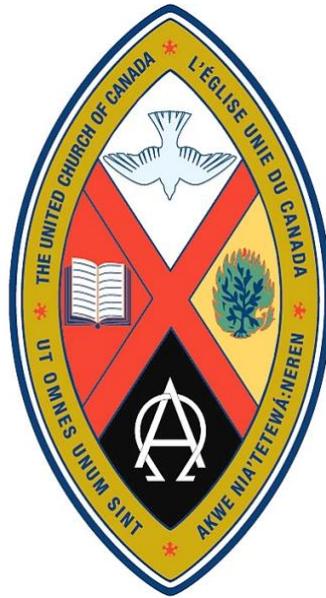


# **Trinity - Clifton Congregation**



# **Annual Report 2018**

## **CLIFTON UNITED CHURCH**

Bunbury's only church still stands as Clifton United Church on Clifton Road, Stratford. In 1848, the church was built as a Wesleyan Chapel on land given by Capt. James Kelly for the sum of five shillings. The land surrounding the church was already in use as a burying ground. The deeds are dated September 28, and October 19, 1848, and the church was dedicated in the spring of 1849.

A shed was built across the road from the church to shelter horses and wagons or sleighs. Unlike today, service in the tiny church was held year-round. Although the church was heated by a stove, it was still a very cold place in winter. One long-time churchgoer recalled freezing her feet while sitting in church. The ordeal left her unable to attend school the next day.

After Church Union in 1925, Clifton Church became part of the Pownal United Church pastoral charge. On June 5, 1949, special services were held at Clifton United Church, marking the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the erection and dedication of the church building. In 1962 it was added to Trinity United Church, Charlottetown, as a preaching place.

In 1994, Clifton Church was recognized as a heritage building by the P.E.I. Museum and Heritage Foundation. A dedication ceremony was held on October 15, 1994, the closest Sunday to the 146<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the date of the original deed of purchase. The heritage plaque was presented by the Bunbury Community Council to the descendants of the original church members. In attendance were direct descendants of all the signatories of the 1848 deed.

This historic church is one of the oldest church buildings now used by the United Church on P.E.I. Services are held every Sunday from early June until Thanksgiving in October.

## **TRINITY UNITED CHURCH**

In 1862 the trustees of the First Methodist Church purchased land on the corner of Prince and Sydney Streets for a new church. In May 1863 the cornerstone of the new church was laid.

During the summer of 1863 the masons worked many long hours to finish the brick walls, and by late October the work of raising the rafters began. At the time, few buildings in Canada could boast an unsupported dome roof with a 69-foot span. The building is 115 feet long, 69 feet wide and 42 feet high to the eave. Two octagonal towers on the west wall are separated by a beautiful Gothic window 32 feet high and 15 feet wide. The interior of the church is of Gothic architecture, unobstructed by columns. There were 150 pews on the main floor, seating 900 people, and 78 pews in the balcony seating 650. The actual cost of the new building was \$30,825, including \$843.56 for the cost of the land. The debt at the time of opening was \$9,491. The new church was dedicated and officially opened on November 13, 1864.

The church basement provided 36 Sunday School classrooms with an enrolment in 1865 of some 708 pupils and teachers. Classes were held there until Hartz Memorial Hall was built in 1911. A new Christian Education Centre was opened in 1965. Unfortunately, Hartz Memorial Hall was destroyed by fire in October 1969.

In 1955 a new organ, built and installed by Casavant Freres, was dedicated to commemorate those who died, and those who served, in World War II and the Korean Conflict. The organ is a three manual and pedal instrument with 48 stops and weighs approximately 20 tons.

Our roots go back to 1778, when Benjamin Chappell invited friends into his home to support and follow the Methodist persuasion. In 1925, Methodist, Presbyterian, and Congregational Churches united to form The United Church of Canada. Today, Trinity-Clifton Pastoral Charge enjoys the benefit of this rich spiritual legacy.

The motto of Trinity United Church is "*Have Faith in God.*" It is with increasing faith that we go forward into the future.

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## **Staff**

*Clergy* – Rev. Cathie Crooks

*Interim Clergy* – Rev. Anne Dalziel Singer & Rev. Melaney Matheson

*Organist & Music Director* - Donald Fraser

*Office Administrator* – Ellen Locke Doiron

*Custodians* - Lorraine Worth & Andy Gagnon

## **Council Members for 2018**

Barbara Prowse

Philip Floyd

Tim Cook

Philip Floyd

Graeme Linkletter

Alma Mutch

Anne Love

Linda Dunning

David White

Sylvia Gunn & Heather Cameron

Bruce Fitchett

Linda Dunning

Heather Cameron

Basil Ikede

Joy Ikede

Mary Cowper-Smith & Gail MacNutt

Judy Irwin

Mario Zirone

Bev Bishop

Vicki AllenCook

June Sanderson

Virginia McGowan

Chair

Past Chair

Secretary

Treasurer

Nominations Chair

Property Chair

Christian Development Chair

Pastoral Care Chair

Worship Chair

Finance Chair

Outreach & Service Co-Chairs

Trinity Representative

Clifton Representative

Memorials Chair

Trustees Representative

Presbytery Representative

Presbytery Representative

Presbytery Representative

Ministry & Personnel Co-Chairs

UCW President

Trinity Men

Manse Committee

Stewardship Committee

Affirm Committee

Communications Committee

**Annual Congregational Meeting**  
**Sunday, February 17, 2019 - 12:00 pm**  
**Agenda**

- 1) Election of Presiding Officers: Chair & Secretary
- 2) Constitution of the Meeting
- 3) Approval of Agenda
- 4) In Memoriam: Rev. Anne Dalziel Singer
- 5) Prayer: Rev. Melaney Matheson
- 6) Approval of Minutes of Last Annual Meeting
- 7) Business Arising
- 8) Presentation of Committee Reports
  - a) Finance and Administration
    - David White Chair of Finance Committee, Tim Cook Treasurer
    - Treasurer's Report
    - Financial Statements
    - Budget
    - Approval of Signing Officers
    - Appointment of a firm for audit / review
  - b) Nominating Report – Philip Floyd
    - **Introduction and Motion:** The Affirm Committee was established for a three-year term and every additional year needed to continue their ministry, would be voted on at the Congregation Annual Meeting. *Moved by Philip Floyd Seconded by Roma Downe-MacQuarrie* to reappoint the Affirm Committee as a Standing Committee for one year.
    - **Motion:** That the congregation authorize Council to choose members to fill any open positions on Committees of Council. *Moved Philip Floyd. Seconded Roma Downe-MacQuarrie.*
  - b) Church Council Chairperson – Barbara Prowse
  - c) Christian Development – Alma Mutch
  - d) Communications – Virginia McGowan
  - e) Development Committee – Robert MacNutt
  - d) Outreach and Service – Heather Cameron, Sylvia Gunn
  - e) Pastoral Care – Anne Love
  - f) Property – Graeme Linkletter
  - g) Worship – Linda Dunning
  - j) Ministry and Personnel – Mary Cowper-Smith, Gail MacNutt
  - k) Board of Trustees – Bill Bishop
  - l) Affirm – Val Downe, June Sanderson
  - m) Stewardship – Vicki AllenCook
- 8) Reports Continued
  - n) Clifton United Church – Bruce Fitchett
  - o) Ad Hoc Committee – Philip Floyd, David White
  - p) Trinity Men – Mario Zirone
  - q) United Church Women – Judy Irwin
  - r) Memorials – Ken MacDonald

s) Presbytery – Heather Cameron

- Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Region

9) New Business

- Updates

- Fundscrip – Ken MacDonald

- JNAC

- Congregation Meeting July 2018 – Renovations to Narthex

- Triennial Report Response – Carol Gabanna

10) Ministers' Comments:

Rev. Anne Dalziel Singer, Rev. Melanie Matheson, Rev. Cathie Crooks

11) Motion to Adjourn

12) Benediction: Rev. Cathie Crooks

**Trinity / Clifton Pastoral Charge  
Annual Congregational Meeting  
Sunday, February 18, 2018**

Present: Tim Cook, Heather Cameron, Jean Cameron, Enid Carter, Marven MacDonald, Willard MacKinnon, Errol Andrews, Ewen Stewart, Alan Brady, Norman Thompson, Ireta Thompson, Eileen Howatt, Valerie Murphy, Florence Wonnacott, Don Wonnacott, Gail White, Moe Wood, Joan Wood, Roger Gordon, Alison Gordon, Heather Cox Diamond, Karen Wood, Linda Dunning, Valerie Downe, Roma Downe-MacQuarrie, Clive Cudmore, John Enman, Bruce Fitchett, Katherine Dewar, Philip Floyd, Debbie Floyd, Gwyneth Jones, David White, Ken MacDonald, Elaine MacDonald, Dianne Carruthers, Norman Carruthers, Shirley MacDonald, Rev. Sandrabelle MacEwen, Joyce Caines, Jeanette Scott, David Younker, Alma Mutch, Don Scott, Vicki Allen Cook, Murray Cook, Chris Cook, Ginny McGowan, Graeme Linkletter, Howard Hibbs, Rev. Gail Hopkirk, Rev. Ian MacLean, Anne Love, Herman van Omme, Cheryl van Omme, Mary Ann Burke Matheson, Gordon Matheson, Emily Bryant, Vans Bryant, Harry Kielly, Myrna Kielly, Iris Rogers, David Rogers, Isabel Bowman, Austin Bowman, Velda Ward, Ruth MacDougall, Bernice Bell, Kent Shaw, Heather Shaw, Evelyn Jenkins, Barbara Stewart, Mark Richardson, Patsy Mills, Bill Bishop, Bev Bishop, Mary Cowper-Smith, Mario Zirone, Callista Tan, Ben Sinnamon, Rev. Cathie Crooks, Rev. Greg Davis, Jenny Mason (Secretary), Barbara Prowse (Chair)

- 1) **Election of Presiding Officers: Chair & Secretary** – Rev. Greg Davis called for nominations for a Chairperson to conduct the Annual Congregational Meeting. Phil Floyd nominated Barbara Prowse to preside. Agreed. Jenny Mason acted as Secretary for the meeting.
- 2) **Constitution of the Meeting** - Barbara Prowse opened the meeting with the Offertory prayer of service that had been shared together in the morning worship service.
- 3) **Approval of Agenda - Motion** to approve agenda for this Annual Congregational Meeting with the addition of the Report on Triennial Visit under new business. Moved Phil Floyd, seconded Virginia McGowan.
- 4) **Opening Worship** – With Rev. Cathie Crooks on piano, those gathered sang "I Have Called You by Your Name". Everyone read together the United Church Creed: Statement of Faith.

- 5) **In Memoriam:** – Rev. Cathie Crooks read the names. Shirley MacDougall’s name was added to the print copy.
- 6) **Approval of Minutes of Last Annual Meeting – Motion** to approve the minutes of the Annual Congregational Meeting held February 26, 2017. Moved David White. Seconded Vicki AllenCook. Motion carried.
- 7) **Business Arising** – No business arising.

**Presentation of Committee Reports**

**a) Finance and Administration**

David White (Chair of Finance Committee), and Tim Cook (Treasurer)

- **Financial Statements** - David explained the Financial statements
- **Treasurer's Report** – Tim provided this report and reviewed the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures. Tim stated that everyone on TCU’s committees were very diligent in establishing their budgets, and while TCU offerings did fall short, the trustees were able to realize capital gains which resulted in a break-even for TCU for 2017.
- **Budget**
- David reported that Finance presented a budget to council with a 10% reduction in budget requests for most of the Committees.
- **Motion:** to approve financial statement as approved by auditors. Tim Cook moved, Seconded by David White. Motion Carried.
- **Motion** to approve the 2018 budget. Moved David, seconded Tim. Motion carried.
- **Motion** that BDO be retained as auditors for 2018 fiscal year. Moved Tim, seconded David. Motion carried.
- It was agreed that the Chair of Council, Chair of Finance, Secretary, and Treasurer will maintain signing authority.
- During the Financial Reports the Court concern was expressed by about the future sustainability of the physical plant.

