

# The Messenger

April 20 2022



The 'Pastoral Care' group feels that the first thing we need to do is to update our pictures and mailing addresses. We are not bringing in a photographer.

We would like each family to send in a picture by e-mail, snail mail, at church or via lounge door mail slot.....IN AN ENVELOPE, PLEASE !!!!!

With your picture please include: names, mailing address, phone # and e-mail

If by e-mail send to 1) [wkoersen@telusplanet.net](mailto:wkoersen@telusplanet.net) or  
2) [zionunitedchurchinfo@gmail.com](mailto:zionunitedchurchinfo@gmail.com)

We would like to see these sent in **by SUNDAY MAY 8**

New people coming to church will need them and so will our NEW MINISTER.

Thank you,

Suzanne

Zion United Church

Sunday worship — 9:30 am

St Andrews United Church

Sunday worship — 11:00 am

If you have announcements to be included here please email them to: [ckooyman@shaw.ca](mailto:ckooyman@shaw.ca)

It would be helpful if announcements for The Messenger are sent to the above address before Wednesday.

Next Messenger will be  
April 27, 2022



Wear your favorite camp clothes and join us for a camp-filled worship service and celebration at St. Andrew's United Church April 24 at 11:00am A hot dog lunch will follow the service!

Pastoral Care is an opportunity to deeply impact the lives of people in our community who need support, care and love.

**Please contact one of ZUC's Pastoral Care committee members (Suzanne Skinner, Pam Krazanowski, Catherine MacAskill, Pauline Curtis, Mona Ball - 'Sunshine Card Gal', Wilma Koersen) if you know of someone who would benefit from, or needs, extra support in any way.**

Rev. Heather Burton is also available for spiritual support:)



# MacKenzie Camp

## Clean-Up ~ Saturday, April 30

9:30 am - 3 pm



Come for the day,  
morning or afternoon  
...just come!



## VESNA SPRING TEA – UKRAINE HUMANITARIAN AID FUNDRAISER

Andrea Malysh, Artistic Director

Sadok Ukrainian Dance Ensemble

[www.sadok.net](http://www.sadok.net)

(250) 309-6948

### Hosted by the Sadok Ukrainian Dance Ensemble

**Sadok Ukrainian Adult Ensemble to perform a regional dance at every half hour.**

Donations to Canada-Ukraine Foundation (cash or cheques accepted)

**Saturday, April 23, 2022 from 1-4pm**

**Location: Fraternal Order of Eagles Hall**

**5101 25 Ave, Vernon, BC**

**Tea/Coffee/Sweets available – Door Prizes**

**YARMAROK Ukrainian Market**

**Kalyna Ukrainian Creations**

**Ukrainian flags will be available for sale.**

**KYNDRA'S Kids' corner & Ukrainian face painting**

**Sponsored by**

**the Fraternal Order of Eagles**



### GARAGE SALE ...

**Saturday, MAY 14. 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.**

**Drop off on FRIDAY MAY 13 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.**

We will need 4 volunteers to set up tables & goods on Fri. and look after sales on Sat.

**Please mark the dates on your calendar !!!!**

**Hope to see you there !!!**

Only one person has volunteered

and only for Friday.....**HELP !!!!!!**

Suzanne



### Thank you

to all involved, we have found a place for Hati to reside

Marj

## The Book Nook



### ***Book Nook/Coffee time:***

The Book Nook is open on Tuesday mornings from **10 a.m.-noon**. Why not bring your own coffee and join us in a safe environment where we can social distance & still visit with one another? If you don't need a book or a puzzle – no problem, drop in anyway it's just nice to get out of the house at times. Small donation towards church operating costs/utilities would be appreciated.

Submitted by Marj Bailey/Jean Miskiman

# BROADVIEW SUBSCRIPTION

It's time again for 'BROADVIEW SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL' The cost is still \$25.00

IF YOU PAY CASH please put it in an envelope and mark it 'Broadview'

If you pay by cheque please make it out to Zion UC and write 'Broadview' in the appropriate area

If you do not receive the magazine and would like to sign up call me (Suzanne) or talk to me at church on Sunday.

Money and requests should be in by mid-May. Just put your payment in the offering container

Suzanne



## Askew's Cards

### **Askew's cards are available at church.**

You can pick up your Askew's cards after church or if that doesn't work for you give Eleanor a phone call at 250-546-8195 to place an order.

Thanks for continuing to support this fundraiser.

