



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



January 27, 2019 10:30 a.m.

**Third Sunday after Epiphany
Celebration of Holy Communion**

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 Prelude on the Kyrie Tambyeff

Words of Welcome Rev. Melaney Matheson

Lighting of the Christ Candle

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**

We are one.

We are many.

We are one in the Spirit.

We are different.

We are one in the kin-dom of God.

We are unique.

We are one in the body of Christ.

Even with our differences?

Even with our differences.

God invites us to the table.

God invites us home.

Let us worship together.

***Hymn**

We Are One

VU #402

Opening Prayer

Wonderous and loving God,
you call us to worship.

**We, your people, the members of your body,
have come here, to this special place.**

Gather with us in this time of worship.

**Give us strength and purpose,
that we might answer your call and accept our place
in the body of Christ.**

Hear us, as we pray together,

Service of the Table

Invitation to Communion

The Greeting

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift our hearts in prayer.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is good to give God thanks and praise.

Great Thanksgiving Prayer

Blessed are you, gracious God,

Creator of light, Giver of all life, Source of love.

You guide the sun, cradle the moon, and direct the stars.

At your word the earth was made

and spun on its course among the planets.

Thank you, O God.

You breathe life into us

and set us among all your creatures,

in a covenant of love and service.

Even when we turn away from you, you do not forsake us.

You send your prophets to proclaim your justice,

to remind us of your promise of peace,

and to call us back to you.

Thank you, O God.

God we praise you for your love revealed to us in Jesus,

who walks with us, our Wisdom and our Way,

sharing our joy and sorrow,

healing the sick,

feeding the hungry,

and setting the captive free.

So it is that we join the song of all creation to

proclaim your goodness singing:

Sung:

Holy, holy, holy are you,

God of power and might,

VU# 932

**heaven and earth are filled with your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the one who comes in your name.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!**

Mighty and tender God, in Jesus
we recognize the fullness of your grace:
light, life and love, revealed
in words that confront and comfort us,
in teachings that challenge and change us,
in compassion that heals and frees us.

We remember that when Jesus was with his friends,
he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it,
he broke it and gave it to them, saying;
"Take, eat. This is my body, given for you.
Each time you do this remember me."

Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks,
passed it to his friends, saying:
"Drink. This cup, poured out for you,
is the promise of God.
Whenever you drink it, remember me."

At this time we also remember all with whom
you would have us share this feast.

**We pray for our families and friends...
We pray for all who are in sorrow or in pain...
all who are ill or alone...
all who live with fear, oppression, or hunger...
and for nations as they strive for peace and justice.**

Loving God, we rejoice in the gift of your grace,
remembering Christ's life and death,
proclaiming his resurrection,
waiting in hope for his coming again.
Grant that, in praise and thanksgiving,
we may so offer ourselves to you
that our lives may proclaim in song the mystery of faith:

Sung:

**Christ has died.
Christ has risen.
Christ will come, come again.**

VU# 933

Send, O God, your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts,
that all who share in the loaf and cup
may be the body of Christ:
light, life and love in the world.
In this hope and as your people, we praise you.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, God most holy,
now and forever.

Amen.

Breaking the Bread, Pouring the Cup

The body of Christ.
The cup of blessing.
The gifts of God for the people of God.
Come for all things are now ready.

Sharing the Meal

Prayer after Communion

**For the bread we have eaten,
for the wine we have tasted,
for the life we have received,
we thank you, God.
May we grow in love and understanding,
that we may bring new life to others,
and light to the world.
Amen.**

Sending Forth

***Hymn** Christ Has No Body Now but Yours MV #171

***Commission and Benediction**

Postlude Fugue in C Minor Drynan

Call to worship, by Richard Bott, Gathering A/C/E 2019

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

Happy Birthday to Cathie Crooks on Jan. 29 and to Lola Currie on Feb. 2.

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

An Invitation: In response to concerns raised at the Triennial Visit of Presbytery a year ago (re: the size of our Council, communication and conflict resolution within our congregation), Council will be addressing these concerns at three 3-hour sessions with professional consultant, Carol Gabanna. Carol brings to her work 30+ years of national and international experience in the areas of conflict resolution, organizational development and governance across a wide-range of profit and not-for-profit organizations, including congregations. In addition to Council members, we wish to invite any non-Council members to join us on Feb. 2 & 23, 9 am – noon. The date for the third session is to be determined. Please note that attendance at all three sessions is requested. Should you be interested (and we hope you are!), please contact Ellen in our office by Jan. 30 to register.

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.

Readers and Candle lighters are needed: Signup sheets will be in the children's area at the back. Please consider adding your name.

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!

Rev. Cathie is on vacation through Jan. 31. If you are in need of pastoral care during her absence, please contact Ellen, our Office Administrator, who will be glad to connect you with Rev. Doreen Daley, the minister on-call.

Sunday, Feb. 3: Lectionary Readings – Jeremiah 17:5-10, Psalm 1, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11, Luke 4:21-30

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.

Ad Hoc Committee on Future Sustainability Information

Gathering: Immediately following worship on Feb. 3, 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.

Camp Abegweit is looking for a treasurer. If you have any questions as to what this job entails, you can contact Sharon Howatt at vshowatt@pei.sympatico.ca or Linda Durdle at durdle@eastlink.ca

As Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Regional Council continues to develop and the commission is now serving as the Executive for our Region, efforts are ongoing to ensure each of its Committees is staffed with energetic and talented people. The Rev. Rose-Hannah Gaskin is currently Chair of a very small Nominations Committee which does not yet have any membership from PEI. As well as seeking a least one PEI member for the Nominations Committee, that Committee is in process of finding members to immediately begin serving on the following Committees: Regional Meeting Planning, Property, Financial and Mission Support Services, Pastoral Relations, Faith and Education Formation, Region Staff Support Team, Mission Justice and Outreach, Archives and Records, and Incorporated Ministries. Please contact either Sheila Gallant (sfgallant@bellaliant.net) or Kevin Dingwell (tkdingwell@gmail.com) or directly connect with the Rev. Rose-Hannah Gaskin (rosehannahwilmot@gmail.com or 506-458-1066) if you are willing to provide leadership during this critical time in the re-structuring of our church.

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

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.

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.

