

Place of Hope Indigenous Presbyterian Church

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WELCOME BACK REVEREND DOCTOR MARGARET MULLIN!

After 17 months of being away, Reverend Doctor Margaret Mullin is back to serve her community. She would like to thank everyone for their continued patience and support and is happy to be back worshipping with her church family.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

25th Anniversary

On November 3rd, 2024, we will celebrate 25 years that Reverend Doctor Margaret has been with our community in Winnipeg!

POHIPC has a mailbox number!
BOX 4001 Redwood Centre Postal Outlet,
Winnipeg R2W 5H9

FOR DONATIONS, PLEASE SEE THE SECOND PAGE OF THE NEWSLETTER

ATTENTION! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Volunteer help with **assembling hampers** would be appreciated on December 6th-7th and 13th-14th from 10am-2pm at St John's - 251 Bannerman.

NEWS AND UPDATES



The Place of Hope Indigenous Presbyterian Church no longer has access to the WICM bus. Their program needs have expanded to include Sunday. With many thanks to The Presbyterian church in Canada, First Presbyterian Church Winnipeg's St James legacy fund, and St John's Presbyterian Church legacy fund we were able to purchase a 2021, 8-seat SUV!

Visit our website here:

https://pccweb.ca/placeofhope/

FROM REVEREND DOCTOR MARGARET

An update on Place of Hope Indigenous Presbyterian Church is long past due.

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In May of 2022 we completed our transition away from Winnipeg Inner City Missions. We are operating out of St John's Presbyterian Church in the North end of Winnipeg. Administration, payroll, funding, and grant applications responsibilities were all transferred from WICM to POHIPC. We have applied successfully for a CRA Charitable number BN755339504RR0001 and are set up to receive and receipt charitable donations, transfers of Stock, planned giving, or estate distribution.

We function completely separate from the mission now. I know for donors there has been some confusion and uncertainty and for that I apologize. We are so thankful for your support, prayers, encouragement, and donations. Without you we could not function or exist as a congregation of the Presbyterian Church.

Although we were not formally constituted by our Presbytery as a congregation until 2014, we have been worshipping for 25 years now under the leadership of the Rev. Dr. Margaret Mullin. From 1999 to 2022 we were an integral part of Winnipeg Inner City Missions. Now we operate independently, at a different location, as Place of Hope Indigenous Presbyterian Church, in the Presbytery of Winnipeg and Synod of Manitoba and Northwest Ontario.

Ours is a unique congregational ministry with a unique ministry team consisting of a lead Minister, a lay Indigenous minister, a Parish Social Worker and two Indigenous Matriarchs, who were all elected by the congregation members as the Session, to walk with them through life providing Spiritual and Social guidance. The members of the team split one full time stipend and benefits allowance provided through Presbyterians Sharing. Operation costs, and salaries beyond what is received from the national church come from donations and grants which prove to be fluctuating in amount and never enough. Please donate.

Help us help your Indigenous Presbyterian siblings heal from past and present traumas and grow in their relationship with Jesus, our saviour and Lord.

DONATIONS

All donations are greatly appreciated all year round, yet it is the Holiday season during which feelings of hopelessness, despair and increased need often are present. The pressure to provide a jolly occasion with cheer and celebration when another long, difficult year lags behind us and the future uncertainties loom in the New Year ahead is often inescapable.

If you want to pledge and donate to the POHIPC, please consider a smaller monthly donation of even \$10/month as opposed to a one-time holiday donation. Every dollar helps all year long!



ITEMS REQUESTED FOR DONATION:

- Turkeys (small, medium & large)
- Gift Cards for Giant Tiger, No Frills, Safeway/Sobeys of \$50, \$100 (Amounts are adjusted based on the size of the family).
 - Coffee, tea, sugar, creamer
- Shampoo, body wash, bars of soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes
- Small gifts for infants, children, youth and teen adults that fit in a shoebox: candy, gum, cookies, kleenex, combs, brushes, markers, crayons, pencil crayons, notebooks, toy cars/trucks, mittens/gloves, games, cards, balls, Lypsyl lip balm, nail polish, etc.
 - Money given for specific purposes
 (Example: a turkey) is accepted and will be followed with a receipt.

HAVE A BLESSED 2025 EVERYONE!