

# THE SUNDAY NEWS

November 6, 2016



***"Tis the Season": November 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm and November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2:00pm***

Picture this: a foster family with creative kids; a Christmas tree that won't stay standing; and a community with people in need. Put this together, you have a humorous musical, rap, & script, contemporary production. All proceeds to the Church Window Fund (Fellowship Room and Stained Glass).

**Freewill offering.**



**Belonging Together** Are you part of Elora UC, but have never formally become a member? This is a great opportunity to learn what membership means. We'll be celebrating each of our stories, learning some of the stories of Elora UC and the United Church of Canada, and seeing how these stories might fit together. *This is an exploration time. Coming does not commit you to anything.* **Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, After worship (1:00-2:30). Please bring your lunch.**



**Bethany Ham Supper** is **Saturday November 12<sup>th</sup>** with continuous seatings from 5 pm to 7 pm. Adults \$15, Children (5-12) \$7 and children under 5 free. Call Pat Davies (519-846-0247) for tickets. Wheelchair accessible.



**The Elora UCW** will be meeting this **Thursday November 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm** at Elora United Church.

**The Elora UC Mission Board** will be considering grants from our **Special Gifts Fund** at its meeting on November 8. **It invites proposals under the following areas:**

Education (\$336 available),

Community Outreach (\$336)

and Projects of the United Church of Canada (\$336).

Copies of the fund policy and application forms are available at the back of the sanctuary, as well as from the church office.

Inviting women of all ages to join us for **Women's Spiritual Potluck this Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.** We will be gathering at Barb Smith-Young's Home (246 North Queen St.). This is not a food potluck, it is a spiritual potluck. Women are invited to bring something spiritual (eg. a song, a scripture verse, a story, some way God is working in your life) to share. You do not need to bring anything, however. Just come and enjoy good company, a cup of tea, and let God nourish you. We meet about once a month, but there is no commitment needed. For more information contact Barb (519-846-2542).



**"Reaching Wider...Helping Our Children Have Generous Hearts for Others".**

Parents of children and youth, please join us **Sunday, November 27** for a "Faith at Home" discussion during 11 am worship. We will gather together, downstairs, during Children's Worship time. The children will be upstairs in the Bissell Room with a movie. This is a great opportunity for Dads and Moms to share ideas, gather resources, and encourage each other as we strive to nurture our children in the Christian faith.

**Christmas decorators needed!** Some of the sanctuary decorations will be put up early this year, so they can be up for the "Tis the Season" play Nov. 18 and 19. Let Barb know (519-846-2542) if you can help put up some garland, candles and the table top nativity set. We will "dress" the sanctuary on **Sunday, November 13 from 4:30 – 5:30 pm.** There will be a second opportunity to help with setting up the big tree and the large nativity set in December (for those who like that job).



**Emergency First Aid and CPR Course** at Elora United Church on **Saturday, January 7, 9 am – 4:30 pm.** Cost \$ 85. A great course for any youth or adult to take. Do you know what to do if a child is choking, an adult has chest pain, or someone has fallen and is badly hurt? After taking this course, you will receive a certificate from St. John Ambulance that is valid for 3 years. **Please contact Barb** ([barb\\_sy@sympatico.ca](mailto:barb_sy@sympatico.ca), 519-846-2542) to sign up for the course. Space is limited.

**Let's go to the theatre together!**

Ins Choi -- known from his TV comedy "Kim's Convenience" -- has a one person show called **"Subway Stations of the Cross."** In this 60 minute solo show, Choi shares about his life leading up to a divine encounter with a homeless man on a subway station platform. Comedic storytelling and spoken word poetry combine to create this unique performance of a highly personal story. A Q&A session will follow the performance.

**Date: Sunday November 13**

Time: Carpool leaves Elora at 6:30. Get back about 11pm? (depending how much of Q&A we stay for)

Location: Redeemer University College, Ancaster (where Phil teaches)

Cost: Free! that's right, it's free!

Sign Up: contact Phil Irish. [philirish@wightman.ca](mailto:philirish@wightman.ca), or 519-846-2256



# Called to Be EloraUC

*How can we equip Elora United Church with what it needs, so together we can serve God, one another and our community?*

A conversation about stewardship, **Called to Be EloraUC** is an opportunity for us to reflect and pray together. Please be part of this.

## **Worship Themes (Elora United Church)**

October 9	Called to Be Thankful: The Life of a Steward
October 16	Called to Be EloraUC in our Local Neighbourhoods
October 23	<i>Celebrating EloraUC's 181st Anniversary</i>
October 30	<i>All-Saints Memorial Service</i>
November 6	Called to Be EloraUC in the United Church of Canada
November 13	Called to Respond
November 20	Called to Celebrate

Miss a week? Materials from the service will be posted on our website soon afterwards. Please have a look at [elorauc.org](http://elorauc.org) and click on the *Called to Be EloraUC* logo.

## Looking Ahead

Sun	1:00pm	Tis the Season practice – Full Cast – Chancel
Sun	6:30-9:30pm	Grade 7-High School Youth Group at Exitus Escape Rooms
Mon	1:00pm	Quilters
Mon	7:30pm	Bethany UCW
Tues	7:00pm	Elora Mission & Resources Boards
Thu	1:30pm	Elora UCW
Thu	7:00pm	Elora UC Adult Choir practice
Thu	8:15pm	Elora UC Praise Team practice
Fri Nov 11		Remembrance Day ceremonies (9:30 in Salem; 10am in Fergus and 11am in Elora)
Fri Nov 11	7:00pm	Women’s Spiritual Potluck at Barb Smith-Young’s
Sat Nov 12	5:00-7:00pm	Bethany Fall Supper
Sat Nov 12	1:30pm	Tis the Season practice – Full Cast – Chancel
Sun Nov 13	1:00pm	Tis the Season practice – Full Cast - Chancel
Sun Nov 13	1:00-2:30pm	Belonging Together, what membership means
Sun Nov 13	4:30-5:30pm	Christmas decorating at Elora UC
Fri Nov 18	7:00pm	Christmas Play – Tis the Season
Sat Nov 19	2:00pm	Christmas Play – Tis the Season
Sun Nov 20	6:30-7:30pm	Grade 3 - 6 Youth Group (at Elora United Church)
Sat Nov 26	3:00pm	Centre Wellington Singers Christmas Concert (at EUC)
Sun Nov 27	11:00am	Parents gather downstairs to discuss Faith at Home
Sun Nov 27	3:00pm	Refugee Benefit Concert at Elora United Church
Sat Dec 2	9am-1pm	Elora UCW Craft and Bake Sale

## In the Community

### Snowflake Craft Sale, Saturday, Nov. 12, 9 am - 1 pm.

Knox – Elora Presbyterian Church, 51 Church St. Elora

**Handmade Crafts** (jewellery, knitted items, candles, & much, much more)

**Homemade baked goods**, Centre Wellington Rotary Club, **Silent Auction**

**Lunch available.** Come, shop for Christmas. Still room for more Vendors.

Please call: 519-846-8061/519-846-0680



### Elora Festival Singers Christmas Book Sale, Nov 18<sup>th</sup> 3-8pm, Nov 19<sup>th</sup>

**10am-2pm** at Fergus Book Depot, 380 St. Andrews St. W. Gently used, reasonably priced fiction for adults and children. Admission and parking are free. Book donations are welcome at the Fergus Book Depot side entrance.



### Centre Wellington Singers Christmas Concert

**Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm** at Elora United Church. Adults \$15, Children 12 and under \$5. Tickets available from choir members or call David, 519-946-1049.

