ANNOUNCEMENTS September 23, 2018

If you are worshiping 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.

Calling all ladies. Come out for an evening of fellowship, learning and growing together. Our Melville Joy Unit will meet on Sept. 18 at 7:30- 9.

UCW Faith and Grace units will be having their first Fall meeting on Sept. 25 at 2:00 p.m. in the parlour. Bunny Russell and Marg Woods will convene. Everyone welcome!!

From the Church Library - Giving Thanks After a hot, sunny summer, some refreshing coolness is welcome. It brings with it a time to reflect on all that has been, and all for which we can be thankful. In the church library there is a display of books which relates to being thankful. Please come into the library, browse the display and the wide selection of books on the shelves. Choose one or several that you, and your family, would enjoy. Happy Thanksgiving.

We have an immediate opportunity at Melville United Church, Fergus, Ontario for a half time Minister of Faith Formation and Outreach. The minister will be responsible for leadership and resources in areas of Christian Education for children, youth and adults. The Minister will also offer opportunities for all ages to be informed about current events and justice issues within the church and community. The candidate will work in collaboration with our ministry team.

For more information and the JNAC report visit our website melvilleunited.com Applications will accepted at melvillesearch@gmail.com until the closing date of October 5.

The congregation of Melville United Church is looking for an Interim Youth Leader for the period of Sept.1 2018 - Dec. 31st 2018. This position would require 10 hours per week including Sunday Mornings and some evenings.

We are looking for an enthusiastic, energetic and flexible person who is able to plan and implement programs for children, youth and

families; one who has and is comfortable sharing a strong Christian faith and spirituality.

Effective communication skills; written and oral and computer literacy are desirable.

A Police Check to work with the vulnerable sector would be required.

Please send resume to:

Ministry and Personnel Committee
Melville United Church.
300 St Andrew St W, P.O. Box 41
Fergus, ON N1M 2W7

The Search Committee for the Minster of Faith Formation and Outreach are actively meeting and moving forward to fill our vacancy. Our committee is chaired by David Ogilvie, and members Martha Duncan, Allan Hons, Mary Lloyd, Karen Smillie along with Presbytery representatives Barb Smith-Young and Susan Luety. If you should have any questions please email us at melvillesearch@gmail.com and we will be happy to respond quickly. God Bless our works for the church family of Melville.

Crafts needed for Melville Crafters table, at the Fall Festival Oct. 20th. All crafts welcome. See Joanne Mitchell if you can help.

Are you downsizing, moving or know someone who is? Please remember that Melville U C can use your unwanted items for our Fall Festival or Garage Sale. Contact the Church Office or Lorna Bevcar.

Gr. 3 - 8 (Mangoes Group) - Sunday, Sept. 30 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Campfire and Games at the home of Sydney and Luke Parkin (parents - Jackie and Bruce) 51 Cherry Hill Place, Fergus (Rain plan - games inside their house)

Sunday evening Youth Groups are for all youth of Melville United and Elora United Church and their friends. Barb Smith-Young, Children and Youth Minister at Elora United Church is the current contact for youth group information. Please connect with Barb to be on the contact list for youth group events and to receive the most up to date plans (barbsmithyoung@gmail.com, 519-846-2542, cell 226-384-9085).

Gr. 7 - 12 (Bananas Group) - Sunday, October 14 - time and location

- **to be announced**

Other Community and Church Events

Taizé Service at St James Church, Fergus: Wednesday, September 26th at 7pm. Take time out and join us for an ecumenical service of song, prayer and meditation held in the beauty of candlelight. Our theme this month is The Holy in Daily Life All are welcome. [171 Queen St E, Fergus]

Women's Fall Conference at Bethel Baptist Church, Fergus on Fri and Sat. October 12 and 13th. Cost is $35.00 and early registration closes October 5th. For more info...519-843-2890 or bethelconference18

Women on Fire event on Sat. Oct. 20, 2018, 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Central Pentecostal Church, Elora. Cost is $35.00 and early registration by Oct. 8.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Mon. September 24, 2018 - Sun. September 30, 2018

Mon. 24	10:30	Spirit Circle	Parlour
Tues. 25	10:30	Senior Exercising	Fellowship Hall
	2:00	Unit Faith/Grace	Parlour
Thurs. 27	10:30	Senior Exercising	Fellowship Hall
	7:00	Choir	Parlour
Fri. 28	10:00	Coffee Hour	Parlour
Sun. 30	11:00	18th after Pentecost Sunday	Sanctuary
		Youth Sports Day	Fellowship Hall
	6:30	Mangoes	"Parkin" Home

Worship Schedule

Sept. 30	19th after Pentecost	Ruth Cooke
Oct. 7	Thanksgiving/Communion	Marion Loree
Oct. 14	21st after Pentecost	Marion Loree
Oct. 21	22nd after Pentecost	Marion Loree

Melville Financial Update to July 31, 2018

	Jan-July 2018	Jan-July 2017
Actual Revenue		
Givings	79,732	92,015
Fundraising/rental	22,771	23,444
Total Revenue	102,503	115,459
Expenses		
Staffing costs	74,923	81,919
Office supplies	8,549	7,271
Facilities	24,800	19,697
Committees	9,528	7,907
Total Expenses	117,800	116,794
Net Deficit	-15,297	-1,335

Notes:

1. These figures reflect the salary of one 1/2-time minister since March.

2. Givings are down $12,000 over 2017.

3. Expenses include $5,000 for much needed repairs done around the church.

4. Reminder - PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) is a convenient way to support Melville even if you are away. Your designated amount will come out of your bank account automatically and can be changed any time. Talk to Treasurer Kaillie Rawn or the secretary, Gerri, for more information or to sign up.