

Announcements

- Most of you know, Lynda Rivet has resigned as our Office Administrator. Her last day at Melville will be March 27th. Lynda has accepted a full-time position as Office Manager at a new Expedia office opening in Owen Sound. She has been with us over 6 years and will be dearly missed. Although sad, we are also excited for Lynda and this amazing opportunity. We are very pleased to have Lan Ha join Melville as our new Office Administrator. Lan is very personable and enthusiastic about working at Melville. She will be working 5 days a week, 9:00 to 2:30. If you haven't already, please stop by to say goodbye to Lynda and welcome Lan. If you can, please join us for coffee hour on the 27th where we will formally say goodbye to Lynda.
- Are you on PAR? This is an excellent way to keep your financial commitment to Melville. Brochures are available at the back of the sanctuary. Lynda Rivet in the church office can also assist you or see Ralph Rainford for additional details. Pre-Authorized Remittance PAR, an excellent way to do your part.
- **Meat pies for sale.** \$6 Beef and Turkey. After church or on Friday (10 a.m. to 11:30) or call Marg 519.843.3274 or 519.993 3274.
- **Melville's Search Team Update.** We have been reviewing the skills and gifts of some ministry personnel and considering them against Melville's ministry priorities. We are preparing to move ahead with our first round of interviews. Please pray that we will be open to the gifts, skills, and passions of each one who responds to our profile. Thank you for your continued support and encouragement. It is appreciated. With thanks, Jane O'Leary (chair), Alison Rainford, Chris Hopewell, Heather Halls and Lara Johnston.
- The concert series "**Mid-Day Music at Melville**" presented and performed by pianist and singer Brad Halls continues with its 4th season of concerts with the next performance on Wednesday, **March 25, 2026** at Melville United Church in Fergus beginning at **12 noon** and continuing until about 1 p.m. Inspired by the classic Hoagy Carmichael song "*Star Dust*", the next concert includes great standards from popular composers and lyricists including James Van Heusen and Sammy Cahn, Victor Young, Jerome Kern, Sammy Fain and others. Inspired by the twinkling stars in the heavens, their songs include "*When You Wish Upon a Star*", "*Lost in the Stars*", "*You Are My Lucky Star*", "*Stars Fell on Alabama*" and many more. While there is no admission charge to any of these performances, a voluntary donation to Melville United Church to help keep the lights on and the piano tuned is always appreciated.
- **Lenten Series.** Sponsored by the Centre Wellington Ministerial Association. To be held at Melville in the Sanctuary 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm followed with a light lunch in the Parlour. Each week a different artist will share their experience of where their art and their faith collide. March 26th – Morissa Nicole Brown (Singer, Actress)
- **Lenten Nights** Wednesdays 7-8 pm at Hope Springs United Church. Come in, find a seat in the sanctuary and take a deep breath. Find space for quiet reflection. Listen to gentle music. Pray or meditate. Light a Candle. Read. Free Event.