Those gathered were offered the opportunity to ask questions of the various Committees of Council:

- b) **Church Council Chairperson** – Barbara Prowse – Report Received.
- c) **Christian Development** – Alma Mutch – Report Received.
- d) **Outreach and Service** – Don Scott – Report Received.
- e) **Pastoral Care** – Linda Hibbs – Report Received.
- f) **Property** – Graeme Linkletter addressed the Court
  - The major project in 2017 was masonry work, such as buttresses and washrooms.
  - Projects for 2018 year
    - The major project for 2018 will be the main doors at the Prince Street entrance. Other projects will include renovations for safety purposes, e.g. adding handrails, etc.
    - Concern was expressed whether there will be changes to increase accessibility for people in wheelchairs and people with other physical disabilities that require accommodation
  - Graeme responded that the church does have an elevator, though it is 40 years old. And may have come close to the end of its life.
  - Mario Zirone, safety coordinator for the property committee, stated that the committee is looking at safety and accessibility in the church, particularly as its population is aging.

- When the church was built in the 1860s, accessibility wasn't part of the building code. In Mario's role, he has gone through the church to look safety issues. The committee is devoted to addressing and resolving those issues.
- g) **Worship** – Linda Dunning – Report Received.
- h) **Stewardship** – Vicki AllenCook – Vicki addressed the Court:
- The goal of the Stewardship committee, and how this is interwoven in other committees at TCU.
  - In the last several years, the committee has been building infrastructure. For example, the committee worked on the TCU website.
  - We need to think of ways to make TCU sustainable. So, when creating a stewardship campaign, we need to be collaborative and creative in our thinking. We need for the whole congregation to be a part of this.
  - One thing the committee is currently working on is creating a directory of people's skills, talents, and interests – The current information needs to be updated.
- i) **Archives and History** – Katherine Dewar
- Katherine reported that, as of today, this committee has no members.
  - The committee members came up with a list of 11 items that they think future committee members should be doing, according to UCC. This list is attached to these Minutes as an Addendum.
  - TCU has been recognized by the Conference Archivist as having exceptional archives.
- j) **Ministry and Personnel** – Report Received
- Mary Cowper-Smith thanked the clergy for their tireless ministry and for their leadership.
- k) **Affirm** – Valerie Downe – Report Received
- l) **Communications** – Virginia McGowan – Report Received.
- k) **Board of Trustees** – Bill Bishop – Report Received.

## 9) Other Reports

- a) Clifton United Church – Bruce Fitchett – Report Received
- b) Trinity Men – John Enman – Report Received
- c) United Church Women – Judy Irwin – Report Received
- d) Presbytery – Heather Cameron, Basil and Joy Ikede – Report Received
- Barbara explained that as of the end of December 2018, the ministry of Presbytery will become under the leadership of Regional Councils. The plan that will be presented to General Council will have NB and PEI as one regional council, and NS will be another. Change is coming and we are not yet aware of all of the details. There will still be assessments. It is hoped that support for Camp Abby, Youth Forum and Children at Conference will continue under a Regional Council as well as a gathering similar to Maritime Conference.

## 10) New Business

- **Motion:** that the Development Committee become a Standing Committee of Council. Moved Phil Floyd, seconded Vicki AllenCook. Motion carried.
- Barbara Stewart on behalf of Brace Block accepted with regret the resignation of Doug Boylan. Doug served as a member of Brace Block for about fifteen years. Lloyd Bryenton was appointed Administrative Secretary. Barbara is the Representative to Brace Block from TCUC.
- Nominating Committee - Philip Floyd
  - Phil reported that four of the committee chairs have finished their terms.

- Council needs a new secretary. If anyone is interested, please talk to Barbara Prowse.
- Archives and History – all of the committee members came on the committee at the same time, so likewise their terms were complete in the same year. The committee members have done great work and TCU wants this great work to continue. If you're interested in being a part of this committee, please speak to a member of Council or the Nominating Committee.
- Additions and Changes to the print version of 2018 Nominating Committee Report
  - Bill Bishop is the Chair of Trustees,
  - Debby Floyd's name should be added under 'Communication'.
  - The following names to be added to the Christian Development Committee: Jessica Foster, Nancy Goodwin.

**Motion:** that the Nominating Committee report be approved with the above-noted corrections. Moved Phil, seconded David White. Approved.
- **Motion:** The Affirm Committee was established for a three-year term and every additional year needed to continue their ministry, would be voted on at the Congregation Annual Meeting. Moved by Phil, Seconded by Don Scott, to reappoint the Affirm Committee as a Standing Committee for one year.
- **Motion:** That the congregation authorize Council to choose members to fill any open positions on Committees of Council. Moved Phil, seconded Ken MacDonald. Motion carried.
- Triennial Visit– Copies of the Triennial Visit were made available. The Chair, on behalf of Council, addressed the concern over the process that was used for the Triennial Visit. Council will prepare a response to the recommendations that Presbytery addressed.

#### 11) **Ministers' Comments** - Rev. Greg Davis and Rev. Cathie Crooks

- Rev. Greg:
  - The ministers thanked Council for their work, and Barbara for leading council.
  - It was sobering to hear the comments at this meeting. Finances are a difficult discussion, everywhere he has been. Rev. Greg reminded us of scripture that says that nothing is insurmountable. Is this God's call to our community to continue our wonderful work while at the same time working on our financial difficulties?
  - In March 2017, Rev. Cathie came to TCU and he is thankful for the Ministry they share.
  - Rev. Greg reminded the congregation that frank conversations are important. So as we go forward, while being realistic with budget, let's also focus on hope.
- Rev. Cathie made comments:
  - The reality of mainline progressive Christian congregations is that finances are difficult.
  - She echoed Vick AllenCook's comments. Our reality forces us to be creative, collaborative, and to be thinking strategically, etc.
  - Rev. Cathie thanked outgoing members of Council and Committees. She also thanked those who are not currently serving on committees or council but who are here on Sunday mornings worshipping together. She also thanked the staff of TCU (administrative, custodial, music, etc.)

12) **Motion to Adjourn** - Moved Barbara Stewart. Seconded Vicki. AllenCook Motion carried.

13) **Benediction** – The Trinity-Clifton Vision Statement and Benediction was read aloud, and Rev.

Cathie Crooks offered a benediction.

### **Addendum**

#### ***Archives and History - Eleven items that require planning strategies:***

1. **Tidy and clean Archives Room** – pretty much completed.
2. **Binding of Bulletins:** Doug Kelly has been in correspondence with Bill Wicks at Royal Book Binding and a plan is in place whereby Bill will contact Ellen at Trinity when he is back to this business.
3. **Back-Up for Computer files:** The entire research completed for the History and Archives Committee, as well as oral interviews, the digitized records, and photo albums, is inputted to The History and Archives Laptop Computer. Since it is recommended practice that these files be backed-up on a hard drive and kept in an external location, Doug Kelly researched and found the best deal for a required back up system. He has offered to complete the transfer of files. The hard drive Doug suggested will be ordered and Emily will take the laptop to Doug and he will upload the files. (See motions below about payment)
4. **Printing of Minutes** (before originals are forwarded to Maritime Conference): As discussed in our last minutes, the plan is to either have a summer student do the photocopying or to send them to Kwik Kopy for copying. Chair Katherine will talk to Ellen about this plan and the decision will be made come summer. Any cost involved would come from the History and Archives 2018 budget.
5. **Hard Cover Record Book for Sunday School Records** As previously decided during the meeting with Revs. Cathie and Greg, Chair Katherine bought a book for Rev. Cathie to record the list of Sunday School students and she has delivered the book to Rev. Cathie. This bill will be submitted to Ellen for reimbursement as well as the bill for the two framed document chronologies. These bills will be paid from this year's budget. (See below)  
  
Katherine Dewar will also send a template to Rev. Cathie for recording Sunday School statistical information at the end of the school year.
6. **Donation of two archival objects:** As decided at our last meeting and approved by council, Chair Katherine Dewar will deposit the Benjamin Chappell wallet and the CB Chappell sketch of the Wesleyan Church in the PEI Museum and Heritage Foundation Artefactory and PARO. Prior to the deposit, Chair Katherine was interviewed by Sally Coles of the *Guardian* for an article that will appear in connection with these artefacts for publication during Heritage Week.
7. **Reg Porter's work:** Following up on our last meeting, Chair Katherine forwarded Reg Porter's chapters for a proposed history of the church to Committee members. As Mr. Porter has completed more than originally planned, a motion was made to send him an additional \$200.00 honorarium for his exceptional work. (See below) Chair Katherine will request a formal consent for using the extra two chapters in a church history. Doug Kelly will upload these documents to the archive's computer.

8. **Chair Katherine Dewar** will request two paper copies of Trinity United Church's 2017 Annual report. One will be forwarded to Maritime Conference and one kept in the Archives Room.

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9. **Chair Katherine Dewar** offered to arrange for Keltie MacPhail to continue updating the Archives collection on a twice-yearly basis. \$400 is already budgeted for this in the 2018 H&A budget.
10. **Chair Katherine Dewar** will review and update the Tour Guide book for the Trinity Narthex.
11. **Motions:** There is a need to pay the bills already brought forward and those coming up throughout the coming year. With that objective, it was moved by Bob Ramsay and agreed by all present that money be paid to cover any current bills or bills arising throughout the year from the 2018 budget of the History and Archives Committee. These expenses include:
- a) An external hard drive (\$169.99 plus tax)
  - b) The final two pictures for the photo gallery. (\$128.70)
  - c) The record book for Sunday School (\$25.00)
  - d) The book binding when this project is achievable. (time or cost unknown)
  - e) An honorarium for Mr. Reg Porter. (\$200.00)
  - f) Printing costs for minutes as required. (cost unknown)
  - g) Keltie MacPhail's maintenance of the Archives. (estimated cost \$400.00)

## **2018 NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT**

(c) - chair of committee

### OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH:

Council Chair:	Barbara Prowse	2019
Council Secretary:	to be named	
Treasurer:	Tim Cook	2019
Past Chair:	Phil Floyd	2019

### REPRESENTATIVES TO COUNCIL:

Clifton:	Bruce Fitchett
Trinity Men:	Phil Floyd
United Church Women:	Judy Irwin

### PRESBYTERY REPRESENTATIVES TO COUNCIL:

Heather Cameron	2020
Basil Ikede	2019
Joy Ikede	2019

TRUSTEES REPRESENTATIVE TO COUNCIL: Linda Dunning

### STANDING COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL:

<b>Ministry &amp; Personnel:</b>	<b>Gail MacNutt (c)</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>Mary Cowper-Smith (c)</b>	<b>2021</b>
	Miriam Lank	2021
	David Larter	2022
	Roger Gordon	2023

<b>Finance:</b>	<b>David White (c)</b>	<b>2019</b>
	Tim Cook, Treasurer	2019
	Bob MacNutt	2019
	Elaine Godkin	2019
	Velda Ward	2019
	Ken Gillis	2021
	John Enman	2021
	Errol Andrews	2021
<b>Christian Development:</b>	<b>Alma Mutch (c)</b>	<b>2019</b>
	Gail White	2019
	Gillian Scantlebury	2020
	Maureen Larter	2021
	Jessica Foster	2021
	Margaret Knox	2021
<b>Manse:</b>	<b>Bev Bishop (c)</b>	<b>2020</b>
	Linda Dunning (Trustee Representative) (UCW Representative)	
<b>Worship:</b>	<b>Linda Dunning (c)</b>	<b>2019</b>
	Karen Wood	2019
	Coleen Munford	2021
	Don Scott	2021
	Miriam MacLean	2021
	Joyce Caines	2021
<b>Pastoral Care:</b>	<b>Anne Love (c)</b>	<b>2019</b>
	Kay Boylan	2019
	Sandra Richardson	2019
	Isabel Bowman	2019
	Austin Bowman	2019
	Meryl Cummings	2019
	Jeanette Scott	2021
	Emily Bryant	2021
<b>Property:</b>	<b>Graham Linkletter (c)</b>	<b>2019</b>
	Harry Hibbs	2019
	Mario Ziron	2019
	John Enman	2019
	Wayne Long	2020
	Judy Irwin	2021
	Bill Irwin	2021
<b>Outreach and Service:</b>	<b>Sylvia Gunn (c)</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>Heather Cameron (c)</b>	<b>2021</b>
	Bernice Bell	2019

