 **Trinity – Clifton Pastoral Charge**

 **United Church of Canada**

 **November 19, 2017 10:30 a.m.**

 **153rd** **Anniversary Service**

 **Welcome**

We are glad that you are here as a visitor, a seeker, someone looking for a new church home, or as a regular worshipper or member.

All are welcome in this place.

**\***Please rise as you are able.

**The Gathering**

**Prelude** Toccata for the Elevation Frescobaldi

**Words of Welcome**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**  Lochlain Cameron

**Quiet Preparation for Worship**

**\*Introit** This is the Day VU #412, vs 1

**\*Call to Worship**

Behold, God is doing a new thing.

 **Here. Now. In the midst of daily life.**

The One who created heaven and earth forms us afresh today.

 **Let us rise to greet our Maker.**

 **Amen and amen!**

**\*Hymn** It’s a Song of Praise to the Maker MV #30

**Opening Prayer**

O God, maker of heaven and earth,

when it is dark, you create light.

 **Out of conflict, you offer peace.**

 **Out of sadness, you bring joy.**

Out of fear, you grant courage.

Out of death, you raise us to new life.

 **Your grace is beyond all expectation.**

 **Your love is beyond all imagination.**

Your faithfulness is sure and never ending.

 You give and you give and you give.

**Help us to worship you as Creator, Messiah, and Holy Spirit, as we continue to pray…**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy Kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth,
as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;**

**and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

**Anthem** Come, Christians, Join to Sing*arr.* F. Thomas Simpson

**Welcoming New Members through Transfer of Membership**

**Introduction**

**Presentation:** Meryl Cummings

On behalf of Trinity Clifton Pastoral Charge,

 I present the following persons

 whom we welcome into the membership

 of this community of faith:

 Alan Allen, Judy Allen, Jean Gough, Anne MacEwen, Harvey MacEwen, Gail Taylor

**Commitment of New Members:**

 Will you join with us

 as together we celebrate God’s presence,

 live with respect in creation,

 love and serve others,

 seek justice and resist evil?

 **I will, with God’s help.**

**Congregational Commitment:**

 Dear friends in Christ,

 let us pledge to these persons our support and care.

 **As your family in Christ,**

 **we rejoice in the gifts you bring to us.**

 **We pledge to you our love and our support.**

 **With God’s help, together we will live out**

 **the mission and ministry of Christ’s church.**

**Community Profession of Faith:**

**We are not alone,**

**we live in God’s world.**

**We believe in God:**

**who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,**

**the Word made flesh,**

**to reconcile and make new,**

**who works in us and others**

**by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church:**

**to celebrate God’s presence,**

**to live with respect in Creation,**

**to love and serve others,**

**to seek justice and resist evil,**

**to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,**

**our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,**

**God is with us. We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.**

**Welcome:**

 **In the name of Jesus Christ,**

 **we welcome you to the privileges and responsibilities**

 **of membership in this congregation.**

 **We give thanks to God for your witness among us.**

**The Word**

**Psalm 90** O God, Our Help in Ages PastVU, page 806

**Acts 17: 16-34** Dianne Burgoyne

**Anthem** How Can I Keep From Singing Gilpin

**Sermon** God’s Tweeters in the Marketplace Rev. Bob Lockhart

**\*Hymn** Draw the Circle Wide MV #145

**Response to the Word**

**Offering Invitation**

**Offertory** Let There Be Peace On Earth *arr.* Arnold B. Sherman

**\*Presentation of Offering** VU #543

 We Give Thee but Thine Own

**Offering Prayer**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**\*Hymn** Bless Now, O God, the Journey VU #633

**Sending Forth**

**\*Commission and Benediction**

**Postlude**  Fugue in D Minor Couperin

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Our opening prayer this morning was written by the Rev. Bob Lockhart.

**Ushers:**

**Head Usher:** Audrey Farquharson

**North Side:** Audrey Farquharson, June & Bill Ives

**South Side:** Bruce Fitchett, Gerald Burgoyne, Alma Mutch

**Balcony:** Linda & Harry Hibbs

**Ministers:** All of Us

**Clergy Team:** Rev. Cathie Crooks & Rev. Greg Davis

**Music Director:** Donald Fraser

**Custodians:** Lorraine Worth & Charles Baglole

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**Announcements**

**Today’s Bulletins** are in loving memory of Ivo Cudmore, presented by Eunice, Gary, Rev. Reed and families.

**Happy Birthday** to Sam Howatt on Nov. 21, to Betty MacEachern on Nov. 22, to Dorothy Murray on Nov. 23 and to Phil Floyd on Nov. 24.

**Triennial Visit:** Please reserve the night of Dec. 7, 6:30 pm so that you may take advantage of an opportunity to discuss the life, work, health and strength, concerns and vision of our Pastoral Charge with representatives of PEI Presbytery's Committee on Pastoral Oversight. Ms. Carolyn Francis and Rev. Jack Spencer will be our Presbytery Representatives.

**2018 Church Calendars** are available at the Church Office for $6.  Only 9 copies available!

**Confirmation:** Any person (grade 9 and up) wishing to be confirmed in the United Church is required to participate in a Confirmation Educational Program. If there is sufficient interest, a program will begin in the New Year. If interested, please contact Greg Davis at gcdavis@eastlink.ca or call 902-892-4114 no later than Oct. 31.

