

ANNOUNCEMENTS - November 23, 2014

If you are worshipping with us for the first time, welcome! Please sign our Guest Book at the back of the church or in the entranceway.

Melville Book Club - This is a reminder that we will be discussing the book "A Good House" after church.

TONIGHT - on Movies at Melville. Join us for the last in the series of courtroom dramas at 7 p.m. "To Kill a Mockingbird". Bring a friend. Free popcorn and cold drinks.

Grace-Faith UCW - Christmas meeting Tues. Nov 25 - 2 pm in the Parlour. Show 'n Tell. Bring treasure and "bit" of food to share. For info phone Bunny 519-787-4140.

Centre Wellington High School's Aboriginal Club is doing a drive to collect items for children and baby that they will send to Inukjuak, Sanikiluaq and Tasiuaq. Formula, diapers, blankets, toys, and clothes all welcome. Please bring to the church (marked for Jen) by Tuesday November 25th.

!!Christmas Eve "Project Choir"!! Part of the Christmas Eve Family Service at 5pm will be a Liturgical Dance to Mary Did You Know which if possible we would like to perform live with a "project" choir. We will meet for our first practice on Tuesday Nov 25th at 6.15 pm until 6.45. Please contact Matthias Schmidt if you are interested or just show up.

For November 30 - Christmas Hamper time for the Centre Wellington Food Bank. Melville has been asked to supply 350 cans of vegetables. Peas, green, yellow or brown beans, mixed vegetables, and carrots. Please no corn at this time. We were so pleased to meet our challenge last year of cereal - lets do it again! Thank you for your continued support.

Sunday Sermons from Rev. Marion are available in a folder in the photocopy room for anyone who would like to read through them.

The Grandmothers of the Grand would like you to join with us for "A Crepe Experience". This will be held Monday Dec. 1 on World Aids Day, at Cafe Creperie - 40 Mill St. W. in Elora. There will be two seatings 5:00pm and 6:30pm and reservations can be made by calling the Café Creperie at 519-846-1618.

Dec. 6, 7:00 pm at Harcourt Memorial United Church, A Starry Blue Night: As the autumn nights become longer and darker, come join the choristers of Guelph Youth Singers as they warm up the royal blue sky with songs of the season. Traditional holiday music from many traditions will be celebrated, along with songs, both popular and new, that will leave you humming aloud into the busy season. Come see all of the stars on this magical night.. Tickets @ River Run Box Office, 519-763-3000 or www.riverrun.ca. Adults \$25, Students & Seniors \$20, eyeGo \$5 . More information is also available on the GYS website: www.guelphyouthsingers.com, follow GYS on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/GYSingers> and check out our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Guelph-Youth-Singers/192976567419710>

A gospel concert featuring "Potter's Clay" will take place at Westminster-St. Paul's at 2 pm on Sunday December 7. Members of "Potter's Clay" have performed in other groups such as "Reunion", and thus may be familiar to many in the area. Free will offering.

The Faith Formation Ministry Team would like to provide age appropriate Bibles to children in Kids' Church who are entering the primary, junior and intermediate grades. We are looking for some assistance in purchasing these Bibles which cost on average \$20 each. If you would like to make a donation to help supply these Bibles you can do so by placing your contribution in an envelope and marking it "Kids' Church Bibles".

DIY Christmas Market. Friday Dec. 5, 6 - 7:30 p.m. Join us at the church for some Do-It-Yourself Christmas activities: wreath making, Christmas cards, tree ornaments, board games, carol singing! Activities are suited for any age. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. for any who wish (potluck desserts and veggies, main dish will be provided). Activities will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Where are your kids?		
Following our Theme Conversation, young people may join our various alternative ministry programs. You may find them in these places after:		
Program	Location	Leader this week
Nursery (up to 3yrs)	Nursery, upstairs	TBD
Kids Church (JK-Gr. 4)	Upper Auditorium	Marg Frayne
Tween Church (Gr.5-7)	Choir Rm, Main Floor	Ralph Rainford
Teen Church	Youth Rm, upstairs	Jen Auger
<i>If for any reason there is an emergency during worship, all children and youth will be evacuated to the parking lot. Please meet them outside.</i>		

Advent Learning Series: Saving Jesus Redux. Join the conversation about what we know about Jesus, the world into which he was born, and the meaning behind his birth. We will be showing a 30 minute video, followed by discussion. Tuesdays in advent from 12 noon - 1 p.m., or Sunday mornings in advent from 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. Video is also available for lending - so if you can't make it to one of our groups, borrow the video and invite some friends over!

Our Advent theme this year will be "The Friendly Beasts" and we need animals! This is an opportunity for families, groups, committees or individuals to break out your creative skills and build/draw/construct an animal to contribute to our Nativity scene. Each week during Advent animals will be added to the scene around the stable. Choose one or more of the following: donkey, cow, dove, cat, spider, sheep, dog, camel, mice. Please try to have them completed before November 30.

Rev. Marion will be away on Study Leave from Mon. Nov. 17th until Tues. Nov. 25th. For any Pastoral Care concerns you may contact Alison Rainford at 519-843-3841.

Join us on Friday mornings at 10 am in the Parlour for fellowship and coffee. ALL WELCOME!! FFF Committee

Hamilton Conference is offering a free online, electronically delivered six-session retreat this advent called "Attentive Waiting" It is based on The Week of Guided Prayer Network materials. For more information or to register go to the Hamilton Conference website: www.hamconf.org and click "All Events".

On Sunday, November 30 at 3pm, the Guelph Chamber Choir presents "Carols For Christmas: Carols & Seasonal Readings for Christmas and Winter" at St. George's Anglican Church, 99 Woolwich St, Guelph. Join the choir in singing Christmas favourites and the Hallelujah Chorus. Special Guests: "Winter's Eve Trio" (Sharlene Wallace- Harp, Joe Macerollo - Accordion. George Koller - Bass) www.guelphchamberchoir.ca . Tickets call 519-763-3000. \$25 each(4 for \$80) . Students \$10. \$5 for youth via eyeGO .

Upcoming Events for Kid's Church

- November 16 - Children's Sunday in Sanctuary
- November 30 - Christmas Story and Baking Christmas Cookies
- December 7 - White Gift Sunday in Sanctuary
- December 14 - Making Christmas Cards

November	Theme	Ministry
2nd	Mission & Outreach	Mary Lloyd and M & O
9th	Remembrance Sunday	Marion
16th	Children's Sunday	Jen
23rd	Reign of Christ	Rev. Jack Tweddle
30th	Advent 1 - Communion	Marion/Jen