

ANNOUNCEMENTS February 25, 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.

Unit Faith/Grace will meet on Tues. February 27 at 2:00 p.m. in the parlour. Everyone is welcome!!

Thank you to everyone who helped make our annual Shrove Tuesday pancake supper a huge success. Nearly forty people came together willingly to help with the many tasks needed to make the evening run smoothly and efficiently. A special thanks to Lorna Bevcar for her hard work in coordinating the kitchen. We are truly blessed here at Melville with wonderful people.

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 continue. 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, Mar. 13 and Apr. 10, 6:30-7:30 in the Chapel.

Other Community and Church Events

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

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.

Canadian Bible Society Annual Dinner on Sat. March 4 at 6:30 p.m. at the Alma Bible Church, 59 Peel St. E. in Alma. Dinner followed by worship, Christian fellowship and an interesting speaker. Advanced tickets only - \$20.00 - from you CBS church representative or call John Agar at 519-820-7964 or johnfourjc@gmail.com

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 Presbyterian 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

Sermon Titles - Lent 2018

Mar. 4 - Lent 3 - God's Promise - For All of Creation (Ruth Cooke)

Mar. 11 - Lent 4 - God's Promise - Through Good Times and Bad

Mar. 18 - Lent 5 - Written on Our Hearts

Mar. 25 - Palm Sunday - Jesus Comes

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Mon. Feb. 26, 2018 - Sun. Mar. 4, 2018

Tues 27	10:30	Senior Exercising	Fellowship Hall
	2:00	Unit Faith/Grace	Parlour
Thurs. 1	10:30	Senior Exercising	Fellowship Hall
	7:00	Choir	Parlour
Fri. 2	10:00	Coffee Hour	Parlour
Sun. 4	9:30	Grounding in the Spirit	Chapel
	11:00	Lent Three Sunday Service	Sanctuary
	6:30	Bananas	Upper Auditorium

Worship Schedule

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	