

Baptism



Melville United Church

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April 28th, 2013
Baptism and Camp Sunday

Welcome to Melville United Church
April 28, 2013 5th of Easter - Baptism & Camping Sunday

MINISTERS: The People of the Congregation

*You are invited to stand in body and/or in spirit.

Our Mission

We seek, we pray, we act knowing that Jesus is amongst us.

Our Vision

Knowing we are not alone on our spiritual journeys, Melville United Church seeks to be an open, compassionate and inclusive Christian community; honouring and serving the living Christ in all that we do.

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome and Announcements

PRELUDE: Improvisation

Call to worship

East section: We greet the sunrise

West section: We greet the day

All: We greet each other

Leader: The very same way

East: With grace

West: Appreciation

All: Respect

Leader: And welcome.

Does the Earth care of our creed? Do the trees withhold shade based
on our gender or age?

Does the sun refuse to shine for those who are different from us? No.

**All: Nature has no eyes for our differences, and nor does God. We too,
will learn to welcome all - no matter what our difference.**

Lighting of the Christ Candle

As we light these candles we are reminded of the flame in each of us;
a fire of passion to be shared with the world.

INTROIT

Fire's Burning

Fire's burning, fire's burning**Draw nearer, draw nearer,****In the gloaming, in the gloaming,****Come sing and be merry.****WE APPROACH GOD**

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Your love, God, is to be shared with all of your people.**Our challenge today and forward,****is to find ways to Live Radical Welcome.****Teach us, Living Spirit, to welcome strangers and others different from
ourselves as easily as you have taught us to laugh and cry.****We crave your peace and seek belonging.****In your name we pray for forgiveness, healing
and a radical path towards change.****Amen**

One: May peace be with you

All: And also with you.

One: Please greet those around you with the peace of Christ.

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

SONG: VU 444 Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (see insert)Skylar Isabella Di Marco - daughter of Fabio and Jaime Di Marco
and

Braeden Matthew McFarlane - son of Matthew and Carly McFarlane

Blessing of One Another

SCRIPTURE READING:

1 Corinthians 12:12-31 (Unity and Diversity in the Body)

Matthew 19: 13- 14 (Let the Children Come to Me)

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Reader: Sarah Schmidt

Camp Songs: At a Time Like This, Bananas Traditional Camp Songs

Reflection: Old Turtle and the Broken Truth

Written by: Douglas Wood

Summarised by: Liz, at Grace Rules Weblog

Narrated by: Daniel O'Leary

Puppeteers: Scott Mitchell, Liam Ogilvie, Cody Rawn, Kaillie Rawn

Song: Father of Lights (First verse only, repeated)

Father of Lights, you delight in your children (x2)**Every good, and precious gift, comes from you (x2)****Father of Lights****WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD****Invitation to the Offering**

Ministry of Music: Make a Joyful Noise - A. Pote

Offering: MV 191 What can I do?

What can I do? What can I bring?**What can I say? What can I sing?****I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.****I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.**

Offering Prayer

Reflection: *"RADICAL HOSPITALITY"*

Valerie Pitt

Song: VU 289 It Only Takes a Spark

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers of the People, The New Creed

WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD

CLOSING SONG: MV 145 Draw the Circle Wide

Blessing and Sending

Choral Benediction: MV 209 Go and Make a Difference

Go make a diff'rence, we can make a diff'rence
 Go make a diff'rence in the world
 Go make a diff'rence, we can make a diff'rence
 Go make a diff'rence in the world
 We are the salt in the earth,
 called to let the people see
 The love of God in you and me
 We are the light of the world, not to be hidden,
 but be seen
 Go make a diff'rence in the world

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POSTLUDE: Intrade in Jazz - J. M. Michel

OUR WORSHIP - OUR SERVICE BEGINS.

*Prayers used in today's service may be adapted from the United Church's
 Camping Sunday 2013 Resource by Megan Graham*

Partners in Prayer: St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Elora
Prayer Cycle for Hamilton Conference: Pioneer Memorial, Hamilton
Prayer Tree Captain: Alison Rainford

Welcomers: Dorothy and George Collin
 Virginia Ingleby, Isabel Weaver

Counters: David Gohn (C), Graeme Chalmers
 Brenda Ecclestone/Oates

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 28, 2013

If you are a guest today, please know you are most welcome! Please sign our Guest Book at the back of the church or in the entranceway.

Unit Grace meets Tues. Apr. 30 at 2:00 p.m. in the parlour. There will be guest speaker, Susan Dunlop who will be speaking on the former "Poor House" now known as the Wellington County Museum. Everyone is welcome!

During today's offering you are invited to make a contribution towards Melville's "Leadership Fund". All loose change will be directed to this fund, or if you wish to have a tax receipt for your contribution please use one of the "special givings" envelopes provided and mark your envelope number on it. Over the last few years we have helped to send 3-6 kids to camp each summer. The CD ministry team thanks you for all your support towards this ministry program.

