

THE SUNDAY NEWS

May 20, 2018

EDGE Report

At our congregational meeting last Sunday, we heard a presentation about the work done by EDGE, a consultant network within the United Church. EDGE's report includes some important analysis of our congregation and recommendations for our work ahead. **Over the summer, please read over the report. Have conversations about it. Pray for our congregation. In the fall, we will have opportunities for us to engage together with this important work.** You can download the report from our website: elorauc.org/aboutus/congregational-meetings

Special Gifts Grants

The Elora UC Mission Board will be considering mid-year grants from our Special Gifts Fund at its meeting on June 12th. It invites proposals under the following areas:

Education (\$320 available)

Community Outreach (\$320 available)

Projects of the United Church of Canada (\$320 available)

Copies of the fund policy and application forms are available at the back of the sanctuary, as well as from the church office. **We can only consider proposals that use the application form.**

Bethany United Church Annual Breakfast

Hosted by the men of Bethany UC

May 27th 7:30am – 9:00am, at Bethany United Church. **All our welcome.** Pancakes, eggs, sausage, toast, coffee, juice, real syrup, homemade jams. No tickets needed. Just come. Free-will Donations accepted.



Registration is now OPEN for Kids Camp!

New ONLINE registration at www.elorauc.org

Tuesday, July 3 - Friday, July 6 (9am – noon), at Elora United Church.

Loads of fun for kids finished JK - Grade 5. Youth volunteers (Gr. 6 and up) sign-up with Barb. Lots of opportunities for adults to serve. For more info: Barb Smith-Young (519) 846-2542 (barbsmithyoung@gmail.com)



Elora-Bethany Outdoor Worship and Picnic

At Elora United Church (in the garden area beside the building) June 3rd (rain or shine)

Worship begins at 11:00am. Potluck Picnic lunch after service. Games for children and adults. Pie Baking Contest: Bake your best pie and bring it in to be judged. All pies will be auctioned after the winners are announced and all money raised will go to the United Church of Canada's Mission & Service. **Bring: Lawn chairs or blankets, sun screen, hats, food to share, plates, cutlery, cups (drinks provided), pie for the contest (if you wish) or money for the auction.**



Connecting with God. Monday June 4th, 9:30-3:30 (with potluck lunch) at Camp Bimini near Stratford. Barb is speaking at a gathering of the Huron/Perth Presbytery UCW (United Church Women). The theme is "Connecting with God". If this event interests you, contact Barb for more info and directions (519-846-2542).

Addressing the Challenge of Poverty

Building Bridges Out of Poverty, Thursday June 14th, 8:45 – 4:00. Public Health Unit (in the Wellington Terrace building) What impact can we make? The Bridges Out of Poverty workshop provides key strategies when working with individuals living in poverty. Gain a deeper understanding of the challenges and strengths of people living in poverty. **For more info, see the poster in the Welcome Centre at Elora UC or ask Greg.**



Foodgrains Bank Field Dedication

Corner of 4th Line East and Wellington County Road 21, Wednesday June 20th at 7:30pm. Afterwards there will be strawberries and ice cream at Jean Goodwin's (7219 Wellington County Road 21). *The Inverhaugh Foodgrains project is a partnership of Bethany United, Gale Presbyterian and Bethel Mennonite Churches.*



Guess Who Is Coming to Dinner?

You are!!

Saturday, June 23

Enjoy an evening together with others from Elora United.

Everyone is welcome, singles or pairs.

Sign up to be a host home or sign up to be guest.

Everyone brings food.

Your dinner companions will be a surprise!

Need childcare? Connect with Barb who can connect you with sitters.

Sign-up sheets are in the Welcome Centre.

For more info call Bonnie Young 226-820-5612

Lawn mowing help needed! Can you help out by mowing the lawn at the church every few weeks? You would be part of a team of volunteers. We have the mower. We hope to have 6 helpers who would each mow once every six weeks. For more info, please contact Mike Alessio (519-804-3957) or the church office.



Looking Ahead

Mon	1:00pm	Quilters
May 21-27	Greg away	Study Leave and Hamilton Conference
Sun May 27	7:30-9:00am	Bethany Annual Breakfast at BUC
Sun May 27	6:30-7:30pm	Gr 3 - 7 Youth (at Melville UC)
Sun Jun 3	11:00am	Outdoor Worship & Picnic at Elora UC
Sun Jun 3	6:00-8:00pm	Gr. 8 - 12 Youth Group outdoor volleyball and campfire (Elora Public School and Weavers' home)
Sat Jun 9	5:30-7:30pm	Saturday Night Live @ EUC
Sun Jun 10	6:30-7:30pm	Gr. 3 - 7 Youth Group outdoor volleyball and games (Elora Public School)
Wed Jun 20	7:30pm	Foodgrains Field Dedication
Sat Jun 23	evening	Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?

In the Community

Habitat for Humanity Community Yard Sale. Saturday June 2nd from 8am to 12pm at 104 Dawson Road Unit 300 in Guelph. Donations of indoor and outdoor furniture, tools, garden and home décor and artwork are greatly appreciated. In addition to fantastic finds the yard sale will have food trucks and entertainment. Further information can be found at habitatwdg.ca/news/community-sale.