



**Trinity – Clifton Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada**



January 14, 2018 10:30 a.m.

Epiphany 2

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 O God, Thou Faithful God Walther

Words of Welcome Rev. Cathie Crooks

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Quiet Preparation for Worship

***Introit** In the Darkness Shines the Splendour
VU #92, vss 1, 2 & 4

***Call to Worship**

Young and old, slow and fast;
tall and small, teachers and learners:
God has called each of us here.
Wrinkled, white-haired, stooped with age;
bright-eyed, smooth-skinned,
leapers of two steps at a time:

Offertory Now All The Woods Are Sleeping
Walther

***Presentation of Offering**

VU #541

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures high and low;
give thanks to God in love made known:
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.**

***Offering Prayer**

**You gather us together as your people
knitting us together as a people
who seek to be faithful to our calling
to serve our sister and brothers.
As we offer our prayers to you,
we do so trusting in your steadfast love. Amen**

Pastoral Prayer

Sending Forth

***Hymn O God, You Search Me**

**O God, you search me and you know me.
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down, you are before me,
Ever the maker and keeper of my days.**

**You know my resting and my rising.
You discern my purpose from afar,
and with love everlasting you besiege me:
In ev'ry moment of life or death, you are.**

**Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
you have known its meaning through and through.**

**You are with me beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past and future too.**

**Although your Spirit is upon me,
still I search for shelter from your light.
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:
Even the darkness is radiant in your sight.**

**For you created me and shaped me,
gave me life within my mother's womb.
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you:
Safe in your hands, all creation is made new.**

Bernadette Farrell
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***Commission and Benediction**

Wonder of wonders! God sends us from this place,
to be healing hands to the world's brokenness.

Wonder of wonders! Jesus calls us as sisters and brothers,
**to accept others as completely
as we have been embraced.**

Wonder of wonders! The Spirit is at work through us,
**wherever we are –
work, home, playground, shelter, school.**

Wonder of wonders!

We will go to live as God's people!

Choral Amen

Postlude Our Father, Thou in Heaven Above Zachau

Ushers:

Head Usher: David Essery

North Side: David Essery, David & Iris Rogers

South Side: Mary & Harvey Chandler, Judy Irwin

Balcony: Miriam Lank, Linda Sherren

Ministers: All of Us

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

Music Director: Donald Fraser

Office Administrator: Ellen Locke Doiron

Custodians: Lorraine Worth & Charles Baglole

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Announcements

Happy Birthday to Peter Howatt on Jan. 18 and to Bill Ives on Jan. 19.

2018 Church Envelopes are now ready and are outside our church office. If you don't have contribution envelopes but would like some, please see Ellen in our office.

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 Jan. 15.

Upcoming Trinity Events

Affirm Committee will meet on Mon., Jan. 15 at 1 pm.

Communications Comm. will meet on Tues., Jan. 16 at 5:30 pm.

Pastoral Care Committee will meet on Wed., Jan. 17 at 5:30 pm.

A three-week adult study will be offered on Thursdays, 7–9:30 pm, Jan. 18, 25 and Feb. 1, by Gail Hopkirk. Using the **Godly Play** method of storytelling, the group will experience three, Old Testament “desert” stories: The Great Family (Abraham and Sarah), The Exodus (out of Egypt), and The Exile (to Babylon and return to Jerusalem). These stories offer a brief overview of the historical and spiritual development of the people of God. Participants will ponder how these ancient stories are also the stories of our lives. Those planning to attend are asked to contact Gail Hopkirk, at gailhopkirk@gmail.com, or 902 367 0272.

PEI Social Justice Book Club: The Globe and Mail described All My Puny Sorrows as “a funny novel honoring deep sadness”. In this

novel author Miriam Toews tackles the topics of suicide, dying with dignity and the bond between siblings with humor, deep insight and compassion. Join us in the parlor for a discussion of this compelling novel on Wednesday, February 7th at 7:00. For more information contact Monica Macdonald at 902 388-7780 or Bev Bishop at bevbishop71@gmail.com or check out our page on Facebook. All are welcome. Hope to see you there!

Other Church and Community Events

How well do you know a person? The West River United Church, in Cornwall is hosting "The Ernie Stavert Roast" Sat., Feb. 10 at 5:30 pm. Ernie has worn many hats within various organizations and there are many things you may or may not know about him! The evening includes a hot roast beef dinner and guaranteed entertainment. Tickets \$40/person (with a charitable tax receipt of \$20). A limited number of tickets are available at the church office. For more information or to reserve/buy your tickets contact Martina 902- 566-4052.

Winsloe United Church Ceilidh on Mon., Jan. 22, at 7:30 pm. Host Colleen MacPhee will be joined by Larry Campbell and drummer/vocalist Billy Matthew. Admission is \$10 at the door; doors open at 6:30 pm.

The Charlottetown Area Christian Council is planning to celebrate the World-Wide Week of Prayer for Christian Unity with an inter-denominational prayer breakfast and a Sunday evening concluding service. The prayer breakfast will be held at the Rodd Charlottetown Hotel on Sat., Jan. 20, 8 am. Tickets are available in the Trinity church office and are \$15 each. The concluding service will be held on Sun., Jan. 28, 7pm at St. Dunstan's Basilica.

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.

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 – Tim Hortons, Pizza Hut, Boston Pizza, Wendys, KFC, Harveys, Starbucks, Swiss Chalet, Subway, Montanas
Other - Pet Smart, SportChek, Running Room, Best Western, Fairmont Hotels, Giant Tiger