**Check out** a story about our church. Go to the following link for The Maritime Conference Beacon publication :<https://marconf.ca/47585-archives-artefact-beacon-newsletter/>

**Trinity UCW Annual Meeting and Dinner** will be held on Mon., Dec. 11 at Andrews of Stratford. Registration 9:30am, the meeting begins at 10 am with guest speaker, Sharon Moyse following the meeting.  At 11:45 we will be entertained by the Stratford Strummers and a buffet Turkey Dinner will begin at 12:15. The cost will be $25 per person and payment is required by Nov. 30. Please contact Isabel Scott, 902-569-2423 if you plan to attend. If possible, please double up people in cars, as parking could be a problem.

**Trinity's Kids' Chorus** will be meeting on Sundays, from 9:45 to 10:25 am in the Upper Hall. All kids and youth are welcome to attend!!! Please call Ellen Davis, at 902-892-6035 for more information, or just show up ready to smile and sing next Sunday morning! See you there!

**Upcoming Trinity Events**

**Communications Committee** will meet on Tues, Nov. 21, 5:30 pm

**Outreach Committee** will meet on Tues., Nov. 21, 6:30 pm.

**C. D.** **Committee** will meet on Wed., Nov. 22, Noon

**Stewardship Committee** will meet on Wed., Nov. 22, 6:30 pm.

**History and Archives Comm.** will meet on Wed., Nov. 22, 7 pm.

These long dark nights make it a great time of year to curl up with a good book! Please join the **PEI Social Justice Book Club** on Wed., Nov. 29, 7 pm when we meet to discuss Lawrence Hill’s thought provoking novel “The Illegal”. For more information contact Monica Macdonald at 902 388-7780 or Bev Bishop at bevbishop71@gmail.com or check out our page on Facebook.

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**Other Church and Community Events**

**Central Queens United Church**, Hunter River, is pleased to host Dino and the Harmonies' Christmas Concert on Sun., Nov. 26 at

7:30 pm. Come join us in welcoming the Christmas season in a most musical and joyful way. Admission: $10 at the door with light refreshments served.

**Men of the Harvest concert** at Winsloe United Church on Sun., Nov. 19, at 7:30 pm.

**The annual Sorensen Family Christmas concert**, “There’s Music in the Air”, will be held on Fri., Dec. 8, 7:30 pm, at South Shore United Church. The program includes a wide range of music, singing, and stories for the Christmas Season. Lunch and a time for socializing will follow the evening’s entertainment.  Admission is a freewill offering with all donations going in support of the Church. For more information please call 902-658-2009.

**Park Royal Church’s 7th Annual Festive Turkey Dinner** with all the trimmings will take place on Sat., Dec. 2, 5:30 pm. The evening will include Christmas music, lots of entertainment, and festive holiday décor. Tickets available by calling Church Office at 902-894-9656 during the week - $20 adults and $10 children under 12.

**A Godly Play Invitation**

**for Adults**

The Godly Play Storytellers of Trinity United Church

wish to invite adults

into the thoughtful, inspiring experience

of Godly Play.

Throughout 2017 – 2018, a variety of opportunities will be offered for adults to experience Godly Play with Trinity’s five accredited storytellers.

**Sunday, November 26 9:30 – 10:15 am**

Nov. 26, Old Testament desert story, Storyteller Linda Lavoie

Child care will be provided.

**Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1, 2018, Thursdays, 7 – 8:30 pm**

Reflect onthree Old Testament “Desert Stories”, told Godly Play style, and ponder the ways in which they are still the stories of our lives today.

Presented by the Christian Development Committee and our Godly Play Storytellers: Linda Lavoie, Ellen Locke Doiron, Linda Mahood, Greg Davis, Gail Hopkirk



**Fundscrip** – Gift cards for gas, groceries, movies, books, clothes and more can be purchased with cash or cheque before and after our service each Sunday or in our church office during the week. Use them yourself or give as gifts – a great way to help our church as we receive a percentage from the sale. Promotions for month of Nov. are as follows: Esso 3% (regular 2%), Winners 8% (regular 6%), Canadian Tire 5% (regular 4%), Old Navy/Gap 10% (regular 5%), Way Spa 13% (regular 10%)

**Available Cards:**

**Gas -** all stations **Groceries -** all stores **Office** - Staples

**Health** - Lawtons, Shoppers **Entertainment** - Indigo, Cineplex

**Apparel -** Payless Shoes, Claires, Aldo, Marks Work Wearhouse, Old Navy, GAP, Le Chateau **Children** - Toys R Us, Children's Place

**Department Stores** - Hudson Bay, Winners, Walmart

**Electronics** - Best Buy, The Source

**Home and Garden** - Home Furniture, Stokes, Home Sense, Home Hardware, Canadian Tire, Home Depot

**Restaurants** - Pizza Hut, Boston Pizza, Wendys, KFC, Harveys, Starbucks, Swiss Chalet, Subway, Montanas

**Other** - Pet Smart, SportChek, Running Room, Best Western, Fairmont Hotels, Giant Tiger