## EASTER SUNDAY



Zion United Church  
April 17, 2022



Rev. Heather Burton led us in a very meaningful Easter service, with an emphasis on hope, renewal and new life.

The musical leadership of Lindsay Lindquist and Leona Harrison was also particularly moving.

Wilma



## "My Magic Moments"

Don't forget to make your reservation for "My Magic Moments" coming up the first two weekends of May!

Looking for volunteers for the kitchen: Set up, serving and clean up. Need someone with Food Safe for each night (May 6, 7, 13, 14). For every 2 hour shift you work, you will receive a free ticket to the show!

Contact Linzy at [saintandrewsmusic@hotmail.com](mailto:saintandrewsmusic@hotmail.com) or 250-306-9556.

See page 8 for further info

## St. Andrew's United AGM

St. Andrew's United Church will be holding their AGM on **April 24th** following the church service.

Carole

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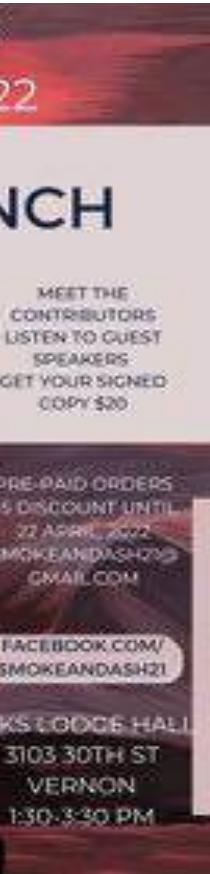
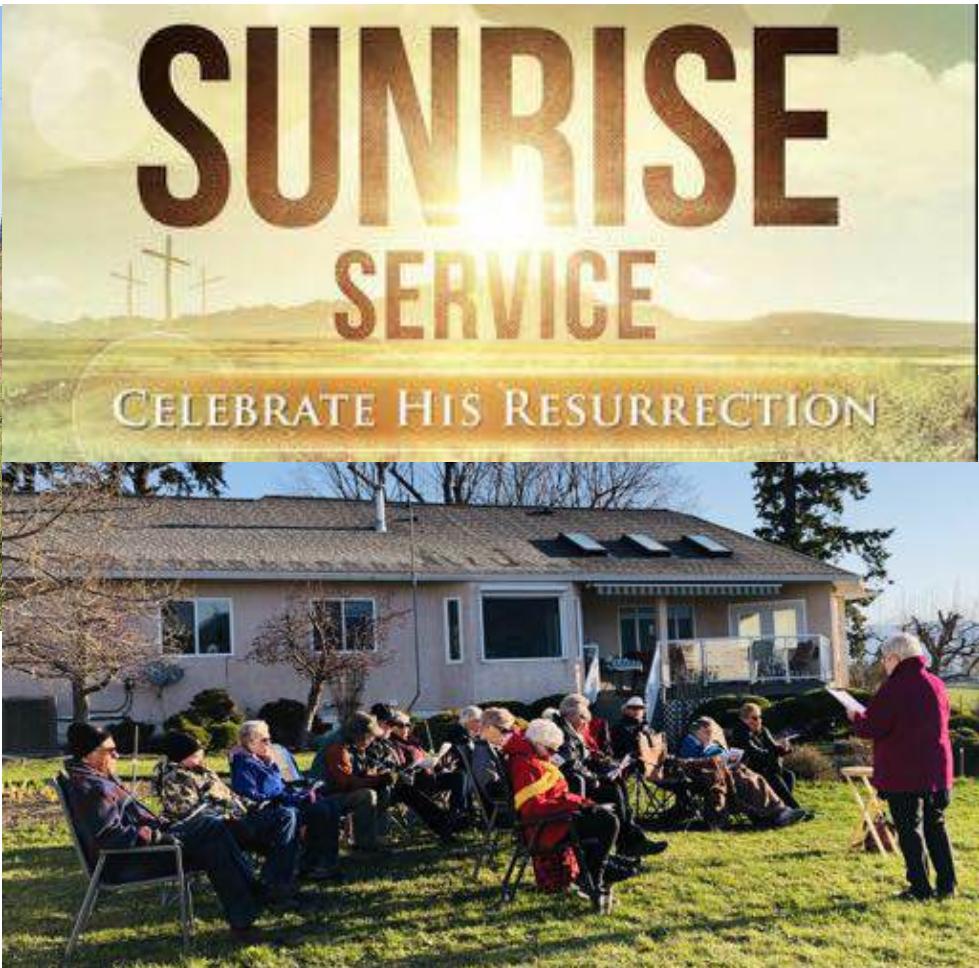
IPE Organizational meeting:  
Thursday  
May 12 at 7 pm.  
Church Hall.

