

GSUC News
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Stewardship Second

*There is a direct link between following Jesus and using our resources,
including our money, to care for those in need.*

*Join us for Worship Sunday April 21, 2024
at 10:30 am, as we honor*



Click Here to learn more amount Earth Day 2024 in Canada.
[Earth Day Canada – April 22 & Every Day!](#)

Minister's Office hours:

Sundays 9:00am – 2:00pm

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GSUC Office Hours:

Monday – Friday 9:30am to 1:30pm

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The United Church of Canada

It is the season of Easter, where we move from the despair and hopelessness of Good Friday—when it seemed that death and destruction triumphed.

In their grief and numbness, the women went to the tomb. Together. And together they encountered hope, new life, resurrection.

On the road to Emmaus, the disciples walked with a stranger. They prayed together, broke bread together, and they also met hope, new life, resurrection.

Sometimes I despair. I lose hope, especially after watching or reading the news, or hearing reports from global partners. I think of Palestine, and the sheer number of people who have died, or been injured or displaced. The destruction of everything they know as home, and the threat of another ground invasion, with nowhere safe for them to go.

I think of Israeli hostages who have not yet been released. I think of collective warmongering that pours fuel on the fire of this conflict at the peril of all in the region.

We need a lasting and just peace in the region—and that seems so desperately far away. But then I remember the words of Jesus: “Wherever two or three are gathered in my name, I am there.”

The power of accompaniment and of radical solidarity is a long-term commitment to knowing and walking beside. There are simple actions for us to take to radically accompany partners in Palestine and Israel. As members of KAIROS Canada, we join with others across the country, and indeed across the world, in joining the [Gaza Ceasefire Pilgrimage](#).

We track the distances we walk in prayerful solidarity. If you are unable to move with us, please wear white, and take a photo to share on social media and with [your MP](#), urging Canada to join in the [call for a permanent ceasefire](#).

On April 18, I will start my walk with ecumenical partners in Manhattan, New York. And on May 22-23, I will join church leadership from KAIROS Canada members to

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walk in Ottawa. We will bring our prayers and concerns to the Government of Canada and Parliamentarians, urging them to take immediate and sustained steps to advance and promote a just and lasting peace in Palestine and Israel. If you can, please join us in Ottawa on May 22.

For specific actions, resources and other ways to witness, please refer to the special edition of E-ssentials (April 18), or to the [news update](#).

I ask you to join me, and the countless many faithful who continue to walk. To gather together—in twos and threes, in tens, twenties, hundreds, and thousands—in prayer, in solidarity, in radical accompaniment, for Palestine and Israel. Gather together, even amid your despair and hopelessness, to roll, walk, move together.

Let us pray:

As relentless as the rising sun,
may we, steadfast God,
pray relentlessly,
 until the violence, war and bloodshed in Gaza ends.
Give us the fortitude to pray, without ceasing,
 until the safety, well-being and dignity of all people is cherished and held as
sacred; and until elected officials and those in positions of power safeguard the
most vulnerable and protect the human rights
Give us the courage to pray boldly with
 our hearts, our words, our actions and our resources
until all people in Palestine and Israel can enjoy freedom, justice and peace in
abundance.
May it be so,
Amen

This is how we can be neighbours to those far away.

This is how we can be pilgrims—disciples—together.

Together in Christ,



The Rev. Dr. Carmen Lansdowne

Moderator of The United Church of Canada

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Prayer Cycle 2024

As church, we are called to pray for each other and for our mission in the world.

For the week of April 21 - April 27

Prairie to Pine Region Prayer Cycle – Vocation Sunday Earth Sunday

- Centre for Christian Studies • Fort Frances: Knox
- United in Spirit (Niverville, Steinbach)

Ecumenical Prayer Cycle – Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia

The Ecumenical Prayer Cycle takes us through every region of the world over the course of a year. Praying for each place on earth and its people at least once a year, we affirm our solidarity with Christians all over the world, brothers and sisters living in diverse situations, experiencing diverse problems, and sharing diverse gifts.

Pray with us!

Worship at Grey Street UC

Worship either in person or via live stream Sundays @ 10:30 am.

Live stream can be viewed by clicking on this link.

[On-line Service | Grey Street United Church](#)

Scripture Readings

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Lectionary calendar Year B

Check this box for each week's scripture selection.