Jane Farquharson	2019
Gail Taylor	2020
Holly Burrige	2020
Shirley MacDonald	2020
Bev Bishop	2020

**Stewardship:**

<b>Vicki AllenCook (c)</b>	<b>2019</b>
Mark Richardson	2019
Heather Cameron	2019
Ken MacDonald	2021
Heather Diamond	2021
Jean Peterson	2021
Alan Edwards	2021
David Younker	2021

**Nominating:**

<b>Phil Floyd (c)</b>	<b>2019</b>
Ellen Locke Doiron	2019
Roma Downe MacQuarrie	2020

**History and Archives:**

to be named

**Development Committee:**

<b>Bob MacNutt (c)</b>	<b>2021</b>
Vicki AllenCook	2021
Virginia McGowan	2021
Linda Dunning	2021
Ellen Davis	2021
Roddie Maclean	2021
Debby Floyd	2021
Philip Floyd	2021

**Affirm:**

Jane Farquharson  
Rev. Ian MacLean  
Keridwen Campbell

**Communication:**

**Virginia McGowan (c)**  
Callista Tan  
Ben Sinnamon  
Austin Bowman  
Wendy Wright  
Dorothy Murray

**Memorials:**

to be named

**TRINITY TRUSTEES:**

Order of Ministry:	<b>Bill Bishop (c)</b>	<b>2019</b>
Secretary:	Linda Dunning	2019
Treasurer:	Philip Floyd	2019
	Bill Irwin	2019
	Norman Carruthers	2019
	Elaine Godkin	2019
	Heather Diamond	2019
	Willard MacKinnon	2019
	Dr. Don Stewart	2019
	Kevin Jenkins	2020

Council Representatives for Investment Committee of Trustees: Bob MacNutt  
: Ken MacDonald

**CLIFTON TRUSTEES:**

Order of Ministry:

Heather Diamond  
Herb Mason

Maurice Wood  
Doug Kelly

\* Note: The ministers are ex-officio members of all committees except for: a) Ministry and Personnel Committee, and b) Nominating Committee.

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL:**

**Greeters:** **Marven MacDonald**

**Charlottetown Christian Council:** Rev. Greg Davis  
Basil Ikede  
Dr. Bernice Bell

**Media:** **Curtis Duckworth (c) and Kevin Ross (c)**  
Doug Phillips  
Vans Bryant  
Callista Tan  
Murray Cook  
Richard Forsyth  
Ben Sinnamon  
Graeme Smith  
Logan Duckworth – alternate  
Randy Doiron - alternate

**Library:** **Don Scott (c)**  
**Jeanette Scott (c)**  
Will Gibbon

**Christmas Gifts Project:** **Sandra and Mark Richardson (c)**  
Don Wonnacott  
Basil Ikede  
Gail Duckworth

**Christmas Fair:** **Linda Dunning and Debra MacLeod (c)**

**Brace Block:** Barb Stewart

**Charlotte & Stamper Residences:** Alan Brady

**Cundall Home:** William Ives

**Family Services PEI:** Rev. Greg Davis

**Old Protestant Burying Grounds:** Mark Richardson

**Fundscrip:** Mark and Sandra Richardson  
Ken MacDonald  
Velda Ward  
Vans and Emily Bryant

## **Rev. Cathie Crooks**

As I reflect on the year that is passed, I am keenly aware that it has been another year of significant transition for Trinity-Clifton. As Rev. Greg Davis set out on a four-month sabbatical and vacation leave on May 1, we welcomed Rev. Anne Dalziel Singer and Rev. Melaney Matheson, each on a part-time basis, to support the ministries of the congregation. As we bid Charles Baglole, our former custodian, farewell in June, we welcomed Andy Gagnon into a full-time custodial position. In September we learned of Greg's request for a Change in Pastoral Relations beginning October 1 and began preparing for his leave-taking.

I am deeply indebted to Mary Cowper-Smith and Gail MacNutt, Co-Chairs of the Ministry and Personnel Committee, for their tireless efforts in ensuring that this time of transition has unfolded smoothly. Reverends Anne and Melaney were secured on a part-time, interim basis and began on October 1<sup>st</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup> respectively. Anne, our Minister of Visitation, and Melaney, our Minister of Christian Development for Children and Youth and with whom I share the worship leadership of the congregation, have seamlessly assumed their ministries among us. I am most grateful.

During the past year, our Church Council, chaired by Barbara Prowse, has been tending to a variety of important issues on behalf of our congregation. In addition to reporting on the work and ministries of groups and committees within our congregation, Council members have engaged one another deeply in discussions pertaining to such things as: church membership and updating our membership rolls; maintaining our historic sanctuary and building; viable options for utilization of our physical property with a view to future financial sustainability and ministries; and faithful ways to respond to concerns raised in the 2017 Triennial Visit of Presbytery regarding healthy communication and conflict resolution. It has been my privilege, and the primary administrative focus of my ministry this past year, to be in steady partnership with Barb and the Church Council as we have taken significant steps toward ensuring the health and well-being of our congregation and as we plan for a vibrant future for Trinity-Clifton.

In the midst of the 'business' of our congregation, it has been my privilege, also, to prepare for, preside and preach in worship at both Trinity United Church and Clifton Church; to accompany congregants pastorally in times of joy and of sorrow; to gather over the winter and fall for twelve sessions of Bible Study; to receive seven youth into church membership by profession of faith in June; and to welcome ten adults by transfer of membership in November. In addition, I offered leadership during the Prince Street Churches Lenten and Advent Worship Series and presided over daily worship at Berwick Camp in Nova Scotia during its annual ten-day encampment last summer. For Trinity-Clifton's support of my service to the wider church, I return thanks.

Finally, I wish to say a heartfelt thank you to Ellen Locke Doiron, our office administrator, whose quick wit and administrative skills I appreciate daily; to Lorraine Worth and Andy Gagnon, our custodians, for their good company and care of our church buildings; to Don Fraser, our director of music, whose talent on both piano bench and organ are gift; to my interim colleagues, Anne and Mel, with whom sharing ministry is a joy; and, finally, to the whole congregation – old, young and in between, long-timers and newcomers – with whom I am honoured to be in ministry. As we move forward into a new year of possibilities as a Beloved Community of Christ, may we know the movement of God's Spirit and, by it, be blessed.

Warmly,

**Rev. Melaney Matheson**

The apostle Paul began many of his letters to the early churches, with a blessing and with thanksgiving. May I likewise begin with seeking God's grace and peace for each of you. Thank you for being the welcoming and committed people that you are.

I returned to Trinity Clifton at the first of May to cover the four-month sabbatical of Rev. Greg. Worship leadership and preparation for the beginning of Sunday School was my main focus. I returned in October, as this pastoral charge once again found itself in a time of transition of ministry personnel.

As of October, I have shared in the worship leadership with Rev. Cathie and Don Fraser. Working in team is important to me and I appreciate the gift, these two offer to the worship life in this church. Worship at Trinity is rich and sacred. I also lead worship at Clifton over the summer months and always enjoy the wonderful setting and the friendly worship style of this congregation.

Part of my responsibilities has involved taking a supportive role toward the Christian Development of the church. The CD Committee members and the Sunday School leader are a pleasure to work with as they are committed and dedicated and are more than capable of leading the CD programs in this church. I thank them for their leadership.

I look forward to being part of the life of this pastoral charge over the next few months, as you discern your future and where God is leading this church.

God bless you all,  
Rev. Melaney Matheson

**Rev. Anne Dalziel Singer**

In the spring of 2018 I was invited to join Trinity-Clifton for a four month, part-time ministry of pastoral care through visitation. This was to fill a need while the Rev. Greg Davies was away on sabbatical. From May through August I had the privilege of getting to know the members of Trinity-Clifton who were living in Community Care and Nursing Care homes. While most of these homes were in the Charlottetown area I travelled as far west as South Shore Villa in Crapaud and as far east as Gillis Lodge in Belfast.

In late September I was once again invited to this particular ministry, beginning October 1<sup>st</sup>. I am now also sharing regular hospital visitation with your minister, Cathie.

I am very grateful for the opportunity to be part of the ministry happening at Trinity-Clifton these days. My life is enriched by the folks with whom I visit; my prayer is that their lives are enriched as well.

I wish to extend my thanks to the congregation, and to Cathie, for your support and encouragement.

In Peace,  
Anne

## **Chair of Council**

I've come to the end of 2018 with great thankfulness for what has been and great joy and expectation for what 2019 and beyond will bring. As with every family, we will continue to experience great joy, challenges to overcome, challenges that we will overcome, as we share our hopes and dreams.

The wonderful events of 2018 are reflected in the reports of the many Committees and I would encourage you to read them. Our Committees meet regularly to support and build the ministry of our church family. I am deeply grateful for the commitment of all who are able to serve - Standing Committees, Sub-Committees, the Ad Hoc Committee, and the many Committees and groups that meet for fundraising and/or community.

Thank you for the privilege to share in the leadership within this congregation with Rev. Cathie Crooks, Rev. Melaney Matheson, Rev. Anne Dalziel-Singer, Rev. Greg Davis, and the many dedicated Committee members: To Ellen, a fount of information, a holder of so much of our history and the answerer of so many questions. And to Andy and Lorraine for continuing to make our space look 'spiffy'. To all of you, I offer my heartfelt thanks and gratitude for your care of us at Trinity-Clifton.

As we look ahead to 2019, I hope we will look ahead with excitement for the possibilities of promise. Theologian Diana Butler Bass wrote: "There is something wonderful about the first of a new year ... we give ourselves permission to hope, to plan, to imagine the future afresh. [The start of a new year], brings to mind one of the verses of scripture that has long guided me: *Where there is no vision, the people perish. (Proverbs 29)*. These words remind us that *God has a vision for us, and dreaming along with God is a life-giving spiritual practice.*"

Wherever our journey takes us may we 'imagine the future afresh', and do this seeking a vision of God's future for us, with joy and expectation.

Barbara Prowse

## **Finance Committee**

As in past years, the costs of providing and supporting our Trinity Clifton programs, along with the costs of maintaining our historical building, were central to our focus during 2018 and will continue to challenge us in 2019.

As has been our experience in past years, our main sources are the contributions from our members. During 2018 we saw an increase of 10% in envelope and a decrease of 5% in PAR. This decrease is entirely due to changes in our congregational members. Other revenues are reduced, compared to 2017, due to the Gala dinner not happening. The exact numbers were not available at the writing of this report but will be included in the annual report when the auditors have completed their review. That report will be considered as part of this report.

As in past years, we have relied on contributions from the Trustees to meet our financial requirements. We will be requiring this support again this year. This is not something that we can sustain for a long period of time. We expect that the Trustees will be reporting on this.

During 2018 the Finance committee sent a letter to the congregation advising of our fiscal circumstances and, on a number of occasions, our Treasurer Tim provided a summary update for us in the bulletin. To every one of you who were able to respond, we are grateful for your

generosity.

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To the members of Council and to the chairs of council committees and their members, thank you for maintaining your expenditures within your allocated budget. To everyone who contributed to any of the Trinity Clifton projects to raise additional funds and provide support to our community projects, Thank You and may God bless you all.

We would like to thank Ellen Locke Doiron for all your help and dedication, Thank You to Rev. Cathie and to members of the Finance committee for their guidance.

As we look forward to 2019, we will continue to be challenged fiscally to meet our required contribution levels to support our programs and our commitments. Council has struck an ad hoc committee to address our fiscal issue in the long term. They will be reporting separately.

Respectfully

David White  
Chair Finance Committee

### **Treasurer's Report**

Dear members of the congregation and clergy,

Please accept this report submission for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2018.

