



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



January 6, 2019 10:30 a.m.

Epiphany Sunday

Welcome

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

All are welcome in this place.

*Please rise as you are able.

The Gathering

Prelude How Brightly Beams the Morning Star Buxtehude

Words of Welcome Rev. Cathie Crooks

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Lighting of the Rainbow Candle

Acknowledging Traditional Territory

Quiet Preparation for Worship

***Introit** Hope Shines as the Solitary Star MV #220

***Call to Worship**

The magi followed a star until they found the child.

They gave their gifts.

They worshipped the child.

We come, drawn here by the light.

We have gifts to share.

Let us worship God's Holy Child.

***Hymn** A Light Is Gleaming VU #82

Opening Prayer

Holy One, though the celebrations may have ended,
and life returned to its regular routine,
we come here knowing that the story of your birth continues,
reaching deeper, growing more wonderful as time passes.
May your light grow within us this day,
that we may shine for you in the days ahead.
This we pray in the name of the one who taught us to pray
together saying...

.... and together we pray...
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth,
as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

Hymn I Am the Light of the World VU #87, vss. 1 and 2

Time with Our Children

Hymn I Am the Light of the World VU #87, vss. 3 and 4

The Word

Prayer for Understanding

Luke Doiron

Readings

Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalms 72:1-8, 10-14 (VU #790 Parts One and Two)

Matthew 2:1-12

Rev. Melaney Matheson

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Sermon

***Hymn** Will You Come and See the Light VU #96

Response to the Word

Minute for Mission June Sanderson

Offering Invitation

Offertory Break Forth O Beauteous Heavenly Light

***Presentation of Offering** VU #55 vs.4

Offering Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Sending Forth

***Hymn** As with Gladness Men of Old VU #81

***Commission and Benediction**

Postlude From Heavens Above to Earth I Come J.S. Bach

Greeters:

Head Greeter: David Essery

North Side: David & Iris Rogers, David Essery

South Side: Bill & Judy Irwin, Mary Chandler

Balcony: David Younker, Linda Sherren

Clergy: Rev. Cathie Crooks

Interim Clergy: Rev. Anne Dalziel Singer & Rev. Melaney Matheson

Music Director: Donald Fraser

Office Administrator: Ellen Locke Doiron

Custodians: Lorraine Worth & Andy Gagnon

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Announcements

Sympathies of the congregation are extended to the family and friends of the late Doreen Duncan.

Happy Birthday to Jenny Hume on Jan. 7, to Elliott Fraser on Jan. 8, to Mason Rogers on Jan. 9, to Sylvia Johnson on Jan. 11 and to Ellen Locke Doiron on Jan. 12.

Sunday, Jan. 13: Lectionary Readings – Isaiah 43:1-7, Psalm 29, Acts 8:14-17, Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

As the United Church transitions to regions, they are looking for interested people to serve on Committees in our new region, the Fundy-St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Region. This region and its committees replace those of the PEI Presbytery and part of the Maritime Conference. If you are interested in serving on a committee there is an interest survey that can be completed at marconf.ca/nominations-form/

2019 Church Envelopes are now ready and are outside our church office. If you don't have contribution envelopes but would like some, please see Ellen in our office.

Taxi anyone? A reminder to all members of the congregation that a free taxi service to and from Church activities is available. Call Yellow Cab at 902-566-6666 to book your ride, indicating that it is a charge to Trinity Men.

Food Bank: Please remember to support the food bank with non-perishable food items. You can drop them off any Sunday or during the week at our office. Most needed items are pasta, spaghetti sauce, Sidekicks and flakes of ham, chicken, and turkey and canned tuna.

Trinity Events

UCW Executive will meet on Mon., Jan. 7 at 9:30 am.

UCW General will meet on Mon., Jan. 7 at 10 am.

Worship Committee will meet on Tues., Jan. 8 at 4:30 pm.

Affirm Committee will meet on Wed., Jan. 9 at 2 pm.

Property Committee will meet on Wed., Jan. 9 at 6:30 pm.

Unit 2 UCW will meet on Thurs., Jan. 10 at 2 pm.

Church Council will meet on Thurs., Jan. 10 at 6:30 pm.

Other Church and Community Events

The Charlottetown Area Christian Council is planning to celebrate the World-Wide Week of Prayer for Christian Unity with an inter-denominational Prayer Breakfast at the Rodd Charlottetown Hotel on Sat., Jan. 19, 8 am. Tickets are available for \$18 from Ellen in our church office. The Sunday evening concluding service will be held on Sun., Jan. 27 at 7 pm at Zion Presbyterian Church.

Fundscrip –Gift cards for gas, groceries, movies, books, clothes and more can be purchased with cash or cheque before and after our service each Sunday or in our church office during the week. Use them yourself or give as gifts – a great way to help our church as we receive a percentage from the sale.

Available Cards:

Gas - all stations **Groceries** - all stores **Office** - Staples
Health - Lawtons, Shoppers **Entertainment** - Indigo, Cineplex
Apparel - Payless Shoes, Claires, Aldo, Marks Work Wearhouse, Old Navy, GAP, Le Chateau **Children** - Toys R Us, Children's Place
Department Stores - Hudson Bay, Winners, Walmart
Electronics - Best Buy, The Source
Home and Garden - Home furniture, Stokes, Home Sense, Home Hardware, Canadian Tire, Home Depot, Kent
Restaurants – Tim Hortons, Pizza Hut, Boston Pizza, Wendys, KFC, Harveys, Starbucks, Swiss Chalet, Subway, Montanas
Other - Pet Smart, SportChek, Running Room, Best Western, Fairmont Hotels, Giant Tiger

Trinity-Clifton Vision Statement

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.

As an Affirming Ministry of the United Church of Canada, Trinity-Clifton is committed to broadening social justice concerns within church and society.

The United Church of Canada has stated:

“In order to promote mutual respect, peace, and friendship, the 40th General Council encouraged the recognition of Traditional Territories of First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples at the gatherings of the Courts and Pastoral Charges of the United Church of Canada. A proposal has been brought to the General Council Executive to encourage Parliament to include a similar acknowledgment in its Opening Address.”

We follow the lead of the United Church of Canada in acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional and unceded territory of the Abegweit Mi'kmaq First Nation.