Next week on Sun. May 5th we will be celebrating our 168th anniversary here at Melville United Church. Please invite your family and friends to join us in worship followed by lunch and celebration cake. The Rev Bill Steadman will join us as anniversary speaker. Bill is also serving as out presbytery representative just now on our Joint Needs Committee. There will be an opportunity for us all to share our hopes and dreams for Melville as we continue to seek, pray and act as a vibrant and relevant community of faith. Donations received will go to "Women in Crisis".

On May 5th after church, there will be a Congregational meeting in the Fellowship Hall. There will be an update from JNAC team.

The Pastoral Care Ministry Team is pleased to announce that Ken McManus has agreed to be a co-ordinator for rides and drivers for the congregation. If you are ever in need of a ride or are willing to be a driver please let Ken know either by phone(843-3710) or [email\(ken@kenmcmanus.com\)](mailto:ken@kenmcmanus.com).

Spring Luncheon, Wed. May 1, 11:30-1 at St. John's United Church, Belwood. Take-outs available call 843-3698.

The next Spirituality Circle will next meet Monday, May 6 at 10 a.m. in the parlour.

Rescue In the Night. On May 12 (Christian Family Sunday) during our regular Worship Service the Children's choir of Melville will lead the worship by performing Rescue In the Night. This Musical is based on the story of Daniel in the Lion's den and will show the singing and acting talents of 22 of our youth and children. Please invite, family friends and neighbors to join us in this celebration.

At the invitation of Rev. Gary Patterson, Moderator of the United Church, we have been invited to take part in conversations related to the challenges of the church. If you are interested in joining a small group for discussion, please contact Ralph Rainford 519 843-3841.

Mark your calendars! Family Camp weekend at Camp Edgewood will be June 22-23rd, 2013. All are invited to join us in Eden Mills for fellowship, food, workshops for the adults, and games, activities and crafts for the young. So bring your kids, your grandkids, or any other loved ones for a great time. Come for a day, part of a day, or the whole weekend. Registration will begin Sunday May 19th.

Please note: Our main worship will be held at Camp Edgewood at 11 a.m. on Sunday the 23rd, followed by lunch and traditional Sunday School Picnic activities. Carpooling will be available from Melville's parking lot at 10:30 a.m. to the camp. There will also be a small gathering for worship in the Chapel at Melville for any who are unable to make the trip out to camp.

Mission and Outreach is supporting the Food Bank with cookies and crackers for the month of April.

Spring Garage & Bake Sale is fast approaching! Please keep your Melville Church in mind, while doing your spring clean-up or de-cluttering! We can use "Anything & Everything"! You may want to start freezing your baking! Drop-off date for items: Thurs. May 9th Sale Date: Fri, Sat & Mon, May 10, 11 & 13th Contact Lorna for info: 519-787-0570

Dinner Theatre on May 4 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at the Central Pentecostal Church in Elora featuring The Orangeville YFC Drama Team. Tickets \$25 (includes a \$12 tax receipt. Call Matt Cole 519-993-2653 or John Cuming at 519-831-4774. Come support the Youth of our community.

Our next Book Group will be reading Crow Lake by Mary Lawson. Book is available in the library.

There are still tickets available for the United Church Youth Theatre of Guelph presentation of an Evening/Afternoon with Victor Hugo - a mixed programme of story, reflection, and song based on Victor Hugo's Les Miserables, including Les Miserables, a new drama, by B.A. Schwartzkopf on Saturday May 11, 7pm and Sunday, May 12, 2pm. Dress rehearsal attendance May 9th will also be permitted. There is no charge for the tickets, however donations to the Chalmers Food Shelf will be collected. Contact the church office for tickets. For further information: Pat Harland, patharland@hotmail.com or 519.829.2225

Spring Concert with Debbie BeChamp - Gospel & Country Music on Sun. May 5 at 3 p.m. at Trinity United Church Grand Valley. Concert is \$10, Concert and Dinner \$15. For Tickets call 519-928-9748.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Mon. Apr. 29 to Sun. Apr. 5, 2013

Mon. 29	7:00	JNAC	Heritage Hall
Tues. 30	9:00	Quilting	Heritage Hall
	11:45	Soup and Study	Parlour
	2:00	Unit Grace	Parlour
Wed. 1	7:00	JNAC	Heritage Hall
Thurs. 2	7:00	Choir	Parlour
Fri. 3	10:00	Coffee Hour	Parlour
	11:00	Spiritual Meditation	Library
Sun. 5	9:30	Choir	Choir Room
	10:30	Anniversary Sunday Service	Sanctuary
		Anniversary Lunch	Fellowship Hall
		Congregational Meeting	
	2:00	Nursing Home Services - Wellington Terrace	
	3:00	Nursing Home Services - Highland Manor	