

# harcourt

*Life and Work at Harcourt Memorial United Church*

**Sunday, August 12, 2018 – Pentecost 12**

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**Head Usher:** Joan Barham

**AV TECH:** Jock Rutherford

- ▶ **Hearing assists** are available, please ask the ushers. 
- ▶ **Do the pews feel hard?** Cushions are available by the door.
- ▶ **Large Print Hymn books** are at the back of the Sanctuary
- ▶ **Pray for:** Vittoria (Erie Presbytery)
- ▶ **Weekly Scripture at Home:** 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33, Psalm 130, 1 Kings 19:4-8, Psalm 34:1-8, Ephesians 4:25-5:2, John 6:35, 41-51
- ▶ **Readings Next Week:** 1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14, Psalm 111, Proverbs 9:1-6, Psalm 34:9-14, Ephesians 5:15-20, John 6:51-58

**Chalmers Community Services Centre:** Food items for August: kidney beans, baked beans and peanut butter. Harcourt donated 172 pounds of food to CCSC in July, from the garden and the grocery cart.

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## ***Weekly Opportunities***

**Prayer Shawl Circle** *will resume in the fall*

**Handbell Ringers** *will resume in the fall*

**Tai Chi** *will resume in the fall*

**Mindstretch** *will resume in the fall*

**Park 'n Dance** *will resume in the fall*

**The Choir** *will resume in the fall*

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## ***Stewardship Seconds***

In a hungry generation, we rejoice that Jesus is the bread of life.

## *Today at Harcourt*

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**Fundscrip Grocery Cards** Available in the Greeting Area.

### *Summer Worship Schedule*

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Throughout the summer, Harcourt will only have one service held at 10am. All three services will resume on Sunday, September 9.

### *Coming up at Harcourt*

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**Aug 13, 7-8:30pm: Community Engagement Discussion** In the chapel. Council will host two speakers to help us increase our knowledge about community engagement and development. The speakers are Elaine Weir (Waterloo, Wellington, Dufferin Public Health) and Karrie Cumming (Guelph Community Health Centre). We continue to explore how to implement radical change as discussed at the Annual Meeting. We welcome anyone from the congregation who has an interest in this topic to join us.

**Aug 29, 6-8pm: MANNA Potluck** Join us for a potluck in the Friendship Room. Childcare will be available. All are welcome!

### *Opportunities in the Community*

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Services at Ellis Chapel

Sunday, August 12 at 2:30pm

Guest Speaker: Rev. Canon Linda Nixon from St. James' Anglican Church in Cambridge

Refreshments in the Chapel garden after the service

Directions and details at [www.ellischapel.ca](http://www.ellischapel.ca)

**Aug 17, 10:30am: Tea 'n' Tales** Join us at the Guelph Enabling Garden in Riverside Park each Friday this summer for a time of storytelling. The event is free but donations are gratefully accepted. For more information, see the poster in the Greeting Area or email the organizer Brian Holstein at [briahols@yahoo.com](mailto:briahols@yahoo.com).

**Aug 19, 7pm: Sacred Under the Stars** Looking for some quiet contemplation on a summer evening? Sacred Under the Stars is an evening outdoor contemplative service. Bring your lawn chair or blanket and come enjoy the relaxed atmosphere, acoustic music, and community spirit of an evening worship service 'under the stars'. Newcomers, skeptics and seekers welcome. Interactive and

appropriate for all ages, so feel free to bring kids even if they're tired. We'll provide warm tea or cool lemonade depending on the weather (and will meet in the hall if it rains). Arkell United Church, corner of Arkell Rd and Watson, just southeast of Guelph.

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### ***Opportunities to Support***

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**Sep 15: Saturday Night Supper** Harcourt's next opportunity to host Saturday Night Supper at Royal City Church is Sep. 15. We will need twelve volunteers to serve dinner and many more folks to provide food for our menu of Pasta Casserole (recipe supplied), Caesar salad, cheese, pickles, rolls, juice, assorted fruit pies and vanilla ice cream. There is a sign-up sheet on the desk in the Greeting Area for you to indicate where you can help or you may register online at Sign up Genius by going to the Harcourt website, click on "Connect with Community", then "Saturday Night Suppers" scroll down and click on "Sign up Online" to pick a slot. Food and volunteer servers to be at the church, 50 Quebec St (via rear door) by 5pm. Volunteers will be needed until 8pm. Many thanks for your continued support of this worthwhile outreach project.

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### ***Office and Committee News***

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**Harcourt Herald September 2018 Issue** Submissions for the September issue are due no later than August 20, 2018. Email your submission to Herald Editor Gill Joseph at [theherald@harcourtuc.ca](mailto:theherald@harcourtuc.ca).

**Harcourt Congregational Retreat 2018** It's often difficult to know what to do as Christians in these dark times... Join us on Sept 28 for our Annual Congregational Retreat: we will explore ways to "live in the Light," and to "be the Light." Registration forms are available in the lobby areas or at the Office.

**Ignatian Spiritual Exercises** Looking for a more regular spiritual practice? Yearning to deepen your relationship with God is a more intentional way? Then consider the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises – a daily practice for 40 weeks which brings you ever deeper into communion with God and Jesus. Not sure you have the discipline for this? Try it out! Register for the "Disposition Days" - six weeks during the summer where you can check out if this is for you. Along with daily prayer practice, you will meet with a trained spiritual director each week. Registration forms are available at the Office.

**Harcourt Office Hours:**

Tuesday to Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm

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