#### **MISSION MINUTES 2017**

November 19, 2017

**Global Mission & Service** 

# **UCW Works to End Child Poverty**

Our gifts for Mission & Service support the United Church Women Child Well-Being Initiative. Let us hear a story of the ways the Prince Edward Island UCW are working to end child poverty.

What important message could a colourful cloth doll give? A powerful one! Just ask the members of the Prince Edward Island Legislative Assembly, who each recently received a handmade doll from the PEI UCW Presbyterial Child Poverty Committee with a message reminding them that all PEI children deserve to have their basic needs met.

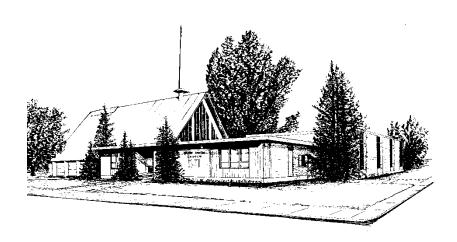
The members were genuinely interested in the dolls and commented on the uniqueness of each one, some with personal comments such as "I have a sweater just like my doll!" But better yet, the UCW committee was assured that politicians understood the intent of the dolls—to be a concrete reminder that over 22 percent of children in that province live with poverty every day and that the responsibility of government is to do all it can to eradicate poverty.

This is only a beginning, as the UCW works continually to monitor progress in this area and hold government to account until child poverty has been eradicated in Prince Edward Island. This initiative is part of a nation-wide UCW strategy to address child poverty. Across Canada, United Church Women continue to be huge supporters of the Mission & Service of The United Church of Canada.

We sing thanksgiving for UCW's work to end child poverty.

If Mission & Service is already a regular part of your giving, thank you so much! If you have not given for Mission & Service, please join me in making Mission & Service a regular part of your life of faith. In all our Mission & Service giving, with a willing heart, we sing thanksgiving to God!

# **Covenant United Church**



"We are Covenant United Church; an inviting Christian community who embrace change and reach out to make a local and a global difference."

#### **PASTORAL TEAM**

Minister: Rev. Cindy Désilets

Music: Tim Tonkin

Secretary: Jacqueline Girard

#### **CHURCH**

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Thursday 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

#### **WORSHIP**

Sunday: 10:30 am

Sunday School: Sept-May

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# **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017**

Welcome newcomers and visitors to the care and fellowship of Covenant United Church. Please introduce yourself to the minister or one of the ushers so that we may help you feel at home.

#### **MANITOU PRAYER LIST**

#### Little Current Pastoral Charge United

- -Little Current United Church
- Sheguiandah United Church

Paul Allard (DLM)

Sudbury Presbytery

Retired/Retained/in Special Ministries

Joan Wyatt (OM), Retained

North Bay Presbytery

# **COUNCIL MEETING**

Our next scheduled Council Meeting is on **Wednesday**, **November 29**<sup>th</sup>, at 7 p.m.

# **COVENANT UNITED OUTREACH**

- Outreach is asking for donations of new or gently used stuffed toys. These will be donated to Timmins District Hospital to comfort children when at the hospital. There is a large box in the foyer to place your donations. We are also collecting for Yo-Mobile: winter wear, socks, etc.
- We will be again donating mitts to schools in the Timmins area through the Canadian Red Cross School Program.
   Donations happily accepted for our mitten tree.



Coffee this morning is brought to you by:

Pat's Group

Please stay and enjoy!

# Stewardship Seconds

The gifts of this world will not last past our lifetimes, but God's gifts to us – and our gifts to God – will last through this life and beyond.

# **M&S SNIPPETS**

Our gifts for Mission & Service support the United Church Women child poverty initiative, Bread Not Stones. We sing thanksgiving for UCW's work to end child poverty!

#### **REFLECTIONS ON STEWARDSHIP**

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost • *Matthew 23:1-12* 

"There all talk an no action," says Jesus of some of the leaders of his day. Stewardship is not about being all talk. Rather, it's abouth leting our actions speak for us. What would your actions say about you?

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS**

<u>December 3:</u> Sunday School & Outreach Bake sale

Donations to the bake sale would be appreciated.

<u>December 10</u>: Pageant practise

December 19: Children's Christmas Pageant at 10:30 am

#### **CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTMAS DINNER**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2017 at 5:30 pm

TICKETS: \$15; Children under 10 Free (Tickets are available at the Office and from Paul Kleinhuis)

#### 2018 envelopes

2018 envelopes are ready to be picked up. They are displayed in alphabetical order on tables just inside the door ~ Foyer.