

THE SUNDAY NEWS

February 12, 2017

Discovering Jesus on the Roads through Lent

with Rev. Donna Mann

You never know around what corner you'll find Jesus. He might be sitting on the edge of a well in a forbidden country, climbing through the thicket on his way up the hill, or walking a well known road. Come and join me in a walk through Lent.

Two groups for you to choose from:

Wednesday Mornings (10-11:30)

Wednesday Evenings (7-8:30)

March 8 to April 12

Contact Donna for more info (ddmann@bell.net or 519-846-5204).

TODAY ALL ARE WELCOME

**AFTER ELORA UC WORSHIP SERVICE THERE WILL BE
QUICHE AND SALAD**

DONATIONS IN SUPPORT OF MELANIE AND ARDEN OUR
TWO COUNTRIES, ONE WORLD DELEGATES TO COLUMBIA

Menu: quiches – ham, mushroom, broccoli, cheddar and onion

Salad choices, coffee tea and the usual goodies



The Elora UCW will be meeting **this Thursday February 16th at 1:30pm** at Elora United Church.



The Toronto Team, a team of 10 youth and adults, is preparing for their urban poverty learning experience March 10 – 13. During their time in Toronto they will be meeting and talking with many people in need. You can help the team by donating these items: **socks & underwear (mostly for men), gift cards in small amounts (\$ 5 – 10) for Tim's, Subway, McDonalds.** There will be a collection box for these items in the Welcome Centre at Elora UC from Feb. 5 – Mar. 5. Thank You! Follow the team's thoughts and questions on www.TechForGod.ca. Please continue to pray for the team.



Planet Bean Coffee Beans/Grounds, Tea and Chocolate Bar orders after Elora UC worship TODAY. This is a fundraiser for Melanie Weinstein and Arden Irish who are on the **TCOW** (Two Countries One World) team of Waterloo Presbytery. Orders will be ready for pick up on Feb. 26. Payment at time of order (Feb. 5 and 12) is preferred, in cash or cheque.



Elora 2016 Tax Receipts: All tax receipts will be available for pick up at the church on Sunday, February 19 and Sunday February 26. After February 26th, any tax receipts left will be mailed.



Elora's Annual Finance & Property Congregational Meeting is happening on **Sunday, February 26th**. This is an important time for us together. We need to consider our congregation's financial health and start planning for changes in the future. We'll be hearing reports from our Resources Board and Trustees. We'll also be electing a new member to the Trustees. All who are part of our congregation are welcome and encouraged to attend. We will start after worship with a sandwich lunch. Childcare for all ages is available.

P.S. Look for a preview of the conversation we will be having in next week's Sunday News along with a presentation from the Resources Board about some of the questions we will be asking of the congregation.

Bethany's Annual Congregational Meeting will be Sunday Mar 12th at 12:30 pm. Pot luck lunch will be just beforehand – at noon. We'll be choosing new members for our Board and Trustees. Please have your reports to the office by Sunday Feb 26th (or earlier!) so that completed Annual Reports can be distributed on Sunday Mar 5th.





Mark your calendars for **Hero Central Kids Camp!** Tuesday, July 4 – Friday, July 7 in the mornings. Come discover your strength in God!

Looking Ahead

Sun	12:15pm	Congregational Lunch for TCOW and Touchstones
Sun	7:00-9:00pm	Toronto Team Meeting
Mon	1:00pm	Quilters
Tue	7:00-9:00pm	Elora Mission & Resources Board
Thu	1:30pm	Elora UCW
Sun Feb 19	5:30-7:30pm	Potluck and Games for Grade 3 – 6 Youth and Families at Melville United
Sun Feb 26	12:45pm	Elora Annual Congregational Meeting
Wed Mar 1	7:00-9:00pm	Love Your Muslim Neighbour (Evening Group)
Wed Mar 8	10:00-11:30am	Discovering Jesus on the Roads through Lent (afternoon)
Wed Mar 8	7:00-8:30pm	Discovering Jesus on the Roads through Lent (evening)
Fri Mar 10	2:00-4:00pm	Love Your Muslim Neighbour (Afternoon Group)
Sun Mar 12	12:30pm	Bethany Annual Congregational Meeting
Sat Mar 18		Elora UCW's Shamrock Supper

In the Community

Charity/fundraising event Sat. Feb 18th 2017 from 7:00pm to 1:00am at the Elora Legion, 110 Metcalfe St. The evening is to help raise awareness and funds for **“International Animal Rescue’s Orangutan Project”**. A great night of music, dancing, raffles and a light buffet. Tickets \$25.00. For tickets contact Patty Cuthbert at 519-821-8064 or patricialeecuthbert@hotmail.com.



2017 Ecumenical Week of Guided Prayer and Spiritual Exploration, Feb. 26 to March 4. Presented by the Guelph Ecumenical Guild of Ignatian Spiritual Direction this is an opportunity to develop, deepen and explore your relationship with God, and learn ways to meet God meaningfully. Registration forms are available in your church office and at www.guidedprayer.webs.com and will be accepted until Feb. 19.



Elora Co-operative Pre-school will be celebrating their **20th Annual Spaghetti Supper** on **Saturday, February 25th** from 4:00-8:00pm at the Centre Wellington District High School. Dinner prepared by Chef Derek of Fraberts Fresh Food. Gluten free and vegetarian options available. Fabulous silent auction and raffle draw prizes. **Special guests from Paw Patrol!** Tickets are \$10 for Adults and \$5 for children and are available at Fraberts, Village Kids, or online at elorapreschool.ca

VON Falls Prevention Series at Melville United Church. A **FREE** education series presented by Kinesiologist Rachel DeJonge. Tuesdays and Thursdays starting February 14th to March 23rd at 11:30am. Refreshments provided.



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper February 28th from 5:00 – 6:30pm at The Salvation Army Guelph Citadel, 1320 Gordon St, Guelph. A fundraiser to support Family Services programs and camps. Adults \$8, Children \$6 or Family of 4 (2 adults/2 children) \$25. Tickets available by calling (519) 836-9360 ext. 230.



Waterloo Presbyterial Annual Gathering will be celebrating 55 years of UCW on Monday, April 3rd from 9:00am – 3:30pm at the Guelph Country Club, 133 Woodlawn Rd. E., Guelph. Tickets are \$25 and include a continental breakfast at 8:00am and lunch. Please send a cheque made payable to Elizabeth Kocher, noting any dietary allergies, your phone number and email to, Elizabeth Kocher 140 Dinison Cr., Kitchener, ON, N2E 2V2. For further information call 519-578-8248 or email bettykocher@yahoo.ca.



The Daffodil Lunch for the Cancer Society will be held at the Fergus Legion on Wed April 12th. Organizers are seeking help with
1) servers in the dining room on Wed Apr 12th from 11:45am – 2:15pm.
2) donations of pies delivered the day before or by 9:00am on Apr 12th.
3) monetary donations. **There is a sign-up sheet in the Elora UC Welcome Centre.** If you are able to help please add your name to the list by Feb 20th.

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Contact Barb Smith-Young via the office or at 519-846-2542
Administrator Beverly Bond is in the office Thurs 9-3 & Fri 9:30-3:30 from Sept to June