

Prairie to Pine Regional Council
Ministry Personnel
July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027

Prairie to Pine Regional Council is blessed by many ministry personnel who are retired or unassigned and are willing to offer their skills as visiting ministry personnel. These ministry personnel are in formal association with a community of faith and have all their required credentials up to date. All those listed are able to celebrate the sacraments unless otherwise specified.

From time to time, ministry personnel may be invited to provide worship leadership and preaching, pastoral care and visitation, and/or other services to a community of faith when the incumbent ministry personnel is on vacation, study leave, or other short-term leave. These services are intended to cover only one or two Sundays or weekends at a time. An ongoing need for these services must be discussed with the regional council to determine whether an appointment should be made.

The minimum daily rate for 2025 is \$254 and \$261 for 2026. This covers a full working day, or any portion thereof, and is not linked to any specific number of hours served. The rate is based on the cost of living group 1, increment category F, minimum salary. **The parties may negotiate a higher daily amount, but cannot negotiate a lower amount.** In addition, the community of faith must reimburse the visiting ministry personnel for travel and incidental expenses (i.e., meal allowance and accommodations, as necessary).

Note: The Canada Revenue Agency requires that a T4A be completed for annual aggregate amounts over \$500 paid to an individual. ADP will produce a T4A on request (the amount will show in box 48, Fees for Services).

The information is organized geographically from east to west in terms of where the ministry personnel are located. It includes churches where their formal association is held, email, phone contact and the general area where they are willing to offer services.

Group A- East of Winnipeg

Patricia Baker (Diaconal Minister)

Formal Association with St. Andrew's River Heights

Contact info: pbaker@shaw.ca; Phone: 204-416-0133

Available within Winnipeg and 30-45 minutes beyond. Needs 2 to 3 weeks' notice if possible.

Jeff Cook (Retired Ordained Minister)

Formal Association with Immanuel United Church

Contact info: jw.cook@shaw.ca; 204-230-2534

Available within Winnipeg and possibly for areas within a 20-30 minute drive from East Winnipeg. Needs at least one month's notice.

Sherri McConnell (Retired Diaconal Minister)

Formal Association with Crestview United Church

Contact info: shemcc@shaw.ca; 204-781-8055

Sherri is available within Winnipeg and up to an hour's drive from Winnipeg. Needs 3 weeks' notice.

Group B- immediately north of Winnipeg

Patricia Baker (Diaconal Minister)

Formal Association with St. Andrew's River Heights

Contact info: pbaker@shaw.ca; Phone: 204-416-0133

Available within Winnipeg and 30-45 minutes beyond. Needs 2 to 3 weeks' notice if possible.

Peter Denton (Ordained Minister)

Formal association with Stony Mountain-Lilyfield

Contact info: phdenton@shaw.ca; Phone: 204-334-7181

Available within Winnipeg area and north. Notice depends on other work.

Sherri McConnell (Retired Diaconal Minister)

Formal Association with Crestview United Church

Contact info: shemcc@shaw.ca; 204-781-8055

Sherri is available within Winnipeg and up to an hour's drive from Winnipeg. Needs 3 weeks' notice.

Barbara Roberts (Retired Ordained Minister)

Formal association with St. Charles-Headingley

Contact info: robertsbz233@gmail.com; 204-899-9864

Barbara is available within 1 hour of Winnipeg and requires 2 weeks' notice.

Deborah Vitt (Unassigned Diaconal Minister- no sacraments)

Formal association with Selkirk United Church

Contact info: vittdr2@gmail.com; 204-785-0538

Deb is available within Winnipeg and the former Selkirk Presbytery.

Group C- Winnipeg

Patricia Baker (Diaconal Minister)

Formal Association with St. Andrew's River Heights

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Formal association with Stony Mountain-Lilyfield

Contact info: phdenton@shaw.ca; Phone: 204-334-7181

Available within Winnipeg area and north. Notice depends on other work.

Robert Johansson (Retired Ordained Minister)

Formal association with Westworth United Church, Winnipeg

Contact info: robert_johansson@hotmail.com, Phone: 204-775-5436

Available within Winnipeg and needs 24-hour notice.

Milly Malavsky (Retired Diaconal Minister)

Formal association with Charleswood United Church, Winnipeg

Contact info: mam53@mts.net; 204-489-1570

Milly is available within the City of Winnipeg. Needs 2 weeks' notice.

Maureen McCartney John Black Memorial United Church

Contact info: mamct@mymts.net Phone: 204-582-9925

Maureen is available within Winnipeg and the surrounding area, no further than Selkirk and Stonewall.

Sherri McConnell (Retired Diaconal Minister)

Formal Association with Crestview United Church

Contact info: shemcc@shaw.ca; 204-781-8055

Sherri is available within Winnipeg and up to an hour's drive from Winnipeg. Needs 3 weeks' notice.

Donald (Don) McKay (Retired Ordained Minister)

Formal Association with Young United Church

Contact info: mardonestates@gmail.com; 204-586-4635

Don is available within 100 km of Winnipeg. Needs a minimum of 10-day notice unless an emergency.

Larry McPhail (Retired Ordained Minister)

Formal association with Westworth United Church

Contact info: ljmcpfail@mts.net; 204-479-4958

Available within Winnipeg or surrounding area within an hour or so.

Deborah Murray (Retired Ordained Minister)

Formal association with Knox United Church, Winnipeg

Contact info: debgo_7@hotmail.com; Phone: 204-832-1608

Available within Winnipeg and in communities in about 40 miles radius.

Barbara Roberts (Retired Ordained Minister)

Formal association with St. Charles-Headingley

Contact info: robertsbz233@gmail.com; 204-899-9864

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Contact info: vittdr2@gmail.com; 204-785-0538

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Group D- West of Winnipeg

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Group E- North of Highway 1 (Neepawa and Minnedosa area)

John Lea (Retired Ordained Minister)

Formal association with Gladstone United Church

Contact info: PO Box 453 Gladstone, MB R0J 0T0; jhlea65@gmail.com; Phone: 204-385-3838

Available in emergency situations for Sunday supply within a 100 km radius of Gladstone (e.g. a health or family situation has a reason for a ministry personnel)

Group F- Brandon area

Group G – The North

John Oussoren (Retired Ordained Minister)

Formal association with St. Andrew's, Swan River

Contact info: Box 452, Sturgis SK S0A 4A0; joussoren@sasktel.net; Phone: 306-548-5471

Available 1 ½ to 2-hour drive from Crystal Lake, Saskatchewan.