

Calendar

Sunday, March 28

- 8:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Women's Group - cancelled
- AJ Levine Retreat & Lecture series cont's:
- 8:30 a.m. Conversation Café open for muffins, coffee/tea, fruit, etc.
- 8:30 a.m. Book Room open
- 9:00 a.m. Circle of Light Meditation
- 9:30 a.m. Small Groups:
:Fusion of Yoga & Mindfulness Meditation
:Tai Chi
:Praying with Scriptures
:Learning Circle
:Prayer Shawl
:Awakening the Dreamer; Changing the Dream
:Drumming
:Labyrinth
- 10:00 a.m. Office open
- 10:30 a.m. Palm/Passion Sunday
~ Special Guest: A.J. Levine: "Judas Iscariot"
- 11:45 a.m. Fellowship – Memorial Hall with Book Room open
- 1:30 p.m. A. J. Levine Lecture
~ *Faithful Followers: The Women at the Cross and Tomb*
- 3:00 p.m. Book Room Open

Monday, March 29

- 11:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 3:30 p.m. Jubilee House
- 7:00 p.m. Balancing Your Personal Medicine Wheel Small Group
- 7:30 p.m. NA Support Group

Tuesday, March 30

- 9:00 a.m. Tai Chi
- 9:30 a.m. Mother Care
- 10 - 11 a.m. Social Services
- 10:30 a.m. Gentle Yoga Small Group
- 11:00 a.m. Greenhaven Community Kitchen

- 11:15 a.m. Social Services Team mtg.
- 4:00 p.m. Toronto Conference Food Committee meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Beavers & Cubs
- 7:30 p.m. Wisdom Circle presents: Drew Dellinger
- 7:30 pm. UCW #2 @ Drew Dellinger

Wednesday, March 31

- 11:00 a.m. Cooking for homeless
- 11:45 a.m. MS Adaptive Tai Chi
- 6:00 p.m. Greenhaven Tools for Healing
- 6:30 p.m. Sparks & Brownies
- 7:30 p.m. No Wisdom Circle ~ See Tuesday, March 30th

Thursday, April 1

- 10 - 11 a.m. Social Services
- 10:30 a.m. Gentle Yoga Small Group
- 2:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Small Group
New members always welcome
- 6:00 p.m. Orff Instrument Ensemble
- 6:30 p.m. Carol Choir
- 6:45 p.m. Cherub Choir
- 7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday
Folk Mass & Foot washing
- 7:30 p.m. NA Support Group
- 8:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Friday, April 2

- Office Closed
- 7:30 p.m. Good Friday service

Sunday, April 4

- 10:00 a.m. Office open
- 10:30 a.m. Joyous Easter Worship
- 11:45 a.m. Office Open
- 11:40 a.m. Fellowship Time
- 3:30 p.m. 3:30 Live!
~Guest: Sherry Lawson

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OTHER GROUPS WE PARTNER WITH BY PROVIDING SPACE: Tuesday: Cellar Singers; Wednesday: Suzuki Baby Group, Reconnaissance, Terry Cowan Drumming.

WELCOME CENTRE ~ In the Greeting Area! Pick up a yellow duotang full of information about St. Paul's.

CHECK OUT the papers hanging on the hook on the pew – you'll find information on how to get hearing assistive devices for the service, how to let yourself be known to us if you are new, how to let us know if you have any pastoral care needs ... and much more!

THE BOOK ROOM ~ THE UNITED CHURCH RESOURCE CENTER will be open today at 8:30 a.m., during fellowship time in Memorial Hall and this afternoon at 3 p.m. St Paul's will receive 20% of all sales – so plan to do some shopping for you and for any upcoming presents!

BUY YOUR MORE VOICES ~ The supplement to *Voices United* is a resource we are using more and more frequently at St. Paul's. Pat Gilmore will bring a good supply of *More Voices* (less than \$20 each) for the Book Room display, March 26-28. If you would like to purchase a copy for yourself, for the choir, or to be available for those who read music in the congregation, that would be wonderful. We are thinking that it would be great to have 60 copies available for use.

DREW DELLINGER ~ amazing speaker, poet, and founder of Poets for Global Justice, is coming to St. Paul's on Tuesday, March 30, at 7:30 p.m. Drew weaves together insight and inspiration for a sustainable future drawn from the teachings of Martin Luther King, Jr. and Thomas Berry. Tickets are \$20 or what you can afford and are available at Church office.

