

Prairie Spirit United Church

207 Thompson Drive

Winnipeg, MB R3J 3E2

Phone: 204-832-1000

Email Link: prairiespirituc@shaw.ca

Website Link: prairiespirituc.org

YouTube Service Link: [Prairie Spirit Channel](#)

Please call before planning a visit to the church.

Weekly Update – Friday 01 March 2024

Worship is on Sunday, March 3rd, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.

This Sunday's worship leader is Rita Swan, Lay Minister.

Sermon Theme: 'Spring Cleaning/Renovation'

Our scripture reader is Bryan Gawryluk.

Scripture Reading:

Psalm 19 VU740 (second refrain)

John 2: 13-22

What's Happening Next Sunday

Sunday March 10th will be led by Rev. Don Johnson with a celebration of PIE Day with pie to enjoy following the service.

SERVICE TIME CHANGE: the service on March 10th will start at 11:30am on this Sunday only to encourage people to be present at the 1pm Community of Faith Meeting to receive the report of the Search Team for the Called Minister.



The Search Team formed in early January to seek a full time called minister has completed their work. On Sunday, March 10th at a community of faith meeting, the Search team will present their recommendation. The meeting can only be held with a member of the Pastoral Relations Commission in attendance. Rev. Harold Kenyon who is a minister at Carman, Manitoba is our designated liaison. 1:00 pm. Is the earliest that he can be in attendance. Everyone is encouraged to attend this important meeting.

Joycelyn Fournier-Gawryluk, Chairperson, Search Team

Your Social Justice and Outreach Team invites you to bring a can or bag of ground coffee to church to assist the West End Ministry (formerly St Matthews Maryland) with their drop in coffee time. They are beginning their outreach programme in their new location in the former Balmoral Hotel This is one way we can help them get started. Look for a bin in the narthex next Sunday. . Our coffee drive will continue until mid March. Thanks for your support.



Last day to contribute coffee is Sunday March 10th.
Thank you to John McLeod who very kindly delivered several of your donated cans of coffee to West Broadway last week.



LENT

Next session is **Wednesday March 6th.**

We meet at 10am at PSUC
in the Kirkfield Park Meeting Room, off of the Narthex.

EASTER COOKIES FOR HOMEBOUND

We are planning once again to deliver cookies and Easter cards to the Homebound.

We are looking for your help. Donations of cookies, no nuts please, to be labeled and dropped off to the freezer in the Sunrise room by Fri. Mar. 22.

A big part of this outreach is to deliver and have a short visit with the recipient. We have received many wonderful comments about this outreach. Will you help us? A yellow Sign up sheet will be in the Narthex on Sunday.



Community News

St. Andrew's River Heights United Church Outreach Group's Speaker Series

Talk focus:

Kathy will share her story from a modest beginning when she read to six children from a basket of books under a tree to a network of nine libraries receiving 350,000 visits annually.



March 3, 2024

9am-10am

Location: Lounge

Speaker

Kathy Knowles

Since 1990, Kathy Knowles, a long-time member of St Andrew's, has volunteered as program director with Osu Children's Library Fund [OCLF], a registered Canadian charity. The organization has built libraries in Ghana, West Africa, that range from a converted 40' shipping container to multi-storied buildings and community hubs. Kathy also oversees the publishing initiatives of OCLF, now standing at 55 books including editions in mother tongue.



Stories of Our Mission

Your Generosity Accompanies Grandmothers

In the Rift Valley of Kenya, grandmothers whose children have died of AIDS are often left alone to care for their grandchildren. Some pastors there believe and teach that the disease is a judgment from God. Through Mission and Service, these grandmothers and pastors had a chance to [connect and learn](#) from each other.



[Photo credit: World Council of Churches Ecumenical HIV and AIDS Initiatives and Advocacy]

WEEKLY *Sneak Peek*

| | | |
|---|---------|---|
| Sun 3 Mar | 9:30am | PSUC Choir |
| | 10:30am | PSUC Worship |
| Mon 4 | 9:30am | Zoom – Appointed Supply Minister Interview Team Meeting |
| Tues | | |
| Wed 6 | 10am | Lenten Study |
| Thu 7 | 2pm | Tone Chimes |
| Fri 8 | | Portage Avenue Food Bank |
| 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 office..