold one another close in prayer; keeping central the practice of caring for one another and for ourselves. The uncertainty of Easter Saturday brings forward the lessons of Lent: mortality, humility and seeking God’s help and comfort. The jubilation and rejoicing of Easter Sunday then encourages us to celebrate the ever-present nature of God and the resurrection of our hope and faith in the Risen Christ. We are an Easter people, holding the miracle of the resurrection as witness that anything is possible in and with God.

Let us be renewed by our beloved, millennia-old traditions this year.
Let us be refreshed in the embodiment of our faith.

Let us be transformed in the mystery of the resurrection.

Let us rejoice in the sunrise that is always emerging over the horizon

Amen



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OFFICIAL BOARD—JENNIFER COLE

Behold I make all things new.

Revelation 21:5

As we enter into Lent and Easter we are reminded of Christ's sacrifice and the creative and restorative nature of God. It is fitting that this happens during the beginning of spring when we look forward to the end of winter, the end of snow and ice, and the promise of new growth and early flowers.

On Sunday, March 1, we held the Annual Congregational Meeting of Trinity United Church and we also received the work of the community of Faith Profile Committee. We are poised to begin the search for a new Minister. It is an opportunity as well as a period of uncertainty but the members and adherents of Trinity United Church have proven over and over again that this congregation meets challenges head on and works hard to deal with whatever comes our way.

On March 1 we also elected a new Board, a Board that will usher us into the leadership of a new Minister. The new Board is comprised of the following members:

Jennifer Cole – Chair

John Neumann – Vice-Chair

Doug Hofstedt – Co-Treasurer

Clare Meger – Co-Treasurer

Nancy Shelford – Secretary

Marion Bartlett – Pacific Region Representative

Diane Kjorvan – Member

Susie Wilson – Member

Ethan Taite – Member

Keith Taite – Member

Glen Schmidt – Past Chair

At the Annual Congregation Meeting it was also announced that the Search Committee for a new Minister will be made up of: Jennifer Cole, John Neumann, Marilyn Blair, Shannon Carson, Allan Reid, and Sandy Long. We pray for their success in the search for a new Minister.

The Board looks forward to continuing support from the hard-working committees of Trinity United Church and the good people that make up this faith community. We wish you a Happy Easter.

FINANCE COMMITTEE—DOUG HOFSTEDE

The Finance Committee would like to thank you all again, for the awesome support you give to our community of faith. Last month at the Annual Congregational meeting, we approved the 2026 budget. It is early in the fiscal year, and we are currently in a positive financial position. However our Regular offerings is down slightly over last year. As we progress through the year, we will keep you up to date.

As a reminder there are a number of ways you can contribute.

- There is always the tried and true way of dropping off envelopes or postdated cheques in the donation plate on Sunday or at the main office through the mail slot at the front main entrance. You can also mail your offering envelopes to: Trinity United Church 3555-5th Ave. Prince George, BC V2M 1K8.

Electronic transfers or e-transfers are accepted. Just follow the regular process for your financial institution and email the donation (transfer) to bookkeeper@trinitypg.ca. If you have any instructions, you'd like us to be aware of, please write those in the information box as part of the transfer. You don't need to know your envelope number...we'll add those. Your e-transfer will be automatically deposited into the church account.

- Donate on the Church's website through "Plenty". There have been some technical difficulties with Plenty in the first part of this year but we hope to have it solved soon.
- Text "Donate" to 1-844-422-2899

OR, You can also sign up for PAR (Pre -authorized remittance). Contact the office and we would be happy to guide you through the process.

The final way that you can contribute is to continue to pray for our ministry, congregation and those in need whether it be financial, spiritual, health or mental wellness.

Doug Hofstede



FELLOWSHIP TEAM—CATHIE REID

I would like to thank everyone who helped with the Golden Age Social. I think that this is the first time that extra tables had to be set up at our Social. Our Seniors enjoyed the opportunity to socialize, have some goodies, and listen to the entertainment provided by the D.P. Todd Senior Band.

