



*We are not alone. We live in God's world.*

United Church of Canada Creed

## Pass It On...

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

**April 2022**

### Minister's Message

Greetings as we journey through Lent:

On the 5th Sunday of Lent we re-open our church for worship and fellowship and give thanks for God's faithfulness throughout the months as we continued to be the church during some very stressful times.

We pray that we will be able to worship together as a church family from this time onward with some health and safety precautions in place; (Masks, hand sanitizer and social distancing.)

- The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be observed on Palm Sunday with individual baggies of crackers and grapes.
- **Good Friday** service of Worship will be held at **11:00 AM** (please note time).
- **Easter Sunday** Service to be held at **10:00 AM**.

In closing, I would encourage each of us to continue to pray for our Ukrainian brothers and sisters and for the Indigenous communities of Canada as they hear the words of Pope Francis.

**Peace to all,  
Beth McLean, Minister**

### Fundraising News

The Annual Little Britain United Church garage/yard sale will be held on Friday, July 1 and Saturday, July 2. More information on the collection of items and set-up times will be provided in the coming weeks.



## **Affirming News**

We had computer problems on PIE Day, March 13, so we were unable to share the three Affirming videos with the congregation after our Zoom service. Our laptop has now been fixed and with Little Britain Church services now being held in person again, we can show the videos in the hall. We will view and discuss the videos on Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup> after the service.

Little Britain United Church became an Affirming congregation within the United Church of Canada on June 6, 2021. We are continuing our learning journey this month. Have you ever wondered what all the letters stand for in 2SLGBTQIA? In April we will explore the letter I which represents people who identify as Intersex. No one knows about the issues faced by many people unless we talk about them. By learning and discussing we gain understanding and compassion and can offer a true welcome to Little Britain Church.

If you are unable to join us online, we invite you to view the videos at home on your own. Links to the videos are provided here.

[You're invited to join Moderator Bott in a slice of PIE Day 2022 - YouTube](#) 3:36 minutes

[What It's Like To Be Intersex - YouTube](#) 3:26 minutes

[What I've learned from having balls. | Emily Quinn | TEDxProvidence - YouTube](#) 14:58 minutes

**Shirley Froehlich**



## **Prayer from Moderator-United Church of Canada Rt. Rev Richard Bott, Moderator-United Church of Canada**

Prayer for the delegates who travelled to speak to Pope Francis...

I pray to you, Creator God—  
for the delegates who travelled to speak to  
Pope Francis,  
to share, again, the truth of their lives,  
as survivors of Canada's residential  
institutions,  
to share, again, the truth of the lives,  
of the children who were taken from family  
and community,  
and who never came home;  
to share the truth of what Canada and  
Church,  
through policy and doctrine, have done  
to Indigenous peoples of this land,  
since the colonizers came.  
And so I pray, God,  
as I heard our brother, Francis, as he asked for  
forgiveness;

that the Church will follow its words of  
sorrow,  
with actions of repentance, of reparation,  
of working for right relationship,  
of listening to the calls of Indigenous peoples  
and communities,  
as spoken through the Truth and  
Reconciliation Commission.  
And so I pray God,  
as the delegates return home,  
may all that they have done,  
all that they have shared,  
change your world, for the better.  
In Christ's name, I ask these things.

**Amen.**