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From the President

Well, my fellow Spiritualists, after 3 months of self-isolating we are still standing. The human soul is so resilient "N'est-ce pas!"?

It is truly amazing to see the ingenuity of many of the Spiritualist Churches being of service to their membership during these unprecedented times. Being open to alternative ways of conducting your Church Services is marvellous. How the internet is keeping us in touch with each other. The old saying "when one door closes another door opens" is truly reflective of these current times. How many ways have you needed to change your perspective facing these challenging times?

At the SCC, we have been reaching out by way of Inspirational Messages every day. Thank you, Nadine Miller, for your bottomless resources and keeping our souls nourished daily with positive thoughts on Facebook.

We are working on moving to zoom to hold an education class in the fall. Like many of you, Zoom is becoming our friend. Students,

we will keep you posted by way of our website with this remarkable venture.

The SCC held our first successful Ordination by way of Zoom in April. The entire board witnessed the ceremony. We welcome our latest Minister Reverend Roberta (Bobbi) Pineau.

Coming soon is the SCC digital membership card. Yes, we too are constantly looking at ways to evolve our processes in a way that is in keeping more in congruence with the times.

We, your Board of Governors, wish you a safe and prosperous summer. Keep safe and many blessings to you and your family.

As always, we welcome your ideas. Please use our email address feedback@spiritualistchurchofcanada.com to let us know what you are thinking.

*Blessings,
Reverend Angie Morra*



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Editor Comment

We say we are living in changing times and indeed we are; as history has proven one way or another, there is a need for change in act and in thought, to move forward.

2020 began by literally kicking our butts; from the pandemic that seized the world in its iron fist to race relations that, frankly, do not surprise me but still are extremely hurtful in all our lives.

Here we are, the 20th year into a new century and it feels as though nothing has moved forward. On the surface, sure, laws and policies are created but human beings changing how they view others? The view that one is less than and inferior to them. Do they even want to, I wonder? Anger and hatred are the easy go-to emotions; toward the named ones who lose their lives to prejudiced minds and the ones we don't hear of because they didn't involve the police. Add to that, the countless black people who are treated as dirty asphalt below every other nationality's feet simply because they are encouraged and entitled to continue doing so.

'These issues are not new. I know that sounds trite, but the news cycle around anti-Black racism always has a "can you believe it!" feel to it. The shock is attached to the horror of the latest specific event, rather than the fact that this exemplifies what most black people face for their entire lives – and their parents and grandparents before them.' -Mike French

Black children are taught from the cradle that we must be 150% better than our peers/make sure you are more respectful/don't argue or defend ourselves too aggressively etc. so that we may achieve maybe ½ the respect and acknowledgement we deserve.

The laws that must be created and enforced to ensure employers are making their quotas to 'even out the imbalances' to ensure the numbers look good on paper. No shock here, no resignation that things will never change, simply a realistic view of our fellow man; however, as much as I am a realist it's indescribably disheartening some days. It is not just the work of a few 'bad eggs' as several people have said to me; if that's the case, how can so few have such an extensive reach?

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“No one is born hating another person because of the color of his skin, or his background, or his religion. People must learn to hate, and if they can learn to hate, they can be taught to love, for love comes more naturally to the human heart than its opposite.” Nelson Mandela

As nations spoke of working together during the pandemic to ensure safety for as many lives as possible, racism reared itself repeatedly so clearly head and shoulders above it all in many countries including here at home.

As a Spiritualist, I believe there is more to look forward to when our physical body leaves this plane, but while we are here, can we not share and understand that love, in all its forms, how you define it for you, is what is needed?

Spiritualism doesn't see colour, language, age, class, sex, none of the things with which we define ourselves as human beings. As I understand Spiritualism, it concerns itself with what we have learned thus far in the here and now and how our spirit guides & teachers can assist our development journey.

Recently I was asked about my philosophy, I addressed it from the standpoint of calling

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myself a Spiritualist and Medium and felt as though I could not articulate it properly.