2018 has been a year of fiscal challenges for the Church given the reality of the gradual increases in costs to maintain operations and provide services. In response to this, committees, supporting volunteer groups, and congregational members were given ambitious but necessary budget targets.

In most cases, committees were able to meet their budgeted expense targets and for that we're very thankful and appreciative. Furthermore, unexpected operational changes during the year have changed the certain budgeted expense amounts to provide some expenditure relief. Envelope/loose contributions from congregational members have surpassed fiscal 2017 contribution levels by approximately \$18,000 and budget figures established for contributions (except PAR) have been realized. Further review of the financials show Pre-authorized remittances (PAR) contributions have decreased by 3% (approximately \$4,000) when compared to 2017 PAR figures – discussions with administrative personnel and reviews of records have shown a number of PAR contributor's fiscal realities changing and the need to reduce their PAR givings has followed in response.

Other revenue streams continue to be of ever-increasing significance to the operational bottom line of the Church. The work of the various committees (e.g. Christmas fair, Development Committee – concerts, and the newly established ad-hoc committee) have been recognized as a very integral part of the operations of the church and with them, the dynamics of what is offered using the notable facilities does not go unnoticed and is appreciated by all.

Unfortunately, it is estimated that Trinity-Clifton will be in a deficit position for 2018. However, it is worth recognizing that the financial position of the church, although challenged, has seen a strong level of growth and improvement when compared to the results of fiscal 2017. I have no doubt that with continued ambition and attention, Trinity-Clifton will soon be in a positive fiscal position.

Respectfully submitted,

## **Christian Development**

The members of the Christian Development Committee (CDC) met monthly. The members are Mary Chandler, Jessica Foster, Margaret Knox, Maureen Larter, Gillian Scantlebury, Gail White and Alma Mutch (Chair). Rev Cathie Crooks (until October) and then Rev Melaney Matheson are our clergy support. Nancy Goodwin resigned due to work commitments in March. She and her husband have come to our aid when needed.

In February, Rev Cathie hosted a retreat. It was a chance to get some serious planning done.

Valerie Downe and Mary Ann Burke-Matheson, members of the Affirm Committee, spoke to us. From this meeting we were given titles of suitable books for children. Don and Jeannette Scott were able to get five more books. All children's books and videos will now be available from the Sunday School library upstairs. Also, when referring to the Rainbow, black and brown will be added as two more areas of inclusion. A meeting was held with Sunday School teachers to make them aware of language images such as "children" instead of boys and girls. Participation in Pride Parade and Divercity Sunday was encouraged. June Sanderson, through Valerie Downe, made us aware of the "Last Straw" which helps the environment when reducing straw use.

In May, Rev Cathie took over from Rev Greg Davis with seven youth who had completed their studies for confirmation. These Confirmands were Luke Doiron, William MacLeod, Chloe Mutch, Ashley Willis, Laura Scantlebury, Jessie Campbell and Julie Hall. The next confirmation will not be for a couple of years.

We supported seven teens who attended Youth Form at Maritime Conference. They were Keridwen Campbell, Shamus Murphy, Rae Matheson, Ila Matheson, Chloe Mutch, Luke Doiron and William MacLeod. William MacLeod attended the Fall Forum held in Lunenburg, NS.

CDC hosted a celebration breakfast in June for four students and parents from Trinity-Clifton who had recently graduated. They were presented with a card and a pewter ornament of Trinity. Pictures of grads were shown on the screens. From Colonel Gray High School- William MacLeod, CRHS- Bryan Lam, Bluefield High School- Kira Ducksworth and UPEI-Leah Burgoyne and Timothy Davis.

The Sunday School Closing was celebrated with an intergenerational BBQ.

During the summer months, when there was no Sunday School, children were welcomed at the Kids' Corner at the back of the Sanctuary by an adult. This was staffed by CDC members and several others. Rev Melaney made sure there were lots of craft supplies.

In September, to begin Sunday School, an acknowledgement of all volunteers who make Sunday School happen, was held during worship. This was followed by an intergenerational BBQ.

Adult Christian Development had Rev Cathie Crooks lead the "Song of Songs" Bible Study. There were about a dozen who attended.

Suzanne Campbell orchestrated the White Gift service, which was enjoyed by all ages.

CDC hosted Coffee and Conversation for November.

In December, as a Mission and Service project for Sunday School, parishioners could honour their loved ones by purchasing an angel to be placed on our "Memorial Angel Tree". Each week,

Rev Melaney or Rev Cathie read the names and the children put the angels on the tree. This was very well received, and several people expressed the process as being very spiritual. With the

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generated funds, the children will choose what they want to purchase through the United Church Gifts With Vision Catalogue. They will share with the congregation what they purchase.

Alma Mutch attended Council meetings each month.

Thanks to the most wonderful committee ever!! This includes Rev Cathie and Rev Melaney, as well as all those who helped Trinity-Clifton's CDC achieve its agenda.

Respectfully submitted by,

Alma Mutch

Christian Development Committee Chair

### **Library Committee**

The Trinity Library Collection consists of a variety of material. As well as topics of a religious nature, it includes others, such as diversity, self-help, grief, the environment, biography, and fiction. Some newer titles, purchased through the library budget, have been added during the year. As well, we continue to receive donated materials. The Children's Collection has now been moved to the Children's Book Room upstairs in the Christian Education Centre.

The Library Catalogue is currently being updated to reflect the acquisition of added materials. The printed version can be found in the library. The on-line version can be accessed on Trinity's website ([trinityclifton.org](http://trinityclifton.org)) under Ministries and Library. This database is searchable by title, author, or subject.

The Library Committee continues to have occasional displays of material at Coffee and Conversation. People are invited to drop by and check it out.

The library is open, although unstaffed, whenever the church is open. Materials may be borrowed for a three-week period by signing them out in the Borrower's Book.

Don and Jeanette Scott

Co-chairs, Library Committee

### **Outreach & Service**

Committee Members: Bernice Bell, Bev Bishop, Holly Burridge, Evelyn Jenkins, Shirley MacDonald, Sylvia Gunn, Heather Cameron

The Trinity-Clifton congregation is actively engaged in many outreach activities and not all are listed below.

**Unit 7- Hillsborough Hospital:** Regularly, from October to June, we host the residents and staff for lunch and entertainment ie crafts, games, or music with Vans and Emily Bryant. In December, we served a turkey dinner and Santa visited with presents which thrilled the residents. In September, during Unit 7's visit to Camp Gencheff, committee members, with the help of other Trinity volunteers, served dinner to residents and their family members and friends. We also made a donation for a ride on the Harbour Hippo, and 4 Loblaws \$25 gift cards to be used for their Canada Day barbecue. Current and former committee members have attended their Christmas concert and school closing held at the hospital.

**Loblaws Gift Card Program:** In March, we launched the gift card program and asked people to donate their \$25 gift card. We received \$900 in gift cards and have distributed some of them to Camp Abby and Unit 7. The bulk of the remaining cards will be going to Camp Abby to help offset

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expenses in the summer of 2019.

**Prince Street School:** The congregation maintains its support of the Breakfast Program at the school. Trinity members have been very generous with their time and donations. A generous donation of \$2500 to the school with a portion going to help the breakfast program. The donation will also help the school provide coats, boots, and school supplies to those who are without. Once again, this year, with the help of Chef Emily Wells and many volunteers, we served a turkey dinner to the students and staff. We received many cards of thanks from the students.

**Food Bank Donations:** We continue to collect food donations weekly.

**Christmas Gifts Project:** Once again, the Outreach Committee funded the Christmas gifts project, coordinated by Mark and Sandra Richardson. Twenty people delivered 80 gifts to members in senior residences, community care facilities, nursing homes and private homes. Each gift included a Christmas card signed by our three clergy. Those receiving a gift were surprised, pleased, thankful and appreciative that their church remembers them.

**Refugee Sponsorship:** The Interfaith Refugee Sponsorship Group (IRSG) has not had a meeting for about eight months because the last of the three families that the group sponsored reached its "one-year in Canada anniversary" in July, the date when they are no longer financially responsible for them. However, some members of the group continue to offer support. Applications to sponsor two daughters of the third family, who are in refugee camps in Lebanon, were submitted to the government a year ago. They are approved to come to Canada, but at present we have no idea when they will arrive. When they do, IRSG will, of course, become more active again and will be appealing to the congregations of the seven churches involved for donations of money, furniture, household items and clothing. The Conversation Circle for Syrian and other newcomer women in the community continues to meet, now monthly, because many of the women are now taking English classes at Holland College.

**Salvation Army:** Trinity continues to generously support the Salvation Army. Our sanctuary hosts two fundraising Christmas concerts put on by the City of Charlottetown, and we had our annual turkey dinner. The total raised was over \$7000. As well, \$5700 is donated from the Benevolent Fund to assist with Christmas baskets and the Bedford MacDonald House.

Respectfully submitted

Sylvia Gunn, co-chair Heather Cameron, co-chair

### **Pastoral Care Committee**

The Pastoral Care Committee members for 2018 were Austin Bowman, Isabel Bowman, Kay Boylan, Emily Bryant, Meryl Cummings, Sandra Richardson, Jeanette Scott.

The Committee maintains the Congregational Roll and Church Directory.

Committee members and additional volunteers visited members of the congregation who reside in nursing homes and community care facilities.

Hospital visits and some home visits were made by Rev. Cathie Crooks, Rev. Anne Dalziel-Singer, and Rev. Greg Davis.

The Homecoming Service and luncheon was held on June 25.

The Committee bylaws were updated and approved by Church Council.

I extend my sincere appreciation to all Committee members and volunteers for their dedicated service and assistance over the past year.

Anne Love, Chair

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## **ROLL AND AUDIT**

### BAPTISMS

#### Child

Jacob David Foster  
Menadora Valann Murnaghan  
Ellen Grace Hibbs

#### Parents

Jessica & Craig Foster  
Ashley & Darcy Murnaghan  
Lindsey Saunders-Hibbs & Christopher Hibbs

### MARRIAGES

Lisa Jayne Mills and Joshua David Horsman  
Jacqueline Ann McKinnon and Miriam Ann Katherine MacInnis  
Bailey Jean May MacArthur and Ernest Victor Praught  
Cynthia Maria Noonan and Paul David McGee  
Jolene Gail Williams and Samuel Allan Parry  
Jenny May Dickson and Mitchell Walter Clark

### IN MEMORIAM

The following are names of those whom we remember from Trinity-Clifton, together with names identified at this time of those from the Congregational Roll whose funerals were conducted by other clergy:

Clair D. Jenkins	Rena Cox	William Lank
Kathleen Ross	Doreen Andrews	Howard Murray
Phyllis Younker	Helen McInnis	Herbert Mason
Jean Yeo	Lavina Simmonds	Pauline Larter
Lylagh Shields	Marilyn Swan	Jean Pickard
Gloria Bauer	Ian Oland	William Neale
Adele Moreside	Beverly Dunsford	Anita Young
Jennie Hume	Wilma MacLean	Jessie Downe
Elizabeth Walker	Joyce Keizer	Thelma Misener
Doreen Duncan	Wilson Hume	James Miller
Wilson Ross	Elizabeth Andrew	John Bond
Vera Young	Anne Bond	

### MEMBERS RECEIVED

#### By Profession of Faith:

Jessica Star Campbell  
Luke Randy Locke Doiron  
Julie Eleanor Hall  
William Angus Neil MacLeod

#### By Transfer of Membership:

Beverley Bishop  
William Bishop  
Lynn Bovyer  
Jamie Liczner

Chloe Jean Mutch  
Laura Dawne Scantlebury  
Ashley Jillian Willis

Miriam MacInnis  
Thelma MacInnis  
Jacqueline McKinnon  
Miriam MacLean  
Roderick MacLean  
Amy Ramsay

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### **Property Committee**

The Property Committee has the responsibility for: (a) Repair and maintenance of buildings and grounds, including capital initiatives; (b) Implementation and monitoring of safety and security measures; (c) Implementation and monitoring of energy efficiency measures; and (d) Maximizing building accessibility Repair and Maintenance.

