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Gladwin Heights is a member church of Affirm United

April 27th, 2025 Announcements

Easter Blessings



We look forward to seeing you all this Sunday at
9:30am! Coffee time follows at 10:45am



Charlie Bailey	April 10
Tim Bowman	April 14
Angela Darychuk	April 20

Minister's Message

POPE FRANCIS: We join the rest of the Church, the worldwide Body of Christ, in mourning the passing of Pope Francis and celebrating his legacy. Like the rest of us, neither he nor the institution he led was perfect, yet he followed Christ in embodying compassion, humility, justice, and a deep sense of God's call to and presence in our world. For a more in-depth tribute from the United Church, please see the following link: <https://mailchi.mp/united-church/essentials-4754180?e=6c8ac6efe3>

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR APRIL 27TH, 2025

Acts 5:27-32

Psalm 150 [VU 221 – “Sing Praise to God”]

Matthew 28:1-10, 16-20

HYMNS FOR APRIL 27TH, 2025

VU 352 – “I Danced in the Morning”

MV 108 – “I Know Your Word”

VU 601- “The Church of Christ in Every Age”

VU 921 [Ecumenical Version]

“Take my Gifts” [Tune: VU 460]

“Called and Gifted for Christ's Service” [Tune: VU 232]

MV 209 – “Go, Make A Difference” [Refrain & v2]

Gladwin Upcoming Events

- May 2** Last day for collecting Soft Goods
May 3 Garage Sale
May 11 Mother's Day Brunch
June 7 Service of Remembrance and Reflection
With Butterfly Release (fundraiser)
June 8 United Church of Canada's 100th birthday
Potluck lunch?
June 15 Father's Day Pancake brunch
June 29 Sunday Sundaes

SOFT GOODS happening **May 2** - Soft Goods drop off at Gladwin Heights United church lower hall from **3:30pm-5pm**. Soft Goods includes clothing, footwear, towels, linens, curtains, hand bags, belts, bed spreads, back packs in ANY condition (torn, frayed or stained) BUT must be clean. Please hold on to them at home until Ellen gets back from her cruise

GARAGE SALE May 3 - Gladwin Heights United Church garage sale and bake table from **9am-1pm**. Unfortunately we don't have much more room to store things downstairs - if you can keep your garage sale items at home until the end of April it will really help out.

Gladwin Recurring Events

5/2 MINISTRIES WITH B'HAI we are making sandwiches to distribute to those who are homeless. We meet at the church on the **first Tuesday of the month at 3:30pm**.

Cluster Shared Announcements

ROMEO Retired Old Men Eating Out: **Every second Friday, 7am** at JoJo's Restaurant, Abbotsford. For more information, contact Don Strangway at Trinity.

UCES MEETING is on **April 30** at **7pm** via Zoom

BOOK STUDY "Appreciate These Things" start Friday, **May 2** - In Person, 9:30 - 10:30 or on Zoom 11am - noon. Cost is \$20 a book to Don Strangway. In a world tense with anger and division, how can we preserve our sense of well-being and inject a little more kindness into our daily interactions? The answer is in Philippians 4:8: "Whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things." Thinking about, looking for, appreciating these eight things can reorient our hearts and minds in ways that nurture compassion for ourselves, those in need, and those with whom we are inclined to disagree.

We recently completed a very meaningful Cluster Book Study: See no Stranger by Valarie Kaur. This book by Omar el Akkad would give us some insight in to how the rest of the world views the Western Nations (us), which might be depressing but also instructive. As Christians, we are also part of our society. The book costs about \$20.00. Let me know if you are interested and I will order the book, set up a zoom invitation list and "get going". We might go mid May to late June: no book study over the summer.

-Don Strangway (Trinity Memorial)

YOUNG AT HEART SENIORS EXPO Sponsored by Abbotsford Horseshoe club, join them for fun activities and games **on May 7th, 10am-3pm**, 2555 McMillan Road with prizes to be won, a petting zoo, vendors, and guest speakers. Admission is free!

PLANT & BAKE SALE Plants, garden décor, crafts, puzzles, and baked goods. Saturday **May 10th 9am-12pm** at Trinity Memorial 33737 George Ferguson Way.

THE LION KING Join Trinity Memorial for a special screening of The Lion King (1994, G) on **May 10th** from **4pm-7pm** at Trinity with hot dog dinner and popcorn as a fundraiser for supporting Rev. Tracy's Continuing Education trip to Tanzania in July 2025. This beloved animated classic follows young lion prince Simba as he navigates betrayal, loss, and his journey to reclaim his rightful place as king. Free will donation accepted. Everyone is welcome!

EARTH STEWARDS will hold a Spring Pot-Luck and Fundraiser on **May 31** at **5pm**. The event will feature speaker Robin Curtis, Chair of the Climate Change Action Group of the Chilliwack Rotary, who will speak about climate communication and action. Admission is free with donations accepted towards our annual tree planting in the fall.

Please Note

CAMPING PICTURES We invite you to bring your favourite camping pictures, including church & day camps, and stories to share with the congregation for our Camping Sunday theme.

SCRIPTURE READERS Readers are needed for the month of May - please email the office with your name – ghuc@shaw.ca

BROADVIEW MAGAZINES Subscriptions are \$30 for 12 months. Please let the office know if you would like to sign up by May 29th

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX CLINIC Free income tax service offered in Abbotsford for people with low income. Jackie Goudal is one of the volunteers at this clinic held at Garden Park Towers basement. If you are interested, the phone number is 604-744-0109 to book an appointment or email incometax@gardenparktower.ca

FACEBOOK SERVICE We broadcast our in-house service via Facebook Live, for those of you who are unable make it in person. Go to the Gladwin Heights Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/Gladwin-Heights-United-Church-699893126828536>) and look for the Service by date. Please note if you are unable make it at worship time you can view it anytime on Facebook.

GLADWIN HEIGHTS IS A SCENT FREE ZONE

Please do not wear scented products in our building.

Coming soon

Please let us know if you have contributions to include in our announcements



Gladwin Height is a recipient of a Seeds of Hope grant in support of our redevelopment plans

Minister: Rev. Tim Bowman

Song Leader: Rita Green

Pianist: Jacob Greenan

Office: Melissa Boisclair

Church Reception Hours

St. Andrew's Office

Monday 8:30am-4:30pm

Wednesday 8:30am-2:30pm

Gladwin's Office

Tuesday 8:30am-4:30pm

Thursday 9am-12pm

Reverend Tim

10am-5pm