

ANNOUNCEMENTS February 18, 2018

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.

The Centre Wellington Food Bank are in great need of canned fruit!

Joy meeting, Feb. 20, 6:30 - 7:30 we will join the Ted Talk in the chapel: "**Finding Hope in Uncertain Times: A series of meaning-filled conversations. Why does the world feel so uncertain? How can we respond meaningfully? How might we be transformed in our own responses?**"

Our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper was a great success again! We served 245 people. And there were 4 other Suppers going on in our close vicinity. It looks like we will have about \$1100 for Melville's coffers after expenses. Thank you to each of you who helped in any small way, and who came out to support us. There were many new faces in the crowd.

A party is being planned. As you now know, Jen Auger will be leaving Melville after Easter. We would like to honour Jen and thank her for her many years of service. A luncheon is being planned on a Sunday after the worship service. Stay tuned for the date to be announced. We are collecting money toward a gift for Jen. Donations can be given to Phil Brown or Ralph Rainford.

Accommodation needed. Our new organist, Rob White, wants to move to the Fergus/Elora area. He is looking for an apartment. Please talk to him if you know of places for rent or places/buildings he could contact. His number is 519-820-1710.

Finding Hope in Uncertain Times: A series of meaning-filled conversations. Why does the world feel so uncertain? How can we respond meaningfully? How might we be transformed in our own responses? Join us for a rich series of videos, personal reflection and conversation on these big questions. Tuesday Feb. 20, Mar. 13 and Apr. 10, 6:30-7:30 in the Chapel.

Other Community and Church Events

Join us for the Ecumenical Week of Guided Prayer and Spiritual Exploration, Feb. 25 to March 3. This is an opportunity to develop, deepen and explore your relationship with God, and learn ways to meet God meaningfully. Registration forms are in the hall, and www.guidedprayer.webs.com and will be accepted until Feb. 19.

Taizé Service: Wednesday, February 28th, 7pm at St James Church, 171 Queen St E, Fergus. Join us for a quiet ecumenical service of music, prayer and meditation. Our theme this month is Love In Action. All are welcome.

World Day of Prayer Ecumenical Service. 2 pm, Friday March 2nd, 2018 at St. James Church, 171 Queen Street E. Fergus. Theme: " All God's Creation is Very Good!" prepared by the Suriname World Day of Prayer Committee. All are welcome.

Tuesday, February 27 at 7pm. A free workshop on Anxiety and Depression for anyone experiencing these conditions or supporting someone who is. The guest speaker, Michael Glugosh is the managing director of the Mountainview Clinic for stress and anxiety and has been helping people with their struggles for 23 years. His work is based on cognitive behavioural therapy. Arkell United Church, 600 Arkell Road, Arkell. 519-821-7623

Church Suppers and Public Health - What You Need to Know (or always wanted to ask...) An information and discussion session with Silvia Leonov, Public Health Inspector Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health on Wed. Mar. 7, 2018 at 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Elora United Church, 75 Geddes St. Elora. Everyone welcome. Free of Charge. Please register at www.elorauc.org.

St. Patrick Irish Dinner at 6:30 p.m. on Sat. March 10th at St. John's United Church, Belwood. Tickets \$15. Call Linda 226-343-0261.

Friday, March 23. Chili Cook-Off Dinner, 5-6pm and 6-7pm. \$13 each, children under 12 eat free. 519-821-7623. Followed by Hootenanny, 7 to 9pm. Sign up for your time in the spotlight or just sit and enjoy. Arkell United Church, 600 Arkell Road, Arkell. 519-821-7623

UCW Presbyterial Annual Meeting on April 7, 2018 at Luther Village Sunshine Centre, 139 Father Bauer Dr. in Waterloo from 9:00 until 3:30 p.m. Advance Tickets only and must be purchased by Mar. 23. Betty Kocher 519-578-8248 - bettykocher@yahoo.ca or Margot White 519-742-6047 - margot.white@sympatico.ca

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Mon. Feb. 19, 2018 - Sun. Feb. 25, 2018

Tues 20	10:30	Senior Exercising	Fellowship Hall
	6:30	TED Talks	Chapel
	6:30	Unit Joy	Chapel
	7:30	Church Council	Parlour
Thurs. 22	10:30	Senior Exercising	Fellowship Hall
	7:00	Choir	Parlour
Fri. 23	10:00	Coffee Hour	Parlour
	5:00	Community Dinner	Fellowship Hall
Sun. 25	9:30	Grounding in the Spirit	Chapel
	11:00	Lent Two Sunday Service	Sanctuary

Worship Schedule

Feb. 25	Lent Two	Marion Loree	
Mar. 4	Lent Three	Ruth Cooke	
Mar. 11	Lent Four	Marion Loree	
Mar. 18	Lent Five	Marion Loree	
Mar. 25	Palm Sunday	Marion/Jen	
Mar. 30	Good Friday	Marion Loree	
April 1	Easter	Jen Auger	