## Prairie to Pine UCW Newsletter, April 2024

Prairie to Pine UCW "Calling All Women" June 21, 22, 23, 2024

(Friday evening until Sunday afternoon) Theme: "Hope is ...." (We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. Hebrews 6:19-20)



Prairie to Pine UCW is planning an event to which you are invited! It will be held at Turtle Mountain Bible Camp, located in the Turtle Mountain Provincial Park between Boissevain and Deloraine. National UCW President Barbara Davison will be with us for the weekend.

**Brochures will be sent out very soon**. I hope that you will be able to attend.





The **60<sup>th</sup> anniversary banner** has been with the UCW at St. Charles Headingley United Church. Here is a picture taken at their April meeting.

The banner is soon going to the UCW at Prairie Spirit United Church. Let me know if your UCW would like to host the banner next. We will make it happen!



The Eastern Ontario

Outaouais Regional

United Church Women

invite you to the

65<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary of the National UCW The National UCW gathering to celebrate the 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of United Church Women is being held in 2027.

I know that this is a while from now, but I am looking forward to attending. I wasn't able to attend the gathering in 2022 due to airline cancellations. But after attending the gathering in BC in 2017, I know that this will be a wonderful time to worship, to learn, to celebrate and to have fun with UCWs from all across Canada and from Bermuda, too.

Please consider attending! You will be glad you did!

July 19 - 23, 2027

Theme:

"Hear Our Voice"

The **Prairie to Pine Regional Bursary for students studying for ministry** has been funded by donations to the Prairie to Pine Regional Council, by UCWs and Communities of Faith. Recently, the Prairie to Pine Financial Administrator, Heather Dootoff, told Darlynne Smith, the P2P UCW bursary committee chair, that the total funds available \$1487. This means that there is very little to award to ministry students! **Help!** Donation cheques (marked Bursary Fund) can be mailed to

Prairie to Pine Regional Council The United Church of Canada 60 Maryland Street Winnipeg MB R3G 1K7

## **Trinity United Brandon UCW Report**

April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Trinity UCW has had numerous ladies join us since COVID time. With the unfortunate closing of Central United in Brandon, four ladies joined our fold. These four ladies led us in a very fun 'Games Day' in April. This was a day they always had



at Central and it was apparent they certainly had a 'following' from past years as there were so many folk that we did not know!! There were 42 present that day. There was soup and a bun at noon, followed by a time of games. Each group was to bring their own games & amp; any paraphernalia that was needed to go with it. Anyone who was a single, joined in with a table. Each person paid \$10.00 for the afternoon. 'Time, ladies & gentleman', was called at

2:30, at which time there were cookies and beverages served. It was a low stress, fun afternoon & to quote one gal, 'the easiest money we ever made'!! I am sure we will have this event another time!!

## September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Trinity UCW hosted a day to celebrate a UCW & Friends FFFF Day.

Our morning speaker was Joan Zaretsky from Winnipeg who had written her first

book about finding her birth family after many years. In the afternoon we had Ross Robinson from John Howard Society speaking on Food Rescue and for a bonus, he shared a project in the works about the Transitional House to be

built. A time of fellowship followed. As well the UCW Banner was brought to Trinity that morning, for us to display. However, as it wasn't a UCW meeting day, there were no pictures taken with our group. It was displayed for the day, though!



Trinity UCW greet in the church in May & December; will be doing the church service on Mother's Day, May 12<sup>th</sup>; collect for Pregnancy Support in March; May, September & November, collect for Thank Offerings at Easter & Thanksgiving, pay



'for a wreath for Remembrance Day and have two potluck luncheons prior to meeting in June December. (Can't forget the Food!). We celebrate, with a cake, special birthdays starting at age 80, and then every 5 years following. At 100, they are remembered every year!! We have had 2 ladies who have received the 'over 100' remembrance. Please see picture. We look after any funeral luncheon, or other request for a luncheon. We support Mission & Services; we pay for all the coffee/tea/juice and any kitchen equipment at Trinity, present a Membership pin yearly, support P2P Bursary as well. Because we are an ageing lot, we have had to cut down on our budget items. Our meetings gather between 20 – 30 gals. We have great fellowship!! Submitted by Darlynne Smith - President

Moderator's Earth Week (April 21-28) Message Together for the Love of

Creation is found on YouTube at the link below.

https://youtu.be/JGfwHgRxaPQ

## Note: This space is available to you!

Please share your News with other UCW units within our Prairie to Pine Region.