Acts 4: 5-12

Peter testifies before the high priests.

Psalm 23

God is my shepherd.

1 John 3: 16-24

Let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action.

John 10: 11-18

Jesus is the good shepherd.

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Worship Services and Celebrations

Each Sunday Worship from **April 21 to June 2** will highlight a different theme. These services are being designed to learn, pray and celebrate how we live out being Called To Be The Church. We look forward to you joining us!

April 21 – Come and celebrate Earth Day, Jesus the Shepherd, and Communion. During Called to be the Church time we will be acknowledging Shoal Lake 40 for the safe water supply we are blessed with.

April 28 – Camping Sunday. Sharing memories of camp experiences.

May 5 – Mental Health Sunday

May 12 - Christian Family Sunday and Mothers Day

May 19 - Diane McKenty leads worship welcoming Pentecost. A lunch will follow the worship service celebrating Diane's successful completion of her Licensed Lay Worship Leader studies.

May 26 – Trinity Sunday

June 2 – Ginny's last preaching Sunday. Join us for communion and a time of fun and fellowship as we say thanks to Ginny for her time with us.

Leadership Team News

The position of chair of the Leadership Team is a shared position by members of the team. Each member of the Leadership Team is expected to be in the role of the Acting/Chair for a period of 1 month.

A/Chair April 18 – May 15, 2024

Eleanor Harrison, 204-229-9743 or eharisonn7@gmail.com

Do you have a bouquet, question, or concern that you would like to pass on to the Leadership Team? Please contact our Wise one.

Nick Palylyk npalylyk@gmail.com

Next Leadership Meeting

Wednesday May 15, 2024

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Do you have an item/news of interest that you would like to have posted in the weekly GSUC News? Send an email to Stacy in the church office greyunited@gmail.com by end of day Wednesday of the week you want it announced and Stacy will ensure it is included in the newsletter.

20th Annual Walk With L'Arche **Sunday May 5, 2024**

Since 1973, L'Arche Winnipeg has been creating homes and social opportunities for people with intellectual disabilities in Winnipeg. L'Arche Winnipeg believes that every person has a unique and sacred value, and our mission is to be a sign of hope in a divided world, offering an example of how people of different abilities, social origins, religions, and cultures, can live together in harmony.

Keith Gannon will be participating in this walk. If you are interested in supporting Keith as he walks to raise funds for the good works of the L'Arche community, you will find a pledge form in the Narthex.

Grey Street is looking for volunteers to help cut the lawn over the summer for these weeks: Sept. 1-15, 16-30, and Oct. 1-15. The church has a lawnmower you can use or feel free to bring your own. If interested contact Nick Palylyk at npalylyk@gmail.com. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Sonolux means sound and light, and as most of you know it is the name of the choir I sing in. Our upcoming concert is Friday, May 3rd. Let me know if you're interested in tickets. They sell out fast. There's 20 of us in the choir and the venue's full capacity is 180.

Three years ago, **Sonolux** came into my life with the exact sound and light I needed. I was asked to audition for it and one week later I joined, my mother died. I will be forever grateful to have been introduced and invited to this choir. They're a beautiful group of people who are fun, talented, kind and loving. I consider them a gift in my life.

My hope is that as long as I continue singing in **Sonolux**, may I always bring sound and light to it not just as a chorister, but as a voice to one who is needing comfort and a light to another whose path is darkened.

This choir has brought light into my life with its sound, its warmth, and its love. I love sharing the joy it brings me with the joy it brings to others in our concerts. It's who I am and have always been. Please see attached flyer for more information about the concert. For tickets you can email me @ darciaiphone@me.com or Ph: 204-791-6311.

Darcia Albrechtsen

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**SONOLUX
CHOIR**

7:30 PM
FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2024

YOUNG UNITED CHURCH
222 FURBY STREET

\$15 ADULTS
\$10 STUDENTS/REDUCED



@sonoluxchoir

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Where:

North Kildonan United Church
174 Pentland St. (between McIvor & Gilmore)

When:

Thursday, April 25
3:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Friday, April 26
9:00am to 8:00pm

Saturday, April 27
8:00am to 3:00pm

Mega Sale – *lots of items to choose from*
(from clothing, toys & books, to small appliances & furniture)

NKUC is a fully accessible venue!