*I want to learn to be a decent person, not going out of my way to hurt anyone so that I may feel self-entitled. That is a very small statement in a philosophy of life, but it is a starting point. I intend to keep moving forward, in actions, in deeds, in words, to strengthen the relationships, as complex as they may be, for all of us to work together in all aspects of this life, no judgment, love above everything else. As said by Gandhi, *“We must change ourselves to effect the changes we want to see in others.”**

We meet many upon this path to enlightenment and love; no one says its an easy road, but it is one that has proven that it is worth the time and effort to travel. I leave us all with the Healing prayer, there are brighter days to come:

Healing Prayer

*I ask the Great Unseen Healing Force
To remove all obstacles from my mind and body
And to restore me to perfect health.
I ask this in all sincerity and honesty, and I will do
my part*

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*I ask the Great Unseen Healing Force
To help both present and absent ones who are
in need of help
And to restore them to perfect health
I put my trust in the Love and Power of God*

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Notes on this Special Edition:

Change and action were on the minds of several contributors who did not confer once about their writings. There is the editor's commentary, a 'timely' piece from Rev. Sharon Goldsby and a call to action from Rev. Gillian Edwards. Proof that Spirit was 'called to action' for this Special Edition.

Rev. Marilyn Mazzotta offers us a personal view of Spiritualism. We also have the pleasure of welcoming a new SCC Minister, Roberta (Bobbi) Pineau of Edmonton, AB. This inaugural virtual ordination ceremony with the Board was different but no less emotional; we are proud. Congratulations Bobbi on your mission, your achievement and continued successes!

Check out a back issue or two of the SCC newsletter at the Spiritualist Church of Canada website:
<https://www.spiritualistchurchofcanada.com/index.php/events-and-news/president-s-message-newsletters>

If there is something, you'd like featured, to comment upon, or to share of your own contact us at www.spiritualistchurchofcanada.com
n.b. the history of Canadian churches will return in our autumn edition
Peace and Love

"If we are to have peace on earth...our loyalties must transcend our race, our tribe, our class, and our nation; and this means we must develop a world perspective."

-Martin Luther King Jr.

"What you leave behind is not what is engraved in stone monuments, but what is woven into the lives of others."

~ Pericles

A Celebration of Life

John Leslie Ruckledge (1932-2020) of Nanaimo, BC passed into Spirit on 9 January this year. A former barber (Eagle Barber Shop, downtown Nanaimo for 30 years), John was an SCC member for 17 years and President of Nanaimo Christian Spiritualist Centre with his wife Bernice as co-Principal during the late '90's. They were both dedicated working mediums who loved the fellowship of Community after Sunday service.

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Ordination Celebration **Reverend Roberta (Bobbi) Pineau**

On Thursday, April 9, 2020, it was my honour and privilege to ordain Reverend Bobbi Pineau as a Minister of the Spiritualist Church of Canada.

The service was held by way of Zoom (the first one of its kind) and the ceremony was witnessed by the Board of the Spiritualist Church and will forever hold a special place in our hearts as we welcomed our newest Minister into our SCC Organization.

Reverend Bobbi says “Being part of the SCC Board over the past few years, I have come to know the others, not just as fellow Board members but as friends. With most living in Ontario and me in Alberta, I wasn’t going to be able to include them in my formal Ordination at our local Church.

Who knew that one of the results of the COVID shutdowns would postpone my Ordination Ceremony here in Edmonton? Luckily Rev. Angie agreed to use Zoom and all the Board could be there. It is such an honour to be a part of this wonderful

organization and to now be a Minister representing the Spiritualist Church of Canada in Spiritualism, I could not be prouder.

Thank you to Rev. Angie and the Board for a very heartwarming ceremony that I will remember forever.

Once our province re-opens, I will have a service at our Church to celebrate with my family and friends who did not get to be a part of the official Ordination.”

May Bobbi’s path as a new Minister and ambassador for the Spiritualist Church of Canada and Spirit bring her much love and joy. Many blessings and welcome to your new role.

*Blessings,
Rev Angie Morra, President*



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Time of Change

Rev. Sharon Golsby

Please note: All quotations in this article can be found in the Philosophy of Silver Birch edited by Stella Storm

Change is constant and inevitable. This planet and all life upon it have been changing and evolving since it was first created; therefore, we shouldn't be surprised when change comes into our individual lives.

