

OFFICIAL BOARD — JENNIFER COLE

“For the vision awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay.” Habakkuk 2:3

As the days grow longer and warmer, we get ready to celebrate the short season that is summer in Prince George. Meanwhile, we wait (sometimes patiently, other times not as much) for our new minister to present themselves. Over the next few months, know that the members of Trinity United Church continue to meet challenges and continue to grow. The Search Committee is meeting regularly as they work diligently to find our next Minister. The many other dedicated committees continue their excellent work both inside and outside of the church.

Over the summer, there are many opportunities to try something new – be a worship leader or assistant, help to make or serve sandwiches for St. Vincent’s, ask about joining other committees within the congregation and see what other possibilities interest you. There is a place for everyone’s talents.

I wish you all a wonderful summer, which will, hopefully, include some time to relax and relish in the beauty of the days ahead.

Jennifer Cole

Board Chair



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FINANCE COMMITTEE—DOUG HOFSTEDE

We are halfway through the year and the congregation continues to be very generous, donating slightly less than what is expected at this time of year. M&S donations are doing well and on target. Going into the summer months, donations have historically slowed. We have a number of ways to give.

Give at the Sunday service.

Drop off an envelope to 3555-5th Ave.

Join PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance). This is a way to authorize a regular automatic donation. Fill out the form on the United Church of Canada website.

E-Transfer to bookkeeper@trinitypg.ca.

Text “Donate” to 1-844-422-2899

Donate on our website www.trinitypg.ca. There is a donate button on the top right menu on the main web page.

Thank you again for your financial support that makes all our ministry and programs a reality.

Doug Hofstede

Co- Chair Finance Committee



Do you have fruit trees and need help harvesting? Are you someone who would volunteer to help with the harvest? If yes to either, check out the Gleaning Abundance Program (GAP) in Prince George.

By harvesting local fruit, this group reduces food waste, strengthens food security, improves human and wildlife safety, and fosters community connections.

You can find out more by contacting Lynn at eatgleaningabundance@gmail.com or by checking out the website Gleaning Abundance Program (GAP). www.letseatlocalpg.com/gleaningabundance

FELLOWSHIP TEAM—CATHIE REID

Hello from the Fellowship Team.

The Fellowship Team will be stepping back from its activities over the summer. We will be serving some light refreshments after Worship, but we will not be serving coffee and tea on a regular basis. We will not be doing any fundraising but be prepared for the fall when we resume muffin sales, Silent Auction, Hats for Kids, Christmas Gift Bags for Seniors among other things. We appreciate your support of our fundraising activities.

On behalf of the Fellowship Team, I wish you a restful and relaxing summer.

Safe Travels,

Cathie Reid,

Chair, Fellowship Team



M & P COMMITTEE—KEITH TAITE

M&P Committee continues to act on the direction from the church's Official Board. Our role is to provide confidential support for all of the church's paid staff and to act as a liaison between the staff and the congregation.

The committee has been busy fostering relationships with new staff, while supporting all staff whose duties have been adjusted since last fall.

The committees last meeting before summer break was June 15th. In the fall, meetings will resume.

We wish all of our valued staff a wonderful summer season, and that you take time for yourself and family.

Kindest Regards, Keith Taite (Chair)

Heather Neumann
Vicki Brown
Shannon Carson
Allan Reed



Soup Kitchen

The Outreach Committee serves a soup and sandwich lunch to guests at St. Vincent de Paul on the second Sunday of the month. We serve more than 100 bag lunches each time. The lunch includes soup, 2 sandwiches, a banana and an orange, and a treat.

Several people help with the preparation. In addition to the Sunday sandwich makers (10 to 12) and the team that prepares the lunch bags and serves the meal downtown (6 or 7), we want to thank Gladys for her delicious soup and to Wally and Lorna for picking it up. Tracey T. buys 24 loaves of bread each month, and Judy G. and Dave H. shop for the produce and other items on alternating months. Vickie and Katherine prepare the egg salad and tuna at home and deliver it to the church. Katherine is always in the kitchen early on Soup Kitchen Sunday to sanitize and to set up the workstations and is usually the last to leave. Thank you all for your time and talent in helping us reach out to the more vulnerable members of the community.

In addition to the bag lunches, we also offer other items to the guests. We always have socks and tissues. In the summer months, we have ball caps and sun hats. Rain gear, umbrellas, and ponchos are also available for those in need. The collection bin is in the main entrance. We welcome your donations of new or gently used socks, ball caps, water bottles, and ponchos. Blankets are always needed.

A.C.E.

The Activity Centre for Empowerment provides a drop-in centre and activities for its members. The non-perishable food items and household supplies like detergent and toilet paper are available for those who are on a limited income and need a little extra to stretch their food budget. The A.C.E .bin is in the main entrance, and items are collected on the first Sunday of each month. Thank you to David O'S and Henry who load up the vehicle and to Evelyn who delivers your donations to A.C.E.

Socks for kids

More than 150 pairs of socks were donated to Harmony House and to local elementary schools. Thank you for your donations.

Water Bottles

We have been collecting new and gently used water bottles during the month of June. Guests at St. Vincent's will be offered a refillable water bottle on Soup Kitchen Sundays in the summer. The bin is in the front entrance.



Feminine Hygiene Items

In July, we will be collecting feminine hygiene items. Your donations will be delivered to women at various downtown agencies and shelters by a staff member at A.C.E.