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Immanuel United Church

755 Golspie Street

presents

An Entertainment Variety Special

Featuring music by the
"Play It Again" Trio

Trivia

Mini Drama

Refreshments

Friday, May 3, 2024 at 7pm

Saturday, May 4, 2024 at 2pm

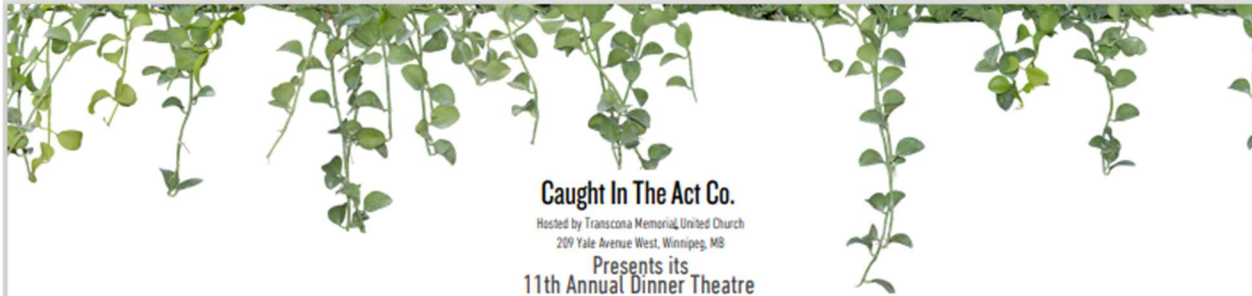
Tickets are \$15.00 each

Call 204-669-0220

to reserve tickets



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Caught In The Act Co.
Hosted by Transcona Memorial United Church
209 Yale Avenue West, Winnipeg, MB
Presents its
11th Annual Dinner Theatre

FOIBLES & FOLLY

Thursday May 2
6:30 pm

Friday May 3
6:30 pm

Saturday May 4
6:30 pm

Sunday May 5
4:30 pm

When teenager Amanda McGowan moves with her scientist father and uncle to the dilapidated Distinctive Manor, she meets its eccentric inhabitants who are truly set apart by their own "distinctive manner". When the residents are confronted with an unexpected eviction notice, they discover they have more in common than they realized.

Dinner Theatre Tickets on Sale Saturday February 17

Transcona Memorial United Church (209 Yale Ave W)

8:30 am - 11:30 am

(doors open at 8:15 am)

Transcona Council for Seniors will be hosting a Brunch and Bake Sale until 11 am (\$10)

Tickets
\$50 each
\$20 tax receipt

Limit 30 tickets per person per purchase. Tables accommodate six guests. Accessibility seating is available. Please advise when purchasing tickets. A limited number of vegetarian meals are available through pre-order at time of ticket purchase only. We regret that we cannot accommodate all dietary restrictions and requests.

Please make cheques payable to "Caught In the Act Co."

Tickets are non-refundable and sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

After February 17, contact Carol Favoni at 204-222-1475
or carolfavoni46@gmail.com for tickets.

For more information visit www.tmuc.ca/dinner-theatre

Golden Ticket for those 90 years +

Purchase one ticket for yourself plus one guest for the front row of any performance. Contact Carol Favoni between Feb 12 - 16 to reserve your seats. Any unsold tickets for the front row become available for general sale on February 17.

Play written by Michelle R. Davis

Produced by special arrangement with PIONEER DRAMA SERVICE INC. Denver, Colorado

“Tea for Two Take Out”

*for Mother’s Day or
for that Someone Special in your life*

\$15 Takeout

*Fancy Sandwiches &
Dainties - serves two*

To Order:

Email Darlene – darlmae@shaw.ca

OR call (204) 255-1123

Order Deadline: May 6, 2024

When to Pick Up:

Saturday, May 11, 2024
Between 2:00 & 4:00 p.m.



Pick Up Location:

St. Charles Headingley United Church
110 Bridge Road, Headingley, MB R4H 1G3

Proceeds for Church Emergency Building Repair Fund

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KEN MARTIN ART SALE

ALL PROCEEDS
GRACIOUSLY DONATED
TO WESTWORTH UNITED
CHURCH GENERAL FUND
BY THE MARTIN FAMILY

MAY 11, 11-3
MAY 12, 1-4



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