ERAMOSA PASTORAL CHARGE

SPEEDSIDE and BARRIE HILL UNITED CHURCHES

Friday, September 18, 2020

Community Announcements

*Our aim for this weekly email will be to bring about a sense of community, positivity and light during a very challenging time in our world.

As most of you are aware, both of our church buildings, Barrie Hill and Speedside, have been temporarily closed and all worships, events and public gatherings have been suspended. Please enjoy this small piece of the congregation we are bringing to you during this period of social distancing.

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Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Please submit bulletin

announcements to the EPC Office by

Thursday evening.

If you know of anyone who would benefit from receiving the community announcements by email please contact the church office.

MISSION STATEMENT

Arising from a deeply rooted faith in God, known to us through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, we, the people of Eramosa Pastoral Charge, celebrate that we are a Christian community striving to share our faith, friendship, fun, music and other talents. We do this through our unique rural approach to worship, Christian education, stewardship and pastoral care.

Welcome to Eramosa Pastoral Charge's Weekly Community Announcements

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Online Worship Services

Rev. Lynn will be recording online church services every week with a lay reader from Barrie Hill or Speedside. They will be posted on Sundays and can be watched anytime. They can be found at:

Our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/barriehillunited

Our website: www.eramosapc.com

A bulletin for the Sunday service will be available on our website and will also be included as an attachment in the weekly announcement email sent out Friday afternoon/evening.

If anyone has trouble viewing these services, please contact the EPC office

Happy Fall Barrie Hill!

I'm so looking forward to re-connecting this fall, albeit in an entirely new way. The great news is that we're all friends, and on this learning curve together, so let's experiment, laugh, and make music!

- Choir practice will resume virtually starting September 17, 2020 7:30-8:30pm VIA ZOOM. I will send out the link for you to join. NEW MEMBERS WELCOME... send me an email if you'd like to try it out this fall.
- Calling ALL MUSICIANS! Please email me if you'd like to be a soloist or play a piece of special music for our online service.
- As we move to the online format, I'm hopeful that music and art can be a way of connecting from a distance. Let's share what we are up to! Please submit by email original photos, art work, video, pictures of that wonderful project you've been working on (canning, quilts, you name it!) anything that I can pair visually with weekly hymns!
- ♣ Special Hymn Sings and Youth Music events will be happening online VIA Facebook / ZOOM. Stayed tuned and read the announcements to find out when these fun events will be happening.

Blessings, Mary

Barrie Hill members: To continue regular offerings please mail cheque (no cash) to Brenda Auger,

7847 Mill Road, Guelph N1H6J1

PAR (Pre Authorized Remittance): If interested in considering PAR as another method of giving contact Brenda Auger 519-830-0496 or mbauger1950@gmail.com

Speedside members: The expenses of the church continue, even though the building is closed. If you've been wondering how to continue your regular offerings, please consider doing one of the following:

- 1. PAR (pre-authorized remittance) If you're already on PAR, your monthly givings will continue. If you're not on PAR, please consider using this method of giving. If you're interested, email Glenda Rose at glenda.rose010@sympatico.ca or phone at 519-843-3425.
- 2. Mail your cheque (no cash) to Rhonda Hattle, 7912 Mill Rd, Guelph N1H 6J1
- 3. Drop off your cheque at Speedside, and leave it in Rhonda's mail box.
- 4. Mail your cheque to Speedside: 5903 Wellington Rd 29, Rockwood NOB 2KO.

Note: the mailbox is checked regularly.

In celebration of **Speedside Church's 175th**, Janet Scott & Sue Weir are hoping to put together a scrapbook.

They are looking to gather photos/memorabilia/church activities throughout 1845-2020.

If you would like to scan the items please let them know, then they will keep them.

They are prepared to scan your items & return them to you.

Please identify your photo/memorabilia by name, date, and put them in a zip lock bag to contain everything. Also, include how to contact you via text, e-mail, phone #.

