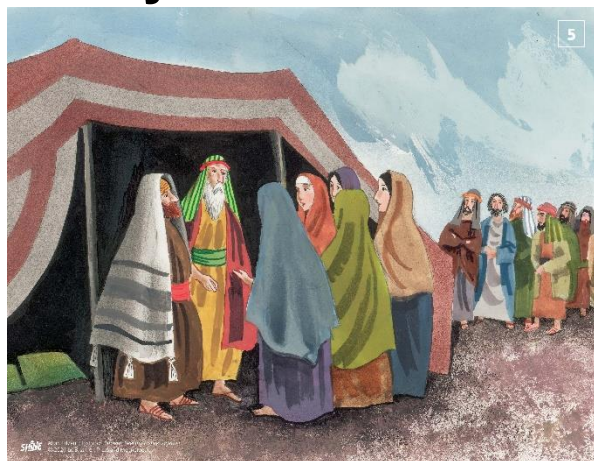


Trinity United Church



*Seeking Justice Together:
"The Courage to Speak Up"*

September 27, 2026

Welcome

As an affirming ministry of the United Church of Canada, Trinity seeks to offer an open-hearted welcome to people of all gender identities, sexual orientations, abilities, races, ethnicities, ages, economic circumstances and family configurations. Whoever you are and whatever your life story, know that we are glad you are here.

Our service is projected on the screen, please follow along and participate as you wish. Prayer request lists and offering plates are located at both ushers' stations, and hearing assistance devices are available at the back in the centre with an alcohol swab to clean the earpieces. Cushions are also available in bins at the rear of the sanctuary.

We hope that you find this morning's worship meaningful. Please let us know if you have any questions, and we invite you to stay for after church for refreshments in the auditorium downstairs.

Participants in Worship Today



Worship Leaders – Julie Baker &

Cassandra Pehura

Piano – Elaine Verwey

Door Host – Joyce Bergson

Zoom Host – Tanis Essery

Sound – Rob Pehura

Candle Lighter – Olivia Pehura

Readers Theatre - Diane Stevenson,
Cassandra Pehura, Aleesha Pangilinan, Kim
Sissons

Scripture Reader - Mitch Pangilinan

Ushers – Diane Stevenson, Terry Lee

Lift Operator – Terry Lee

Care Team – Mary Lou McHenry, Donna
Matthews

Coffee Hosts – Diana Aune, Joyce Bergson

Building Host – Donna Matthews

Kid's Corner – Welcome to all! Today there are activities downstairs for young children (pre-K/K) in a variety of locations for parents to use with their children. We have an activity table at the front of the sanctuary, activity packets at the entry ways when you come in, and in the family room downstairs.



Stewardship Second - The power of God's generosity is stronger than you know. You have the opportunity to wield this power when you give to help others.

September 30 is the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Given our church's relationship to the residential school system, we will be placing orange ribbons on the church steps prior to worship on **September 27**. We hope that you will add your own ribbon to that collection, any time between now and Wednesday. You can use any of the orange ribbons at the ushers' tables or add one of your own.



Sharing in Prayer

The Prairie to Pine Region of The United Church of Canada offers a prayer cycle for the congregations within its bounds. Today we are invited to remember in prayer:



- *Pikangikum*
- *Teulon-Balmoral (Teulon, Balmoral)*
- *Winnipeg: Trinity*

Who's in the office? You will find **Julie** in the office Monday & Thursday. **Elijah** will be in on Thursday & Friday, but best to call ahead first. **Jacquie** will be in all week.

oh,
hello!

Central Plains Cancer Services together with McKenzie United Church invite you to an



"Old Fashioned Tea"

Saturday, October 03

Come & Go 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

McKenzie United Church 85 – 11th Street NW

Silver collection at the door

Tax receipts issued for donations over \$20

Fishpond, baking & craft tables

Ride for Refuge Walk/Ride & Fundraise

Saturday, October 03

3:00 6:00 p.m.

Island Park (meet at the windmill)

The Portage Learning and Literacy Centre invites you to join the RIDE, a family-friendly fundraising ride/walk where we'll gather for local charities that support people who are seeking hope, safety & freedom all across Canada. Visit [Home - Ride for Refuge 2026](#) for more information.

This week at Trinity

Wednesday, September 30

National Day for Truth & Reconciliation –
office closed

Sunday, October 04

Joint World Wide Communion Service
at McKenzie United Church 10:30 a.m.

Next week at Trinity

Thursday, October 08

M & P 9:15 a.m. (family room)
Personal Care Home Services 10:30 a.m.



As we gather for worship, we remember that we gather on the area covered by Treaty 1, traditional land of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Dene, Dakota, and Oji-Cree nations and is the homeland of the Metis. We commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

There will be a choir at our joint World Wide Communion Service, **October 04**. If you wish to be part of the choir, the music is available in the church office, and the rehearsal will be at **9 a.m. sharp next Sunday** at McKenzie church.

First Presbyterian Church **“Meal-in-a-Bowl” Supper**. Thick homemade soups (cream of potato or meatball & pasta) served with homemade breads & biscuits, and for dessert – apple crisp or chocolate zucchini cake **Wednesday, September 30**. Take out or delivery only (Pick up from 5 – 6 p.m.) To place your order (by **September 28**); call Lisa at 204-385-2847. Cost is \$15 at the door.



Coming up in Sunday Worship at Trinity...

“Seeking Justice Together”

Today

“The Courage to Speak Up”
(wear orange to church if you can)

October 4

“How Good it is
when God’s People are Together”
Joint United, Anglican, Presbyterian service
for World Communion at
McKenzie United Church

October 11

“Blessed by Chance, Accountable by Choice”

October 18

“For Such a Time as This –
Lessons from Esther”

October 25

“Reset. Restore. Rejoice. Proclaim Jubilee!”

November 1

“Every Saint has a Past;
Every Prodigal has a Future”

November 8

“Flipping the System”

November 15

“Nevertheless, she persisted.”

November 22

“Broken walls and Enduring Purpose”

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Orange Shirt Day – Every Child Matters was created in April 2013, in Williams Lake, BC, Canada. In 2021, the Canadian federal government officially established **September 30** as the **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (NDTR)**. NDTR did not replace Orange Shirt Day, it is both. The orange shirt has become a symbol of hope, reconciliation, and commitment to a better future. By wearing an orange shirt on September 30, you make a statement to support truth & reconciliation and commit to the enduring truth that “EVERY CHILD MATTERS”



Phyllis Webstad is a Northern Secwepemc (Shuswap) author, activist, and founder of Orange Shirt Day, recognized for raising awareness about the painful legacy of Indian Residential Schools. A member of the Stswecem’c Xgat’tem

First Nation, her childhood experience of having her orange shirt taken on her first day at St. Joseph Mission Residential School in 1973 inspired the slogan “Every Child Matters”, and here is her story...

“At six years old, I was sent to St. Joseph Mission residential school. I remember the bright orange shirt my grandmother bought for me, only to have it taken away when I arrived.

For years, orange reminded me of feeling that I didn’t matter. Through my healing journey, I have come to understand how those early experiences shaped my life.

I share my story in the hope that others will feel heard, find healing, and feel safe to share their own stories.”