# **Prairie Spirit United Church**

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Please call before planning a visit to the church.

Weekly Update - Friday 22 March 2024

### Worship is on Sunday, March 24, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.

This Sunday's service will be led by Rev. Irene Greenwood. Sermon: Palm Sunday

> Our scripture reader is Thomas Ormonde. Scripture Reading: John 12: 12-16

We welcome Crestview United Church members, their choir and choir leader/musician Davie Libby who are worshipping with us!! It's such a pleasure to have you join us!

### What's Happening for March

Friday March 29th - Good Friday at 10:30am - will be led by Rev. Don Johnson with cellist Sean Taubner.

Sun March 31st - Easter Sunday at 10:30am will be led by Lay Worship Leader, Rita Swan with soloist Melanie Dupuis.

LENT The next session is Wednesday March 27th. We meet at 10am at PSUC enten in the Kirkfield Park Meeting Room, off of the Narthex. Study Series Wednesdays in Lent



## SPRING CLEANING

March 23, 2024 beginning at 9:30am we plan to "clean the church"! We would appreciate assistance. If you belong to a group, it might be important to clean your area, as you will know what is important. All are welcome to assist See you there.

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR NEW MINISTER, REVEREND SCOTT MACAULEY







Dear Friends,

It is with great joy and humility that I introduce myself as your new Minister. While I do not step into this role until July 1<sup>st</sup> I am filled with excitement and anticipation for the journey ahead, knowing that together we will walk a path of faith, community and spiritual growth. With over two decades of experience in urban and rural ministry I bring an understanding of the diverse needs and challenges we face as a community of faith.

A little bit about me...Manitoba is home though I spent some considerable time studying out of province. I live in St. Vital with my partner Harvey and our cat Loki (who is affectionately known as Mr. Boobins). We ALL support the Bombers and the Jets. I am passionate about embracing both traditional and emerging ministries believing that our faith is not confined to the walls of our places of worship or specific ways of worship but extends to every aspect of our lives. I believe in working together exploring new ways to connect, serve and care for one another honouring the rich traditions of our faith while at the same time exploring fresh expressions of faith and learning from other cultures.

There's much for us to do together in the days and years ahead so I look forward to getting to know you all over the next while. It is my intention to work with you as we build a common identity and share our various gifts of ministry. I extend my blessings to each of you over the Easter season and look forward to the day that we are all settled into this new ministry come July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Peace Scott



The Congregational Life team would like to invite you to mark the date and join us for breakfast on Easter Sunday, March 31st. It will be starting at 9:30 till 10:15 in the Narthex. As in the past we invite you to enjoy homemade hot cross buns, cheese and crackers, fruit, devilled eggs and beverages.

Hope to see you then, Congregational Life

IMPORTANT NOTICE The Annual Meeting of Prairie Spirit United Church will be held on April 7, 2024, beginning at 12:15 P.M.



The Annual Meeting is called to celebrate the work of our church in 2023 and to do forward planning for 2024. With the exciting news of our new minister, Reverend Scott MacAuley joining us on July 1, 2024, there is much to celebrate.

The Community of Faith will approve the:

draft minutes of the April 2, 2023 Annual Meeting,

- Oversight Council, Standing Teams and Other BodiesTeam Reports,
- 2023 Audited Statement,

appointment of an auditor for 2024,

2024 Draft Budget,

2024 Slate of Officers for the Oversight Council and Standing Teams.

Nominations are open for all positions; contact Joycelyn at 2048851088 if interested in serving on the OC.

A paper copy of the Annual Meeting Report is available in the office and at church on Sun March 24.

A light lunch, including bunwiches, beverages and dessert will be provided. Many thanks to the UCW for organizing and preparing this lunch.

## Please plan to be in attendance at our Annual Meeting.

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#### March 13, 2024

#### To our Partners in Mission,

Many of you have been in contact with me to ask about non-perishable food donations in the new space, and I am now prepared to offer an update.