My surprising change started about a month ago; when, Rev. Angela Morra asked if I would be interested in working with her in June at the Church of Universal Love. To be frank, I wasn't sure I really wanted to as a few years ago I had stepped back from public work.

Then two weeks ago, while out on my local walking trail enjoying the trees, birds and other natural wildlife, my eye caught something shiny. It appeared to be a tree much taller than the rest and its branches were made of metal. As the sun shone through the branches it glowed as if cast in silver. There are many old birch trees along this trail and the thought came to me, 'this must be why they are called silver birch'. I took a step, then had a light bulb moment, OF COURSE, Silver Birch. When I looked

again all was normal, the super-sized glowing tree was no longer. Was this a trick of the light or was Spirit trying to get my attention? Either way, it was for those few moments a sight to behold. As a result of this experience, I was impressed to reread the teachings of Silver Birch and to come out of hibernation by saying yes to Rev Angela's kind offer.

For those of you who are new to Spiritualism, Silver Birch was the spirit guide who spoke through Maurice Barbanell while he was in a trance state while the teachings and messages communicated by Silver Birch were recorded and transcribed by a stenographer.

Silver Birch spoke of many things: Power of The Spirit, Animal Survival, Healing, Natural Law, Reincarnation, Responsibility of Mediumship and the list goes on.



I experienced a great sense of peace after rereading these books. They were a touchstone, taking me back to the basics; to the roots of Spiritualism and they reminded me of the many conversations I had with my late husband John.

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I highly recommend that if you haven't read about Silver Birch please do.

*There are at least 15 books, with my favourite being **The Philosophy of Silver Birch** edited by Stella Storm. I would also recommend **This is Spiritualism** written by Maurice Barbanell. Here he shares stories of other well-known mediums and their spirit guides. There are also photographs of ectoplasm phenomena, as well as the teachings of Silver Birch and Barbanell's own thoughts on Spiritualism.*

After reading three books, I randomly opened one of them and this is what I read:

"As our teaching grows in your world, it will mean the end of separateness between peoples. It will mean the end of national barriers, race distinctions, class distinctions, colour distinctions, and all distinctions between churches, chapels, temples, mosques, and synagogues. All will learn they have a part to play in the Great Spirit's truth and that the part enshrined in the heart of every other religion in no way contradicts that portion which is precious to them. So, out of apparent confusion, the divine pattern will take shape, and harmony and peace will

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come. What we teach fits in with all the noble and elevated ideas that have come to the visions of reformers, saints, seers, and idealists who have striven in every age to render service".

These simply stated yet powerful words struck a chord within me because they describe what is happening in our world today. I believe we are seeing the `noble and elevated ideas` in action as people of good conscience are coming together to secure liberty and justice not for the few but for all people.

They are rendering service in ways big and small: by sewing face masks, showing support for our frontline workers, delivering food and working in hospitals and nursing homes during this pandemic. They are rendering service by standing together in support of our Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women, with the #Me Too Movement and now, with the outrage over the senseless death of George Floyd that has sparked the Black Lives Matter marches all around the world. I very strongly believe that we are living in a time where we can effect positive change.

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Change as we all know is never easy; however, when we know better, we are obligated to do better.

Spiritualists have been on the forefront of change since our beginning. We were instrumental in the implementation of the suffragette movement and allowed them to speak their truths from our platforms. Through Spirit communication we were instrumental in getting changes made to the child labour laws in Great Britain especially as they applied to children working in coal mines and we have most certainly been instrumental in changing the way many people view religious dogma, and belief surrounding death and the afterlife.

We now know that we are Spirit and endowed with latent wisdom and the same divine attributes as Infinite Intelligence or God. We can share with the infinite power in the processes of creation and help in the forward march of evolution or we can hinder, we can delay, we can deter. Humanity must make a choice, it is up to us to be the change we want to see happen.