The major undertaking was the masonry repair of four buttresses foundations (#5, 6 & 7) on the South side and buttress foundation and brick repair (ground level and below ground) along the North side of the Sanctuary. Repairs to the Manse's main chimney and North brick foundation (at ground level) were also completed. During the past three years \$149,000 (plus tax) has been spent on masonry repair. The masonry repairs are considered completed for the time being.

Numerous repair and maintenance items have been carried out including electrical controls for Sanctuary lights, plumbing repair, carpet repair in the Sanctuary, keys and locksets updated, signage for the washrooms, snow removal, and application was made to the Senior Heritage Grant Program.

A temporary pulpit platform extension was constructed to accommodate the stage requirements for the guest performers at large concerts.

Insurance requirements and recommended upgrades are being implemented. A prioritized list of future maintenance and upgrade projects was developed.

Safety and Security One Emergency Evacuation drill was conducted during a Sunday service. Maximum occupancy in the main level Sanctuary and Balcony was determined. The safe exiting number was approved by Council at 725 persons total for large-attendance events. The Trinity United Church Security Policy and the Trinity United Church Safety Policy was developed by Committee members and others. These documents were approved by Council in June. A policy re the issuance of door keys and keying protocols was developed.

A major amount of time and effort was spent in planning and designing the proposed new Prince Street doors, Narthex stairs, handrails, etc. A Congregational meeting was held in July, which agreed with the concept of replacing the old sliding doors with new swing-out doors and renovations to the Narthex steps, subject to receiving additional quotes for the project and final approval by the congregation. (Due to budget considerations, Council postponed this project for up to a year).

Energy Efficiency and Lighting Due to lamp safety concerns with the Sanctuary ceiling pot lights, the use of these lights has been discontinued. Investigations are now underway to upgrade the lighting system in the Sanctuary with LED fixtures. LED lighting upgrades are being implemented as fixtures are replaced.

Building Accessibility – Procedures were developed to provide for a safe emergency exit from the sanctuary for mobility-impaired persons during a power outage or alarm situation when the

elevator is not available. The electrical service for the elevator was upgraded.

Thanks to Council and Trinity staff for your continued support and assistance. Thanks also to committee members for their commitment and participation at monthly meetings, assisting with maintenance projects and developing plans for the major projects.

Respectfully submitted, Graeme Linkletter, Chair, Property Committee members: John Enman, Howard Hibbs, Bill Irwin, Judy Irwin, John Kamphuis, Don Cudmore, Mario Zirone, Austin Bowman

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### **Manse Committee**

The Abdulhey family is renting the manse until July 2019.

In August, our renovations will begin.

Members of the manse committee are (UCW Representative) and Linda Dunning (Trustee Representative) and Bev Bishop, Chair.

### **Worship Committee**

2018 has been an amazing and spiritual year for all of us at Trinity, those who are present each Sunday Morning, those who view us on Eastlink Cable and those who visit our wonderful Church.

We were blessed to continue to have the team ministry of Rev. Cathie and Rev. Greg (who resigned and left in September) and Rev. Melaney and Rev. Anne who both joined us in the spring of 2018 and continue to bless us with the calmness, direction and understanding to honor the scripture in a most meaningful way.

The Chancel Choir, under the direction of Don Fraser, continues to enrich and enhance the musical faithfulness within the sanctuary. Their voices lift the word and the meaning in many diverse directions.

This summer the Sanctuary was open to visitors and tour groups and we were blessed to have a paid summer student and church volunteers that showcased our spectacular sanctuary.

Many thanks to the host of individuals who read, provide musical selections, set communion, take up offering, give tours all summer for visitors, clean, and set up or take down decorations for each season. Your help is so appreciated.

I am thankful for the opportunity to be the Chair of the Worship Committee but I REALLY appreciate the dedication that is given to both myself and the congregation from the members of the committee.

Blessings,  
Linda Dunning

### **Chancel Choir**

The Trinity Chancel Choir has enjoyed another busy year leading the singing at worship services. This dedicated group of individuals rehearsed twice weekly: Wednesday 6:30 – 8 pm and on Sunday morning from 9:45 to 10:20 am. The choir has also enjoyed their involvement in other services throughout the year. Many people give of their time freely and joyfully to be part of the Chancel Choir, and we are thankful and appreciative of all who give so very much on a

weekly basis. And it's always a great pleasure to welcome new members to the choir! One highlight of the year for the choir was being invited to sing at Clifton for their anniversary service. We wish to thank the Supper Club for their ongoing support of our choir section leader, Allison Kelly. The music at Trinity was enriched during the year with many talented soloists; thanks to Melissa Lewis, Shannon Scales, Paul Vandergaag, Alexandra Smith, Natalie Williams-Calhoun, Lauren and Sophie Doyle, Mariko Osa, Jamie Crooks, Olivia Barnes, Dale Sorensen, Emilie Willis, Siobhan Armstrong, Candace Ritchey-Chapman, Kristen Thompson, Erin, Elliott and Ellen Fraser, Lloyd King, Madeline Duffy, Henry Orford, Laura MacLeod, Isaac Mazer, and Suzanne Campbell for their presence with us.

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May music continue to play an important role at Trinity United!

Respectfully submitted,  
Donald Fraser

### **Rena Wood Johnstone's Handbells**

These handbells were a gift from the family of Rena Wood Johnstone and are under the care of the Worship Committee and Director of Music.

### **Stewardship Committee**

Alan Edwards, Mark Richardson, David Younker, Jean Peterson, Ken MacDonald, Heather Diamond, Heather Cameron and Vicki AllenCook (Chair)

Stewardship is interwoven thorough all life of the Church's work. As outlined in the United Church of Canada Manual; Christians are called to participate in God's mission - the mission reflected in Jesus' life and ministry. We do that as stewards in every decision about how we (as individuals and in faith communities) use all that God gives us - time, abilities, material resources, relationships - in a lifestyle of discipleship.

As a Stewardship Committee at Trinity-Clifton, it is our task to educate the congregation through sharing, informing, fostering and celebrating who we are; what we do; and how we do it. We help plant the seeds to inspire, develop and grow, as stewardship takes place in every committee and in the life of the congregation. One will see that this is quite evident throughout the other committee reports.

This has been a year of outlining an action plan with Council and working with other Committees, by providing leadership, inspiration and support. It has been an incredible year, with so many doing so much. The Stewardship Committee would like to thank all of you, for everything you did and continue to do!

In the spring, as Chair of Stewardship, I was asked to lead the Council through a number of exercises to look at Trinity-Clifton's needs and challenges by brainstorming ideas, possibilities, proposals and solutions.

### **Offerings and Givings:**

- Update offerings and givings- (Action) - In the summer the Finance Committee sent out a request to review and increase our givings. Updates of financial postings were placed in the bulletins and presented. Please see their report for more information.
- Committees came up with ways to financially support committee programming- (Action) - Some examples; it was suggested that families and friends donate to the Church

instead of receiving gifts for special occasions. Another idea had people fill out the "Bread Rebate" at the Superstore and donate the rebates to the Church.

- Financial Fiesta- working on a concentrated effort by the Clergy, Finance and Stewardship towards a Financial Fiesta and guided by what the United Church has outlined in its Stewardship resource. (Action) - Work has started on this with the groups listed above.

### **Radically Hospitality:**

- Welcoming youth and children (being part of) - space set up during Coffee and Conversation- (Action) - This has been done for a number of months with great success. It was noted that the back space in the Sanctuary for Children during the summer is set up in

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a similar way with lots of wonderful resources and activities.

- Signage welcoming and identifying who is hosting Coffee and Conversation- (Action) - This was started. It was seen to be welcoming. Lots of positive feedback.
- Having Coffee and Conversation upstairs in the Sanctuary after the service - Helps people who find it hard to move up and down to the gym. It's a new and welcoming space (Possibly some may stay who wouldn't)  
(Action)- A number of Committees are working on this. The Diversity Service did serve food and drink in the Sanctuary. Many thought this was wonderful, others were not as comfortable about the space being used this way. There has been discussion on the various perspectives, thoughts and feelings.

### **Historical Tours:**

- Public Transparent donation box in Narthex for Church Tours (and other events).  
(Action)- The transparent box was made and installed. This was a collective work of Stewardship, Worship and Property. (We were very fortunate to be given funding for a summer student. A script for the tour and asking for donations was developed. - Money for the donation box came from the Coffee and Conversation Potato Celebration.)

In summary, as a Church we work hard to participate in God's mission – the mission that reflects Jesus' life and ministry. As good stewards we will continue to grow, participate and give in a lifestyle of discipleship. If you have any ideas or suggestions that supports and foster the life and workings of the Church, let our Committee know. Together we can make this world a better place to be in and live.

Working in God's Way,  
Yours respectfully submitted,  
Vicki AllenCook on behalf of the Stewardship Committee

### **Ministry & Personnel Committee**

The Ministry and Personnel (M and P) Committee worked actively this year to fulfil our mandate. The M and P Committee is responsible for being available for consultation and support for matters involving the pastoral charge staff; for overseeing the relationship of the pastoral charge staff to each other and to people in the congregation; and for regularly reviewing the working conditions, responsibilities and compensation of all staff and making recommendations, as needed, to the Council.

During the year, the M and P Committee completed performance reviews for clergy and staff,

wrote or revised several position descriptions and updated a Policy for Compensation and Leaves for Lay Employees.

We gratefully acknowledge and celebrate custodian Lorraine Worth who completed 40 years of dedicated and faithful service to Trinity in 2018.

In June, we hosted a farewell party for Charles Baglole who retired from his position as custodian. In the same month, we welcomed Andy Gagnon as custodian. Andy also works evening security. We sincerely thank Lorraine, Charles and Andy.

In September, we participated in a farewell luncheon for Rev. Greg Davis, his wife, Ellen and their sons, Patrick and Timothy. We are very grateful for Greg's ministry among us for the past 10 years and for Ellen's contribution to our music ministry.

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We very much appreciate the inspiring leadership of Rev. Cathie Crooks. We extend our sincere gratitude to Rev. Melaney Matheson and Rev. Anne Dalziel Singer who accepted part-time positions at Trinity during Rev. Greg Davis' sabbatical and again following his departure; to our organist and choir director, Don Fraser; and to our Office Administrator, Ellen Locke Doiron. Our warm thanks, too, to Heather Cameron, who does security, to Dorothy Murray, who works in the office on an occasional basis and to volunteer Isabel Scott for her support to the office and many other areas.

Members of the M and P Committee are Roger Gordon, Miriam Lank, David Larter, Gail MacNutt and Mary Cowper-Smith (co-chairs.)

Respectfully submitted,  
Ministry and Personnel Committee

### **Affirm Committee**

On February 14, 2019, Trinity-Clifton Pastoral charge will celebrate their third Anniversary as an Affirming Ministry. This initiative has been very positive in the life and work of the church, our congregation, and our community.

Affirming Ministries are congregations, presbyteries, Conferences, educational institutions, and other ministries within the United Church that publicly declare their commitment to inclusion and justice for people of all sexual orientations and gender identities. Although Affirming Ministries make an explicit statement about issues of sexuality and gender, their commitment to justice is far broader.

As an Affirming Ministry of the United Church of Canada's Affirm United, Trinity-Clifton is required to create a Vision Statement that guides our work. The following Vision Statement was approved at a congregational meeting on May 24, 2016 and reflects our commitment.

### **Vision Statement adopted May 24, 2016.**

We, the Trinity-Clifton Christian family, believe that God has blessed us with diversity, including diversity in sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, race, age, ability and faith. We believe that Jesus challenged boundaries by reaching out to all people, welcoming and honouring all in their uniqueness.

We publicly declare our commitment to openness, growth, action, and education, honouring diversity and challenging injustice in solidarity with those who experience discrimination.

We offer our resources and talents with open hands and hearts in love and service to all as we work for reconciliation and justice locally, regionally, and globally.

Committee members for 2018 were Valerie Downe (Co-Chair), June Jenkins Sanderson (Co-Chair), Jane Farquharson (Recording Secretary), Heather Martin, Rev Ian MacLean and Mary Anne Burke Matheson. We were supported in our work by Reverend Cathie Crooks as Clergy.

