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# Trinity News - April 2024

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### **Attainable Housing in Our** Community

...and what it means for you

Tuesday April 9, 7-9 pm



Speaker: Thom Vincent
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# Note From Thomas Vincent

# Hi everyone:

I wanted to thank you all for attending the seminar on Attainable Housing. I hope our Team was able to outline details on the challenges with Attainable Housing in our community and the solutions that we have to offer. As I mentioned on numerous occasions, we need to have our municipalities work closely with the private sector and help us speed up the approval processes for Attainable Housing..... and we need lands to develop our Attainable Housing concepts.

Should anyone like copies of our presentation and wanted to discuss possible development opportunities, please connect with me at the number below.

Many thanks for your interest in Attainable Housing and how we can all make a difference in our communities.

## **Thomas Vincent**

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#### **Outreach and Social Action Committee**

**Community Dinner:** Wednesday March 20 chili dinner went smoothly.

**Indoor Food Pantry and Food Table.** Report from Betty Hancey it should be made clear the Food Table is an emergency table not a store.

#### **Food Pantry - Bag distribution**

March - Rev Lesley - 2 family bags from pantry, Others - 2 single bags from pantry and 4 bags from warming closet.

Jane Earthy, Marg Perk, Mae Reed and myself did the major shop needed to replenish the basics for the pantry. Total cost was \$ 1022.41 .

- Outdoor Food Box: Barb and Ralph continue to do the shopping for this augmented by Indoor Food Pantry shoppers. Mobile kitchen drops off bread. Running about \$1,000 per month.
- Out of the Cold: Jane and a team of 7 volunteers cooked on March 14.

**Susan Wells Crockpot Program.** Barbara reported she will announce another class at the Community Dinner for the following week.

Warming Closet: Mike and Cathy seeking spring clothing.

Shawl Ministry: Met March 27, and will meet twice a month.

**Pickle Ball** Mike reports pickleball raised \$13,700 in first quarter of this year.

**Trinity Men's Coffee Club:** Ralph reported two successful meetings in March. Will meet twice in April and May then take a break for the summer.

**Camp Simpresca**: Spiritual Committee is planning a Camping Sunday on April 28 with a hot dog lunch with pot luck salads and desserts. Ralph Sneyd will put together a Trinity cabin cleaning crew in the spring.

**Next meeting -** Tuesday May 7, 2024 4pm. Mary Elizabeth



# **Food Donation Day Sunday April 21st**

We would appreciate your donations of non-perishable food in order to add variety to our pantry offerings. Suggested items are: Cereal, oatmeal in packets, peanut butter, canned meat or fish, soup, canned fruit and vegetables and any treats like granola bars, crackers, cookies etc

This program is growing along with the need in our community.

\*If spring cleaning your cupboards please check the best before dates!

We also welcome any extra shopping bags you may have.

# Easter Sunday Sunrise Service - Brrrrrrrrr!





Following the service about 15 gathered at the Georgian Bay Family Restaurant for a hot breakfast.



UCW makes meat pies Wednesday April 24.

Historic Moment for the United Church of Canada

This past week, the United Church of Canada stepped out in faith to let the leading of the Holy Spirit guide us in a new way forward. The Church as a whole (all 2000 pastoral charges, including Trinity) voted overwhelmingly in favour of establishing:

A National Indigenous Organization that will function within our Church identity but be autonomous in developing their own structures and process of operations as an equal alongside our current General Council structure.

In their response to the remit passing, the National Indigenous Council wrote....

We, the National Indigenous Council, are a diverse group of Indigenous Peoples, rooted in distinct innate values and wisdom. We:

Carry a common vision and dream
Respect everyone's story
Care for one another
Uphold community
Build positive relationships.

We thank our Ancestors and All Our Relations who have brought us to this moment.

We are all spirit first.

The work of Right Relations continues.

We commit to moving forward together in a good way.

# Spiritual Committee Report to the Board April 2024

**Pew Pamphlet** - Done and in the pews. We have replaced some that have been taken from the pews as we hoped. No need to print more at this time.

Camping Sunday Plans - April 28th- fireplace, pup tent, back pack, small paddles, life preservers, pot luck salads/desserts, camping stories - good and bad - John to put request in bulletin so they can be written up to put up in the banquet hall.

Outdoor Service July 14th - rental done

Friendly Visitor - Janie reports - Printed copies of the newsletters can be delivered by Friendly Visitors to the members who do not have an email address. John will update our list with email addresses. It was noted that delivering dinners often turns into an unofficial friendly visit.

**Shawl Ministry** -Many shawls are being gifted. Many more were blessed during the service last Sunday.

**Faith Formation - Mary Elizabeth reports-** it is interesting to see what the children take home from the "corner". Another book study is planned. Stroll for the Soul will have some changes - further info coming.

