# **Prairie Spirit United Church**

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Weekly News – Friday October 10, 2025

Worship with us Sunday, October 12, 2025 at 10:30 am Worship Leader: Rev Scott Macauley The Way Gratitude Moves Us

Scripture Reader: Darlene McPherson Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7

Luke 17: 11-19

Music Leader: Bennet Charter

Choral Scholars: Evan Glazier and Finn Deck

Voices United #519 Sing to the Lord of Harvest
Voices United #820 Make a Joyful Noise
Voices United #218 We Praise You, O God
Voices United #467 One Bread, One Body

Voices United #232 Joyful, Joyful We Adore You

Missed a Service?
Catch up on our YouTube Prairie Spirit Channel





Gratitude and thanksgiving are fundamental to our life as Christians. Remember to give, and to give thanks.



## **Janet Eleanor Banks (nee Hunter)**

Sept 30, 1934 –Sept 30, 2025

On her 91<sup>st</sup> birthday, Janet Banks passed away peacefully following a lengthy illness.

Her Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday October 18th, 2025 at 10 am at the Chapel Lawn Funeral Home. For a full obituary please visit the Chapel Lawn website.

# Thanksgiving Reflections: Grateful Hearts, Faithful Stewardship

As we gather this Thanksgiving weekend, our hearts are full of gratitude — for the beauty of creation, for community and friendship, for the ministries that give life to our community of faith, and for the many ways God provides what we need.

Among the gifts entrusted to us is the very property on which we meet — our church home and the land around it. These, too, are gifts from God, not ours to own in the ultimate sense, but to steward wisely and well. Our buildings and grounds are sacred spaces where faith is nurtured, neighbours are welcomed, and the love of Christ becomes visible.

As we look to the future, we are mindful that good stewardship sometimes calls for creativity — ensuring that our resources not only sustain us but also serve the broader community. As Jesus reminds us, "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much" (Luke 16:10). Even the simplest things — like how we use our space or our parking lot — can become opportunities to live faithfully, supporting ministry, reducing burdens, and strengthening our ability to care for others.

In that spirit, several of our committees and our Church Council have been exploring how we might make the most of our property. This is not new work, but in recent conversations, I've invited our leadership to consider how something as simple as our parking lot might be used in ways that both generate some additional revenue and continue to serve our neighbours at a fair and accessible rate.

This reflection is part of our ongoing discernment — approached with gratitude, prayer, and practicality — about how the gifts God has placed in our care can help ensure our longevity and vitality as a community of faith.

So this Thanksgiving, as we give thanks for daily bread and shared community, let us also give thanks for the trust God places in us: to use all we've been given — time, talent, treasure, and yes, even our parking spaces — for the good of God's people and the flourishing of all.

Happy Thanksgiving, and thanks be to God. Rev. Scott

## Name Tags

#### For sale this Sunday

New name tags are ready.

They can be picked up Sunday from Heather.

\$5 donation to help offset cost appreciated.

Turkey Pies \$6 ea, Rhubarb and Apple Crisps \$5 ea for 2 pieces Chili, \$5 (there are only 3 containers left!)

From Congregational Wellness



#### **Lunch and Learn**



Protect Yourself from Frauds and Scams Wednesday October 22<sup>nd</sup> – 10:30 am

Join us at Prairie Spirit for an important Lunch & Learn with the **Winnipeg Police Service** as they share a presentation on **frauds and scams**.



Every year, thousands of people lose millions of dollars to fraud. No one is immune—anyone can be a target. Together, we can learn how to **recognize**, **report**, **and prevent** these crimes.

Enjoy a morning of fellowship, learn some tools to protect you against scams, and then stay for a delicious lunch. Feel free to invite a friend!

# **Evening of**





# FEATURING .... FOUR TUNED COOKIES

# Sponsored by ADK - Beta Chapter & Prairie Spirit Church



October 16, 2025

Doors open 6:30 p.m Show begins at 7p.m.

Prairie Spirit Church - 207 Thompson Dr.

Silent Auction

Light refreshments will be served

Tickets \$10

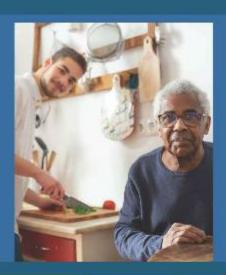
All inquiries can be submitted to ccnewman@shaw.ca

# **Provincial Support Services to Seniors**

Education Session "What you need to know about Elder Abuse Services in Manitoba"







This session is geared towards Manitoba-based Regional Health Authority Support Services to Seniors 55+ serving organization board and staff members as well as older adult service providers who work with older adults in the community.

DATE: October 14, 2025 TIME: 1:30 to 2:30 pm

To join the meeting Click here

Or call in at 1-204-815-1742. Phone conference ID 226 324 916 774 8

Presenter: Katherine Nelson, BSW, RSW A & O: Support Services for Older Adults

## This session will review:

- · Different types of Elder Abuse
- · How to recognize the warning signs
- · How to identify abusive situations
- How to find help and resources to assist in situations of abuse



## Stories of Our Mission

## **Setting More Tables Together**

In the Bible, food is more than just sustenance: it's manna in the wilderness, a feast shared among thousands, and a table where all are welcome. Again and again, food is a sign of <a href="God's care">God's care</a> and abundance.

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WEEKLY Sneak Peek		
Sun Oct 12	10:30 am	PSUC Worship Service
Mon 13		Happy Thanksgiving Office Closed
Tue		
Wed		
Thu 16	1 pm 1:30 pm 7 pm	Tone Chimes The Happy Gang Four Tuned Cookies Event
Fri 17		Portage Avenue Food Bank
Sat		

Regular Office Hours are Tue-Fri 10am-2pm
Please call/email before planning a visit to the church.

Please submit Cheque
Requests and Weekly News
Articles to the office by
Wednesday morning.

Sign Up here for our Weekly News.

The latest Weekly News is always available on the front page of our Website.

Our Building Calendar is always available on a front page tab of our Website.

If you would like to register for our Private Area of the PSUC website, please email the office with your name and email address.
In the Private Area you will have access to Annual Reports and past Council Minutes.