You could drop them off at the church, Janet's house, or Sue's mailbox. Please let them know so they can be picked up in a timely manner

According to our Regional Prayer Cycle for Western Ontario Waterways: Hanover: Grace

Minutes for Mission

Disabled Farmers in Cuba

Cuban Council of Churches

Mission & Service—funded global partner the Cuban Council of Churches has united two goals in a pilot project: encouraging sustainable farming and creating churches that are more inclusive of people with disabilities.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Barrie Hill Church Council Meeting Wednesday Sept. 23, 7:30 pm at the church

Info deadline for Fall newsletter is Sept. 27th, 2020



Share your summer stories and any special birthdays and anniversaries.

Also any upcoming events through till Christmas.

An update on Fall church will also be included.

Next newsletter will be in January 2021. Please email jsmcfarlane@xplornet.ca

NEW TO YOU STORE IN FERGUS HOURS UPDATE

To Donate gently used or new items to the store- Donations accepted only *Monday, Wednesday and Saturday mornings 8:00 am to 12 noon, or when donation unit is full- whichever happens first. -*

For Store hours, we are slowly getting back to normal hours- Store now open *Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 am to 4 p.m.*COVID rules mean a mask is required and social distancing lets under 12 in at one time to shop, so please be patient if you come on a busy day.

Volunteers work in smaller units now in the work area and wear masks if near others.

Thank you for your support of Groves Hospital. We are so happy that the new hospital is up and running, although we have not been able to have the big party that was planned. There will be no Christmas bake sale or special bazaar this year- but Christmas items will be in the store for regular shopping. Already Hallowe'en items are out for purchase.



Cookies & Coffee

The pastoral charge is invited to and outdoor cookies and coffee in Barrie Hill's parking lot **Tuesday**, **September 22**, **10:30** am – **11:30** am.(Weather dependant)

Please bring lawn chairs. Outdoor social distance visiting may alleviate the need for facemasks for some, but to use the washroom facilities these are necessary.

RSVP by Friday September 18 4-pm - to Tim Card

 <u>Tim3Card@gmail.com</u> (please use this email address as record of visitor contact necessary for social gatherings)

Coffee / Tea – juice will be provide along with cookies.



We look forward to seeing you!

Honour children who attended residential schools.



Phyllis Webstad with Former Moderator Jordan Cantwell

Credit: The United Church of Canada

On September 30, people all across Canada will wear orange shirts to remember and honour Indigenous children who attended Residential Schools. Indigenous Ministries and Justice at The United Church of Canada asks you to participate in Orange Shirt Day!

Why orange? Because of Phyllis Jack Webstad from the Stswecem'c Xgat'tem First Nation, who went to St. Joseph Mission Residential School. On her first day of school, Phyllis wore an orange shirt that her grandmother had given her. It was immediately taken away, and that marked the beginning of Phyllis's long separation from her family and community, a separation caused by actions of the church and the federal government.

Orange Shirt Day is a time for us all to remember those events, their ongoing impact, and just as importantly, the continuing strength and resilience of Indigenous peoples. Former Healing Programs Coordinator Honarine Scott has written a <u>powerful reflection</u> on this.

1. Mark Orange Shirt Day in your community of faith on September 27

Whether your community of faith is meeting in person or online, please ask people to wear orange for a community picture, whether that's a safely distanced group photo, a Zoom call screen shot, or a collage. Share your photos on Facebook and Twitter (include the hashtags #OrangeShirtDay, #EveryChildMatters, and #UCCan), or send them to Reconciliation and Indigenous Justice Animator Sara Stratton at SStratton@united-church.ca for use on our social media pages.

A Prayer for Orange Shirt Day*

Today we wear orange to remember and honour all the Indigenous children who went to Residential Schools.

Today we wear orange and we pray for the Residential School and intergenerational survivors who are still struggling.

Today we wear orange and we are thankful for those who speak the truth, and who work to shine a light on injustice.

Today we wear orange in the name of compassion and the spirit of truth and reconciliation.

Help us, God, to remember and act on this every day.

Amen.

*This prayer was inspired by Honarine Scott's Orange Shirt Day blog.

2. Wear an orange shirt on Wednesday, September 30

Whether you're at work, at school, or at home, get out that orange shirt! Make sure you take a picture to share on Facebook and Twitter (include the hashtags #OrangeShirtDay, #EveryChildMatters, and #UCCan), and challenge your friends and family to do the same. You can also send your pictures to Reconciliation and Indigenous Justice Animator Sara Stratton at Stratton@united-church.ca for use on our social media pages.