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February 23, 2020 Announcements

- Thurs Feb 27 West Broadway Hot Lunch
- Sun Mar 1 Holy Communion
- Wed Mar 4 Pastoral Care Team
 - Worship Meeting 5:00 pm
- Fri Mar 6 World Day of Prayer at St. Gerard 7:30pm

Save the Date - Sat. March 21 - Quilt Workshop Sat. April 25 – Trustee Pancake Breakfast

Wednesday Morning **Bible Study** – cancelled til further notice.

Our **February** focus for our 12 months of giving is Connectedness. There will be a couple of events planned at Senior's facilities to come out and share 30-45 minutes of visiting and singsongs so please sign up. You are invited to renew connections in person, to give of yourself, and lighten someone's life and yours at the same time. Invite someone to coffee or a meal from the congregation that you don't know that well or get a group together and have a pot luck meal. Let's connect on a deeper and more meaningful level while we widen our circle beyond the church walls. Include those who are rarely included as we bring the love of Jesus into our lives and spread it with good news of great joy!

West Broadway Hot Lunch is Thurs Feb 27th Please sign up on the poster in the Narthex for donations of food and time. Thanks.

From **West Broadway** – "Right now at West Broadway our cupboards are bare. (Except for Kraft dinner). The abundance that we enjoyed over the Christmas season is over. We are in desperate need of non – perishable foods. We need canned meats, fish, soups, pork & beans, instant cereal, canned pastas/canned stews. On Feb.19th we had 25 requests for Emergency food – 4 families & 21 individuals. It is cold and very hard out there. We need prayers. We need money. We need food." Let's fill our cart and help out those less fortunate!

House Groups- Four G's & Instruments of Change are on duty for March, please sign up on the board at your convenience. Thanks, Marge and Luella, Marilyn and Jake, House Groups G & I.

The **World Day of Prayer** service for our area will be held at St. Gerard Church, 45 Foster St. (off Talbot) Fri. Mar. 6th at 7:30 pm Transcona United 1:30 pm, North Kildonan UC at 7:00 pm. Theme is Rise! Take up your Mat & Walk – prepared by women of Zimbabwe.

Green Group Eco Tip: Most pharmacies in Manitoba provide safe, secure disposal of unused prescription & over-the-counter drugs.

BJIGGNT – Upcoming Pancake Suppers - Tues Feb 25 5-7 pm at Gordon King (silver collection); Tues Feb 25 at Transcona UC 5-7 pm \$10. Ash Wednesday Service will be held at Gordon King Memorial United Church at 7:00 pm Wed. Feb. 26.

United Church in Meadowood – You CAN make a climate-change difference. Plant a tree at home or at the cottage; give one as a gift. Go to <u>https://ucim.org/tree-replanting-in-meadowood/</u> to see the trees available half-price and learn more. Info evg Feb 27 see poster on the bulletin board.

Please join us for The Great Canadian Hymn Sing Gala concert Mar 1st 3:00 pm at Crescent Fort Rouge United, 525 Wardlaw Ave. with Rosemary Siemens, violinist & tenor group Tenore performing with massed singing. Tickets at Hulls or at the door.

Welcome! Our church is made up of a number of house groups, offering opportunities for fellowship, worship and service. If you are new or visiting and would like information on being in a house group, please contact the church office.

FINANCIAL REPORT

January 2020			
Donations Actual	\$9,047	Donations Budget	\$10,414
	Difference	- \$1,367	
2020 Budget is based on 2019 Actual Givings			

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We are gathered on Treaty 1 territory, as well as the home of the Dakotas and traditional home of the Metis