Rod



A beautiful, calm, sunny Easter morning for the 7AM sunrise service at the home of Jack and Joan Noble.

Wilma



This book has a contributor from among us - Donna Morton-MacPherson contributed two poems to this fundraiser for the OKIB and NWestside recovery. She was evacuated as well.

Louise

## First four month flip

As agreed to in November, our first four month flip of service times concludes at the end of April so on **May 1** Worship in St. Andrew's will be at 9:30 a.m. and worship at Zion will be at 11:00 a.m.

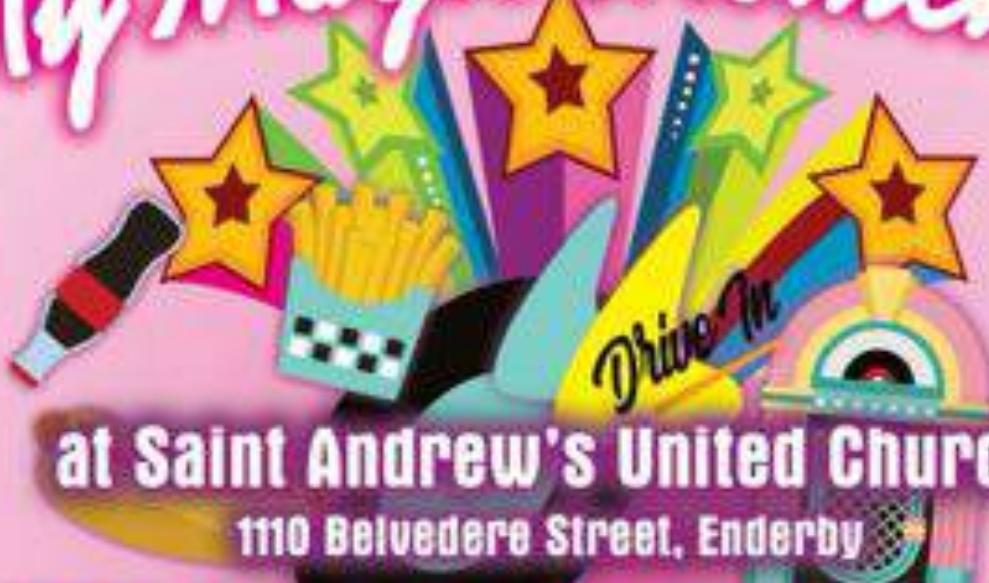
Mark your calendars so that you will be at church at the correct time.

Louise

**MacKenzie Camp Proudly Presents!**



# *My Magic Moments*



**at Saint Andrew's United Church**

1110 Belvedere Street, Enderby

**MAY 6, 7, 13, & 14 ~ DINNER THEATRE \$20**

Dinner @ 6 pm   Doors: 6:30 pm   Show @ 7 pm   (\$10 Show Only)

Chicken a la The King or Swedish Meatballs with rice pilaf, mixed veggies and Wacky Cake for dessert

**May 8 & 15 Matinee \$10**

Doors: 1:30 pm   Show @ 2 pm

**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED!**

To reserve tickets or for more  
information, phone 250-306-9556

**all proceeds**

**will help kids go to  
MacKenzie Camp this summer!**



Sponsored by  
the Enderby & District  
Arts Council

*Behold the Power of Camp!*

# Cultural Competency Course

**T**rinity United Church, Vernon, is offering a 20-hr Cultural Competency Course led by Okanagan/Syilx Elders Eric Mitchell and Christina Marchand in September/October 2022. Funded by a grant from the United Church of Canada Justice and Reconciliation Fund.

Registration will begin May 15, 2022: call Joanna Rainer, 250-938-3909 if you are interested or have further questions.

I'm attaching a course description and other information to pass on to your congregation. Thank you.

