

Prairie Spirit United Church

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Please call before planning a visit to the church.

Weekly Update – Friday 22 September 2023

Worship on Sunday, Sept 24th, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.

This Sunday's service will be led by the Social Justice Team.

Our scripture reader is Sharon Thom.

Scripture passages are:

Mark 10:13-16

Matthew 25: 37-40

Our special guest is Niigaan Sinclair.

Our guest soloist and musician is Melody Stevenson.

Theme: Remembering the Children

Each year September 30 marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, also known as Orange Shirt Day. The colour orange celebrates the resiliency of the Indigenous people and affirms that every child matters. **So don't forget to wear your orange shirt this Sunday.**

What's Happening Next Week

Oct. 1, 2023: The Worship Team is leading the service with special guest Right Reverend Carmen Lansdowne - United Church of Canada Moderator providing the sermon and presiding over communion for World Communion Sunday. Link to get to know Carmen:

<https://united-church.ca/community-and-faith/organization-and-governance/moderator/right-rev-dr-carmen-lansdowne-44th-moderator/who-carmen-lansdowne>

This is also our 5th Anniversary as
Prairie Spirit United Church!!
Time to celebrate!



*Ushers
Needed*

There is a sign up sheet on a bulletin board in the narthex.

Your help is greatly appreciated and if there are any questions please call Marg Fisher.

Notice of Meeting

**Community of Faith Meeting
Prairie Spirit Narthex
Sunday, September 24th
12:00 Noon**

This Community of Faith Meeting is called for the following purposes:

1. To approve an Oversight Council Chairperson
2. To approve an Oversight Council Vice Chairperson
3. To approve the addition of 2 Oversight Council Member at Large positions to the Governance Document:
4. To approve the resignation of Ernie Gallant from the Board of Trustees

Table Group Discussion

Following this brief meeting, the congregation will meet in table groups for a guided discussion focused on our Community of Faith Profile.

The writing team will received the congregation's feedback on two questions:

1. About Us - Who are we at Prairie Spirit?
2. Ministry Needs - What are the qualities and attributes we value in our minister?

Please plan to attend this important Community of Faith Meeting

Community of Faith Profile

The **DRAFT** Community of Faith Profile is available for review by the congregation. While many hours have been spent drafting this document, it is open to suggestions from the community of faith. Feedback received at the September 24th meeting and discussion, will be taken into consideration prior to the final draft being determined.

As this profile is a draft, it is not to be copied or circulated.

The Prairie Spirit United Church DRAFT Community of Faith Profile is available to read in the office.



WHAT ARE THE COLOURS?

The four areas of the medicine wheel have many different attributes assigned to them. Four sacred **colours: red, yellow black and white**, four **directions**, four sacred **medicines**, four **seasons**, four **elements**, four **stages of life**. Some teachings include the four **nations** of the people of the world and four **sacred animals**. Different tribes and nations have different medicine wheel teachings based on their own **stories, values, and beliefs** and one is not more correct than another. The Medicine Wheel strives to bring together balance, equality and diversity.

The United Church of Canada has adopted the four colours.

The link below gives a more detailed explanation.

<https://tribaltradeco.com/blogs/medicine-wheel/what-are-the-medicine-wheel-colors-and-what-do-the-colors-mean>



Did you know the program **Tabs for Wheelchairs** is still going strong??? Save your drink can tabs and bring them to the church. It's a great cause and easy to do. The more tabs; the more wheelchairs available for those children in need. Click on the link below if you would like more information.

<https://www.manitobapossible.ca/stories/strength-in-numbers>

Community News

Truth and Reconciliation Week September 25-30, 2023

The National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation, University of Manitoba, invites you to join their Daily Virtual Lunch and Learns for an immersive experience to UN-learn the myths of colonial history in Canada. All are welcome. Please click the link below for more information and to register.

