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Greeter: Carla Bourque **Door Attendant**: Doug Bourque

Teller: Jocelyne Quann

Open Doors · Open Minds · Open Hands · Open Hearts

Welcome to Visions United - "God's Doors Are Open to All"
Visions United seeks to be a safe place for people of all
races, creeds, ages, cultural backgrounds,
sexual orientations and gender identities to worship.

Spirit Gathering Sunday, June 23, 2019 Joy

June 23	9:30am	Conversation Café (Choir)
	10:30am	Spirit Gathering
August 4	9:30am	Conversation Café
	10:30am	Spirit Gathering

Children Programming

We have no formal programming for children during the summer.

We welcome children to remain with us for the Sprit Gathering.

There is a colouring poster in the Great Room,

as well as activity bags available.

Today, we welcome and thank Rev. Jane Aikman. She is leading our Spirit Gathering this morning.

Rev. Shawn has been attending the North American Godly Play Conference in St. John's Newfoundland, June 17-23, and then will be on vacation and unused leave time from June 24-August 4.

VISIONS NEWS & UPDATES

<u>Visions Vacation Month: June 30th - July 31st – Today is our last Spirit</u>
Gathering before our summer break. Services will resume on August 4th.
The office will be closed, as well, for summer break and will re-open on Friday, August 2nd from 9:30am – 1:00pm. Please note, the Visions phone line will be checked regularly for messages during the summer closure.

Pastoral Care during Vacation Month and Minister's Vacation

While Rev. Shawn is away hospital visitation will be provided by Rev. Lloyd Bruce, the on-call United Church Chaplain (506-940-1151).

For all other emergency concerns and funerals, contact Peggy Renton at 386-1077 and she will contact the following ministers:

June 17-July 7: Rev Janice MacLean (Trinity United, Riverview)

July 8 - 22: Rev Stephen Brown (Petitcodiac)

July 23 - Aug 4 - Rev. Catherine Gaw

Looking for Inspiration during July? Summer Sabbath Series: A Fine Line is included in our weekly email. It provides 4 devotions to use during July when Visions is on vacation. This is provided free of charge as part of our Congregational subscription to the PrayerBench. There are a few printed copies available today for those who do not receive our weekly email.

During July visit one of our sister United Churches

Mount Royal - 10 am

Mountainview - 10 am

St. Paul's (Riverview) - 10am

Trinity United (Riverview) - 10 am - June 30, July 7 & 14

* Note: Other Moncton area United Churches are also closed in July.

<u>Photo Directory</u> – These have arrived and are available today. Please see Helen Halfpenny.

<u>August 14, 7:00pm – Book Club</u> - Our next meeting will be at the home of Paula Pickard (125 Hebron St., Riverview). We will be discussing the book *The Nightingale* by Kristen Hannah. We will enjoy Paula's beautiful backyard which includes a pool if you want to bring a swim suit.

<u>Recycling For Reconnect</u> - Please think of us during July and bring your bottles here in August, for John Foster and Re-Connect ministries support, when we all return! They can be left in the room at the bottom of the back stairs. If stairs are a problem, someone will carry them down for you. All proceeds are for our ReConnect jar.

The Observer has a new name - "Broadview"! The United Church of Canada's award winning magazine is now called "Broadview: Spirituality, Justice, Ethical Living". Our congregational annual subscription month is extended to August this year. Annual rate is \$25. Envelopes are available for you to return your renewal payment, marked Broadview and your name. Cheques should be made out to Visions United with a memo "Broadview renewal". Would you like to subscribe? Speak with Lila Briggs or Pam Harrison.

<u>Grocery Card Program</u>: Last weekend for Bill Peters Boutique! Bring your cheque books and lots of cash for Grocery cards galore! You get awesome summer eating and Visions continues their fundraiser as we are closed for the month of July. For every grocery card sold Vision United gets 4%; that's \$4 for every \$100 sold. Get your Sobeys, and Superstore cards before the service.

OTHER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NEWS & UPDATES

Karing Kitchen is collecting milk bags, the larger bag that holds 3 one litre bags. They are used to make sleeping mats for the homeless and it takes about 300 bags to make one. If your church or other groups would like to help, collect them as you are able. For pickup contact Bob Adsett at robertadsett@gmail.com

<u>Today, June 23 at 3:00pm - Birch Hill Cemetery</u> — Annual Memorial Service being held in the cemetery, Rogers Road, Berry Mills. If raining, the service will be held at the Lutz Mountain Meeting House. A pot luck supper at Lutz Mountain Meeting House will follow the service. Everyone is welcome.

June 26 at 2pm - The Mayor's Seniors Advisory Committee - will be hosting its annual Seniors Symposium at the Moncton Lions Community Centre, 473 St. George Street, which will feature the following presentations: Moncton Implementation Plan for Affordable Housing and City of Moncton Parks and Trails. More info: marcia.king@moncton.ca or 853-3499

June 27 at 7:00pm, Central United Church - The Affirming Committee of Central United Church presents the movie "Smoke Signals" at the Community Peace Centre Forum, 22 Church St, Moncton. Movie and snacks are free of charge. Come and bring friends. Movie Synopsis: Two young American Indians leave the reservation to resolve their problems and to find themselves. Rating: PG-13 (For some intense images), Genre: Comedy, Drama, Special Interest, Runtime: 88 minutes.

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Facebook.com/groups/visionsunited

Office Hours: Friday August 2nd at the Stillesville Campus from 9:30am–1pm.

Minister Hours: Vacation

We Value Abundant Generosity! How Can I Share an Offering?

You may have noticed we don't pass an offering plate during the service, but we do bless all gifts during shared during our "Invitation to Generosity". You can choose one of two ways to support the ongoing work and ministry of Visions:

Weekly Offering - There is a *Giving Table* at the entry of the Great Room with envelops for visitors or occasional gifts. Contact the Church Office to request your own box of weekly offering envelopes. All loose offering is given to our Visions Aid fund for local outreach.

Pre-authorized Remittance (PAR) is an easy way for you to make regular and reliable contributions on the 21st each month to ensure the vitality of Visions' ministry. Deductions can be changed/cancelled anytime with sufficient notice to the office.

- Request a PAR form from the church office or print and fill out PAR form from the website with your monthly offering amount.
- Place a "VOID" cheque and completed form in a sealed envelope.
 Give it to the office or place in the offering plate during service.

Charitable tax receipts for Envelope & PAR contributors are issued at the year-end.

VISION AIDERS' PROJECTS: Our outreach in the community & around the world

MISSION & SERVICE - the United Church of Canada's unique way to fund global and Canadian mission projects, bringing healing, justice and hope to life! Your M&S gift helps Visions meet our 2019 objective of \$20,000.



<u>RECONNECT JAR</u> – Your donation supports the Reconnect Street Intervention Program in Greater Moncton, outreach to those who are homeless and at risk. Donate your refundable recyclables to Visions. All proceeds support Reconnect.

<u>KARING KITCHEN</u> – Your chance to donate groceries and/or grocery store cards, the 1st Sunday of each month, to assist Moncton's largest soup kitchen.