Joanna Rainer  
 Trinity United Church  
 250-938-3909

(Timeline below. See next week's Messenger for further information about the course)

## UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

## INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

- **July 1, 1867** – Canadian Confederation. The government of Canada starts providing education to Aboriginal peoples through a system of church-run residential schools. The schools are part of the federal government's goal to assimilate Aboriginal people into Canadian society.
- **1925** – Methodist and Presbyterian churches and then the United Church of Canada explicitly support this goal. United Church and predecessors manage residential schools and day schools in Ontario and Western Canada – ranging from 13 in 1927 to 4 in 1966.
- **1969** – Federal government closes or takes over management of all United Church residential schools.
- **1970 – 80's** - Former students begin to report experiences of cultural, physical, psychological and sexual abuse at United Church residential schools and start bringing legal action against the different bodies responsible for the schools.
- **1981** - Alberta Billy, a member of the Laichwiltach We Wai kai Nation in B.C., lifelong member of the United Church and representative of Aboriginal church members at the Executive General Council, asks United Church leaders to apologize to the Native peoples of Canada.
- **1986** – The Right Rev. Bob Smith Moderator of the United Church meets with Elders in Sudbury, Ontario to deliver an apology to the Native Congregations. It is the first apology made by any institution in Canada. Elders present do not accept the apology, but instead “receive” it: to accept makes it a thing of the past, while receiving it means further work needs to be done.

- **1988** – Edith Memook, a representative of the All Native Circle Conference responds to the 1986 apology, including these words: “The Native People of The All Native Circle Conference hope and pray that the Apology is not symbolic but that these are the words of action and sincerity”
- **1994** – Due to statements from Willie Blackwater and 15 other former students, Arthur Henry Plint, boy’s dormitory supervisor at the United Church-run Alberni Indian Residential School near Port Alberni, pleads guilty to 18 counts of indecent assault and is eventually sentenced to 11 years in prison.
- **1998** – Blackwater and 29 others launch a civil suit against the federal government, which owned the school, and the United Church of Canada, which operated it. In a precedent-setting decision, B.C. Supreme Court Justice Donald Brenner ruled they owed a duty of care to Plint’s victims, were liable for the harm he caused and needed to pay damages. He assigned the federal government 75% and the United Church 25% of the liability.
- **1998** – The Right Rev. Bill Phipps, Moderator of the United Church apologizes specifically for the church’s role in Indian Residential Schools
- **2001** – The Blackwater case gives hope to other residential school survivors. By 2001, 8,500 abuse claims against the federal government have been filed by former residential school students. The Office of Indian Residential Schools Resolution is set up to manage the claims.
- **2005** – The number of abuse claims is now 14,000. The Assembly of First Nations launches a class action suit against the federal government.
- **2006** – The Indian Residential Schools Settlement Agreement (IRSSA) is announced. It recognizes the damage inflicted by the residential schools and establishes a \$2 billion compensation package for the survivors. It remains the largest class action settlement in Canadian history.
- As part of the IRSSA, the three settlement churches (Catholic, Anglican and United Church) are to contribute up to \$100 million in cash and services for healing initiatives. The United Church’s portion is \$6.45 million (\$4.7 million in cash and in-kind contributions and \$1.75 million related to the Catholic fundraising campaign)
- **June 11, 2008** – Prime Minister Stephen Harper apologizes for residential schools and the government’s policies of assimilation in the House of Commons. Willie Blackwater is an invited guest.
- **2008** – The Truth and Reconciliation Commission, one of the five main components of the IRSSA, begins. It is mandated to hear testimonies of former students, staff and the institutions that ran residential schools in an effort to put the full story of the residential school system and its legacy on the public record. It includes 7 national events to engage the Canadian public, educate people about the history and legacy of the residential school system and honour the experiences of former students and their families.
- **May 29, 2013** – Nine members of Trinity United Church attend a day of TRC hearings at the former Kamloops Indian Residential School.
- **December 2015** – The TRC releases its final report. Included are 94 Calls to Action that address the ongoing impact of the schools on survivors and their families and provide a path for governments, educational and religious institutions and all Canadians to create a joint vision of reconciliation.

- **September/October 2017 – Call to Action #59:** *We call upon church parties to the Settlement Agreement to develop ongoing education strategies to ensure that their respective congregations learn about their church's role in colonization, the history and legacy of residential schools, and why apologies to former residential school students, their families and communities were necessary.* In response, the TUC Outreach Committee organizes a 20-hour Cultural Competency Course facilitated by Okanagan/Syilx Elders Eric Mitchell and Christina Marchand attended by 21 members of the congregation.
- **2019** – TUC Outreach Committee applies for and receives a second ProVision grant to offer the Cultural Competency Course again. 20 participants, 19 from TUC and one from Kelowna First United, attend in September/October

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