In another session Silver Birch communicates; "We do not seek to elevate

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souls so that they shall be indifferent to the welfare of their fellows. The more knowledge you possess of spiritual truths, the greater must be your desire to serve those less fortunate than yourself. It matters not by what name you designate those truths. It matters not whether you tie on them the label of politics, economics, religion, or philosophy-that is unimportant. What does matter is that our truths should be used to free the world from all its injustices and enable those who have not received their due to obtain their rightful heritage."

This week as I was putting my thoughts to paper, I watched as the cry for social justice escalated with various panels and committees putting forward their initiative. I listened to the constant news of a shrinking global economy due to Covid-19. This pandemic has not only impacted how we live our daily lives but here in Canada, it has caused us to review our health care system. No doubt about it we are living in a time of great change. We can no longer deny the truth and the truth is our system does not offer hope, support, or justice for everyone, it has broken down. Multiracial, multicultural and multigenerational people are pushing for reform, not only in North America but

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around the world. Change is not going to happen overnight, but I am hopeful that positive change will happen. It must happen if as a society we are going to grow. Spiritual growth and rendering service where needed is why we are here on this earth plane. As we help each other so we are rendering service to Infinite Intelligence.

Martin Luther King Jr. said the *"the truth shall set you free"* and Silver Birch said *"Truth will bring understanding, peace and love. With love in his heart there is no problem that cannot be solved. All the problems confronting the leaders of mankind today would fade away if truth, wisdom, knowledge and love were to rule and guide humanity."*

Today we have an opportunity to rewrite history, let's do our part to make this world a better place.

Be the change
you wish to see
in the world.
Madison Grant

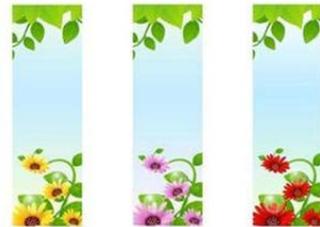
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Silver Birch

*Though we have never met on earthy plane
He is my friend, my councillor and guide,
My strength and comfort in the days of pain,
The unseen presence constant by my side.
He understands life's problems and it's needs
By facing trials does noble status grow.
He points the way of conduct in all deeds,
Knowing we do but reap all the seeds we sow.
In words of simple wisdom, he will say
That service is the spirit's coin,
That paths of love and kindness lead the way
to the true Source wherein all roads conjoin.*

Sylvia Barbanell



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My Point of View on Spiritualism

Reverend Marilyn Mazzotta

Spiritualism for me is coming home. It brings to me a sense of sanctuary, peace, belonging. When I was a child, seeing spirit created isolation for me. As a little one, doubtful, that I would call myself a medium; I believe mediumship must have the capacity to give a clear message. I don't think we can do so as a child, yet, I will not diminish the ability to see spirit.

Around the age of nine, my life transformed. After speaking with many people in the metaphysical world, especially mediums, nine seems to be the age of reason. There seems to be many mediums that had great transformations around that time in their childhood. For me, it was the meeting of my teacher, who was a Spiritualist and who exposed me to the community of Lily Dale. At Lily Dale meeting so many people who were also mediums changed my world.

Spiritualism for me is also rich in philosophy. As a student of divinity, I have studied many different religious concepts, holy books, and

rituals. At the end of the day, I come back home where I feel safe with Spiritualism.

Spiritualism is not full of dogma, doctrines, sins, rules, that for me seemed hypocritical. Spiritualism is a philosophy, based on rational logic, and free of unnecessary rituals that serve no true purpose. It allows us to be freethinkers, to question, to debate, to involve science. It encourages us to be aware, that we are far more than life itself. To comfort us to know that we are never alone. Unlike other religions, we prove it in every divine service.

We are encouraged to progress, to transform, to evolve, to become more mindful of where we're going and what we are doing. I for one embrace progress very strongly. I am pleased when I attend a church in divine service using the Spiritualist Church of Canada's updated wording of our principles. To me that demonstrates progression. Not to be afraid of change. We may all understand the basic principles of Spiritualism, and I do understand why some people do not want to change them. Predominantly it is our familiar. However, Spirit has encouraged us not to be too

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complacent with our familiar, as we do not evolve in that context.

There are so many great books to express and show the dynamics in depth of our philosophies. Books written 100 years ago or older still have substance in our world today. I would encourage you to explore the rich thought-provoking ideas of Spiritualism.

