

ANNOUNCEMENTS - April 26, 2015

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.

Our sympathies are extended to the family and friends of Mildred Warmington, who passed away on Sun. April 19. The funeral was held this past Thurs. April 16 at the Graham Giddy Funeral Home in Fergus.

Our sympathies are also extended to Marg Frayne, her family and friends of William McRorie, who passed away on Sun. April 12. The funeral was held this past Tues. April 21 at the Harris Funeral Home in London, Ontario.

Spirituality Circle on Mon. Apr. 27 at 10:00 a.m. in the parlour.

TODAY, May 3, UCW will be serving lunch after church... All welcome.

Unit Faith and Grace are meeting on Tues. April 28th at 2:00 p.m. in the parlour. Guest Speaker is from the Fergus Library. Everyone welcome!

Food Bank needs Shampoo, Conditioner, Liquid Laundry and dish detergent. Also, Powdered Skim Milk - M & O Ruth and Dorothy

Coffee and conversation being hosted by Helen Lacroix this Friday morning, May 1 in the Parlour from 10 - 11 am. All welcome.

Rev. Marion will be away on a combined vacation/study leave from April 6 to 27 inclusive. She will be returning to the office on April 28.

Welcome to Melville! We are in need of additional Welcomers for Sunday morning worship. On the job training is provided along with exciting benefits. If you are able to help, please see Ralph Rainford. Thank you.

We value our coffee and fellowship. Can you help with Sunday morning coffee? Help is needed for April, May and June. Please sign the sheet on the Parlour door. Ask Marg Frayne or Lorna Bevcar for instructions or read the sheet on the kitchen cupboard door. (FFF committee)

VON offers free seniors' programs at Melville United Church,
Seniors' exercise program - Tues. and Thurs. at 10:30 a.m. Exercise appropriate for seniors, adapted to your ability, sitting/standing etc.

Mark your calendar today! The Worship and Music Committee is planning an awesome church service filled with music, spiritual enrichment and excitement to celebrate the 90th anniversary of Church Union on **Sunday June 7th, 2015**, at 11:00 am. The congregations of Alma, Elora, Bethany, Belwood, Metz, Barry Hill, Speedside will come together at Melville to celebrate. There will be special music and a program for the children and youth. Lunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the service. Please plan on attending. Invite your family and friends to attend.
This will be a Grand Affair!!!!

Visioning for the Music Program at Melville. On May 3rd (after the service and after Lunch) everyone is invited to participate in a Visioning session about the Music program at our church.(aprox. from 1 pm until 2.30 pm) We want to explore and share ideas how to move the Music (and Performing Art) Program into the future, attract new and different participants, reach out into the wider community etc. This meeting will be facilitated by Lorna McQueen from Hamilton conference who will guide us through this process. The May 3rd meeting is about "brainstorming", "thinking outside the box" and sharing ideas. It will be followed up on May 24th with a second meeting (similar time frame) where we hopefully come up with some concrete steps. If you are interested please show up. For any questions talk to Matthias Schmidt or any member of Worship and Music

Next Family Fun Night! Is on May 17th (Follow That Bird).

From Melville Church Library

Everyone is welcome to visit our library, browse the books that are available, borrow a book or two (or more), or just sit quietly and read. Sign out books either by filling in the library card and leaving it in the small sign-out box, or, if there is no card in the book, sign your name and the book title in the spiral notebook on the back shelf.

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TODAY! Sunday, April 26, Metz Ham and Scalloped Potato Supper at St. Paul's United, 8276 Sideroad 25, Metz, Wellington North from 4:30 to 6:30 on Sunday, April 26. Adults: \$12 Children 5-7: \$6 Children under 5: free

The Mission and Outreach Committee is looking for a person or a couple who would like to work with our committee and the C.W. Food Bank. We have many events in the church throughout the year, were the donations go to the Food Bank and we are looking for someone to relay the needs of the Food Bank to Melville congregation and then see that donations get delivered to them. For more info please call Ruth Sproule 519-843-5863

The Centre Wellington Singers Present: 'The Spirit of Folk' on Saturday May 2, 2015, 3:00 P.M. at Elora United Church
Emily Petrenko - Conductor Betty Weinstein - Accompanist. Tickets: Adults - 15.00 Under 12 - 5.00; Tickets may be purchased from: Millie Cumming, Lillian Gohn or Morven McCorquodale.

Alma United Church invites you to Spring Soul Seeding - the final in a trilogy of Seasonal Spirit Stirrings Retreats held at the Alma Community Hall on Saturday May 2nd from 9:00 - 12:00. Through sacred readings, spiritual practices and focused time with our Creator, you will embrace the Divine Season of Spring! There will be contemplative large group, small group and individual time for men and women.

Choose one of three small group sessions:

Join Catherine Maine, spiritual director and labyrinth facilitator in Sacred Circle Dancing. Feel the quickening of spring and ground that experience while walking the labyrinth. No previous experience is needed for this gentle and joyful form of movement grounded in walking the labyrinth- dress comfortably for the outdoors.

OR

Spring into Wellness with Darlene Vandermey from Joy! Health Naturally! Create a soul collage as you explore 5 energy giving areas of your lifestyle, and plant the spiritual seeds of wellness.

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Ken Mcmanus will plant seeds of caring for one of God's creatures through Bird House Building. Take home your completed, painted bird house and let the nesting begin!
Cost is \$20.00 per person, or pay as you are able. Pre-register by calling Chris Grose 519-846-0282 or email chris@huskyfarm.ca

" 1st Annual FISH FRY in Alma" on Saturday May 2nd at the Alma Community Hall, 2 sittings, 5pm and 6pm. Advance tickets only until April 25th, \$18 for full meal and can be purchased at the following locations; Alma-Lloyd Scott, Elora-Dars, Fergus-The Bookery, Drayton-Twp Office, Belwood-Pine Meadows. Cash only please. Proceeds to support upcoming projects in Alma's Wallace Cumming Park. This event is hosted by the Alma Community Recreation Association (ACRA)

YES!! The FFF committee are planning a GIANT GARAGE, BAKE and PLANT SALE for May 22, 23 and 25. Clear out all those items that you do not need. We will find them a new home and make some funds for the church. Yes, you can freeze home baking to donate. And pot up those perennials for a new home. Call Lorna 787-0570 or Marg 843-3274.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Mon. April 27 - Sun. May. 3, 2015

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| Mon. 27 | 10:00 | Spirituality Circle | Parlour |
| Tues. 28 | 9:00 | Quilting | Heritage Hall |
| | 10:30 | Senior Exercising | Fellowship Hall |
| | 2:00 | Unit Faith and Grace | Parlour |
| Thurs. 30 | 10:30 | Senior Exercising | Fellowship Hall |
| | 7:00 | Choir | Parlour |
| Fri. 1 | 10:00 | Coffee Hour | Parlour |
| Sun. 3 | 11:00 | Anniversary Sunday | Sanctuary |
| | | Lunch served after service | Fellowship Hall |
| | | Music Programming Visioning | |