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Life and Work at Harcourt Memorial United Church


Sunday, May 12, 2019 – Easter 4

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Head Usher: Richard Barham

Ushers: Joan Barham, Marta and Malcolm Coutts, Nancy Ryan

AV Tech: Jerry Daminato and Petr Vales

- ▶ **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:** Annesley United Church, Markdale
- ▶ **Weekly Scripture at Home:** Acts 9:36-43, Psalm 23, Revelation 7:9-17, John 10:22-30
- ▶ **Readings Next Week:** Acts 11:1-18, Psalm 148, Revelation 21:1-6, John 13:31-35

Chalmers Community Services Centre: Food items for May: canned vegetables 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, 1:30pm, Gym

The Choir Thursdays, 7:30pm, Music Room

Stewardship Seconds

Christians refuse to let a culture of entitlement and high expectations silence them as they join the chorus of faithful praise over the ages.

Today at Harcourt

Fundscrip Grocery Cards Available in the Greeting Area.

Flowers The flowers in the sanctuary have been placed by Karen James in loving memory of her mother Diana James.

3pm: SWESH Free exercise and wellness classes for women, by women. Open to all women 16+, of all fitness levels. In the Harcourt gym. Contact 519.803.3887 for more information.

Coming up at Harcourt

May 13, 11:45am: Caroline Harcourt Women's Fellowship

Please bring your bag lunch, tea and cookies will be provided. Our speaker will be Wendy Garret who will talk about her visit to Peru, a mission trip to assist in education and other projects. You can find additional information in the Harcourt Herald.

Opportunities in the Community

May 15, 11:45am: Sunshine Club welcomes bridge and euchre players, young or old, to come out and play Wednesdays from 11:45am to 2:45pm at Trinity United, 400 Stevenson St N. Bring a brown bag lunch and the Sunbeams will serve you coffee or tea before cards. For more info, please call Joyce at 519.823.1169.

Jun 2, 10am: Annual Land Blessing At St. Brigid's Villa, Ignatius Jesuit Centre, 5420 Hwy 6 N, Guelph, ON. Join us as we gather for this year's Land Blessing. What an opportunity to get out on the land and bless it for the upcoming growing season! Bring your water bottle, coffee mug, plate & utensils, and something to share for the potluck lunch. For further information, go to ignatiusguelph.ca under "Events". We hope to see you there!

Come Retreat at Loyola House Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? See loyolahouse.com for more information on these upcoming retreats & programs:

- The Little Prince Retreat - June 14-16
- Finding Your Way Retreat - June 14-16
- 8-Day Retreats - August 1-9, August 11-19, August 21-29
- Getting Back to the Garden: Contemplative Work on the Land - August 11-19

Contact registration@ignatiusguelph.ca 519.824.1250 ext 266 or register online at loyolahouse.com.

Jul 26-28: Skylight Festival Join MANNA and others from Harcourt at Five Oaks in Paris, ON. Skylight Festival stands for justice, faith and the arts. Enjoy superb speakers, artists and musicians! For more information, see skylightfestival.ca or contact Merrill Pierce at smpierce@sympatico.ca or 519.836.8867.

Opportunities to Support

Chalmers Community Services Centre April was another busy month here at Chalmers Community Services Centre. 1088 Guest visits were served at our local food pantries and we are grateful for your support. Harcourt donated 225 pounds of food in April.

Office and Committee News

Ministry and Personnel It is with mixed emotion that the members of the Ministry and Personnel committee announce that after seven years of dedicated service to the Harcourt community, our Church Administrator, Anne Purkis has decided it is time to retire. Anne's last day at Harcourt will be July 12.

Anne would like to thank the Harcourt congregation for the warm welcome, opportunities and support she experienced during her time at Harcourt. She has enjoyed being part of the life and work of the congregation and will miss being a part of such a vibrant and caring community.

We wish you all the best Anne, as you begin the next chapter and have time for your many interests. We will miss you!

Pastoral Care Rev. Miriam Flynn and Rev. Mary Savage are available for pastoral care this week. Please contact the office in the event of pastoral need.

Bulletin Sponsorships The Worship Committee is offering an opportunity to dedicate a Sunday bulletin in memory of a loved one or in honour of a special occasion! All that is required is a minimum donation of \$50 to the Church for which a tax receipt will be issued. If you wish to participate, please contact the Church Office at least one week in advance to request a date for dedication and to make your donation. Reserve your week early to avoid disappointment! The announcement will read as follows,

“This bulletin has been sponsored by _____ in celebration/memory/acknowledgement of _____.”

Harcourt Office Hours

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

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