

John Black Memorial United Church

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**September 15, 2019 Announcements**

- Sun Sep 15 - Holy Communion 10:30 am
- Ministry & Personnel meet after worship
- Wed Sep 18 - Leadership Team Meeting 6:30 pm
- Thurs Sep 19 - Pie Group 1:00 pm
- Thurs Sep 26 – West Broadway Hot Lunch
- Fri Sep 27 - Joyful Sound 7:00 pm
- Sun Sep 29 - Blessing of the Pets 3:00 pm

Save the Date –

- Sat. Oct. 19th Fall Supper at John Black**
- Sat. Nov 2nd Quilt Workshop**

Kindred Spirits & JB's House Groups will be responsible for assisting in the Worship Services on Sept. 15, 22 & 29th. Please note that September Communion will be held on Sept. 15th. Please sign up on the board outside Pat's office, if you can assist on these dates. October House Groups – Happy Hearts & Instruments of Change.

Please join us for an evening of entertainment with **Celtic Country & Joyful Sound** on **Fri. Sept. 27th** 7:00 pm A fundraiser for John Black Church. Tickets on sale now \$20 Refreshments will be served.

10,000 Villages is having their annual Fair Trade Coffee Sale Sept 6 – 15th if anyone is interested in donating coffee for our church use.

Our next West Broadway Hot Lunch will be Thurs Sep 26th Please he sign up in the Narthex if you can donate items or your time. Thanks.

12 months of giving: Each month, we will be asking for donations for various areas of need. If we all give a little, we can make a big difference. Our year of giving will be written up and submitted to the United Church of Canada "Minute for Mission" booklet. Poverty is real and it does exist in our community.

September, our focus is Back to School. Donations of school supplies are most welcome and will be donated to fringe schools, those outside the Umbrella funding for inner city schools but still having great need of some help. Items like Kleenex, glue sticks, Crayola markers and twistable pencil crayons, nut free granola bars are most welcome as are any other creative ideas you might have.

Blessing of the Pets: St Francis of Assisi, the patron Saint of Animals holds a feast day called the Blessing of the Pets usually at the beginning of October. If anyone is interested in having their pet(s) blessed, there will be a short service on Sun. Sept 29 at 3PM in the front courtyard. If weather is a problem, the service will move into the narthex.

Two upcoming events in support of West Broadway Community Ministry – Paint Night Fundraiser – Fri. Sep 20 at Crossways, Tickets \$40; Applebee's Pancake Breakfast (Pembina location) Sat. Oct. 19th 8-10am; See posters on our bulletin board for more info.

Charleswood United Church, 4820 Roblin Blvd. will host a women's breakfast on Sat. Sep. 28th 9:00 am. Together Growing in Spirit will host Tessa Blaikie Whitecloud of 1JustCity in conversation with Libby Jeffrey, host of the podcast, 'Travelling Minds'. Tickets, \$20/person,

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION EVENTS: Transcona Memorial United Church will be hosting two educational events. Carin Crowe will lead people in the blanket exercise on Oct. 5 from 9:30-noon. The blanket exercise is a unique participatory historical lesson in fostering truth, reconciliation, respect & reconciliation among indigenous & non-indigenous peoples. Dr. Niigaanwewidam Sinclair, Prof. in Native Studies at the UofM, will speak on 'Being Treaty People', at 7 pm on Oct 22. There is no charge but donations to help cover the costs would be appreciated.

FINANCIAL REPORT

	Jun	Jul	Aug	Year to Date
Donations Actual	\$8,268	\$7,788	\$7392	\$71,568
Donations Budget	10,666	\$7,225	\$7137	\$75,052
Difference	- \$2398	\$563	\$255	- \$ 3,484
2019 Budget is based on 2018 Actual Givings				



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.

Please remember to use the **John Black Co-op# 114062** whenever you purchase fuel at Red River Co-op stations.

All are welcome to stay after church this morning
for refreshments and conversation
*We are gathered on Treaty 1 territory, as well as the home of the
Dakotas and traditional home of the Metis*