



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



May 5, 2019 10:30 a.m.

Third Sunday of Easter

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

Welcome Rev. Melaney Matheson

Lighting of the Christ Candle Lochlain Cameron

Lighting of the Rainbow Candle

Acknowledging Traditional Territory

Quiet Preparation for Worship

***Introit** This Is the Day VU #175, refrain & vs. 1

***Call to Worship**

In the name of God who made the sun and the moon,
the ocean waves and the prairie winds;

**in the name of God who made each of us
and calls us into beloved community,**

come, let us worship and give thanks.

Amen and amen!

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

Opening Prayer

Gather in your people, O God,
and hold us near and dear.
May we who are gathered
be your safe place,
be your abundant grace,
and be your voice of love.
Hear us now as 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.**

The Sacrament of Baptism

Hymn Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters VU #442

Introduction Rev. Cathie Crooks

Presentation Anne Love

Promises of Parents and Godparents

Congregational Assent

Statement of Faith

**We are not alone,
we live in God's world.**

We believe in God:

**who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

**We are called to be the Church:
to live with respect in creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.**

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Prayer Over the Water

Act of Baptism Aria Rose Lee Van Hee

Presentation of Light

Presentation of Bible and Baptismal Certificate

Prayer of Dedication

Baptismal Benediction

VU #454

**May God who creates you give you light;
may God who sustains you make you wise;
may God who protects you give you joy,
may God who surrounds you give you peace.**

The Word

Prayer for Understanding

Gail Swan

Scripture

Deuteronomy 30: 15-20

Anthem Rejoice, O Land Healey Willan
Sermon How Does the Creature Say Life
***Hymn** God of the Sparrow VU #229

Response to the Word

Offering Invitation

Offertory

***Presentation of Offering** VU #541

***Offering Prayer**

Pastoral Prayer

Sending Forth

***Hymn** Though Ancient Walls VU #691

***Commission and Benediction**

Postlude

Greeters:

Head Greeter: Miriam Lank

North Side: Emily & Vans Bryant, Alan Brady

South Side: Jim & Gail Duckworth, Gayle Mills

Balcony: David Younker, Alan Edwards

Clergy: Rev. Cathie Crooks

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

Music Director: Donald Fraser

Custodians: Lorraine Worth & Andy Gagnon

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Announcements

Today's bulletins are in loving memory of Ranald & Neven
Cameron presented by Jean, Heather and family.

Happy Birthday to Laura Scantlebury on May 7, to Jacob Foster and Karen Wood on May 9 and to Nancy Oland Goodwin on May 10.

We extend a warm welcome to Aria Rose Lee and her parents, Tracy Bergman and Jason Van Hee, her sister Alexis, and her extended family and friends. With her baptism this morning, we welcome Aria into the family of the Christian Church.

Bible Study: You are invited to join Rev. Cathie for 3 sessions of Bible Study on the following Tuesdays, from 6:30-7:30 pm: June 4, June 11 and June 18. We will continue our exploration of the Gospel of Luke by listening to, meditating on and sharing our reflections about the Gospel readings for the following Sunday. Please register by calling Ellen in our office by Tues., May 28. All welcome!

Stroll for Your Soul: Sign up for 21 daily emails inviting gratitude, mindful attention and inspiration for your walk! Stroll for Your Soul is a popular Prayer Bench spring program (www.prayerbench.ca). Participants receive a daily email from May 11 - May 31 inviting you to deepen your awareness of seeing God in the ordinary, and practice being in the present moment. Each email offers you a reflection and a task, and invites you to stroll, alone or with others, joining nearly 500 other folks around the world! To register, please call Ellen at our office to leave your name and email address by May 8. On Sun., May 12, at 9:15 am, you are invited to gather with Rev. Cathie in the Parlour to mark the beginning of this program and to share walking places. All are welcome!

2019 Weekly Bulletins may be sponsored by you in celebration or in remembrance. Please contact Ellen in our office. Cost is \$50.

Sunday, May 12: Lectionary Readings – Acts 9:1-6, Psalm 30, Revelation 7:9-17, John 10:22-30

Christian Development Committee requests the names of our 2018 graduates from high school, college and university. We will be honouring the grads and their parents with a breakfast on June 9. Please let our office know.

