

THE SUNDAY NEWS

May 5, 2019

Two Countries One World (TCOW) – TODAY in Worship

Caleb Smith-Young (Elora UC) and Sarah Schmidt-McQuillan (Melville UC) are going to share with us during worship today. They are part of a team of United Church youth in the area who have been learning about global citizenship through the lens of their Christian faith. In March, they travelled to Colombia. They are thankful for all your support!

Weekly Wednesday Gatherings. This new group is just getting started! It's for you to connect with other people over lunch, conversation and shared activities. It will meet every **Wednesday in the Bissell Room from 11:00am – 3:00pm.** Please feel free to drop-in anytime during this period and stay for as short or long a time as you like.

Elora-Bethany Outdoor Worship and Picnic

June 2nd at Bethany United Church (rain or shine)

Worship begins at 10:30am. Potluck Picnic Lunch afterwards.

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 winners are announced and all money raised will go to the United Church of Canada's Mission & Service.

Items to 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.



Elora UC Mission & Leadership Meeting

This meeting for the whole congregation will be after worship on **Sunday, May 5.** Our focus will be on what we are doing as Christ's people (our mission) and how we make decisions (our leadership). There will be a **make-your-own sandwich lunch** before the meeting and a donation basket will be provided to cover the costs. **Childcare will be provided.**

We will be considering reports from: our Minister for Worship, Spiritual Formation and Pastoral Care; Our Minister for Children and Youth; the United Church Women; Saturday Night Live, the Community Dinners; the Monday Quilters; Project Welcome; and the Ministry & Personnel Committee.

The congregation will be selecting new leaders!

Mission Board: leads our mission and spiritual life including worship, social justice, evangelism, community outreach, education, pastoral care, membership. Usually meets on the 2nd Tuesday evening of each month.

**Needed: 3 positions for 1 and 3-year terms
2 regional reps for 4-year terms**

Resources Board: stewards our resources for mission including regular maintenance and care of Elora UC's property, budget, stewardship, fundraising, spending, and financial management. Usually meets on the 4th Tuesday evening of each month, and sometimes on the 2nd Tuesday.

Needed: 2 positions for 1 and 3-year terms

Trustees Board: manages Elora UC's investments, ensures Elora UC is properly insured and manages risk, and makes decisions about substantial changes to property. Meets 3-4 times a year.

Needed: 1 position for a 4-year term

Ministry & Personnel Comm.: tends to the relationships between staff and congregation, conducts regular reviews of staff, supports staff in their work, mediates conflicts and performance matters with staff. Meets 3-4 times a year.

Needed: 1 position for a 4-year term

Special Gifts Fund

The Elora UC Mission Board will be considering mid-year grants from our Special Gifts Fund at its meeting on May 14th. It invites proposals under the following areas:

Education (\$400 available)

Community Outreach (\$400)

Projects of the United Church of Canada (\$400)

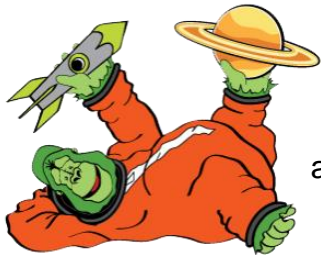
Copies of the fund policy and application forms are available at the back of the sanctuary, as well as from the church office. *We can only consider proposals that use the application form.*

Bethany United Church Annual Breakfast

Hosted by the men of Bethany UC

June 9th 7:30-9:00am at Bethany United Church

All our welcome. Pancakes, eggs, sausages, toast, coffee, juice, real maple syrup, homemade jams. **No tickets needed. Just come. Free-will donations accepted.**



Galactic Blast Kids Camp at Elora United Church! Don't miss this super fun camp! Wednesday, July 3rd-Friday July 5th in the mornings. For children who have finished JK -Grade 5. **Online registration is open and paper registrations are available from Barb.** Youth finished Grade 6 and up can sign up as leaders with Barb. Lots of adult leaders needed too. For more info connect with Barb (519-846-2542, barbsmithyoung@gmail.com)

Looking Ahead

Sun	6:30-8:00pm	Gr. 7 - 12 Youth Group (Elora UC)
Mon	1:00pm	Quilters – BR
Wed	11:00am–3:00pm	Weekly Wednesday Gathering - BR
Thu	7:00pm	EUC Adult Choir Practice – BR
Tue May 14	7:00pm	Mission Board Meeting – BR
Tue May 21	7:30pm	Elora-Bethany Board Meeting – Bethany UC
Sun May 26	6:30–8:00pm	Gr. 3 - 8 Youth Group (Elora UC)
Tue May 28	7:00pm	Resources Board Meeting – BR
Sun Jun 2	10:30am	Worship & Picnic at Bethany UC
Sun Jun 9	7:30-9:30am	Bethany Annual Breakfast - BUC
July 3 - 5	mornings	Galactic Blast Kids Camp at Elora UC

In the Community

Cake Decorating Course, 8 week course starting **May 6 to June 24th from 7:00pm-8:30pm.**

At Knox Elora Presbyterian Church, 51 Church St. Elora ON.

\$40.00 plus supplies

Call 519-846-0680 today as Space is limited !!

All funds will go to our Steeple restoration



Nelson Mandela Anniversary Concert & Southern African Flood Relief



Fundraiser: A musical extravaganza of traditional African sounds by the Mzansi Ensemble, a ten-voice vocal a cappella group from Durban, South Africa, tells the life story of Nelson Mandela at **Knox Presbyterian Church**, 51 Church Street, Elora on **Thursday May 23rd, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.**

Advance tickets are \$25 or \$30 at the door; For Tickets or more information contact Knox Elora at 519-846-0680 or knoxelora@wightman.ca.

Donations to Flood relief in South African will be accepted after the concert. Donations over \$10.00 will be receipted.