



Earth Month Bingo - Pick up a bingo card from Rhoda at church, Hybrid Hair and Detox Spa, M & M Food Market, Eco Den, or the Library. Complete as many sustainable activities as you can to get a line (straight or diagonal). **If you get a Bingo, return the card by April 30th** for an opportunity to win a prize.

Butt Blitz - A Greener Future initiative that recycles cigarette butts to Terra Recycling. Collect butts for the month of April and give to Ruth MacDonald at M & M Food Market. Must be 19 and over.

Louise Marshall Hospital Auxiliary Spring Luncheon is being held this Friday, May 3rd, at the Mount Forest Sports Complex, from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. \$20.00/person. They will be serving Chicken Ala King, Salad and many kinds of pie. Funds will go towards the purchase of new equipment for our hospital.



What happens when three dedicated employees decide it is time to make changes in the large international company they work for? As strict “old boys” rules are replaced by options of child care, job sharing and “bigger thinking” the results are hilarious in the Dolly

Parton musical ‘9 to 5’. The Egremont Optimist Centre has been filled with singing and laughter since practices began this January in Holstein with director Alison Moran. Several members of Mount Forest United Church are part of the 20-plus cast including Laurie Aitken, as Judy; Neil Aitken as Mr. Tinsworthy, and Flora Burke as Margaret. Working behind the scene are Janice Benson, Sarah Benson and Lene MacLean. The Holstein Drama Group kicks off *9 to 5 The Musical* Friday, May 3 with a dinner theatre at 6:00 then follows with Saturday, May 4 at 7:30p.m. and Sunday, May 5 is a matinee at 2p.m. The second week will have evening performances Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 9 – 11 at 7:30p.m. Tickets are \$50 for the dinner theatre and \$25 for the matinee and evening performances and available at the Holstein General Store, Meat the Butcher in Mount Forest and Eckhardt’s Shell in Durham. Poster on bulletin board downstairs for further information.

From the Seniors Centre for Excellence – A wisdom series workshop on Tenant Rights. Join us for a free workshop on Thursday, May 2nd from 2 pm to 3 pm at the Mount Forest Library. Tenant Rights and responsibilities will be presented by a lawyer from the Legal Clinic of Guelph and Wellington. Topics include lease agreements, evictions, maintenance and repairs. Register by calling 519-638-1000 or email hedwards@mapleton.ca.

Are you looking to be challenged, informed and inspired? Broadview magazine is an award-winning Canadian magazine that offers high-caliber journalism from a progressive Christian perspective to readers across Canada. Founded in 1829, *Broadview* is the oldest continuously published magazine in North America and the second oldest in the English-speaking world. It has won international acclaim for journalistic excellence and garnered more editorial awards than any other faith-based publication in Canada. If you are a current subscriber and wish to renew your subscription or if you don’t currently subscribe to Broadview and would like to, contact Juliann at the church office by **Monday, May 20th**. Payment can be dropped off at the church office, or placed on the offering place on Sunday in an envelope clearly marked that it is for your Broadview subscription or you can etransfer to united@wightman.ca, be sure to note on your etransfer it is for Broadview. If you are a current subscriber and we don’t hear from you **by May 20th**, we will assume that you **do not** wish to renew your subscription.

If you have an announcement you wish to place in the bulletin, send your poster or details of your event to united@wightman.ca by Wednesday of the week you wish to have it included in the announcements. Submissions can also be dropped off at the church office or contact Juliann at 519-323-1910 ext. 1.

April 28, 2024

Search Committee

Janice Benson, Marg Mitchell, Diane Johnson, Dan MacArthur, Mike Burke, Lene MacLean, Shawn MacLeod, Donna McFarlane

Leadership Team

Bob McFarlane, Laurie Aitken, Al Leach, Betty Seminowicz, Diane Johnson, Norm Eygenraam, Gerry Wilkinson, Rick Sinnamon, Neil Aitken, Lene MacLean, Daphne Rappard Armstrong



If you'd like the Pastoral Care Team to pray for you or someone you know, are aware of any hospitalizations, sickness or special occasions, please contact one of the following members of the team. Betty Seminowicz at 519-923-5416, or by Email:

betvansemi@hotmail.com or Daphne Rappard at 519-323-2505, Email: drappard@wightman.ca.

We would also be happy to have one of our team members visit you in person or by phone. All requests are shared only with the Pastoral Care Team and are kept confidential.

MFUC Treasurer's Report:

Year-to-Date Operating Income & Expenses @ 31Mar24

Income \$ 57,432.00 / Expenses \$ 41,422.00

General Operating Funds balance \$ 91,280.00

UCC M&S Fund Receipts \$ 4,443.00 / UCC M&S Fund Budget \$ 3,500.00

(M&S balances include UCW contributions)

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Woodland UC Treasurer's Report:

Year-to-Date Operating Income & Expenses @ 31Mar24

Income \$ 5,371.17 / Expenses \$ 5,405.00

General Fund balance \$ 26,575.13

UCC M&S Fund Receipts: \$ 405.00 / UCC M&S Fund Budget \$ 500.01

We welcome all of you who gather to worship with us this morning, including all who are visiting with us today. We pray God's blessing upon you. All are welcome to join us for refreshments and fellowship after the service.

Thank you to our family of volunteers who do these jobs every week.

Today's volunteers:

Lay Reader – Laurie Aitken (MF), Nel VanderNeut (W)

Elevator – Bill Kreps (MF)

Greeter(s) – John Dale, Barb Waite (MF), Nel VanderNeut (W)

Fellowship – Laurie & Neil Aitken, Lene & Frank MacLean (MF)

Volunteers up next – May 5

Lay Reader – Cheryl Hincks (MF), Claudette Stevens (W)

Elevator – Marion Officer (MF)

Greeter(s) – Cynthia & James Croker (MF), Claudette Stevens (W)

Fellowship – Mary Ruth & Vern Job, Guido Gardin, Bill Kreps (MF)

This week's Community of Faith to remember in prayer is:

Creemore – New Lowell United Church

As a church, we are called to pray for each other and for our mission in the world.

A Congregational meeting will be held after the service regarding the hiring of a minister and alternation to the financial commitment. Please plan to stay.

Possible book study: The Intimate God (A practical guide to experiencing a personal relationship with Jesus) by Alan Kraft. If you are interested in ordering this book or participating in a seven week book study contact Norm Eygenraam tge89@wightman.ca. Book cost is \$20.