



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



February 3, 2019 10:30 a.m.

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

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 Pastorale William France

Words of Welcome Rev. Melaney Matheson

Lighting of the Christ Candle Bella & Helena Neale

Lighting of the Rainbow Candle

Acknowledging Traditional Territory

Quiet Preparation for Worship

***Introit** Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song VU #205

Choir, vs. 1:

Like the murmur of the dove's song,
like the challenge of her flight,
like the vigour of the wind's rush,
like the new flame's eager might:
come, Holy Spirit, come.

All, vss. 2 and 3:

To the members of Christ's body,

**to the branches of the Vine,
to the church in faith assembled,
to our midst as gift and sign:
come, Holy Spirit, come.**

**With the healing of division,
with the ceaseless voice of prayer,
with the power to love and witness,
with the peace beyond compare:
come, Holy Spirit, come.**

***Call to Worship**

How lovely is God's dwelling place.

**Our souls yearn for God's presence;
our hearts and our flesh cry out for the Living God.**

Come into God's house.

Come all who thirst and are heavy laden.

We come and find refuge here.

***Hymn**

Let Us Build a House

MV #1, vss. 1-2, 4-5

Opening Prayer

**Open wide the window of our spirits,
God, and fill us with light;
open wide the door of our hearts,
God, that we may receive you
with adoration and love...**

**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 Love Us into Fullness MV #81, vss. 1 and 2

Time with Our Children

Hymn MV #81, vs. 3

The Word

Prayer for Understanding Emilie Willis

Readings

Malachi 3: 1-4

Psalm 24 VU, page 751

Luke 2: 22-40 Rev. Cathie Crooks

Anthem Yabban, Yamman Rupert Lang

Sermon The Other Wise Ones

***Hymn** In the Darkness Shines the Splendour VU #92

Response to the Word

Offering Invitation

Offertory Melody W. France

***Presentation of Offering** VU #218, vs. 1

Offering Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Sending Forth

***Hymn** Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah VU #651

***Commission and Benediction**

Postlude Finale W. France

Greeters:**Head Greeter:** George Neale**North Side:** Bill & Bev Bishop, Velda Ward**South Side:** Bruce Fitchett, Clara MacLeod, Kathy Birt**Balcony:** David Younker, Ron Estabrooks**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**Web Page:** www.trinityclifton.org **Email:** trinityunited@eastlink.ca**Phone:** 902-892-4114 **Office Hours:** Mon. – Fri., 8:30 am – 3 pm**Announcements**

Sympathies of the congregation are extended to Laura Smith on the death of her sister, Evelyn Mayne.

Happy Birthday to Wendy Wright on Feb. 4, to Rev. Nathan Mair on Feb. 7 and to Albert Aitken on Feb. 8.

The Annual Meeting of the Trinity-Clifton Congregation will be held immediately following worship on Sun., Feb. 17, 2019. Storm date is Feb. 24. Reports available at trinityclifton.org. A limited number of copies will be printed. Contact our office if you need one. Surnames: A-M, please bring sandwiches, N-Z, bring sweets.

2018 Tax Receipts are available in our office during the week.

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

Volunteers needed: Our nominating committee is looking for people to fill positions of Secretary of Council, Treasurer, Chair of Finance, and note-takers for most committees. If you can help, call Phil Floyd at 902-218-2779.

The Property Committee is in the midst of investigating retrofitting the Sanctuary lighting system for safety reasons. The temporary lighting that was tried from the Balcony proved unsatisfactory. (Bright lights shining in Congregants eyes). The Property Committee is

continuing investigating other options for a temporary lighting system and plan to have lights in place as soon as possible.

January 2019 Newsletter: Communications Committee is pleased to announce that the January 2019 issue is published and available on the website or by email. A limited number of print copies are available, so please let the office know if you prefer to receive a print copy. Thanks to everyone who contributed to this issue!

CONTAINERS, CONTAINERS, CONTAINERS: The shelves outside Ellen's office are filled to capacity with carrying/storage containers as well as casserole dishes, baking pans, and roasting pans left behind by generous people providing food for various events. There is also an overflow kept in room #6. Please have a look to see if these are yours or if you know to whom they might belong. We need to clear these shelves and will offer whatever items are not claimed to the Treasures Table for the Christmas Fair. Please, won't you have a look and remind your friends to do so as well. With much thanks from the UCW.

Sunday, Feb. 10: Lectionary Readings – Isaiah 6:1-8, Psalm 138, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11, Luke 5:1-11

Pastoral Visitation: Rev. Anne visits Trinity-Clifton members who are living in assisted care residences or nursing homes. In addition, Rev. Cathie makes home visits at times of serious illness, crises, or to support those who are bereaved. You are most welcome to request a visit. Rev. Anne and/or Rev. Cathie visit the Queen Elizabeth Hospital each Thursday or Friday and more frequently upon request.

Trinity Events

UCW Executive will meet on Mon, Feb. 4, 9:30 am.

UCW General will meet on Mon., Feb. 4, 10 am.

Property Committee will meet on Wed., Feb. 6, 6:30 pm.

Church Council will meet on Thurs., Feb. 7, 6:30 pm.

Ad Hoc Committee on Future Sustainability Information

Gathering: Immediately following worship today, the members of the Ad Hoc Committee wish to update the congregation on their discussions to date.

Trinity Tuesday Suppers: There will be a dinner on Tues., Feb. 5. The speaker will be Trinity's Alan Edwards, who will speak about his recent trip to China. Cost of the meal is \$10. Tickets available after church at the Richmond Street entrance or during the week by contacting the Trinity Office. All are welcome.

PEI Social Justice Book Club: In recognition of Black History Month we have chosen to read **Americanah**, a powerful, tender story of race and identity by award-winning author Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. We will meet in the church parlor at 1:30 on Feb. 6. Hope to see you there!

Other Church and Community Events

Roast Beef Dinner: Please reserve Sat., Feb. 9 for our 3rd Annual Valentine's Roast Beef Dinner being held at Park Royal United Church at 5:30 pm. Meal includes tender roast beef, mashed potatoes, carrots, turnip, peas, homemade mustard pickles, fresh rolls, punch, tea, coffee and a BIG chocolate black-forest cupcake with whipped cream for dessert. Adults \$20 and children under twelve - \$10. For tickets please call Church Office at 902-894-9656.

Central Queens United Church, Hunter River, is pleased to invite everyone to our annual Valentines Hot Roast Pork Dinner with all the delicious trimmings on Thurs., Feb. 14, 7 pm. Sticky date pudding for dessert too...mmm! Tickets: \$25 each. Contact Helena at 902-964-2338 Musical entertainment provided by the talented band, "Party Mix". Come celebrate the gift of love with your partner, friend, or family.

Organist/Choir Director: St. Peter's Bay United Church is seeking an individual with experience playing organ and piano to provide accompaniment during worship services, effective March 2019. Leading the congregational singing is an asset but is not a prerequisite. The Organist will select and play appropriate music for preludes and postludes; and will play for weddings and funerals held at the church or will find appropriate substitutes. An honorarium (negotiable) will be paid per service. If interested, please submit a letter to the Church Board, St. Peters Bay United Church, c/o Susan Anderson, 162 Anderson Road, St-Peter's Bay, PE C0A 2A0 or by email: slandpei@eastlink.ca

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.

