

**ANNOUNCEMENTS - January 8, 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.

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

**Rev. Marion Loree will be away** from December. 26<sup>th</sup> until January 10<sup>th</sup> inclusive. For Emergency Pastoral Cares or concerns please contact Alison Rainford at 519-843-3841.

**It is that time of year again!** Please remember to get your annual committee reports to the office by the end of the year for inclusion in Melville's Annual Report.

**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. Talk to Marg 519-843-3274

**Congratulations everyone...** you have answered the call and completed our special budget fulfillment campaign. The goal was \$10,011. - that is 141 envelopes with donations for Melville United Church. Thank you so very much for your support! God Bless you one and all.

**Blue Ribbon.** At our last meeting, council voted to tie a blue ribbon at our door to show support for Saveourwater.ca who are opposing a permit to take water by Nestle Waters Canada from a local well. The campaign is asking the Ontario government not to grant the permit and to put a moratorium on commercial watertaking for bottling from the watershed. For more information about the blue ribbon campaign please visit [www.saveourwater.ca](http://www.saveourwater.ca).

**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

**Melville Book Club** - Our final book is "My Heart is not my Own" by Michael Wuitchik. It is about a doctor returning to the war-torn world of Sierra Leone after 10 years away. He must leave behind the new life he has in Vancouver and face the heartaches he tried to leave behind. We will discuss the book January 29, after church.

**Treasure Shop** - Free Good Used Clothing Giveaway - January 28, 2017, 9:00 a.m. till 12 noon. Held at Grace Christian Fellowship, 35 Farley Rd, Fergus (Beatty line N & 18th Sideroad). Clothing for ALL ages... babies to adults. Footwear, small household items, toys and books. Something for everyone!! Come out, bring a friend!

**Love Your Muslim Neighbour** - Two separate learning groups, each meeting monthly. Wed. 7-9 starting Jan. 4 2017 - First Wed. of every month or Fri. 2-4 starting Jan. 13, 2017 - Second Fri. of every month. The groups will be meeting at Elora United Church, 75 Geddes Street in Elora, corner of Church & Geddes. For complete information please see the poster in the hall.

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

Mon. January 9, 2017 - Sun. January 15, 2017

Mon. 9	10:00	Spirituality Circle	Parlour
Tues. 10	10:30	Senior Exercising	Fellowship Hall
Thurs. 11	10:30 7:00	Senior Exercising Choir	Fellowship Hall Parlour
Fri. 13	10:00 11:00	Coffee Hour Pastoral Care Meeting	Parlour Choir Room
Sun. 15	11:00 6:30	2 <sup>nd</sup> after Epiphany Service Mango Youth Group	Sanctuary Upper Auditorium

**Worship Schedule**

Jan. 15	2 <sup>nd</sup> after Epiphany	Rev. Marion	
Jan. 22	3 <sup>rd</sup> after Epiphany	Rev. Marion	
Jan. 29	4 <sup>th</sup> after Epiphany	Rev. Marion	