<https://nctr.ca/education/coming-soon-truth-and-reconciliation-week-2023/trw2023-gen/>



The poster features a bright sun in the top left, a green apple and a corn cob in the bottom left and right respectively, and a logo in the top right that says 'NOURISHING OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD' with an illustration of a house, a person, and a tree. The main title 'COMMUNITY FOODSHARE 2023' is in large green and pink letters. Below it, a yellow box contains the text: 'Support people with limited access to food in your neighbourhood. Grow a row of vegetables. Pick and share fruit. Donate grocery items. Deliver to :'. The poster is divided into two columns: 'LOCATION' and 'DROP-OFF DETAILS'. The 'LOCATION' column lists six addresses: 529 COUNTRY CLUB BLD (55+ Housing), 125 CARRIAGE RD (55+ Housing), 22 STRAUSS DR (Manitoba Housing), 825 SCHOOL RD (The Salvation Army), 170 HENDON AVE (Manitoba Housing), and 1-225 DONCASTER ST (Tuxedo Family Resource Centre). The 'DROP-OFF DETAILS' column provides instructions for each location, including drop-off times (Monday to Friday 9:00-4:00, or 9:00-3:00 for The Salvation Army), and contact information (phone or text to 204-888-5534, or email to Nicholas.Rush@gov.mb.ca).

COMMUNITY FOODSHARE 2023

NOURISHING OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD
St. James & Assiniboine South Food Security Network
in partnership with Wabano Public Health
est. 2021

Support people with limited access to food in your neighbourhood.
Grow a row of vegetables. Pick and share fruit. Donate grocery items.
Deliver to :

LOCATION	DROP-OFF DETAILS
529 COUNTRY CLUB BLD 55+ Housing	MONDAY to FRIDAY 9:00-4:00 Phone or text with subject "Food Delivery" to 204-888-5534
125 CARRIAGE RD 55+ Housing	MONDAY to FRIDAY 9:00-4:00 Email with subject "Food Delivery" to Nicholas.Rush@gov.mb.ca
22 STRAUSS DR Manitoba Housing	MONDAY to FRIDAY 9:00-4:00 Email with subject "Food Delivery" to Nicholas.Rush@gov.mb.ca
825 SCHOOL RD The Salvation Army	MONDAY to FRIDAY 9:00-3:00 Phone: 204-889-9203
170 HENDON AVE Manitoba Housing	THURSDAYS Phone or text with subject "Food Delivery" to 204-619-4634
1-225 DONCASTER ST Tuxedo Family Resource Centre	TO ARRANGE DROP OFF Phone: 204-488-2133

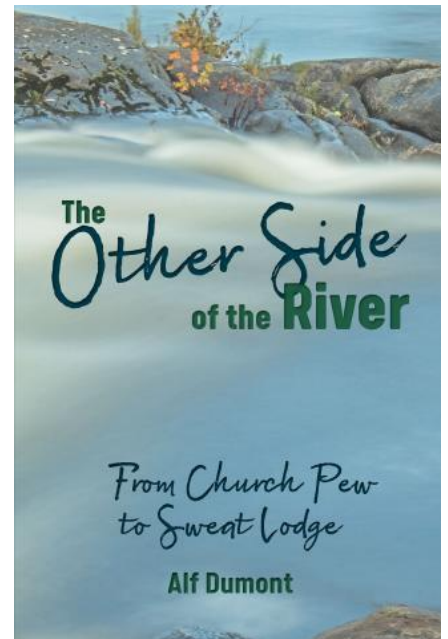
For inquiries about the Food Security Network, call Kathy Perrault @204-223-0934

Stories of Our Mission

Listening and Learning on the Path to Reconciliation

Alf Dumont spent his life as a spiritual leader, serving the United Church as a minister while staying connected with his traditional Indigenous spirituality. Alf and his family attended Sturgeon Creek United Church when they lived in Winnipeg. His memoir *The Other Side of the River: From Church Pew to Sweat Lodge* shares stories of how Dumont walks between his two worlds. Your gifts through Mission and Service help support the creation and publication of luminous, timely work like Dumont's book as well as the webinar discussions and education events that follow.

[Image credit: The United Church of Canada]



THIS WEEK'S GLANCE



Sun 24 Sept	9:30am	PSUC Choir
	10:30am	PSUC Worship
Mon 25	9am	OC Meeting & Zoom
Tues		
Wed		
Thu		
Fri		
Sat		
Regular Office Hours are Tue-Fri 10am-2pm Please call before planning a visit to the church.		

Please submit Weekly Updates to the office by Wednesday morning.

Please send the article as you would like it to appear, include Title, Write-up, files or posters to be included if any.

If you would like to register for our Member Only area of the PSUC website, please email the office with your name and email address.

In the Member Only section you will have access to past Annual Reports, Governance Structure, Ministry Profile, Oversight & Executive Minutes, Newsletters & Weekly Updates.

If you would like to sign up for email editions of our Weekly Update, please contact the church off