

ANNOUNCEMENTS September 30, 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.

Our sympathies go out to the family and friends of John Duncan on the loss of his mother, Corey Duncan this past week. The service was held in Calgary, Alberta.

TONIGHT! - 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 Please dress to play outside. (Rain plan - games inside their house)

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 Minister 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.

Oh no! I missed a sermon! - copies of Rev. Marion's sermons are printed and available in the photocopy room each week or she will e-mail them to you. Ruth Cooke's are available on her blog at: backwardschristianity.com.

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.

Sunday evening Youth Groups are for all youth of Melville United and Elora United Church and their friends. Martha Duncan (Melville United Church) and Barb Smith-Young (Elora United Church) are the contacts for youth group information. Please connect with Martha (jmise@wightman.ca) or Barb (barbsmithyoung@gmail.com) to be on the contact list for youth group events and to receive the most up to

date plans.

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

Melville's Fall Festival: Sat Oct 20th, 10am-3pm.. Please speak to Lorna Bevcar, about where you are willing to volunteer. We need many hands to help us make this a success. Donate where you can! If you want to help, but cannot bake, a monetary donation would be appreciated. No pre-sales before the Festival.

Sunday October 28th!! Inviting everyone to join us for our very first Stone Soup Luncheon hosted by the Melville Kids Church. There will be a variety of soups, biscuits, muffins, veggies, desserts and fellowship following Sunday worship. Everyone welcome!!! Suzanne Flewelling Music Animator, Melville United Church

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Mon. October 1, 2018 - Sun. October 7, 2018

Tues. 2	10:30	Senior Exercising	Fellowship Hall
Thurs. 4	10:30	Senior Exercising	Fellowship Hall
	7:00	Choir	Parlour
Fri. 5	10:00	Coffee Hour	Parlour
Sun. 7	11:00	Thanksgiving Sunday	Sanctuary

Worship Schedule

Oct. 7	Thanksgiving/Communion	Marion Loree
Oct. 14	21 st after Pentecost	Marion Loree
Oct. 21	22 nd after Pentecost	Marion Loree
Oct. 28	23 rd after Pentecost	Marion Loree
Nov. 4	24 th after Pentecost	Ruth Cooke

Other Community and Church Events

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.

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.