Employment Opportunity: Trinity United Church has secured funding from the Canada Jobs for Youth program for an 8 wk. period,

35 hrs. a wk. with flexibility in hours and weeks. The program is altered this year and It is open to any youth ages 16-30. For more information or to apply, please contact either Ellen in our office at 902-892-4114 or Emily Bryant, 902-892-6489.

Camp Abegweit is still looking for staff for the 2019 camping season. The two areas of urgent concern are male staff and lifeguards. If you know of anyone who might be interested please contact Rev. Catherine Stuart at revcath.stuart@gmail.com Camper applications are available on-line at www.campabby.ca or on our bulletin board outside the church office. We appreciate any help you can give for sponsoring a camper. Early bird deadline is May 31.

UPEI Students: Applications are currently being accepted for both the Ivan & Blanche Darrach Bursary and the Rogers-Cairns Scholarship. Qualification requirements and application forms can be found on the UPEI website. Application deadline is May 31.

Congratulations to Ginny McGowan, PhD on the publication and release of her book "Harness the Power of Mentoring".

Many thanks to the staff and volunteers who donated their time and talents to the three East Coast Music Award concerts this past week. Without your help hosting these large events would not be possible.

Trinity Events

Pastoral Care Committee will meet today, 11:45 am.

Mens Group will meet on Wed., May 8, 9 am.

Church Council will meet on Thurs., May 9, 6:30 pm.

Carol Gabanna will lead the final session on Sat., May 11, 9 am.

UCW Meeting: Mon., May 6: Executive at 9:30 am and General at 10 am. This will be the last General Meeting before our Annual Lobster Supper and we need a good attendance for this important meeting. Thank you.

Love Your Soul: On Mon., May 6, 5:30 – 6:30 pm, we invite you to bring your young families and join us for an evening of quality time for family and new friendships. There will be music, storytelling and a

pizza dinner for families to enjoy together. Please RSVP by Thurs., May 2 to trinityunited@eastlink.ca or call 902-892-4114.

Tuesday Suppers: There will be a gathering on Tues., May 7, 6 pm. Justin Milne, a Human Rights lawyer at the firm Stewart McKelvey, will speak on the topic "Human Rights Progress for the LGBTQ Community, PEI, Canada and Internationally." His talk will be of special interest to members of Trinity-Clifton as we are an affirming congregation. Cost of meal is \$10. Tickets must be purchased in advance and are available after church at the Richmond Street entrance or during the week in our office. Everyone is welcome.

PEI Social Justice Book Club: We hope you will join us for a discussion of Jenny Nordberg's novel "The Underground Girls of Kabul". This captivating book explores the hidden custom in Afghanistan of disguising and raising girls as boys for safety, social status and greater freedom. We will meet on Wed., May 8, 3 pm.

Trinity Children's Choir: All the children of Trinity are invited sing in our children's choir. Practices will be immediately following worship, in the sanctuary, on May 12, 19, and 26. The practices will not be long. The children will sing at the Sunday School celebration service on June 2. Hope to see you there.

Trinity Take-Out Lobster Supper: Our annual take-out lobster supper is being held on Sat., June 1, with pick up from 3 – 5 pm. Tickets are \$22 and are available from UCW members, Trinity men, our church office, and from Norman Carruthers (902-566-3007). Deliveries are available for shut-ins. Tickets will be available today after our service at the Richmond St. entrance.

Other Church and Community Events

Holocaust Remembrance will take place on Thurs., May 9, 6:30 pm at Studio 1; Confederation Centre of ARTs. Rick Schneider will speak about his family's story of survival of the Holocaust.

Park Royal Lobster Supper will take place on Wed., May 15, pick up will be from 3:30 – 6 pm. Tickets are \$25. Please call the church office at 902-894-9656 to reserve your ticket.

Sirens will present "Sea Songs" on Sat., May 18, 3 pm, at Park Royal United Church, along with the *Aeolian Singers* from Halifax, NS. Billed as Maritime women singing Maritime songs, this concert will feature music based on folklore, water, and life near the ocean. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors, and \$10 for students. They can be purchased online at sirenschoir.com or at the door.

Memorial Hymn Sing Service at Winsloe United Church on Sun., June 2, 7 pm. There will be number of songs available in memory of a loved one and you are invited to donate \$10 each towards dedicating a hymn. Donations can be made at the Sunday services in May or by contacting any member of the Fundraising Committee: Shirley (902-394-0352), Sonya (902-218-0547), Dorothy (902-368-1517), Diane (902-894-4146) or Pat (902-368-1131).

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

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.