The Affirm Steering Committee is an Ad-Hoc Committee, reporting directly to Church Council. This committee will be re-appointed on an annual basis until such time as it is deemed appropriate to return to the purview of the Outreach Committee. The nomination process for members to this committee will follow the established procedural rules set by Church Council for all Standing Committees.

The work of the Affirm Committee in 2018 was guided by input from our community partners.

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Their input helped us identify areas of need from which we developed our Action Plan, which was then presented to Council and reviewed with Standing Committees of Council. If you wish to obtain a copy of our 2018 Action Plan, please contact Ellen in our office.

We will host a Diversity service in June 2019 to coincide with The DiverseCity Festival; as well as, a Pride Celebration Service in June during PRIDE week on PEI.

Respectfully submitted:

Valerie Downe  
Affirm Committee Co-Chair.

### **Communications Committee**

The Communications Committee had a busy year in 2018, full of collaboration and support of other committee's work (for example, Stewardship, Development, Worship Committees) and the launch of a new initiative, the quarterly newsletter. We distributed a brief survey to the congregation to get an idea of whether they would like a newsletter, what they would like included, and whether they would like to contribute. The first issue of the newsletter was published in April and the second in October 2018, in both print and digital formats. We've been pleased with the number of collaborations and the whole-committee involvement that has evolved in producing this newsletter. The newsletter was made available on the website and emailed to those congregants who provided the office with their email addresses. Print copies were also made available for those

who preferred that format and for the Outreach Committee to take on their visits.

The Communications Committee also uploaded the worship service videos and bulletins to the website, kept the website current, solved IT issues, worked on policies such as social media and permission to take/use photos, and provided a means for other committees to upload their minutes and post their meetings on the calendar. Did you know that we have regular viewers outside of our congregation from as far away as the Caribbean? For the website, go to <http://trinityclifton.org/>.

Members of the committee in 2018 included Dorothy Murray, Wendy Wright, Ben Sinnamon, Callista Tan, Debby Floyd, and Ginny McGowan (chair).

### **Board of Trustees – Trinity**

The Board of Trustees holds, in trust, the title to the real estate and property of Trinity for the use and benefit of the congregation on behalf of the United Church of Canada. In addition, Trustees are responsible for holding, investing and distributing funds that have been endowed to the church as well as funds entrusted from church council. Any investment decisions are dictated by our Investment Policy.

The officers of Trustees are Bill Bishop - Chair, Linda Dunning - Secretary and Philip Floyd - Treasurer. Any two of the three officers have trading authority. Signing authority for Trustees is assigned to any two of Bill Bishop, Linda Dunning, Philip Floyd and Norman Carruthers.

In 2018 Trustees met as a group in June and November. The Investment Committee meets more frequently, primarily with our investment advisors at RBC/Dominion Securities. Our investments are relatively conservative, in line with the due diligence required with the funds that have been entrusted with us. Our portfolio is impacted by donations, interest, dividends, capital gains and

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distributions. As can be seen from the financial statements, a significant portion of our income is paid out annually to specific endeavours within our church.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Bishop

### **Board of Trustees – Clifton United Church**

The board of trustees holds in-trust title to the property at Clifton for the use and benefit of the congregation on behalf of the United Church of Canada. In addition the trustees hold in-trust and administer funds that have been given to Clifton Cemetery as a result of plot sales, donations, and bequests to ensure the perpetual care of the cemetery.

In 2007 Clifton United Church was designated a heritage place under PEI's Heritage Places Protection Act. This designation confers ongoing legal protection to the structure. The congregation established a fund named the "Heritage Building Preservation Fund" for the perpetual care and preservation of the church building. Listed below are the investments the trustees hold on behalf of the cemetery and the Heritage Building Preservation Fund.

Trustees: Heather Diamond (Secretary); Doug Kelly (Chair; Treasurer of Cemetery Fund); Maurice Wood (Treasurer of Operating Account and Heritage Building Preservation Fund).

### **Clifton Cemetery Fund Investments**

Date: December 31, 2018

Category	Institution	Principle	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Interest	Current Value
GIC	TD Canada Trust	\$20,000.00	June 27, 2014	June 26, 2019	var.	\$21,082.51
GIC	TD Canada Trust	\$25,000.00	May 15, 2015	May 15, 2020	var.	\$25,000.00
GIC	TD Canada Trust	\$12,000.00	June 24, 2016	June 24, 2021	var.	\$12,000.00
GIC	TD Canada Trust	\$11,239.68	June 24, 2016	June 24, 2021	var.	\$11,408.95
GIC	TD Canada Trust	\$26,500.00	May 8, 2017	May 8, 2022	1.5	\$27,160.58
GIC	TD Canada Trust	\$25,000.00	May 6, 2018	May 6, 2023	var.	\$25,088.86

\* Principle Value

<b>Total Value (GIC)</b>	\$121,740.90
<b>Cash (TD Canada Trust)</b>	\$5,154.76

Petty Cash	\$36.82
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$126,932.48</b>

### Heritage Building Preservation Fund

Date: December 31, 2018

Category	Institution	Principle	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Interest	Current Value
GIC	BMO	\$4,592.92	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2019	1.65	\$4,914.88
GIC	CIBC	\$24,951.00	July 27, 2018	July 29, 2019	2.05	\$25,324.99
GIC	CIBC	\$8,136.00	December 6, 2018	December 6, 2019	2.50	\$8,136.00
GIC	CIBC	\$4,500.00	November 19, 2018	November 19, 2019	2.50	\$4,500.00
<b>Total (GIC)</b>						<b>\$42,875.87</b>

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### Brace Block

The Brace Block Trust, which provides financial assistance for women and men enrolled in theological college and intending ordination in one of the Protestant denominations in Prince Edward Island, was established in 1930 (by a legislative incorporation) with a bequest from Charlottetown businessman Richard Brace. With his bequest the Trust built the Brace Block on Queen Street (now largely concealed by the Confederation Court Mall) and used the revenue to provide the support in the form of bursaries. The Brace Block was sold in the 1970s and the sale revenue was invested to provide the bursaries.

The Trust is administered (under a Legislative incorporation) by six Trustees, one ordained and one lay from each of 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist, Zion and Trinity. In 2016, Trinity is represented by Rev. Cathie Crooks and by myself as lay member and Chair.

In the previous year (2017), there had been some discussion on the possible need to expand eligibility for bursary support beyond the traditional programs in order to attract more applicants. However, it was noted that with five applications this year (2018), this was not an immediate problem.

The Trust awarded all five candidates bursaries...three U.C.C. recipients, one Baptist, and one Presbyterian. Also, this year, the Trust welcomed Lloyd Bryenton as Administrative Secretary and is most appreciate of his capable leadership.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Stewart  
Chair, The Brace Trust

### Bequests

The following is a list of Bequests given to Trinity United Church by Will. The list, which may not be complete, is prepared from the annual reports from 1925 to 2014.

George Beer	Isaac Carter	Donald Murchison
Gladys M. Taylor	Henry Beer	Augusta Mayhew
Flora Murchison	Margaret Whitehead	Eva E. Stamper
Christina Anderson	Dephine L. Douse	Josephine Crosby
William Dodd	Bessie Ross	Cora Mae Howatt

Gwendolyn M. Taylor  
Edith Toombs  
Anna E. Rogers  
Roger Farquharson  
Glennie MacLean  
Vernon T. Howatt  
John P. Simmonds  
Charles C. Gardiner  
Lily Tweedy  
Lucy B. Cox  
Mary Emma Pierce  
Sarah Perkins  
Duncan MacCannell

Robert A. Duncan  
Ethel Horne  
Col. F. S. Moore  
Emily Peardon  
Edith L. Warre  
Charles H. Black  
Frances Docherty  
Agnes Simmons  
Eleanor Johnson  
Frances Wauk  
Jean Leslie White  
Bernice Robertson  
Bethia M. Tweedy  
G. Dudley Wright  
Patience M. Clark  
Carrie Hunt  
Fannie Bell  
Alfred J. Houle  
J. Hibbert Howatt  
Laura Hodgson  
Mrs. J. Grosse  
Margaret P. MacDonald  
N. Margaret O'Neill  
Edgar E. Jardine  
Eva M. Burhoe  
Peter MacLeod  
Laura Crosby  
G. Keith Pickard  
Nancy Cox Sutherland  
Joyce MacKie  
James Montgomery  
Wendy Horton  
A.B. Fisher  
Elvira Wheeler

Jane Dodd  
Nellie G. Sutherland  
Muriel Smith  
William & Nellie Rowe  
John F. Godkin  
Maude Gamester  
Hannah Headley  
John B. Andrew  
Rev. Ralph Brecken  
Henrietta Burgess  
Elsie James  
Robert Everett Mutch  
Rev. Fulton J. Coffin

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Margaret MacPherson  
Harry F. Drew  
Edmund T. Higgs  
Catherine MacMillan  
William Hayward  
W.W. & Mrs. Lord  
Florence R. Ledwick  
Margaret A. Farneaux  
Annie Cook  
Sophie Doyle  
Mary MacDonald  
Mary Bragg  
Wesley M. Acorn  
Euphemia Brehaut  
Gertrude A. Love  
Annie Georgina Smith  
Ethel A. Taylor  
Isabel Bishop Cook  
Elizabeth Jane Reeves  
H. Chalmers MacLeod  
George M. Richards  
Mr. & Mrs. Harry L. MacKay  
Eliza Ramsden  
Alice V. Fraser  
Col. G. E. Full  
Gordon Bennett  
Thelma Teed  
Georgina Mayne  
Jock Sutherland  
Ruth Robertson  
Rhoda Brown  
Charlotte MacKean  
Margaret Peake  
Florence Smith

Margaret A. Phillips  
Dr. E.P. Taylor  
Helen W. Duffey  
George E. Webster  
Martha Huggan  
Benjamin Bremmer  
Sterling Rodd  
Elsie M. Crockett  
Fannie J. Mutch  
William A. Weeks  
Elmer Mallett  
Florence Martin  
Marion Moore

Simon W. Crabbe  
Mildred Mason  
Ella Drew  
E. Bruce Huggan  
Frances J. Prowse  
Marion Davies  
Doris Maude MacKay  
Mrs. E.E. Johnstone  
Annie L. Beer  
Frances E. Smallwood  
Charles H. Chappell  
Arthur J. Harper  
Elizabeth Mutch  
Julia Parsons  
Elizabeth MacNair  
Sarah J. Kellow  
Dr. Harry D. Johnson  
Jamie Partridge  
Annie MacLeod  
Mary Eliza Webster  
Katherine Julia Downe  
Florence Puncher  
Melinda Mildred Johnstone  
Gordon Avard  
Dr. Ronald Drysdale  
Elva MacKay  
Mabel Matheson  
Mary E. Gordon  
F. Marie MacNeill  
George Jenkins  
Helen MacDonald  
Audrey Whitehead  
Beatrice Reeves  
Sadie Ferguson

John WC Ferguson  
Alan Saint  
Henry MacWilliam  
Blanche Darrach  
Alexander J. Fraser  
Helen Cox  
Jean Lodge  
Arthur Brown

Ruby Matheson  
Verna Currie  
Claudette MacMillan  
Dr. Lloyd Cox  
Frank Weir  
William MacKinnon  
Wendell Horton  
Norris Mizuno

Mary Bovair  
Mildred Brown  
Eleanor Raynor  
Lynne Taylor  
Lynetta Brown  
Donald Carter  
Emily Newport

### ***Special Gifts To Trinity - Clifton Pastoral Charge***

Did you know that you can make a special gift to Trinity United Church and get a tax receipt and also save on Capital Gains Taxes? The following examples illustrate some of the ways this may be accomplished.

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#### **Life Insurance**

If you donate a permanent life insurance policy to Trinity United Church, and it becomes the owner and beneficiary of the policy, you will receive a tax receipt for the value of the sum of the cash surrender value plus any accumulated interest and dividends that are also donated.

If you continue to make the premium payments on the policy, these payments will also be considered charitable donations and will be available to you as a tax credit.

