

Announcements

- UCW **meat pies for sale!** \$5 each. Turkey and Beef available. Come in to pick up meat pies on Sunday or call Marg 519-993-3274.
- Food Bank Donations - Please do not put **perishable** food items in the donation basket in the Sanctuary. The basket is not always emptied right away, especially in the summer. We don't want anything rotting in the back. Thank You!
- Our **Cozy Closet** continues **Nov 7 & 8**. We are still accepting warm clothing donations.
- **2025 Christmas Care Program.** Children, Christmas, joy. Over 67 families have signed up for this CW Food Bank program! Let's create joy for children & families in our community. So far, Melville can support 7 children, thank you! Our target is 20, and that will need \$5,000. Please help us do more. **Financial Donations** are needed by **Tuesday Nov. 12th**. To donate: email secretary@melvilleunited.com with an e-transfer, or use one of the specially labelled envelopes in the sanctuary, or drop a financial donation off at Melville (open Tues, Wed & Friday). Please indicate funds are for the 2025 Christmas Gift Program. With thanks from the Social Justice & Outreach team.
- The concert series "**Mid-Day Music at Melville**" presented and performed by pianist and singer Brad Halls continues with the next performance on **Wednesday, November 5** at Melville United Church in Fergus beginning at 12 noon and continuing until about 1 p.m. The upcoming concerts on November 5 and November 12 bookend the celebration of Remembrance Day and on November 5, Brad will feature *The Songs of World War I*, and will mark that turbulent period with songs of the era – both patriotic songs speaking directly to the wartime experience and popular songs of the times. Come and enjoy classic songs such as *It's a Long Long Way to Tipperary*, *Roses of Picardy*, *Keep the Home Fires Burning*, *For Me and My Gal*, *Poor Butterfly*, *How Ya Gonna Keep 'Em Down on the Farm*, *The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise* and many more from composers from Irving Berlin to Richard Whiting and Jerome Kern and more. There is no admission charge to any of these performances, but a voluntary donation to Melville United Church to help keep the lights on and the piano tuned is always appreciated. For more information on this series or to join our e-mail list, contact Brad at 519-400-1022 or by e-mail at brad.halls@wightman.ca.
- Barrie Hill United Church 5702 Wellington Rd. 29, Guelph Eramosa Township is hosting a **Christmas Tea** on **Sat. Nov. 22** from 2-4 pm. \$25 Adults, \$10 under 12. To reserve your tickets please contact Martha call or text 519-362-3785 or email martha.amidon@gmail.com
- Knox - Elora is holding an **Olde Time Gospel Hour** on Saturday **November 29th** from 2:00-4:00 pm. 51 Church St., Elora. Refreshments at half-time. Pass of the Hat.
- Centre Wellington Singers present: "**Home for the Holidays**" Saturday **November 29th**, 3:00 pm Melville United Church, Fergus. Conductor: Melanie Steenburgh, Accompanist Betty Weinstein with Special Guests Elora Children's Choir directed by Kate Wright. Tickets: 519.843.6655 or Magic Pebble – Elora and The Scottish Shop – Fergus, or Choir Members: Lillian Gohn, Lara Johnston, Millie Cumming. Adults \$20.00 Children \$5.00. E-Transfers and be made to the following email address: centrewellingtonsingers@gmail.com