MISSION MINUTES 2019

Covenant United Church

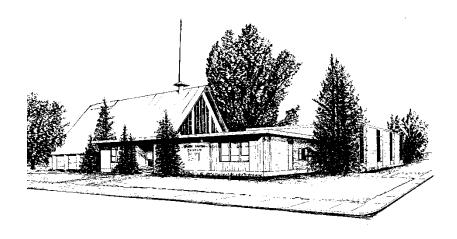
A Place of Worship, a Place of Hope

Our gifts for Mission & Service support displaced people in Canada. Dr. Kathy Yamashita reflects on what it means to be a Japanese Canadian in light of the Japanese Canadian internment camps during World War II, and the support of Mission & Service of The United Church of Canada that works with the small Japanese United Church to grow into the multicultural church it is today.

"The relocation camps were in the interior of British Columbia and in southern Alberta, where those in the camps did hard labour sugar beet farming. During this time, The United Church of Canada supported Japanese people through the The Board of Home Missions program. We had missionaries who helped us with high school education, as the province only provided elementary education in the relocation camps. They helped us to remain as a Christian community that supported each other through those difficult times.

"After the war, those who were of the Japanese congregation in southern Alberta continued to worship together and eventually purchased an old hall in Lethbridge, Alberta. As time went on, the Japanese United Church was less dependent on the Japanese language, and thankfully, with support from Mission & Service, it has grown into a multicultural United Church. We worship in English. We are now financially stable and value Mission & Service, remembering the help we received in the past. Through reading Minutes for Mission in church, we have learned of the good work done through our giving for Mission & Service."

If Mission & Service giving is already a regular part of your life, thank you so much! If you have not given, please join me in making Mission & Service giving a regular part of your life of faith. Loving our neighbour is at the heart of our Mission & Service.



"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

<u>CHURCH</u>

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OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday 9:30 am to 12:00 pm

WORSHIP

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

SUNDAY MAY 26, 2019

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.

REFLECTIONS ON STEWARDSHIP

6th Sunday of Easter • John 14:23-29 "The Holy Spirit will teach you and remind you of everything I told you." Ever feel like your life as a steward has lost its focus? Ask the Holy Spirit to help you remember.

SHARING OF FOOD

Next Sunday we will pray blessings both on the food and on those who share it. The 1st Sunday of June will go towards: **the Timmins Food Bank.** Thank you for your help in fighting to end hunger in our community.

Mary Martin Memorial Scholarship

Applications for the Mary Martin Memorial Scholarship are placed at the back of the sanctuary. If you are heading away to College or University in September, please pick up an application and return it by the deadline of June 2nd 2019. Drop it in the mail or return to Patricia Stanlake at church service by June 2nd 2019.

Canadian Shield Regional Council

Copies of *Canadian Shield Regional Council May 2019 Newsletter* available at the back of the church for those who would like a copy.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Looking for volunteers for a "GARDEN GROUP" to look after the flower gardens and our small vegetable plot. Please advise the Office or sign up on list on Bulletin Board.



Coffee this morning is brought to you by: *Heather and Veronica's group* Stay and enjoy!

Stewardship Seconds

Drink deeply of God's grand vision for the earth, for it will feed us on the walk of faith.

M&S SNIPPET

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PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Covenant United Church's Prayer Shawl Group is meeting this Thursday, June 6 from 1-3 p.m. at 230 Eighth Avenue, Timmins. All are welcome! Prayer shawls are made for those who need support, comfort or a reminder that someone is thinking about them.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Today, May 26th, is Celebration Sunday. Congratulations to all the Sunday School children.

Do you ever see people in church and wonder what their names are? Are you new to our church and wish you had something to help you put names and faces together?

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY PROGRAM

Is offered in order to help us acquaint ourselves with one another and strengthen the bond of our faith community. Photo Sessions are being scheduled between June 18 – June 22

To schedule for an appointment, please call Jacqueline at the Church Office at 705-264-5518, **before June 10**th or fill in the form at the back

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