The important thing is that Trinity must become the owner of the policy. You will not get these tax benefits if you only make Trinity the beneficiary of the policy.

*This does not apply to term policies.*

#### **Capital Gains Tax**

The present law provides that if you realize a Capital Gain on the sale of an asset such as shares

in a company, you must include 50% of the Capital Gain as Income and pay tax at your marginal tax rate. If however, you donate the assets of such, as shares, to Trinity United Church, you would have a deemed capital gains and would only have to include 25% of the capital gains as income instead of 50% if you sold the shares and kept the money for yourself. You would get a tax receipt for the value of the asset donated to the church.

#### **Wills**

You can also make a gift to Trinity United Church by means of your Will. Such a gift is called a bequest and only takes place after death.

You may leave a bequest outright to the church which means the congregation decides how the money is to be spent or you can leave the bequest in a manner that the principal sum remains invested and the congregation can only use the annual income (interest) earned on the bequest. You are free to designate how and for what purpose the bequest is to be used.

More detailed information may be obtained from an Estate Planner, a Lawyer, or a Tax Expert.

#### **Clifton United Church**

Services for Clifton United church commenced on Sun., June 10 and continued until Thanksgiving Service on Oct. 7, 2018.

Services were conducted by Rev. Cathie Crooks, Rev. Melaney Matheson, Rev. Greg Davis, Rev. Leslie and Rev. Gail Jay, Rev. Reed Cudmore and Jamie Crooks. Organists for the summer were Colleen Mumford, Dean Perry and Liam Payne. Don Fraser and Trinity Chancel Choir provided the music for our anniversary service. Thanks also to Vans and Emily Bryant for sharing their musical talents throughout the summer.

Our annual Christmas service was held on Sun., Dec. 14, 2018 and was conducted by Rev. Melaney Matheson. Thanks to Dean Perry, Vans and Emily Bryant, Kristen Thompson and Kerdiwen Campbell for providing the music. Following the service, a reception was held at the Cotton Center along with a sing-song led by Bill and Judy Irwin, Vans and Emily Bryant and Dean Perry. A great time was had by all.

See you all at Clifton in June 2019. God willing.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Maurice Wood, Treasurer, Clifton United Church

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**Clifton United Church Financial Statement – December 31, 2018**

Balance on hand December 31, 2017		\$1,720.73
Receipts:		
Envelopes	\$11,962.25	
Loose Collection	\$1,016.10	
Heritage Fund	\$170.00	
Mission & Service	\$797.00	
Cemetery	\$190.00	
	\$14,135.35	\$15,856.08
Disbursements:		
Trinity	\$2,565.00	
Mission & Service	\$797.00	
Insurance	\$520.00	
Taxes	\$676.80	
Organists	\$700.00	
Guest Minister	\$209.00	
Cemetery	\$190.00	
Repairs	\$612.21	
Miscellaneous	\$141.98	
G.I.C.	\$4,500.00	
Trinity Choir	\$100.00	
Propane	\$41.62	
Signage	\$207.00	
	\$11,434.42	<u>\$11,434.42</u>
Balance on hand December 31, 2018		\$4,421.66

**Christmas Fair**

Our Spectacular...Amazing...Talented... people that make up the Trinity-Clifton Congregation were fast at work... when the sun came up on November 16 and the door opened for 2 fun-

filled days of merriment, or as we call it, the Trinity-Clifton Christmas Fair. It was so amazing there was something for everyone... cookies...cakes...fudge...sandwiches/soup...deli...jams...jellies...pickles...candies and that was just in the Gym. In the Chapel there were treasures and jewelry, something new or old, big or small, beads or baubles for all to adore. The books moved to the Parlour and found a great home. Loads of great winter reading could be found there by all... right next door was loads of great greenery that was gone in a flash ...on the corner was sewing/knitting...it was abuzz with great gifts for all to be found... Out in the entrance for two solid days the silent auction and holly made us all wish that we had the talent for the gifts that were there...the Library was the new home of many wonderful crafts decorated all festive and fun with glass balls...wreaths... a gift for everyone..... you have now visited the fair was that not fun?

There are many to thank and I know I will miss a few but here goes:

1) The amazing...incredible...talented people who created, donated, worked, laughed and showed up to help in anyway.

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2) The marvelous people who showed up to purchase our gifts...people came from far and wide...many comments were heard on what we were selling but just as many on what a remarkable Congregation we are.

3) The dedicated group that meet in the hot summer to make the jams, in the fall to make the puddings and pickles and after the two days at Trinity go to the Confederation Court Mall and make...bake ...and sell more.

4) To Ellen, Andy, Lorraine and Rev Cathie many thanks for letting us invade your spaces and helping us out with great big smiles.

5) The Christmas Fair Committee who met on a regular base and made sure everyone was on the same page. This group worked with ideas, a "we will try anything attitude" and an enthusiasm that was truly amazing.

6) Both Debbie and I are very thankful for having had the opportunity to work and have such fun with all...

As of this report it is 298 DAYS to Christmas Fair 2019  
November 15 and 16, 2019...SEE YOU THERE

It is with giving and receiving that we are so blessed.  
Our Blessings and thanks,

Linda Dunning  
Debbie MacLeod

### **Memorials Committee**

The mandate of the Memorials Committee is to receive, promote and record gifts given to the church to honor and preserve the memory of departed relatives and friends. The church council has approved the designation of gifts to the following funds: Benevolent, Restoration, Continuing Education, Media, Mission & Service, Choir & Music. As well, gifts may be received for unspecified use and can be used in any manner approved by the church council.

Brochures outlining the memorial gift program have been placed in local funeral homes and a record of gifts received is being recorded in an "In Remembrance" register located in the church office.

## **Prince Edward Island Presbytery**

Chair: Rev. Tara Ann Gourson

Secretary: Rev. Jack Spencer

Recording Secretary: Cindy Easter

Treasurer: Betty Gamester

The year 2018 was a year of transition for Presbytery. In the fall we saw the winding down of Presbytery in preparation for the new three court system of government for the United Church of Canada. As of Jan. 1, 2019 Presbytery no longer exists. PEI is now part of the Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Regional Council. This Regional Council is made up of PEI, New Brunswick and the Gaspé.

To prepare for the change in governance a Regional Transition Commission was established with Rev. Kevin Dingwell and Sheila Gallant as the PEI representatives on the commission. They reported to Presbytery regularly.

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This is a summary of what they reported:

Regions 14,15 and 16 will share staff, including associated costs. Rev. Faith March-MacCuish is the new Regional Executive Minister. A new national Office of Vocation will do the work previously overseen by Presbytery and Conference Education and Student Committees, though Regions will ordain, commission and recognize new ministers. Region will be creating teams of up to 25 Liaisons for Pastoral Oversight. The Regional Executive includes chairs of Nominating, Regional Meeting Planning Committee, Property Committee, Financial and Mission Services Committee, Pastoral Relations Committee, and Faith and Education Formation Committee.

Governance: This will be a living document. The region will meet once a year. The Regional Executive will be the Executive Minister, Chairs of Committees, and possibly four more as members at large. Discussion is ongoing between Region 15 and Fundy-St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Region to have shared or combined committees for Faith and Education Formation Committee, Church in Action, and Archives. Committee chairs will be elected at the regional annual meeting.

There will be a nominating committee report at the annual meeting. The inaugural meeting of the Regional Council proposed dates are May 23-26, 2019 in Sackville, N.B. The Commission will function as the executive for the Region until a new Executive is elected when the Regional Council meets.

Other Presbytery News:

Residual Funds: Presbytery had to decide what to do with its residual funds. It was decided that prior to December 31, 2018, a \$5000 gift be given to the Camp Abegweit Foundation and a donation of \$6000 be given to Camp Abegweit. All residual funds would be transferred to the Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Region.

PEI Information Cluster: The PEI Presbytery has begun an information cluster. Individuals or churches can give their email information to Jack Spenser who has agreed to serve as the coordinator. He will forward any notices or announcements to everyone on his mailing list.

Church Extension Board: The end of Presbytery meant a change to the Church Extension Board. The Church Extension Board is an incorporated body. The membership of the Church Extension Board are the members of the Presbytery and the Directors are appointed by the Presbytery. With the end of Presbytery as an oversight body, the Church Extension Board Directors will no

longer have an oversight body. Beginning Jan. 1, 2019, the members of the Corporation of Prince Edward Island Church Extension Board will be one representative from each Pastoral Charge in Prince Edward Island.

Camp Abeqwiet Foundation: Camp Abegweit has started a campaign to raise \$500,000 that will be used to generate an income in perpetuity for the camp. The camp plans to seek people who are in a financial position to provide support and who believe in what the camp does.

Christian Life and Growth: We were well represented at Maritime Conference this year. We had facilitators and chaplains at both Youth Form and Intermediates at Conference and 51 participants.

Church In Action: The committee raised the issue of "Christmas Boxes" and asked people to investigate the actual impact of the boxes on the communities to which they go, and to be careful who they partner with on this venture should they choose to participate. More information can be found in the Washington Post article at [www.washingtonpost.com](http://www.washingtonpost.com). CIA wrote to Parks Canada asking that Amherst be removed from the name of Porte-la-Joye, Fort Amherst. The committee also focused on the Israel and Palestine situation, migrant workers and Indigenous justice.

Education and Students: There are 4 students, at various stages of their education, working towards ordination.

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We are beginning a new system of government and the Regional Council needs volunteers to provide leadership. Please give prayerful consideration where you may help and on what committee you may serve.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Cameron

### **Trinity Lobster Supper**

Opening Balance		\$177.39
Receipts:	\$17,895.00	<u>17,895.00</u>
		\$18,072.39
Disbursements:		
Lobster	\$7,829.25	
Containers	802.42	
Groceries	117.79	
Advertising	<u>50.74</u>	<u>8,800.20</u>
		\$9,272.19
Distribution:		
Trinity Men 40%	\$3,680.00	
Trinity UCW 60%	<u>\$5,520.00</u>	<u>\$9,200.00</u>
	Bank Balance	\$92.19

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Love, Trinity United Church Women

Mark Richardson, Trinity Men's Association

### **Trinity-Clifton Men, 2018**

In 2018 Trinity-Clifton Men's Association remained a small, but vital, component of church life under the chairmanship of Mario Zirone. We encourage men of the congregation to participate in its activities.

This year we continued to fund a taxi service for the congregation to and from the church, to support one member of the Chancel Choir, and to contribute to the operating fund of Trinity. During the summer months we coordinated and supported refreshments following church services including the Strawberry Social.

Fund-raising activities included:

- Pancake Breakfast with the full proceeds going to support the Prince Street School Breakfast Program;
- Lobster Supper jointly with the UCW;
- Plant Sale under the valiant vision and labour of Ken MacDonald;
- Dinners with the assistance of Chef Emily Wells, for whom we are much appreciative;
- Six monthly dinners with speakers for the congregation and others with food and catering generously provided by the UCW.

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### **Annual Financial Report**

Cash position – January 1, 2018 \$2,840.98

#### Revenues:

Monthly Suppers	\$3,680.00
Beef Dinner	2,165.00
Pancake Breakfast	1,577.00
Plant Sale	1,806.00
Lobster Supper	3,680.00
Turkey Dinner	<u>3,125.00</u>
	\$16,033.00

#### Expenditures:

Monthly Suppers	\$2,808.00
Beef Dinner	393.49
Prince Street School Breakfast Program	1,577.00
Turkey Dinner	57.21
Pancake Grills	150.00
Chef Emily Wells	2,160.00
Rev. Greg Davis	500.00
Trinity Choir	1,680.00
Trinity Taxi Service	844.69
Trinity United Church	<u>8,000.00</u>
	\$18,170.39

Cash position – December 31, 2018 \$703.59

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Richardson

Treasurer

## **United Church Women Report President's Report**

I extend heartfelt appreciation to the members of the Clergy and staff, as well as the congregants, for their encouraging support of our UCW and its activities during yet another year of change in the Trinity-Clifton Congregation. Thank you to Rev. Cathie for taking leadership in conducting an Induction Service on March 18 to acknowledge the present UCW Executive, the Past President and the Chairs of the three units. It was a meaningful and appreciated service.

