

# THE SUNDAY NEWS

JANUARY 26, 2020

**Barbatiou Barb's Birthday Bash!! Sunday, January 26, 6 - 9 pm at Elora United Church.** In celebration of turning 50, Barb Smith-Young is hosting an Ice Cream Party for Everyone! Drop in any time that evening. There will be lots of ice cream, board games, and toys for Barb's youngest friends. Please no gifts. You are welcome to bring ice cream toppings to share (no nuts please).



## **Friday Evening Potlucks, Fridays in January , 6:30-8:30pm**

The Weavers' home: 31 Emily Street, Elora.

Come and end your week with good food and conversation. Bring anything you wish to contribute, small or big. We will end with a group prayer time (for those who wish) to send you off for the weekend. You are welcome to bring a friend or neighbour. Everyone's invited!

## **Collecting funds for Broadview (Observer) Magazine subscriptions**

Renew your subscription or begin a subscription to the United Church of Canada's award-winning magazine. Regularly \$30/year. Those in Elora United's group subscription pay **only \$25. Deadline is February 9<sup>th</sup>.**

Look for Observer envelopes on the table in the upper lobby or simply mark "BROADVIEW OR OBSERVER" on any envelope from the pews; then place your envelope on the collection plate. For more info, call Beverly in the office. *Bethany's Observer subscriptions are renewed in June.*

**Broadview**  
SPIRITUALITY, JUSTICE AND ETHICAL LIVING

**"Bread Cubes and Grape Juice...the Wonder of Communion". Sunday, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> during Children's Worship time.** This is a "faith at home" discussion time for all parents of children and youth. We will go downstairs partway through worship. The children will be upstairs in the Bissel Room watching a movie.

## **Blended Church Coffee House, Saturday February 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at Melville United Church, Fergus**

The theme is "The Music of Love". Come and enjoy an evening of entertainment provided by musicians, singers and story tellers of various United Churches in the area, and get to know some of our United Church neighbours. Free will offering. If you or anyone you know would like to perform, please contact Rev. Marion, [m.loree@rogers.com](mailto:m.loree@rogers.com)

## Another Story Must Begin

A spiritual growth group using the musical, *Les Misérables*.

Les Mis is one of the great musicals of the 20th century. Based on Victor Hugo's classic (and very long) novel, the musical tells the story of a fugitive thief, Jean Valjean, Inspector Javert who is hunting him, and the people who are drawn into their story. It's a story of justice and grace, love and fear, obsession and hope.

A few years ago I did a 3-day retreat, based on the musical. We looked at each character, and how that character's traits are reflected in our own lives. I want to offer a similar experience for you.

I'm hoping to offer this 6-session group, beginning in February (or March) and finishing in April. The group will meet weekly.

For now, I'm trying to figure out when to offer it. **So, if you're interest, please let me know and tell me which time (or times) might work for you.**

**A: Thursday evenings (March 5-April 9)**

**B: Friday afternoons (February 21-March 6, March 20-April 3)**

**C: Friday evenings (February 21-March 6, March 20-April 3)**

**D: I'm interested, but none of those times work for me. What about. . . ?**

## Looking Ahead

Sun	6:00-9:00pm	Barb's Birthday Celebration – FH
Tue	7:00pm	Elora UC Resources Board - BR
Wed	11:00-2:00pm	Weekly Wednesday Gathering
Fri	6:30-8:30pm	Friday Evening Potluck – at the Weaver's Home
Wed Feb 5	11:00-2:00pm	Weekly Wednesday Gathering
Wed Feb 5	7:30pm	Trustees Meeting – at Nancy's Home
Sat Feb 8	10:30am	Care Callers Meeting – BR
Sun Feb 9	2:00pm	Toronto Urban Poverty Experience Team
Thu Feb 13	7:00pm	Good & Beautiful God Group – Hulley's
Sun Feb 16		Finance & Property Annual Reports DUE
Sun Mar 1	12:30pm	Finance Property Congregational Meeting

## In the Community

### Doctrine of Discovery soup-and-chat group, Sundays 12:30-1:30pm

Jan 26 St. John's Church Parish Centre

Our conversation will be based on the documentary "Doctrine of Discovery." This film is about the devastating decision, made over 500 years ago, that lands discovered by Europeans were "empty" and their millions of Indigenous inhabitants were "non-human." This decision continues to impact Indigenous and Settler people worldwide. All are welcome, whether you have seen the film or not.

### Hootenanny, Saturday February 1<sup>st</sup> at 3:30pm at Knox Presbyterian Church

No Name Band & Friends. Chili lunch to follow. A Pass of the Hat.