Prophets such as Andrew Jackson Davis or Emanuel Swedenborg are mainstays in some of the templates of our faith. Yet we can move on to other great works: from William Steed to the modern authors Rev. Judith Seaman from England to our fellow Canadian, Al Batten.

Learn, explore, and live life to its highest spiritual values, that is what Spiritualism is for me. I am home.



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A Simple Call to Action

Rev. Gillian Edwards

"In a gentle way you can shake the world"

Gandhi

When the world gets crazy and things start to go sideways, I seek the silence beneath the noise and ask for wisdom and inspiration. I was inspired to look at the work of Gandhi, a true peacemaker.

What is going to be your way?

As Spiritualists how are we going to "shake the world"? Some are compelled to unite and walk; others will do it in other ways.

With COVID 19 and its presence in our communities, it is hard to come together without the risk to health especially prevalent in those communities who are most affected and vulnerable.

As Spiritualists we know the value of healing words, energy and prayer, we know the power of personal responsibility and the brotherhood of man, we have the tools to gently, "Shake the World"

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As Spiritualists, how are we going to help change the world?

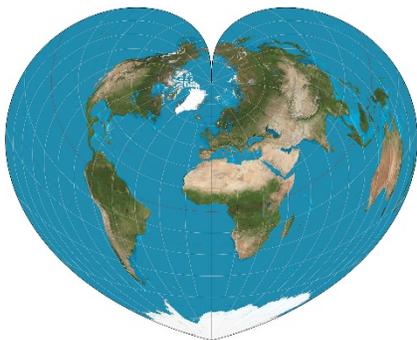
Perhaps, hold a world-healing circle, create a prayer group, expand one's capacity to listen and learn, sit in the silence and send out love.

There are as many ways, as there are members of our Spiritualist communities.

Make a personal commitment to effect change, in whatever way is right for you and then act on it, the world needs your efforts.

I am curious, what is going to be your personal call to action?

In what gentle way can you "shake the world"?



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Spirit's Reading Corner

Is Survival A Fact? Studies of Deep-Trance Automatic Scripts and the Bearing of Intentional Actions by the Trance Personalities on the Question of Human Survival, 1969

A weighty title but such a well-researched subject deserves to be very clear from the outset.

This is a book I have wanted to read since I first saw it on the shelves of the Springdale Church library. I have been creating a summer reading list for myself and to finish each of these books is the aim, this is the first up.

*Margaret Lillian Hamilton, the daughter of Dr. Thomas Glendenning Hamilton of Winnipeg, was brought up in her parents' notable circle. Together, they investigated psychic phenomena including table-tilting and ectoplasmic manifestations. Maurice Barbanell, in his foreword, likens this book as a sequel to her father's *Intention and Survival*. Their curiosity led to research in mediumship broadly and ectoplasmic phenomena specifically.*

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The seances were conducted with non-professional mediums and Survival gives us a deep dive into each séance. Fascinating.

To strengthen your historical knowledge of the depth of commitment of Mediums and researchers in Canadian Spiritualist history, this book and the Hamilton archives are a deep dive worthy of your time.

To read more history via articles, the University of Manitoba has a *Psychical Research and Spiritualism Collection* that is packed with debates, records, copies of the *Psychic News* back issues and lectures.

www.umanitoba.ca/libraries/units/archives/collections/subject/spiritualism/index.html

Shaw TV Winnipeg did a short segment on this renowned Spiritualist family. Watch it here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bWuH3338A-A&feature=emb_rel_end



Is Survival a Fact
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Spiritualism History

Cited from: *History of Spiritualism* by Arthur Conan Doyle, *The Canadian Encyclopedia* and *University of Manitoba Spiritualism digital archives' Psychic News 1932-1967*

July 1902

The Spiritualists National Union created with the primary object 'to promote the advancement and diffusion of knowledge of the religion and philosophy of Spiritualism. It aims to unite Spiritualist societies and churches into a brotherhood and to secure full recognition as religious bodies.'