This year we acknowledge with sadness the passing of a number of very involved and hard-working UCW members for whom we had a memorial service on December 10. We especially want to remember, with fondness and admiration, Wilma MacLean who was co-chair of the Faith in Action Committee and who, on so many occasions, graciously accompanied us on piano during Devotions at our UCW General monthly meetings. We miss her dearly.

I want to commend Jeanette Scott for taking the initiative to get seven years of past minutes signed by the appropriate President and Secretary for submission to the Trinity-Clifton Archives. That was a lot of work!

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Two major concerns were addressed this year by the Trinity-Clifton UCW: Firstly, as the number of active UCW members dwindle and as remaining members get older, the UCW no longer provides generalized catering, but now limits this service to funeral receptions. It was felt necessary to revise our policy so that UCW members, as well as the Clergy and families of the bereaved, are clear on what we are able to provide. Many hours were spent on discussion with various involved parties, setting up an Ad Hoc Committee to address this, and discussion with the Clergy. After a number of revisions to the wording of the policy and the pamphlet, in the end we feel that we have a satisfactory and workable policy in place and a visually attractive pamphlet to offer families.

Secondly, for similar reasons much discussion was spent on the future of our Annual Lobster Supper. This function is very labour-intensive. After much discussion, and in consultation with the Men's group, it was decided to change the day of our Lobster Supper to a Saturday so that we might access the assistance of younger members of the congregation when they are not at work or in school. As a result, the decision was made that in 2019 our Lobster Supper will be Saturday, June 1.

Another significant concern this year was regarding the PEI UCW Presbyterial. At the Annual Meeting of the PEI UCW Presbyterial held at Winsloe United Church on April 14, four members of Trinity Clifton UCW attended this meeting when, for various reasons, a motion was passed to disband the PEI UCW Presbyterial as we know it today. A committee of four has been formed to determine how to proceed as a group of UCW on the Island.

As well as attending the monthly meetings of Trinity-Clifton's Church Council, as President, I: took part in the World Day of Prayer Service at St. Dunstan's Basilica on March 2 along with the Past President, Enid; attended the PEI UCW Presbyterial Annual Meeting at Winsloe United Church on April 14; attended the UCW Maritime Conference Biennial at Trinity United Church in Summerside on April 28; was invited to be a guest (where I brought greetings to the attendees) at the noon banquet of PEI Catholic Women's League's Annual Meeting at the Rodd Royalty in May; attended the Fall Rally of the UCW PEI Presbyterial in September held at Camp Abby.

During this year, Trinity Clifton UCW, among other things: participated in a sewing bee in January to fabricate twenty hospitality bags for use at the UCW Biennial in April; catered to a number of funeral receptions; developed a policy regarding funeral receptions (as discussed above); hosted a Lenten Luncheon in March and an Advent luncheon in December; was represented by four members at the UCW Maritime Conference Biennial in Summerside April 27-29; participated in the Annual Bake and Garden/Plant Sale in the Spring; made a generous donation to Camp Abby; participated in the organization and preparation of food for the Annual Lobster Supper in June; hosted Coffee and Conversation for the month of June; throughout the year provided clean-up after Communion; hosted and attended (at Trinity) the Environmental Health Food Services food safety course, shortened version, in October; took leadership and participated in the supper teams for catering for the monthly supper meetings throughout the year; was represented by four members at the UCW Fall Rally at Camp Abby on September 29; hosted a reception for Rev. Greg on his last Sunday at Trinity, September 30 where we presented a token of appreciation to Ellen Davis; was heavily involved in every aspect of Trinity-Clifton's Christmas Fair on November 16 and 17; and in November gifted Trinity- Clifton with new "Greeter" name tags which include the Affirm United Logo.

Throughout the year the UCW supported a number of organizations within our Island community, including, but not limited to: Anderson House; Bedford MacDonald House; Lacey House; Upper Room Angels; Prince Street School; Camp Abby; and Days for Girls

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As one can see, our UCW is a viable, busy and hardworking group of women and is an integral part of the life of Trinity Clifton Pastoral Charge. There has not been a Vice President this year and unfortunately, to date, the Nomination Committee has not been able to find someone to take on the position for 2019. So that we can continue to play a pivotal role in Trinity-Clifton I implore the UCW members to give some serious consideration to offering your time to serve our UCW and our Church Community in this position.

I thank all the members of UCW who supported me in my first year as President and who put so much time, attention, and effort to make this past year a success in the life of Trinity Clifton. I look forward to working with you all again in 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Judy Irwin, President

**UCW Statement of Receipts & Disbursements  
for Year Ending November 30, 2018**

Receipts:

Envelope Givings	\$	1854.25
Projects		2905.00
Bake Sale		1233.50
Lobster Supper Proceeds		5520.00
General Meeting Offering		599.00
Interest: Thomson Estate	8.56	
Trinity Trustees	<u>388.14</u>	396.70
Donations		4785.00
Coffee Donations		<u>680.00</u>
		\$ 17,973.45

Disbursements:

Mission & Service Fund	\$	5000.00
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Camp Abegweit	1000.00
PEI Presbyterial UCW Dues	350.00
Food & Kitchen Supplies	1450.95
Bank Charges	75.46
Miscellaneous	957.11
Donation	<u>100.00</u>
	\$ 8,933.52
Receipts over Disbursements	9039.93
Cash in Bank November 30, 2017	\$10,057.38
Donation to Trinity United Church, December 2017	\$5,000.00
Cash in Bank, November 30, 2018	\$13,966.88
Respectfully submitted, Anne Love, Treasurer	

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### **UCW Nominating Report 2019**

#### Officers:

Past President	Enid Carter
President	Judy Irwin
Vice President	
Secretary	Jeanette Scott
Treasurer	Anne Love

#### Committees:

Faith in Action	Elizabeth Pippy and Evelyn Jenkins
Kitchen	Isabel Scott
Environment	Judy Irwin
Membership	Elaine MacDonald

Respectfully submitted,  
Enid Carter, Chair Nominating Committee

### **Development Committee Report**

Development's initial full year of operation may best be described as an invaluable learning experience. As we waded our way through dealing with agents, sound and lighting suppliers, ticket agents, concert pricing, concessions and event producers we came to the realization that each concert is different and presents unique challenges and opportunities. At its outset the committee developed what it considered a reasonable process it could apply to each concert however it quickly became apparent flexibility and creativity were essential when dealing with each.

The year commenced with concerts by Rawlins Cross and Ten Strings and a Goat Skin's final concert together. In May, Arioso, a wonderful six-person ladies group performed. Richard Wood

and Gordon Belsher presented a new album release concert in September followed by The Ellis Family Band shortly thereafter. In November and early December Development worked what have become annual John Gracie and Don Fraser Christmas concerts in support of the Salvation Army. The final event of the season was Lennie Gallant's album release concert featuring The Atlantic String Machine. Other events were considered and declined.

The committee is currently considering a number of issues for the current year ranging from the size of events, genres, pricing, possible Sunday afternoon appropriate concerts and others. We welcome and encourage input and suggestions from everyone.

Respectfully Submitted  
Bob MacNutt

### Ministers of Trinity-Clifton Pastoral Charge

#### Ministers of First Methodist

1807-1815	Rev. James Bulpitt
1815-1817	Rev. John Hick
1817-1818	Rev. J.B. Strong
1818-1819	Rev. William Fishpool
1819-1821	Rev. Robert Alder
1821-1823	Rev. Stephen Bamford
1823-1826	Rev. William Burt
1827-1829	Rev. Henry Pope
1828-1829	Rev. William Temple
1829-1830	Rev. Matthew Richey
1830-1831	Rev. William MacDonald
1831-1833	Rev. Stephen Bamford
1833-1834	Rev. William Dawson
1834-1836	Rev. J.P. Hetherington
1836-1839	Rev. Richard Knight
1833-1834	Rev. William Smith
1843-1846	Rev. J.B. Strong
1846-1847	Rev. William Webb
1847-1848	Rev. Charles DeWolfe
1848-1850	Rev. Edmond Botterell
1850-1852	Rev. Frederick Smallwood
1852-1854	Rev. Ephraim Evan
1854-1857	Rev. John McMurray
1857-1860	Rev. Ingram Sutcliffe
1860-1862	Rev. Henry Daniel
1862-1864	Rev. John Brewster
1864-1867	Rev. Matthew Richey
1867-1870	Rev. Henry Pope, Jr.
1870-1871	Rev. George S. Milligan
1871-1873	Rev. James Taylor
1873-1876	Rev. D.D. Currie
1876-1879	Rev. John Lathern
1879-1882	Rev. H.P. Cowoerthwaite
1882-1885	Rev. John Burwash
1885-1888	Rev. Job Shenton
1888-1891	Rev. John Read

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#### Ministers of Trinity United Church

1925-1927	Rev. Wofford M. Ryan
1925-1934	Rev. E.H. Ramsay
*1927-1929	Rev. Hammond Johnson
*1929-1934	Rev. C.N. Brown
1934-1943	Rev. Hugh Miller
*1934-1936	Rev. J.W. Barbour
*1936-1938	Rev. A.E. MacKenzie
*1938-1940	Rev. Lewis M. Murray
*1940-1942	Rev. Donald C. Boothroyd
1942-1944	Miss Marie MacDougall, Deaconess
1943-1948	Rev. Thomas E. McLennan
*1945-1950	Rev. H.C. Rice
1948-1949	Rev. W.E. Dudley
1949-1952	Rev. H.E.D. Ashford
*1951-1953	Rev. J.T. Irwin
1952-1961	Rev. A. Frank MacLean
*1954-1958	Rev. G. Howard Christie
*1958-1962	Rev. R.S. Latimer
*1960-1961	Rev. A.G.N. Ware
1961-1967	Rev. J.G.E. Ball
*1961-1964	Rev. C.C. Lewis
*1962-1967	Rev. G.G. Wyrwas
*1967-1970	Rev. D.C. Powell
1967-1978	Rev. Donald I. MacIntosh
*1970-1973	Rev. R.W. Porter
*1973-1979	Rev. C. Murray Favier
1978-1986	Rev. Cyril H. Gough
*1979-1982	Rev. Janet H. Travers
*1982-1989	Rev. Doreen P. Wilson
1986-1997	Rev. David N. MacNaughton
1987-1988	Gail Hopkirk
1987-1988	Greg Davis
*1988-1992	Rev. Gordon D. MacLean
1989-1996	Rev. S.P. Shields
*1992-1997	Rev. Brian D. MacDonald
1996-1997	Rev. Bryer R. Jones

1891-1894	Rev. W.W. Brewer	1997-1999	Rev. Norman MacDougall
1894-1899	Rev. George M. Campbell	1997-1999	Rev. Ranald Cameron
1899-1900	Rev. John J. Teasdale	1998-1999	Rev. James H. Bragan
1900-1904	Rev. George M. Young	1998-1999	Rev. Mary Webber-Cook
1904-1907	Rev. William Dobson	1999-2000	Rev. David Hann
1907-1911	Rev. Herbert E. Thomas	1999-2006	Rev. Robert Lockhart
1911-1914	Rev. Jacob Heaney	2000-2001	Rev. David Hamilton
1914-1915	Rev. John L. Dawson	2000-2007	Rev. Karen MacLeod-Wilkie
1915-1919	Rev. Robert Fulton	2006-2007	Rev. A.G.N. Ware
1918-1920	Rev. Ovid H. Peters	2007-2008	Rev. Ian MacLean
1919-1922	Rev. G.W.F. Glendenning	2007- 2015	Rev. Dr. John Moses
1922-1925	Rev. Woffard M. Ryan	2008-2018	Rev. Greg Davis
		2016- 2017	Rev. Gail Hopkirk
		2016- 2017	Rev. Melaney Matheson
		2017-	Rev. Catherine Crooks
		2018-	Rev. Melaney Matheson
		2018-	Rev. Anne Dalziel Singer

\* Associate Minister