School Supplies

We will collect school supplies in August so that the children will receive them the first week of school. Some suggestions are exercise books, duotangs, lined paper, scissors, rulers, coloured pencils, crayons, washable felt pens, pencils, pens, glue sticks, erasers and calculators.

Thank you for your time and talent, and for the donations which allow us to continue this important ministry.

Judy Addie and Vickie Brown

Co-chairs Outreach



CHOIR — ERICA SKOWRON

I would like to thank the choir, our percussionist, Nancy Shelford; our accompanist, Vic Steblin; associate director, Diane Kjørven and Sandy Long and Kathleen Rowlands, our fill in accompanists for their all their work and dedication this past season.

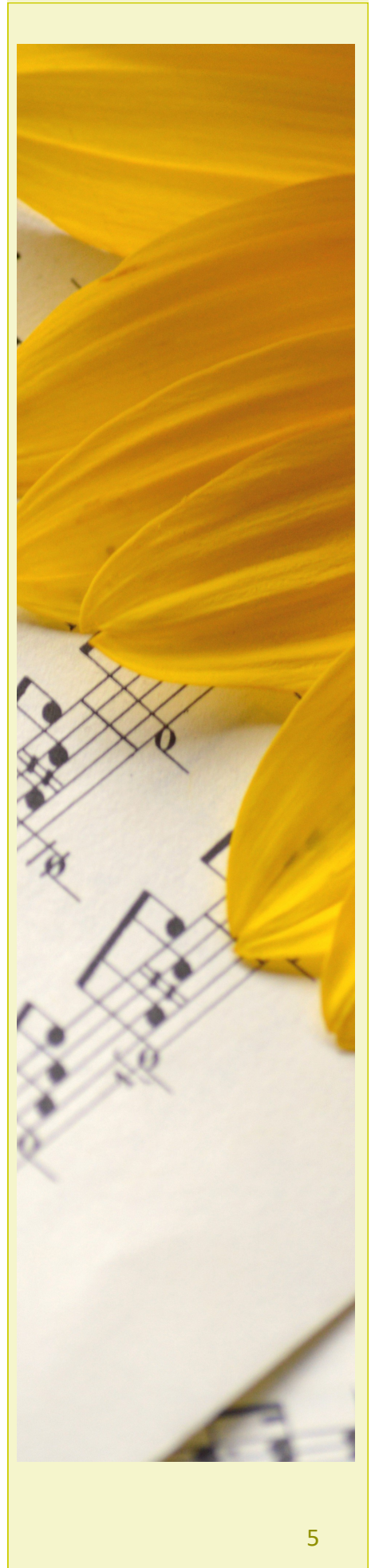
I am off for July and August and the choir takes a break from our regular Wednesday night rehearsals. During the summer months, Diane, Sandy, Kathleen, Roberta and Vic organize the pick up choir. Anyone is welcome to join this choir. Just show up at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday morning and look for the other choir members. Music is chosen and rehearsed and sung during the service. This is a great way to give the choir a try.

Our regular rehearsals will start up again on September 9 at 6:30 pm – 8 pm in the sanctuary. If you love to sing, think about joining us in the fall.

Have a wonderful summer.

Erica Skowron

Choir Director





PROPERTY—BILL HUDYMA

1. Fya Garbutt has stepped up and will be working on the grounds of the church. Cleaning flower beds getting the ground cleaned up and planting some new flowers
2. Judy Addie continues to clean up and organize the minister's office and other areas in the church.
3. The entrance door for the Prince George Conservatory needs to be replaced. The new door was approved and has been ordered
4. Signs for the rooms have been ordered and will be installed when completed.
5. Gathering room and Music school studio 1 door handles have been replaced or repaired
6. The railing of the ramp on the Fellowship Hall exit door has been replaced.
7. Any maintenance requests can be entered in the repair book in the office.

Bill and Crew

TRINITY KIDS—CJ KLITCH

It's summer!

The Trinity Kids Program has been all over the place as we mainly followed Spill the Beans for our verses and stories. After the Easter season, we talked about gathering the disciples and then learned about the forming of the church with Pentecost. We went further back to learn a bit about Elijah and touched on Ruth for Mother's Day. We spoke about Jesus, His healing and the reactions to it, and the forgiveness of sins. Discussion time has had some quiet weeks as well as some very engaged discussion regarding these various topics.

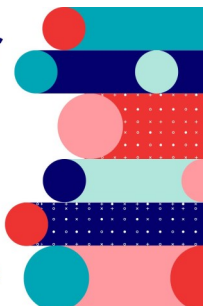
We have started to add the children's song segment prior to leaving the room for our program. The children have enjoyed being part of the service as well as learning the actions and singing the new to them songs.

CJ – Trinity Kids Coordinator

Trinity's Summer Office Hours

Trinity is back to
Summer office hours

Please check the website
for the summer office hours



Camp Spirit

Camp Spirit is happening July 20-24th this year. Volunteers Needed! Email Kendra for more information

kmitchellfoster@gmail.com

For Kids Ages 6-14



Trinity United Church
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Sign up for Volunteering and Muffin-making for Camp Spirit using this link

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1n6msyYEtDsWAQCpFQpHrPXcqC9_ZQqxigadxl8qaKck/edit?usp=sharing

Sign up to Volunteer to be a billet for Camp Spirit Leaders

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1PX7iAlpwliuOuQdD54->

Wanted:

We are looking for donations of water bottles for St. Vincents





Feminine Hygiene Products

For the month of July Outreach will be collecting any donations of feminine hygiene products to be distributed to various agencies and shelters by A.C.E



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