

THE SUNDAY NEWS

October 11, 2015

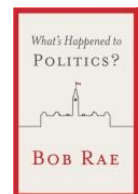
Worship for a few weeks

Oct 11 Thanksgiving Sunday: Walking the Camino Way with Carole Kennedy
Oct 18 TBD
Oct 25 Elora UC Anniversary Guest: Rev. Debbie McMillan
Nov 1 Guest: Rev. Dr. Paul Miller
Nov 8 Bethany UC Anniversary
Nov 15 Memorial Service
Nov 22 Guest: Rabbi Cory Weiss
Nov 29 Starting the Season of Advent

If you miss a Sunday, Greg's reflections are on the Elora UC website:

<http://elorauc.org/worship/sermons>

The **Book Discussion Group** will meet on Sunday October 18th at 7 pm in the home of Arlene Callahan. (Highland Manor, Fergus, entry in the far door of the parking lot). We will discuss chapters 1-3 of *What's Happened to Politics* by Bob Rae. If you are interested in participating, speak to Menai Wardle or John Markvart.



Elora's Music Director, Betty Weinstein, is planning to play some old, favourite hymns before worship next week. If there are any you would like to hear, just let her know.

Pew for Sale Elora UC has one surplus pew. It is an approx. 12½ foot long, dark coloured, curved oak pew. Asking price is \$200. Contact the church office if interested. The pew is also shown on kijiji.ca.



Looking Ahead

Mon	1 pm	Quilters
Tues	7 pm	Elora Mission & Resources Boards
Thurs	1:30 pm	Elora UCW
	7 pm	Elora Adult Choir
	8:15 pm	Praise Team
next Sun	6:30-7:30 pm	Grade 3-5 Youth at Elora United Church

Mon Oct 19	7:30 pm	Bethany UCW
Fri Oct 23	7 pm	Women's Spiritual Potluck
Sat Nov 14		Bethany Ham Supper

In the Community

Fall Festival Oct. 24, 10-3. Melville United Church. Snacks and lunch all day. Baking, frozen meat pies, crafts, silent auction, vendors, treasures, Christmas Corner, books. "Easy Listening Concert" by our own Rev. Marion Loree & friends at 11:00 - 11:40. Lorna 519-787-0570



Wampum

Sawyer, age 13, shares his experience of a youth program:

Last summer I was happy to be accepted into a week-long program called Wampum at Five Oaks Centre in Paris, Ontario. They invited 15 Aboriginal and 15 non-Aboriginal youth to attend. I was one of the latter, and I found myself intrigued by what this experience could mean for me.

We enjoyed typical camp activities like swimming in the on-site pool, games, and team-building activities. One of the highlights was a rafting trip down the Grand River.

We also participated in activities meant to help some of us question the actions of our ancestors. One distressing day we visited the Mohawk Institute, a notorious residential school. I was personally horrified by the stories the guide told us about how the students were treated. That was the most draining and difficult day of the week.

We also learned about different Aboriginal groups' beliefs. I enjoyed this part of Wampum very much, and it has helped me a lot in my First Nations Studies class this semester, especially what we learned about the Medicine Wheel.

Wampum was an amazing experience, and I would go again in a heartbeat. I would recommend this Five Oaks program to any teen looking for a thought-provoking yet fun camp experience.

Thank you for giving for Mission and Service, which supports this United Church of Canada right relations camping ministry. Please continue to give generously.

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Administrator Judy McMullan is in the office Thurs & Fri 10 to 4:30 from Sept to June