2 September 1939

Psychic News Advertisement regarding an evening with Estelle Roberts

The House of Red Cloud
ESTELLE ROBERTS
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SUNSHINE GROUP SEANCE by Mrs. EDITH CLEMENTS
Limited to 8 sitters. Applications must be made beforehand.

The house of Red Cloud
17, HILLSIDE, THE RIDGWAY,
WIMBLEDON
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17 September 1932

Obituary of Canadian novelist and politician, Sir Gilbert Parker, 1st Baronet written by Maurice Barbanell in this issue of the *Psychic News*

23 August 1947

Psychic News Bookshop adds Dr Glen Hamilton's, 'Intention and Survival' to the Books to Read column

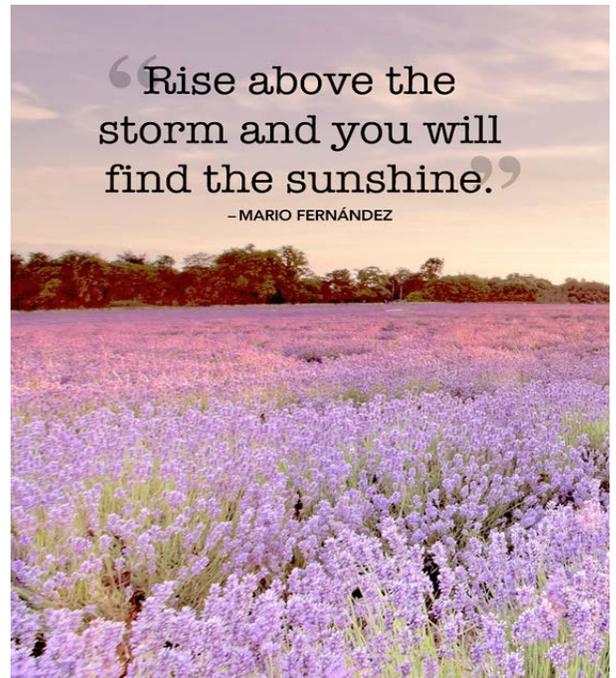
September 1951

Spiritual healer, Harry Edwards appears at the Royal Festival Hall during the Festival of Britain, demonstrating spiritual healing to a full house

1 July 1967

Psychic News headliner, 'Canadian newspaper features Silver Birch and his medium'

Regarding a full-page profile of Maurice Barbanell, editor of *Psychic News*, interviewed by Allen Spraggett



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Alberta

St. Brigid's Spiritualist Church

**Missing St
Brigid's?**

Join us Sundays for Service at
10:00 am and Thursdays for
Meditation at 7:30 pm on
Facebook Live

Lethbridge Spiritualist Centre/Eternity Connection/Calgary First Spiritualist Church

Offered every Sunday morning at 9:30 am (MT) spiritual healing and at 11 am a Sunday service (with local and UK mediums). This has been a joint effort between Lethbridge Spiritualist Centre, the Eternity Connection and the Calgary First Spiritualist Church. These events and how to register can be found on our website, www.eternityconnection.org under the "community" section.

The Gateway Centre

Holding Virtual Sunday Services at 2:00 pm on Zoom check website for full details:
<https://www.gatewaycentre.ca/>

Manitoba

Spiritualist Fellowship Church

The Spiritualist Fellowship church will be hosting weekly services in an abbreviated format at 7:00 p.m online through Zoom.

Link: <https://uso4web.zoom.us/j/71631174632>

Meeting ID: 716 3117 4632

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Weekly Sunday Services on Zoom:

<https://uso4web.zoom.us/meeting/upUrdOipqT8sGdZvLMJizLHF1WELnIFrawQ/ics?icsToken=98tyKu6pqDgrGgORthqFR7YcBljCd-vwtildjadnijPIKSketivOHLN1F55xOf7C>

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\$25/20 minutes

\$50/45 minutes

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info@stbrigidsspiritualistchurch.ca and let us know if you
would like Richard, Jill, Kim or
Bobbi

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Ontario

Church of Universal Love

Rev. Gillian Edwards and the Board have continued to offer a meditation and healing service Friday nights on Facebook Live. COUL conducts a Divine Service on Sundays at 10:30 by Zoom. For zoom link information contact:

<https://www.churchofuniversallove.com/>

First Spiritualist Church of Galt

Virtual Services are held every Sunday at 11:00 am details to be found on their website:

<http://www.firstspiritualistchurchofgalt.ca/>

London Spiritualist Church

Offering virtual service at 1:30 pm on Zoom check the LSC website for full details and guest speakers:

<http://www.londonspiritualistchurch.com/>

Spiritualist Society of Burlington

Online Divine Service is on Facebook, join the group through the SSB website 11:00 am Sundays. They share a link for lyrics, principles and healing affirmation. <https://spiritualistsociety.com/>

Star of Hope Spiritualist Church

All Sunday Services and Wednesday Guided meditations are being held virtually using the Zoom platform. If you would like to be notified and invited to attend Service and/or Meditation, please use the newsletter sign feature on their website:

<https://thestarofhope.org/>

The Healing Spirit

Currently, The Healing Spirit is holding Sunday services at 2:30 pm by Zoom. As of 9th July, this service will be held Thursday evenings beginning at 7 pm. Check their website for further details:

<https://www.thehealingspirit.ca/>

4 June 2020	Rev. Sheila Black
21 June 2020	Tania Thomas
28 June 2020	James Hyndman

"the secret of change is to focus all of your energy, not on fighting the old, but on building the new."

Socrates

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If you missed the live segment of **One World-One Voice-One Prayer** the event was recorded on 2

May 2020 and available to view at your leisure.

Join representatives from the major Spiritualist organizations and Spiritualists from around the world who share their inspirational thoughts and prayers for all.

Thank you to Rev. Janet Nohavec from Journey Within for organizing this wonderful event. To view the event:

<http://www.wcos.org/one-world-one-voice-one-prayer-service/>

Donations are encouraged to be made directly to The World Food Programme of the United Nations:

<https://www.wfp.org/>

Spirit truths cannot be eliminated by any physical means.

You can have oppression, injustice, tyranny and dictatorship, but these cannot force spirit truths out of existence.

There is nothing in the world of matter that can destroy the spirit.

You will have difficulties in your world, but the truths of the spirit will break through in the end because they are truths.

Silver Birch

EDUCATION

Given that our country is still facing uncertain times, we the Board understand it is important to move forward with our Education Courses in a safe and friendly environment, your home.

The SCC believes teaching on ZOOM will provide our students with an alternative venue for in-person classes. It will also allow

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students to meet fellow students coast to coast.

WHAT'S NEW IN THE SCC

We will be offering **S203 Spiritual Healing** by way of Zoom. We acknowledge that ZOOM is a venue that is subject to many variable conditions that may play into the connectivity of the call. We also believe for all concerned, this is our best alternative for moving forward.

*****As of 31 December 2020, the SCC is moving to printable digital membership cards.**

S203 will be our pilot project; therefore, following the class, we welcome and look forward to the sharing of information and experiences by both the organizers and students. This information will help with our consideration and development of future zoom classes.

The New Board Training Course

is adapted specifically for each Church and available to all SCC registered churches.

Thank you for your continued support of the Spiritualist Church of Canada and Spiritualism.

This training will be presented in parts and is tailored to your By-Laws, letters patent, Mission Statement and the roles of Pastor and Board members. A personalized church binder will be provided for easy reference in running your Church.

Reverend Angela Morra, President
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"Extremely comprehensive course, the reference material and examples were very helpful. The fact that a binder full of information was prepared for each board member was a bonus! The time spent answering our questions and getting to know the SCC board was invaluable. Thank you, SCC."



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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Individual members of the Board are unable to answer for the Board.

Therefore, any concerns, issues and/or questions must be submitted in writing to the Board of Directors via the President or Secretary. The board will discuss, and a reply will be put forward.

feedback@spiritualistchurchofcanada.com

Government Compliance for SCC

As a member church we will advertise your events/workshops on both the website and in the newsletter. The information must come in the form of a flyer containing all pertinent information including indication of proceeds disbursement. Pls contact for clarification.

Last Words/Beginnings

To our friends and family who made their transition in 2020 we wish them safe passage and that they were met by family and loved ones.

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