**Social Media -** blurbs are on FB of both Sunrise and the Easter Service.

**Communication with new members** - working on getting everyone to wear their name tags.

**Prayer Workshop**. It is a subject that has come up with members of the congregation.

UCW Report to Board Meeting - From March 21, 2024

- 1. Dedication of Leaves on Celebration Tree\* in memory of 12 UCW members that have passed. Invite the families and have a cake on May 5
- \* On the Celebration Tree each leaf or apple is often in memory of a loved one or it may celebrate some special event. The office has details on how to proceed.

Joy Barr

#### GLOBAL STROLLING WITH KERERU PUBLISHING & PRAYER BENCH

Saturday May 19 to June 8, 2024



Global Strolling (Stroll for Your Soul) offers 21 days of accompaniment through a brief email delivered early each morning to your inbox. Each email will offer a practice, or a reflection, or a poem, or a photograph giving direction and encouragement to your time spent walking, jogging, biking even skateboarding or simply intentionally looking out the window.

It takes 21 days to create a habit. Use these daily emails as motivation to get outside. They will help you notice the green and growing glories of Spring. If you are a

regular walker, they offer practice at paying attention and being in the present moment. Weave silence and mindful reflection into whatever minutes you have to give to yourself. Deepen your awareness of seeing the Divine in the ordinary and practice being in the present moment with these daily emails.

Global Strolling is a collaboration between The Prayer Bench in Canada and Kereru Publishing in New Zealand. Janice and Caroline explore the unique spirituality of their landscapes from very different parts of the world.

Please contact Mary Elizabeth Piercy at <a href="maryelizabethpiercy@gmail.com">maryelizabethpiercy@gmail.com</a> for more information and to sign up.



Popular event every Sunday in the banquet hall following the service. Volunteers only need to bring one litre of milk. Sign up is posted each Sunday in the banquet hall.

Questions? Christine: 705 446-0767.

## A message from the Affirming Exploration Group

Our group, formed as an initiative by the Board, has now met four times. One of these meetings was with the Rev Lesley, another was with the Rev Thérèse Samuel, formerly at Grace United in Thornbury and now Minister for Right Relations and Social Justice with our United Church region, Western Ontario Waterways. Our other two meetings have been spent getting to know one another and discussing where each of us currently finds ourself in this Affirming conversation. Like the Trinity congregation, we are not all at the same place with this. We are learning as we explore our differing viewpoints. Something we do share is a feeling that these discussions are an opportunity for exploring our faith and for spiritual growth.

We will keep you informed!

Sincerely,

Joan Boughton, Andy Cooper, Barbara Downie, Brian Goodings, Holli Kinnear, Marion Locke, Bev Mayberry, Beth Theis (contact).

From The Manual of the United Church of Canada: We believe God is doing a new thing and is calling The United Church of Canada to be part of a new creation.

Beth

# Hello Trinity Members,

Our Facebook page is proving to be a great online space for showing the public what wonderful things are going on at our church, in building both faith and community. Viewing numbers are on the rise, and we hope that translates into some new visitors and members. But, I am only able to post photos that I am taking on Sunday, or any events I may personally attend. This is where I need your help...could you please start taking a photo or two with your phone, when you attend any Trinity activity? It could be a meeting, a prayer circle, hands knitting, kids playing in the gym, visiting the sick. Photos can be taken discreetly, without faces, or with full faces visible - your choice! Then, just email them to me, and I'll be happy to post on your behalf.

We need to show that we aren't just a Church-on-Sunday church, and social media is a great tool to help us in that mission!

Thanks Everyone! Linda Murphy

Here is the link to our Facebook page, so you can scroll through previous posts to get an idea of how we are presenting ourselves to the public using this medium. https://www.facebook.com/trinityunitedchurchcollingwood

Happy Trails! Linda Murphy "The Healthy Hiker" 705-351-1420

# From Rev. Lesley:

On Sunday, April 28 we will be celebrating Camping Sunday. Do you have any inspirational/funny/interesting stories of camping from your past? If so, please pass them along to Rev. Lesley as we will use them in the message time: <a href="mailto:com/collingwoodunitedminister@gmail.com">collingwoodunitedminister@gmail.com</a>.

Following the Camping Sunday Service, Ralph will be getting out the BBQ for a hot dog luncheon that will include pot luck salads and desserts. A first at Trinity since you know what ended what we have all missed. Looking forward to April 28. p.s. Donation baskets in support of campers will be on the tables.

Looking for a volunteer to cover Pickle Ball on Sundays from 4:30 - 6:30. Let Mike know if you can help. 705 445-3901

Beginner Pickleball
Tuesday Nights
with Chelsea
6:00 - 7:30p.m.

ONLY FOR
Beginners
Please





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