

**ANNOUNCEMENTS - January 29, 2017**

**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 and join us for coffee in the parlour after the service.

**TODAY - Melville Book Club** - We will be discussing the book - My Heart is Not My Own after church in the Library.

**TODAY, There is a Fellowship Lunch** - Come to lower hall today for soup and fellowship. There is creamy potato and turkey soups. Thanks to UCW and Fun, Funds and Fellowship for providing the ingredients.

**To all seniors:** The VON is presenting a falls prevention program to all seniors. This class will happen at 11:30 Tuesdays and Thursdays for Feb and March. Includes other health related topics. You are all welcome. - Rachel deJonge, VON Kinesiologist

**Please pick up your givings envelopes** at the back of the church.

**I realize that the Annual Meeting has been moved to April 2 but** the office still needs to have reports to put in the Annual Report. To date, I have received only one single report. Please submit yours ASAP!

**At Melville we love our after church coffee and conversation!!** Please sign up to help make coffee for Sunday after church. There are instructions and training is offered. Sign up on the sheet on the Parlour door. We are especially looking for help with coffee after church in Feb. and the first 2 weeks of March. Talk to Marg 519-843-3274

**UCW is selling meat pies** after church today in the back hall.

**Faith - Grace UCW will be meeting on Tues. Jan. 31** at 2:00 p.m. in the parlour. The topic is Hearing Aids. See and hear you there.

**Observer Subscriptions are now due.** The cost is still as last year, \$25.00. Please see Ralph Rainford after the service to renew or to subscribe. Ralph will be outside the chapel. Thank you

**The Toronto Team, a team of 10 youth and adults from Elora United Church,** is preparing for their urban poverty learning experience March 10 - 13. During their time in Toronto they will be meeting and talking with many people in need. You can help the team by donating these items: **socks & underwear (mostly for men), gift cards in small amounts (\$ 5 - 10) for Tim's, Subway, McDonald's.** There will be a collection box for these items in the back of the Sanctuary from Feb. 5 - Mar. 5. Thank You! Follow the team's thoughts and questions on [www.TechForGod.ca](http://www.TechForGod.ca). Please continue to pray for the team.

**On Friday, Feb. 10, 7 pm Trinity's Outreach Committee** is hosting a Hootenanny at Trinity United Church, 400 Stevenson St N, Guelph. It's open to anyone who likes to perform or just enjoy. Refreshments will be available. A freewill offering will be taken to raise funds for the North End Harvest Market. Welcome one and all!

**Week of Guided Prayer** - Enrich your spiritual life with the help of an experienced guide from the Guelph Ecumenical Guild of Ignatian Spiritual Direction.  
 - Opening on Sunday Feb. 26, 1:30 to 3:30 pm.  
 - Celebration and closing event on Saturday March 4, 9.30 to 11 am.  
 - Throughout the week:

- Daily prayer, reflection or meditation
- Daily meetings with your guide

Registration information at your church office or [www.guidedprayer.webs.com](http://www.guidedprayer.webs.com) The cost to participate is \$35. Please register by Feb. 19 so we can match you with your guide.

**Sunday Feb 12, 2017 - 1-5:30 pm.** Central Pentecostal Church, Elora. A seminar - **Winning at Conflict: Fight Your Way to a Better Marriage.** For anyone in or contemplating a long-term relationship. \$35 per person. Call for info- 519-846-0272. See poster in front hall.

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

Mon. January 30, 2017 - Sun. February 5, 2017

Tues. 31	10:30	Senior Exercising	Fellowship Hall
	2:00	Unit Faith/Grace	Parlour
	7:00	Church Council	Parlour
Thurs. 2	10:30	Senior Exercising	Fellowship Hall
	7:00	Choir	Parlour
Fri. 3	10:00	Coffee Hour	Parlour
Sun. 5	11:00	Sunday Service	Sanctuary

**Worship Schedule**

Jan. 29	4 <sup>th</sup> after Epiphany	Rev. Marion	
Feb. 5	5 <sup>th</sup> after Epiphany	Ruth Cooke	
Feb 12	6 <sup>th</sup> after Epiphany	Rev. Marion	Communion
Feb. 19	7 <sup>th</sup> after Epiphany	Jen Auger	

**Sermon topic schedule - Revised**

The following is a revised listing of the dates I hope to cover some of the topics that resulted from last spring's questionnaire. I have had to change a couple due to various other events.

I am still open to hearing of any other topics you might like me to talk about.

For anyone interested in a time of discussion on any of these topics please meet me in the chapel after the service.

- Rev. Marion

January 15 - Church - exploring our rituals (baptism, confirmation, communion, etc)

January 22 - Church - exploring the language we use

January 29 - Church - exploring our beliefs

February 12 - Belief - predestination?

February 26 - Belief - sin & the 2<sup>nd</sup> coming of Christ

March 12 - Faith - how/who do we serve?

March 19 - Bible 101 - how it came to be. Is it a sealed document? other gospels?

March 26 - Spirituality vs religion

April 9 - Your spiritual self - at home, in the workplace, source of happiness, guilt.

May 14 - Angels

June 11 - Reincarnation and life after death

**Please remember that copies of the sermons are in the folder in the photocopy room for you to read.**