Announcements

If you are worshiping with us for the first time, welcome! Please join us for refreshments and conversation in the parlour after the service.

- **UCW meat pies for sale!** (our traditional hamburg/veg pie) and our new turkey pies \$5 each. Come for pick up on Friday 10 12 or after church on Sunday. Or call Marg Frayne 519-993-3274.
- Mid-Day Music at Melville returns to Melville United Church in Fergus for its 3rd season. Wednesday, October 9 with the concert beginning at 12 noon and continuing until about 1 p.m. Brad will feature music from movies released from 1930 to 1932, from great songwriters such as Rodgers and Hart, Johnny Green, Walter Donaldson, Gus Kahn and others. While movies like "Confessions of a Co-Ed" or "Lord Byron of Broadway" may have disappeared from public view, the music from movies of the period include great standards. Come and enjoy songs like Beyond the Blue Horizon, Out of Nowhere, Puttin' on the Ritz, My Baby Just Cares for Me, Isn't It Romantic? and many more. There is absolutely no admission charge to attend any of these concerts, but a voluntary donation, all of which will go to Melville United Church to help keep the lights on and the piano tuned is always gratefully received.
- October 8, 1:30-3:30 pm Heads up for Healthier Brains. Nicholas Keith Room, Wellington County Museum, Fergus. Learn about ways to keep your brain healthy and strong as you age. Everyone welcome, admission Free!
- We will be preparing the **poppy banners** at **Friday coffee time, October 18th and 25th** from **9:30 11:30**. Then installation of the banners November 2nd. If you wish to help either by renewing or adding more poppies on the banners we will see you then. Thank you. Ruth
- Special Event for Melville Mark Your Calendar. Anniversary Service October 27th 11:00 A.M. Guest Minister: Rev. Gord Dunbar. Following the service, you are invited to gather in the Fellowship Hall to enjoy a delicious lunch. Don't miss this opportunity to Celebrate Melville and enjoy a time of fellowship.

| | Jan – Jul 2024 | Jan – Jul 2023 | Jan - Jul 2022 | Jan - Jul 2021 |
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| Revenue | | | | |
| Givings | 87,614.03 | 99,052.40 | 83,932.32 | 81,767.36 |
| Fundraising/rental/other | 40,229.31 | 36,103.18 | 21,894.55 | 4,036.00 |
| Covid Gov't Subsidies | | | - | 13,972.02 |
| Total Revenue | 127,843.34 | 135,155.58 | 105,826.87 | 99,775.38 |
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| Expenses | | | | |
| Staffing costs | 63,212.35 | 101,599.88 | 91,596.13 | 76,457.60 |
| Office supplies | 9,583.53 | 8,953.17 | 9,559.82 | 11,796.16 |
| Facilities | 25,254.26 | 21,234.04 | 25,621.17 | 18,375.46 |
| Committees | 2,325.93 | 4,864.15 | 8,736.32 | 8,236.55 |
| Total Expenses | 100,376.07 | 136,651.24 | 135,513.44 | 114,865.77 |
| Net Surplus (Loss) | 27,467.27 | - 1,495.66 | - 29,686.57 | - 15,090.39 |

Financial update:

The Finance committee wants to THANK EVERYONE for their continued financial support. We understand personal finances can be tight, but we appreciate what people can give.

Kaillie Rawn

Treasurer