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Life and Work at Harcourt Memorial United Church


Sunday, September 16, 2018 – Creation 2

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Head Usher: Bernard Vanderkamp

Ushers: Nancy Ryan, Paul Webb, Roz Stevenson
and Jan Grottenthaler

AV TECH: Petr Vales and 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:** Alma (Waterloo Presbytery)
- ▶ **Weekly Scripture at Home:** Proverbs 1:20-33, Psalm 19, Isaiah 50:4-9, Psalm 116:1-9, James 3:1-12, Mark 8:27-38
- ▶ **Readings Next Week:** Proverbs 31:10-31, Psalm 1, Wisdom of Solomon 1:16-2:1,12-22, Psalm 54, James 3:13-4:3,7-8a, Mark 9:30-37

Chalmers Community Services Centre: Food items for September: pasta, brown rice and peanut butter.

Weekly Opportunities

Prayer Shawl Circle Mondays, 1:30pm, Room 202/203

Handbell Ringers Tuesdays, 7pm, Music Room

Tai Chi Wednesdays, 1:30pm, Friendship Room

MindStretch Thursdays, 8:45am, Chapel

Park 'n Dance Thursdays, 1pm, Friendship Room

The Choir Thursdays, 7:30pm, Music Room

Stewardship Seconds

It is in giving that we receive. It is in forfeiting our lives for Jesus' sake that we are saved.

Today at Harcourt

Fundscrip Grocery Cards Available in the Greeting Area.

Coming up at Harcourt

Sep 17, 4:30-8pm: Food Truck Mondays Join us for an evening of food and community! Harcourt is hosting a variety of Guelph's most loved food truck vendors every Monday from September 17 to October 1 from 4:30-8pm. Volunteers are needed to make these evenings a success. Please see the Harcourt website for SignUpGenius or see the sign up sheet in the Greeting Area. For more information, please call the office at 519.824.4177 or email office@harcourtuc.ca.

Sep 18, 10-11am: Feeling Better Move Well The Guelph Wellington Seniors Association's Community Support Services is offering a gentle exercise class at Harcourt each Tuesday in the Gym from 10-11am. The class is composed of cardiovascular, balance, strength training and stretching components and lead by trained senior volunteer leaders. People over age 55 of all fitness levels are encouraged to participate. All exercises can be modified by the leaders to accommodate challenges and chairs are always available. For more information, contact Margaret Iutzi, Feeling Better Move Well program coordinator at 519.822.1260 ext 2747.

Sep 23, 10:30am: Blessing of the Animals Service Join in a joyful, all-ages worship celebration of our human relationship with all living things. If a pet will be accompanying you to the service, we ask that you gently restrain it according to its species, both for its own sense of calm and comfort and that of others in the congregation. Following the service there will be an opportunity for humans and animals alike to share in some good conversation! The 9am service will be pet-free, aside from service animals that are always welcome.

Sep 26, 6:30-9pm: Volunteer Appreciation Celebration If you have ever said "yes" to volunteering your time and energy for the Harcourt family/community, this invitation is for you! Drop in at 16 University Ave. E. (Barham residence) sometime between 6:30 and 9pm. This is an open house event. Come and go as you like. Parking is available at the university or on the street. Your contribution is appreciated and you are appreciated.

Opportunities in the Community

Services at Ellis Chapel
Sunday, September 16 at 2:30pm
Guest Speaker: Rev. Susan Clarke from
Alma Presbyterian Church
Refreshments in the Chapel garden after the service
Directions and details at www.ellischapel.ca

Sep 18, 7-9pm: Stephen Lewis Foundation Fundraiser The Guelph GoGo Grandmothers (4Gs) invite you to the Unifor Hall (611 Silvercreek Pkwy) to launch this year's fundraiser for the Stephen Lewis Foundation (SLF). It is an artistic 2019 calendar with photographs taken by John Phelps that highlights various Guelph sites as well as the 4Gs signature vests which symbolize our commitment to support African grandmothers and SLF. Come celebrate with us and enjoy the entertainment and refreshments.

Sep 28 & 29: Trinity's Huge Indoor Garage Sale Trinity United Church is hosting an indoor garage sale at 400 Stevenson St N., Guelph on Friday Sep 28, 3-8pm and Saturday Sep 29 7am-12 noon. Books, toys, household items, sports equipment, garden utensils, small furniture, small appliances, and much more!

Opportunities to Support

Sep 23: Egg and Cheese Sunday The guests at Chalmers are survivors. These are ordinary people who have been affected by extraordinary events. Some are refugees supporting families. Some are fighting addictions. Some work hard at jobs that don't pay enough to provide for rent, clothing and food. We at Harcourt can help. Next week is our opportunity to bring eggs and cheese for our less fortunate friends at Chalmers. Those simple sustaining protein foods are always in high demand and there are never enough to hand out to the weekly guests. Coolers will be provided at the back of the sanctuary for your donations Sunday, Sep 23. If you forget to bring food, you can always write a cheque to Chalmers Community Services and leave it at the church office.

Mission and Service Want to help a hurting world? Thanks to our United Church's Mission and Service Fund, the opportunity to help is at our fingertips. Through this fund we support:

82 Mission and Service partners in 21 countries

20 Canadian ecumenical organizations
63 community ministries across Canada
36 chaplaincies on Canadian campuses
And there's more! Think of this impact with pride and thankfulness when you fill your envelope or adjust your PAR.

Coffee Time Volunteers We look forward to meeting and chatting with friends after church over tea or coffee. If you can help by making and serving, contact the office at 519-824-4177 or office@harcourtuc.ca and your name will be added to the fall schedule. If you are looking for someone to partner with over the coffee pot, let us know and we'll find another volunteer to help you. No experience necessary. Free coaching available!

Office and Committee News

Reminder of Announcements Policy Please remember that if you wish to have a verbal announcement made from the front of the sanctuary before morning services, that your printed announcement **MUST** be delivered to the church office by 12:30pm on the Wednesday before the announcement is to be made. Your adherence to this policy is appreciated.

Harcourt Congregational Retreat 2018 It's often difficult to know what to do as Christians in these dark times... Join us on Sep. 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.

Harcourt Office Hours:

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

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