

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

Pentecost

Order Of Service

Sunday May 24, 2026

10:30 am

Prayers and songs in unison and people's responses are in **bold type**.

* Indicates to stand, if you are able.

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY

We acknowledge that the land on which we are gathered is the traditional and unceded territory of the Abegweit Mi'Kmaq First Nation. May we seek reconciliation, and may all live in peace and harmony on this land.

THE CHRIST CANDLE

This candle represents the undefeated light of Christ. May its light shine for us and through us to brighten the world.

May we always walk in this holy light.

THE RAINBOW CANDLE:

In lighting this rainbow candle, we proclaim that all people are worthy of dignity, safety, and a place at the table.

THE LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

GATHERING SONG MV 13 "O Let the Power Fall on Me"

- 1** *O let the power fall on me, my Lord,
let the power fall on me;
O let the power from heaven fall on me,
let the power fall on me.*

- 2** *For we want justice and truth and love,
my Lord, we want justice and truth and love;
for we want justice and truth and love,
my Lord, we want justice and truth and love.
(Sing song twice.)*

CALL TO WORSHIP: Acts 2:1-21

Let us now call on the name of the Lord.

May we feel God's saving power.

Come, Holy Spirit!

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***HYMN MV 142** "Oh a Song Must Rise"

OPENING PRAYER:

**God, when your Spirit fell upon
Jesus' followers gathered in Jerusalem,
they were empowered to become
witnesses to his glory and grace.
They found language to tell the story;
they found courage to speak
the truth they knew;
they became a fire burning brightly
against the perils of the night.
God, we long to know something
of that power, that courage, that zeal.
Give us voices to speak to our time and place.
Give us hearts overflowing
with love and praise.
Kindle in us a fire to brighten the world.
We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

STORY FOR ALL AGES

CHOIR: Lift Every Voice, Let All Rejoice : Haydn

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**God, you know that we are not
a Pentecostal people, not really.
We are always suspicious of anyone
who takes faith too seriously,
who acts as if this church stuff really mattered.
We prefer to proceed with as little excitement
and with as little commitment as possible.
We prefer the narrative of decline and despair
to the resurrection hope offered in Christ.
Come to us now; let your Spirit whisper to us
of a love grown cold but not yet dead;
may the Spirit's wings
carry us to higher ground.
Breathe on the feeble embers of our faith
until they begin to glow with fire divine.
We offer our prayers in the name of Jesus
who came not to condemn but to save. Amen.**

SILENCE

KYRIE ELEISON:

*Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE:

Let us put our trust in the marvelous
patience of God who is always waiting
for us to become what we are meant to be.
Thanks be to God.

WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT: Numbers 11:24-30

Reader: Devon Turcotte

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

***PSALM 104 (Part Two) VU 827**

EPISTLE: 1 Corinthians 12:4-13 Reader: Anne Piercy Ives

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GOSPEL: St. John 7:37-39

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Glory be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON: The Spirit On The Loose

***HYMN VU375** "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

OFFERTORY CALL

***OFFERTORY HYMN MV 188** "I Thank You, Thank You,
Jesus"

I thank you, thank you, Jesus,

I thank you, thank you, Jesus,

I thank you, thank you, Jesus, in my heart. (2X)

Asante sana Yesu, asante sana Yesu,

asante sana Yesu, moyoni. (2X)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

As your Spirit fell upon the disciples

long ago and everyone heard

of the wonderful works of God

in their own language,

may your Spirit so fall on these gifts

that many may know of your wonderful works

in their own lives, O God. Amen.

***HYMN VU 625** "I Feel the Winds of God"

***SENDING FORTH AND BENEDICTION**

***DISMISSAL HYMN MV 156** "Dance with the Spirit"
*Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin',
walk with the Spirit throughout the long day.
Work and hope for the new life a-bornin',
listen to the Spirit to show you the way. (3X)*

POSTLUDE

Minister: Rev. Dr. John Moses

Candidates for Ministry: Ellen Locke and Corina Anderson

Music Director: Donald Fraser

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Announcements

Trinity-Clifton Vision Statement: *We are a joyful, welcoming, inclusive Christ-centered community of faith, reaching out to others, providing a safe space where we respect differences. We learn from the past and dare to change.*

This bulletin is in loving memory of Carol Wonnacott McQuillan from her Family.

Noon hour Bible Study will be on Tuesday, May 26th. All are welcome.

The Stewardship Committee would like to advise the congregation that on Sunday May 31st, when there is a luncheon after church, that they will have people available to assist with completion of their PAR Form.

UCW will be meeting at Papa Joe's at 11:30 am on June 1st. All ladies in the congregation are invited.

