

ANNOUNCEMENTS - May 3, 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.

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

TODAY!! 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

Church Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tues. May 5 in the chapel.

Pastoral Care meeting at 11:00 a.m. on Fri. May 8 in the parlour.

The United Church of Canada is trying to assist their partners in the Nepal region to get relief to the stricken families affected by the devastating earthquake. There are ways for everyone to help in this effort. For information on how to support the people of Nepal after the earthquake, please go to the Waterloo Presbytery web site home page at: <http://www.watpres.ca/> and look under the heading "What's New" for the links to the Nepal Crisis.

Free to good home! We are giving away the piano in the Fellowship Hall. For more details, please see Barry Rawn. Thank you.

For the month of May, the Food Bank needs canned pasta - Ruth and Dorothy

Coffee and conversation being hosted by Barb Lynden this coming Friday morning, May 8 in the Parlour from 10 - 11 am. All welcome.

Family Fun Night - Lego, playdough, board games and movies - something for everyone in the family. Join us for our next fun night at 5:45 p.m.: May 17th (Follow That Bird).

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!!!!**

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.

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.

Melville Book Club

We are currently reading the book "At Home: a Short History of Private Life" by Bill Bryson. It takes a factual look at the history of houses and domesticity, and is written with the sense of humour for which Mr. Bryson is noted. We will be discussing the book in the library after church on Sunday, May 17 . Also, the books are due back in the church library on May 17.

"Justice Tour 2015" is a series of faithful gatherings of concerned Christians in cities across Canada, coordinated by the Canadian Council of Churches and Citizens for Public Justice. They will be in Kitchener May 10th. The presenters will include two United Church people, Lynn Macaulay from Homelessness and Housing Umbrella Group (HHUG) Initiatives, who is a member of Westminster United, and Rev. Dr. Karen Karen Hamilton who has served as the General Secretary of the Canadian Council of Churches since 2002.

Faith Formation and Outreach Leader, Melville United Church,

Melville United Church is seeking a temporary Faith Formation and Outreach leader to join our team ministry for a period of 5 months. This temporary position is for 15 hours per week to continue the work of our lay minister who will be on Sabbatical. Your duties would include Christian education with children and youth, and support for adult faith formation activities.

You will be part of a team ministry which also includes an ordained minister, and a music director. The period extends from October 11th, 2015 to March 20th, 2016.

For more information, or to apply in confidence by June 1st, please submit your resume and cover letter to Philip Brown, Chair of Melville Ministry and Personnel Committee. E-mail: bromaxx@sympatico.ca , phone: 519-787-0567.

Kids Church - Teachers Needed!!!

We are in need of teachers for the months of May and June. The sign up sheet is posted in the hallway. The themes are "The Sower" in May and "Fruit of the Spirit" in June. See Jen Auger, Martha Duncan or Patty Foster for details and the SPARK Curriculum. Thanks!!!

May 30, 7:00 pm at The River Run Centre, VoiceDance!: Whether you are tapping your toes, clapping your hands, nodding your head, or feeling your heart beat in time to the music, you can't help getting caught up in the rhythm of our VoiceDance! Come join GYS, as we celebrate how the power of music can move you. See us with your ears, and hear us with your eyes as we vocally pirouette, jete, jive and quickstep our way into your own VoiceDance!. Tickets are \$25/adults, \$20/students & Seniors, EyeGO \$5. For information call 519-821-8574.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Mon. May 4 - Sun. May. 8, 2015

Tues. 5	9:00	Quilting	Heritage Hall
	10:30	Senior Exercising	Fellowship Hall
	7:00	Church Council	Parlour
Thurs. 7	10:30	Senior Exercising	Fellowship Hall
	7:00	Choir	Parlour
Fri. 8	10:00	Coffee Hour	Parlour
	11:00	Pastoral Care	Choir Room
Sun. 10	11:00	Mother's Day/Baptism	Sanctuary