We continue to serve coffee, tea, and goodies after Worship on Sundays. We are still looking for people to help with 'Fellowship Light'. This means that you might receive a telephone call or an email asking for help making coffee and tea on Sunday morning. You won't be alone in the kitchen and you will always be working with a member of the Fellowship Team. You also do not have to attend Fellowship meetings.

We are not having a Spring Silent Auction this year but stayed tuned for information on future fundraisers such as muffin sales or Sundae Sunday. Again, I thank you for your support of our fundraising efforts. Have any fundraising suggestions? We are open to new ideas. Just let us know.

Happy Easter from the Fellowship Team.

Cathie Reid

(Chair, Fellowship Team)

1 Thessalonians 4:14 "For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep."

TRINITY KIDS—C.J. KLITCH

The Trinity Kids Program has been focused on Jesus and his life so far this year. We have discussed his childhood, a few of his miracles, some of the parables he told and lessons he taught. Through Lent, and the lead up to Easter, we have been focusing on the lead up to Easter for him too and tying it back to lent, reconciliation, and his sacrifice. We have talked about the temptation in the desert, his prediction of his death, the last supper, the garden of Gethsemani, Judas' betrayal and his arrest. Tying everything back to how he chose this out of love for us and to pay for our sins. While these can be heavy topics we have been age appropriate in our stories and activities. The children have also had engaging conversations and thoughtful responses during discussion time and our crafts are still a favorite – samples of which can be seen on the bulletin board as always.

CJ – Trinity Kids Coordinator

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES – VICKIE BROWN AND JUDY ADDIE

Soup Kitchen:

The Outreach Team serves a soup and sandwich lunch at St. Vincent's on the second Sunday of each month. In addition to a tasty soup made by Gladys, and two sandwiches made by the sandwich makers, the guests also receive fruit, a Dad's cookie, a juice box, and tea or coffee. A treat such as a Valentine's heart or small chocolate bar is often added.

Guests are offered socks, handwarmers, tissues, gloves, and toques during the winter months and seasonal items during the spring and summer.

A.C.E. Food Pantry:

The non-perishable food items that you donate to the Activity Centre for Empowerment (A.C.E.) on the first Sunday of each month are added to the Food Pantry and are available to members to supplement their food budget. In addition to food items, cleaning supplies, toilet paper, paper towels, and dishcloths are also welcome. The staff, the board of A.C.E. and our team are overwhelmed by your generosity.

Coldest Night of the Year Walk:

The Trinity Trekkers walked a 5 km route on February 28 to raise money for A.W.A.C. (Advocating for Women and Community). Over \$1000 was raised. Thanks to those who walked and to those who donated.

Socks for Kids:

We are collecting new or gently used socks for school aged children. These will be distributed to our partner schools and Harmony House in time for puddle season. The office staff at the schools keep a supply on hand for the students who come in from the playground with wet feet after recess and lunch.

Spring and Summer Items:

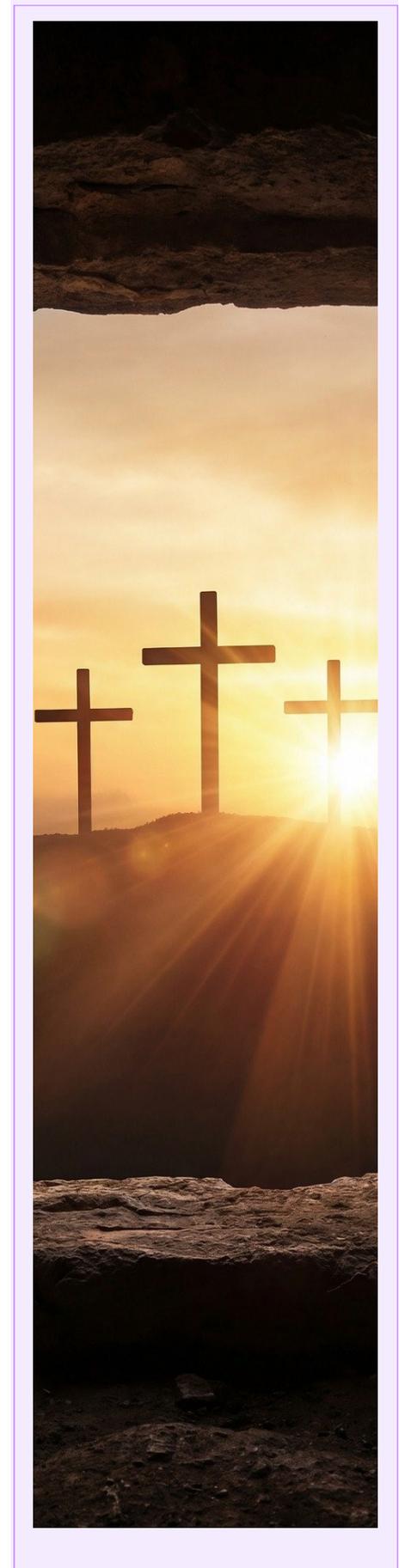
As we move into spring weather and April showers, we will be collecting rain gear for the guests at St. Vincent's Soup Kitchen. Rain jackets, ponchos, umbrellas, and socks are needed.

We will be giving away ball caps, sun hats, and water bottles in the summer. A donation bin is in the main entrance of the church.

Your donations of time, items, and money help us in our Outreach activities in our community. Thank you so much.

Judy Addie and Vickie Brown

Outreach Co- Chairs
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M & P COMMITTEE—KEITH TAITE

The M&P committee continues to meet regularly to monitor staff relationships, congregation concerns, and the overall ministry of Trinity United Prince George. We are pleased with the numerous ways the congregation provides continued support to our staff. The ministry of our church community would not be what it is today without your support. With that said we would like to remind the congregation that our staff is now busier than ever, especially with the running of the office and Knox Performance Center. They have a limited number of hours to complete their daily task, so we ask the congregation to minimize the number of disruptions to staff during work hours to ensure they can complete the jobs we need them to do on a weekly basis.

To the staff know that the members of the M&P committee are available to discuss and address any concerns or questions. Feel free to contact your liaison member or if you are unsure who that is contact any of the members of the M&P Committee.

Finally, the M&P committee would like to take an opportunity to wish the members of the congregation and of course our excellent staff a happy Easter.

Kindest Regards, Keith Taite (Chair)

Heather Neumann
Vicki Brown
Shannon Carson
Allan Reed

AFFIRMING MINISTRY—KENDRA MITCHELL-FOSTER

We have just come through PIE Day and we are looking ahead to a busy season of celebration, learning and connection. We collaborate with the PG Pride Society in offering Pride Events, we have booths at the NBC Queer Connections Picnic and at the Pride Festival. We often host documentary screenings at Knox, and we march in the parade! If you would like to be involved with this community outreach part of our Affirming Ministry, please contact Kendra at kmitchellfoster@gmail.com

Our next Queer Worship will be on April 19th at 2:00pm.

Interested in learning more about Queer Theology?

Check out this new series from PMR Affirming Ministries

QUEER THEOLOGY SERIES
DECONSTRUCTING BAD THEOLOGY
TUESDAYS
MARCH 31, APRIL 7 + 14
6pm-7:30pm PT / 7pm-8:30pm MT
Join us for this free three-part series featuring Jaye Brix's documentary on Queer Theology.
Register now:
tinyurl.com/ditchbadtheology

Got Keys?

Please return any keys that are not in use to the main office at 3555 5th Ave. (Trinity main campus or Knox keys)



SOCKS FOR KIDS

We are collecting donations of NEW and gently used socks for kids. We will be donating them to children in our partner schools. There is a bin in the main entrance for donations.



FESTIVAL OF FAITH NORTH

Trinity Downtown | Apr. 17-19th
(Knox Performance Centre)

You're invited to gather with church members, volunteers and ministers for a weekend of learning, connection, and celebration!

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