

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

Pentecost 4

Order Of Service

Sunday June 21, 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 gather 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 VU 400 “Lord, Listen to
Your Children Praying”

*Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, sent your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace!*
(2X)

CALL TO WORSHIP:

God knows the number of the stars,
and the hairs of our heads are all counted.
God knows the sparrow that falls from the sky,
and the heart that breaks.
God cheers for the flower that pushes
through the crack in the concrete,
and rejoices in the hope that rises.
God is glorified in the awesomeness of creation,
and in a simple act of kindness.
God hears the mighty song of praise,
and the silent prayer.
Let us worship God.

*HYMN VU 312 “Praise with Joy the World’s Creator”

OPENING PRAYER:

God, we long for all the things
your biggest fans say about you to be true.
We would like to experience healing mercy
and love unshakable and unconditional.
We would like to know that our prayers
are being answered, that we are not
calling out into a vast emptiness.
Sometimes, the experience of our lives
contradicts what faithful people say
and it seems that we are being left
pretty much on our own.

If you are there,
you are not returning calls.
Still, where can we turn but to you?
You are the problem that perplexes us
and the possibility that beckons us onward.
You are the love that will not let us go
and the river of mercy
that bears us on its flood.
You are God.
Please, be with us now
as in doubt and faith we come to you.
We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

STORY FOR ALL AGES

CHOIR: "O God, Sing Praises" – W. A. Mozart

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Forgive them all, O Lord:
our sins of omission
and our sins of commission;
the sins of our youth
and the sins of our riper years;
the sins of our souls
and the sins of our bodies;
our secret and our more open sins;
our sins of ignorance and surprise;
and our more deliberate
and presumptuous sins;
the sins we have done to please ourselves;
and the sins we have done to please others;
the sins we know and remember;
and the sins we have forgotten;
the sins we have tried to hide from others;
and the sins by which
we have made others offend;

**forgive them all, O Lord,
for the sake of Jesus Christ,
who died for us so that we might live. Amen.**
(Adapted from a prayer of John Wesley)

SILENCE

KYRIE ELEISON:

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

WORDS OF ASSURANCE:

Take comfort in the assurance
that even those things that are hidden
from memory, or are too deep for words,
are not beyond God's forgiving love.
God, who knows us completely,
bestows pardon and peace.
Thanks be to God.

WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 21:8-21

Reader: Rev. Doreen Daley

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

***PSALM 86:1-10, 16-17 VU p. 803**

EPISTLE: Romans 6:1-11

Reader: Rev. Doreen Daley

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Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: St. Matthew 10:24-39

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Glory be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON: Longing for Aunt Jemina

***HYMN VU 421** “Lead On, O Cloud of Presence”

OFFERTORY CALL

***OFFERTORY HYMN** Tune: Nettleton (VU 559)

*To the Fount of ev-ry blessing
gifts of gratitude we bring;
streams of mercy, never ceasing
call for all our thanks and praise.
Make us ever joyful givers,
open-hearted, full of grace.
Let us show the world around us,
show them God’s amazing love.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

God, from you we come and to you
we return at the end of our days.
In the years between you invite us
to love and serve you
by loving and serving one another
and tending to your good creation.
We offer these gifts, humble as they are,
in response to your invitation.
We ask you to receive them
and bless them for your good purposes.
We pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

***HYMN VU 663** “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

***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
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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.*

The Bulletin Today is in memory of Joseph H. Taylor from Mark & Sandra Richardson.

Progressive Organ Concert Sunday June 28, 2026 in Charlottetown 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30 p.m.

Come listen to wonderful pipe organ concerts and then stroll the streets of Charlottetown on a lovely June day! Come to do this on June 28th starting at St. Paul's Anglican Church(Prince Street) at 1:30 p.m. Proceed to Trinity United Church(Prince Street) for a 2:30 p.m. concert and conclude the afternoon of music at St. Dunstan's Basilica(Great George Street) at 3:30 p.m. Each concert is about 30 minutes. You will hear organists from across PEI perform on three beautiful instruments in three beautiful church settings. You won't want to miss it! Admission is free. Donations are gratefully accepted to support the Dr. Alan Reesor Memorial Scholarship Fund.

It's graduation time and we would like to recognize the grads who have a connection to Trinity Clifton! Please let Alma know your special person's name, school and what their tie to TC is (grandchild of...). Also, send a picture to be shared on the screen. Thanks! Reach Alma at yayamutch23@hotmail.ca

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 June: Ann White, Anne Love, Velda Ward, Stephen Donaldson

Scripture Readings for Sunday June 28, 2026:

Genesis 22:1-14

Psalms 13

Jeremiah 28:5-9

Psalms 89:1-4, 15-18

Romans 6:12-23

Matthew 10:40-42

Toronto Welsh Male Voice Choir

The Kirk of St. James, corner of Pownall and Fitzroy Streets, is pleased to present the Toronto Welsh Male Voice Choir on Friday, July 10, 2026 at 7 p.m. This talented choir is celebrated across Canada, the U.S. and the U.K. and is on tour in the Maritimes this summer. The evening's program will include spirituals, arias, folk tunes, Broadway favourites and contemporary pop, sung off book in the Welsh choir tradition. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased online at [WelshChoir2026.auctria.events](https://welshchoir2026.auctria.events) or by calling the Kirk office at 902 892 2839.

SPUC Presents Praise B in a free concert: Come and enjoy some of your favourite gospel and pop tunes. All are welcome! Sunday, June 28th at 2 p.m. For more information, please contact Spring Park United Church at 902-368-1822.