

## Announcements

- Centre Wellington Singers Present: **CANADA eh! Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup> 3:00 pm at Melville United Church. Special Guest: Ben Wright, Barrell Boys Lead Singer** Tickets available online via our website: [centrewellingtonsingers.ca](http://centrewellingtonsingers.ca) Hard copy tickets available at the Scottish Shop, Fergus or Magic Pebbles, Elora. Also, tickets can be purchased from: Millie Cumming, Lara Johnston, Brad Halls and Lillian Gohn. **This is a concert you will not want to miss.**
- The Social Justice Team and Kids' Church invite everyone to a free Stone Soup luncheon, April 19, after the service.
- April 26th is **Camping Sunday** and we hope to show a montage of your favourite camping photos (Church, family, Scouts/Guides, etc). Photos can be sent to Rev. Karen at [kabo3731@gmail.com](mailto:kabo3731@gmail.com) by April 19th, or hard copies brought to the services on the 12th and 19th for her to photograph.
- Melville has a newly refreshed website! It's a lighter, brighter design with lots of colourful images. We hope people will find it inviting and engaging. It's the same link to reach it <https://melvilleunited.com/> More images and text, to describe the life, work and community of Melville, will be added over the coming week. Please have a look and share your thoughts on the changes! With thanks, Jane O'Leary, Martha Duncan, LindaMae Ogilvie.
- Happy spring! The garden team is looking forward to another wonderful year in the 'Thyme with God' garden. After such a long winter, there are a few things that require our attention, and we are organizing a workday in the next few weeks. Please join us on April 25 to assist in a few small projects (rain date May 2). More details to come. If you are interested, please reach out to any of our team members or contact [ogilvielms@gmail.com](mailto:ogilvielms@gmail.com).
- **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. Lan Ha 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 4<sup>th</sup> season of concerts with the next performance on Wednesday, **April 15, 2026**, at Melville United Church in Fergus beginning at **12 noon** and continuing until about 1 p.m.

Starting last Wednesday, these two weeks are dedicated to *Great Songs from Great Britain* featuring songs by talented British songwriters. The concert on this second Wednesday will include songs by songwriters such as the team of Jimmy Campbell and Reg Connelly, Anthony Newley and Leslie Bricusse, Tony Hatch, Andrew Lloyd Webber and a couple of “fab” lads from Liverpool. Come and enjoy great songs like *Harbour Lights*, *If I Had You*, *My Prayer*, *Memory* and a medley of Beatles’ ballads. 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. 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](mailto:brad.halls@wightman.ca).