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**United Church of Canada Creed**

## Pass It On...

**What's Happening at Little Britain United Church**

**May 2021**

There will be no Sunday Worship Services on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup> as Beth McLean is taking Education Leave. Worship Services using Zoom will resume on Sunday, May 23, 2021.

The existing Public Health Orders restricting the size of indoor and outdoor gatherings are in effect until May 26, 2021. Information on the possibility of outdoor services this summer will be provided as updates become available.

### **Affirm News**

Our Celebration of becoming Affirming will be held on Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. Due to rising Covid case numbers and tightened restrictions, we will likely celebrate on Zoom.

More details will be provided in early June.



Monday, May 17 is International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia & Biphobia. This year's theme is 'Together: Resisting, Supporting, Healing!' Events will be mainly online again this year. The following videos are available on *YouTube*:

[UN Free & Equal: Be You! - YouTube](#) – 52 seconds

[Be Someone's Home - YouTube](#) – 1:00 minute

[Bella ciao - Cromatica Chorus - Virtual Choir - YouTube](#) – 2:22 min. This is an Italian hymn of freedom and resistance

### **Church Roof Update**

Prairie Sky Roofing began work in mid-April to install new cedar shingles on the church roof. The work is expected to be completed by the end of May.

### Fundraising News

Inez Drummond and the In-Stitches quilting group, that normally meet bimonthly in our hall, have been busy this spring. Inez hosted and taught a quilting workshop on Zoom in early April. They have donated all the proceeds from the workshop (**over \$800**) to Little Britain United Church.

Many, many thanks to this talented and generous group of quilters!



Last summer, Little Britain received a special gift from Sandra Karr, the great-great-granddaughter of one of the first ministers of the church, Alexander Matheson. The chair was hand-made for Matheson by parishioners when he retired from the church in 1897.

The chair was cherished by Matheson's family as it was passed down from one generation to another.

In 2020, it became necessary for Sandra and her husband Gerry to downsize and move into an assisted living facility. They contacted Little Britain and offered the chair as a gift to the church. They also covered the shipping costs from their home in Penticton, British Columbia to ensure the safe and secure delivery of the chair to Little Britain. Sandra was quoted in an interview with *The Selkirk Record* stating, "It's gone home, that's where it belongs".

The congregation of Little Britain United Church is honoured to be entrusted with the safekeeping of this treasured piece of history.