Take-Out Lobster Supper – Happening at Park Royal United Church on Wednesday, May 27th with takeout between 4:00-5:30 PM. Price is \$30. Lobster is shelled, so no mess, no fuss - maybe a get-together with neighbors for a nice meal and no cleanup! Meal also includes potato salad, coleslaw, fresh roll and decadent dessert. Tickets are available now by calling 902-894-9656 or through Eventbrite.

The Trans Canada Tour is coming to Charlottetown on Thursday, May 28th for a unique "Ask a Trans Person Anything" forum - a no holds barred opportunity to challenge misinformation and ensure folks get the facts about trans people, right from the source. After that, they'll celebrate and organize at their iconic "Politics with a Drag Queen" event. This tour is all about rekindling hope, celebrating queerness and building their movement. It's about bringing together people like you who care about human rights and want to build a better future for queer people. Ask a Trans Person Anything is at Tivoli, 155 Kent Street, from 5 to 7 pm. Politics with a Drag Queen follows at PonyBoat, 157 Kent Street, at 8:30 pm. Go to <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/ask-a-trans-person-anything-charlottetown-tickets-1987454080656> to register.

Zion Presbyterian's spring sale will run from 9am to 1pm, Friday, May 29th and Saturday, May 30th. Shoppers will find a large selection of adult and children's clothing. There will also be a book sale, bake sale, cafe and BBQ.

The Stratford Community Choir is excited to present their 2026 spring concert on May 31st at Spring Park United Church on Kirkwood Drive at 2:00 pm. The program is truly eclectic and you will hear a great assortment of music. Tickets are available from choir members and at the door. The cost is \$15.00 per person or \$25.00 for a family/household. Your support is greatly appreciated. Come join us for an afternoon of beautiful music to welcome spring to our lovely Island.

FEAST of MUSIC concert, 7 pm, Sunday, May 31st at Hillcrest United Church, Montague featuring our Senior and Youth Choirs and the Sibbick Family Singers directed by Anne White, A Joyful Sound Community Choir with director Christie Beck. Our accompanists are Sara White and Elizabeth Wisnicki with flute playing by Mary MacLean. There will be hymn singing and a delicious meal to follow. Admission by donation. All are most welcome!

West River United Church Annual Lobster Take Out Dinner - June 6, 2026. Tickets are now available - \$30 Gluten free items available upon request. Please contact the church office to purchase your ticket - 902-566-4052.

Trinity's Take-Out Lobster Supper is on Saturday June 13th from 4:30 to 5:30 pm. Meal includes lobster, potato salad, jelly salad, coleslaw, roll, and home-made pie for dessert. Tickets are \$35 each. Call or email the office.

Thanks to a grant from the Canada's Summer Jobs Program, Trinity United Church will be hiring a youth (age 18-30) this summer. The funding is for 35 hours a week for eight weeks starting June 29th. The primary focus will be as a guide for tourists who come to visit this historic church sanctuary when it's open for viewing, but this is also a resource to help with church activities and programs. This position is advertised at canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/canada-summer-jobs. For more information, contact the Co-Chairs of Council or call the church office for a copy of the job description. Email applications to trinitycliftonunitedchurch@gmail.com until May 29th.

If you are a frequent visitor to Trinity-Clifton and are not set up on PAR or do not have envelopes, we suggest you contact the office (902-892-4114) to be set up so you can take advantage of any tax benefit by receiving a Charitable Tax Receipt for your donations.

Hospital Visits

If you have a family member from Trinity-Clifton in hospital, please notify the church office. Rev. John Moses visits the hospital weekly and would appreciate knowing this information.

Have you recently moved or changed your phone number from a land line to a cell phone? Please advise the church office so we can update our records.

If you are celebrating a significant birthday or anniversary soon, please contact the office.

Gift cards for the retailers listed below are available for purchase every Sunday after church, as well as every weekday at the church office. The proceeds go towards the work and cost of our programs and building needs. If there is a gift card that is not listed, please let us know and we will look into adding it to our gift card list.

Amazon	Indigo	Sobeys
Best Buy	Irving	Staples
Boston Pizza	KFC	Starbucks
Canadian Tire	Kent	Subway
Children's Place	M & M's	Superstore
Cineplex	Marks	Swiss Chalet
Dollarama	McDonald's	Tim Hortons
Esso	Old Navy	Ultramar
Giant Tiger	PetroCanada	Wal-Mart
Home Depot	Shell	Wendy's
Home Hardware	Shoppers DM	Winners

Greeters for the month of May: Bruce Fitchett, Anne Love, Graeme Linkletter, Carol Chandler

Scripture Readings for Sunday May 31, 2026:

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Psalm 8

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Matthew 28:16-20