We will not be offering an Emergency Food Program in the new building. We have decided to place a greater emphasis on providing hot meals in this space, an opportunity to bring people together in person to share a meal and build belonging. We have expanded our weekly Food Bank in partnership with Harvest Manitoba, for guests who need groceries.

What this means for you is that we will no longer have a use for the same non-perishable food donations which we have relied on you for in the past. However there are still many items that we do have ongoing need for, and we know that many in your congregations will be happy to respond to these needs. With that in mind, please see the following list of items we would love your support in receiving:

- Ground coffee
- Coffee whitener
- Sugar/sweetener
- Flour

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- Cooking Oil
- Bottled Water
- Juice/powder (ie. Lemonade, Ice Tea, Kool-Aid\_)

- Napkins
- Ziploc bags (all sizes)
- Plastic Wrap
- Aluminum Foll
- Parchment Paper
- Brown paper bags
- Powder-free vinyl gloves

- Socks
- Underwear
- Monstrual Products
- Soap
- Shampoo
- Toothpaste and toothbrushes
- Razors for shaving

Please feel free to be in touch if you have any questions,

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#### PLANT CARDS ALSO AVAILABLE! IT'S A PERFECT GIFT FOR ANY PLANT ENTHUSIAST!

# SPRING FUNDRAISER

Place orders until April 15th Shop early for best selection!

This year's spring fundraising campaign will be a sale of excellent quality and competitively priced bedding plants, perenniais, hanging baskets, vegetables, herbs, succulents, and container gardens. Fall Garden Mums can be easily ordered now in the spring for delivery shortly after Labor Day in the early Fall. Gift Cards are also available.

You as the customer can follow these simple steps to shop and pay online at www.glenleagreenhouses.com.

1. On their homepage select Spring Fundralser.

After you are finished shopping, go to the cart page and select "to support & pick up at a fundralser group". Afterwards, three fields will appear.

3. Please select from the Fundralser Group dropdown ( Prairie Spirit United Church)

4. Under Name of Seller please leave empty

Lastly, check the Checkbox to confirm all the information in the above fields are correct and click check out & pay.

Input your email, name and address. Followed by your preferred payment method.

Payment can be completed by credit card (Visa or Mastercard) or by INTERAC e-transfer to Gleniea Greenhouses.

Shortly after completing the order, an email confirmation is sent to the email address you provided at checkout confirming the delivery location and date, along with the products ordered. If you can not find this confirmation in your inbox, please check your spam folder for a copy of your confirmation. Your order is then forwarded to us.

#### Online orders will be accepted until 11:59 pm on April 15th.

Paper orders forms must be in by APRIL 2nd.

Please make all cheques payable to Prairie Spirit United Church.

Extra orders forms can be downloaded off the greenhouses' website. Only one order form per participant please.

The plants will be delivered to Prairie Sp[irit United Church 207 Thompson Drive on May 22nd and we will need all orders to be picked up that afternoon.

All the proceeds from this fundralser will go towards our Social Justice Initiatives

We thank you for your support!

# Community News



Seasons of Love from Rent, Danny Boy, The Impossible Dream, Chanson de Louis Riel, Jesus bleibet meine Freude and more!

# MARCH 24TH @ 7:30 PM

The Big Red Church Gordon-King Memorial United Church 127 Cobourg Ave

A good will offering will be taken.

# Stories of Our Mission

## Preserving Culture through Language Revitalization

Take a moment to think about your favourite story. Now imagine that story being at risk of disappearing because the language it's written in is endangered. This is something that nine Elders from Haida Gwaii, British Columbia, are passionately trying to change.

[Photo credit: Haida Gwaii Skidegate]





# **GIVING** MATTERSI

Your resources, your time, your abilities, your money—any of it or all of it: "The Lord needs it."

Sat 23 March	9:30am	Church Cleanup Day
Sun 24	9:30am	PSUC Choir
	10:30am	PSUC Worship
Mon		
Tues		
Wed 27	10am	Lenten Study
Thu 28	2pm	Tone Chimes
Fri 29	10:30am	PSUC Good Friday Worship
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.

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 Annual Reports, Governance Structure, Ministry Profile, Council Minutes, & Weekly Updates.

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