

MISSION MINUTES 2018

All You Need Is Love!

March 18, 2018

Our gifts for Mission & Service are making a difference in communities across Canada. Let us hear the impact one community ministry is having.

The Jane Finch neighbourhood has been painted as one of the toughest areas of Toronto. While there are many instances of violence, especially rampant gun violence, there is also a lot of love. The community bands together to make a better place for their children, and at the centre is the Jane Finch Community Ministry. The ministry works with partners to encourage youth to discover that there is a brighter future for them beyond joining a gang.

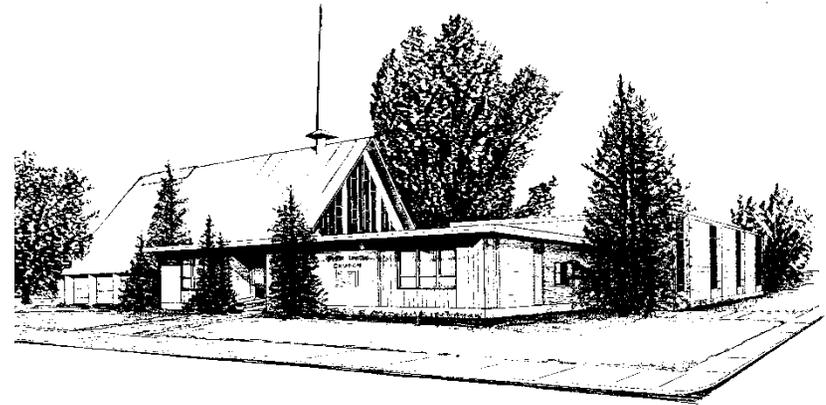
Community Minister Barry Rieder has been at the Jane Finch ministry for over 22 years. He marvels at the privilege of being able to walk with the community, and he shares how he loves being able to see children grow from babies into youth and young adults.

The community ministry invests in youth through literacy programs, scholarships, and advocacy with the Toronto Police Service. One program is the Unity Barbecue. Founded by community member Andrea Tabner, it brings together members of rival gangs and the Toronto police as a way to demonstrate unity in the community.

With 110 nationalities and over 70 mother tongues spoken in the neighbourhood, coming together as a community is often challenging. Through educational programming, gatherings, and advocacy, the Jane Finch Community Ministry offers hope to youth and community members for a better way of life.

We are called to love our neighbours! Your gifts for Mission & Service show that love every day at Jane Finch Community Ministry. Thank you for your ongoing gifts, and if you have not given, please join me in making Mission & Service a regular part of your life of faith.

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

OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday
9:30 am to 12:30 pm
by appointment or chance

CHURCH

230 Eighth Avenue
Timmins, ON P4N 5S1

WORSHIP

Sunday: 10:30 am
Sunday School: Sept-May

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SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018

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

Zion United - Sundridge, North Bay Presbytery

Sandra Jenkinson (OM)

Retired/Retained/in Special Ministries

Keith Snell (DM), Retired, LPM, *Spirit Dancing Presbytery*

LENTEN PRAYER

Personal testimony, video, or a time of silent reflection on the question: How do you share your faith?

God of the journey, we wander through the wilderness with companions and sojourners who *[share ways that others have shared their faith]*. As we travel, write your law in our hearts, teach us wisdom in our guts, and draw ever closer to us. Amen.

W.O.W.

All women are invited to the next luncheon at **Fishbowl Restaurant**, 942 Riverside Drive, on **Wednesday, March 21st, at 11:45 am.**

Bring a friend! Please let the office know by Monday, March 19 if you are coming so reservations can be made.

OUTREACH UPDATES

We continue to collect winter wear – mitts, scarves, hats etc. to our tree in the foyer.



Coffee this morning is brought to you by:

Pat's Group.

Stay and enjoy!

Stewardship seconds

Stewards pray for a new and right spirit within,
and serve by following Jesus.

M&S SNIPPETS

Jane Finch Community Ministry in Toronto encourages youth to a brighter future through education, housing support, and a barbecue that brings rival gangs and the Toronto Police together to create community and understanding.

REFLECTIONS ON STEWARDSHIP

5th Sunday in Lent • *John 12:30-33*

Want God to honour you? “No problem,” says Jesus. The faithful steward will be found wherever Jesus is. Care to join him?

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

April 1. There will be no Sunday School (Easter Sunday)

Sunday School will resume on Sunday, April 8, 2018



UPCOMING EVENTS

March 25 -April 1: Holy Week

March 25: Palm Sunday at 10:30 am

March 28: Holy Week Potluck at 5:30 pm

March 30: Good Friday Service at 11:00 am

April 1: Easter Sunday Worship at 10:30 am

OPEN SPACE

WHAT DO YOU THINK THE CHURCH WILL LOOK LIKE

Come and share your ideas of what and where our church is heading.

Wednesday, March 21st: at 2 p.m. in the auditorium of Covenant United, 230 Eighth Avenue. Everyone from the congregation is invited
Coffee and dessert will be served.