LEARNING CIRCLE SMALL GROUP ~ will explore *Darwin, Divinity and the Dance of the Cosmos*, by Bruce Sanguin and will run on Wednesday mornings 10:30-noon, April 7 to May 26 which is an 8 week session. Please call the Church office to register, 326-7351.

THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE ~ This year's Lenten Appeal, February 21 to March 28, is for Paso por Paso, in Guatemala (international)

and The Lighthouse (local). Envelopes are available in the pews and at the Office for you to make your gift to these groups.

TIME TO SPRING INTO ACTION AND RENEW YOUR OBSERVER SUBSCRIPTION! – This is an excellent way to get the latest news and stay informed about the United Church and its activities across Canada and around the world. A one-year subscription mailed to your home costs only \$20 when we order as a church group (a saving of \$5). Please mark "Observer" on your giving envelope. Make sure we have your name, complete address and envelope number. Please make cheques payable to St. Paul's United Church.

SUPPER CLUB ~ The April meeting of the Supper Club which welcomes all seniors [both singles and couples] is at 6:00 p.m. Thursday April 8 in the Banquet Hall. As usual it's a potluck [bring an entree or dessert and your dinnerware and cutlery] and join us for an evening of food, fun and socializing. There'll be a talk and demonstration of Yoga for Seniors and violin music with piano accompaniment. More info - contact Mac & Isobel Wilding 327-1353.

BOOK CIRCLE - Jesus: The Misunderstood Jew Thursdays, April 8, 15, 29, May 6, 13, & 20 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. ~ as a follow-up to the lecture series by Amy-Jill Levine being held at St. Paul's this weekend. The group will study Amy-Jill Levine's work as it is shared in *The Misunderstood Jew: The Church and the Scandal of the Jewish Jesus* and at the lecture series. "The Misunderstood Jew" will be available through Manticore Books for \$10 or at the Book Room this weekend. Contact the Church Office to register, 326-7351, ext. 104.

MOVIE NIGHT ~ "The Prairie Giant: The Tommy Douglas Story." Friday, April 9, 7:00 p.m. Free admission. Pop & chips for sale at a nominal fee. Let's celebrate the new Health Care Bill in the U.S.!

A BAPTISM & NEW MEMBERS Service is planned for May 9. If you are interested, please contact the Church office, 326-7351.

THE ST. PAUL'S [NOT JUST] COUPLE'S CLUB invites you to an evening of "MUSIC MEMORIES" with the artistry of Blair and Friends playing some of our selected favourites. The songs will be introduced by those who have submitted them. Sit back, relax and enjoy wonderful music on Saturday, April 17, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. in the Banquet Hall. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call Dave or Marg at 327-1479. ALL ARE WELCOME !!

RETREAT IN THE MIDST OF EVERYDAY LIFE April 11 to 16 for a "Retreat in the Midst of Everyday Life," using the Week of Guided Prayer material for this year, with the theme, *We Are Not Alone*. Sunday will be 1:30 to 3:30 and then on weekdays there is an option of 1:30 to 3:30 or 7:30 to 9:30 (both sessions are the same). Call Church office to register.

A RECIPE FOR JOY – A WOMEN'S CIRCLE ~ This Small Group is inspired by the book *The Joy Diet*, by Martha Beck, which we will each read for the Small Group. This diet for the soul contains ten menu items designed to lose emotional weight and help one achieve a deepening joy in living. You deserve to be happy joyous and free. Sessions run Tuesday mornings 9:30-11:30 a.m. April 13-June 15 with a possibility of evening classes in the fall. To register contact Louise Calvert-Dale 835-2994.

POPCAN SUNDAY ~ is the 2nd Sunday of each month. Your used pop cans are used as fundraising for 2nd Orillia Scouts and the group raises approximately \$1,000 per year through this program. The next Pop Can Sunday will be April 11th.

YOUTH NEWS: (Grade 7 – 12)

Check out the Youth Bulletin Board for more information on:

Road Trip To London ~ Good Friday. We leave Orillia at 10 a.m., attend London Conference's annual Youth service called, "The Swell," sleep over in a London church, then return home the next morning. Cost is \$20 to cover food and transport. Let Monica know by Wednesday, March 31st if you want to attend.

New Youth Group to begin on Thursday, April 15 at 7:30 p.m. This new group will be for those in grades 6, 7 & 8. More info to come.

Summer Camp Registration is happening now! See the bulletin board for all the cool possibilities.

AS WE PRAY ❖ We keep in our prayers Diane Mlshaw at the death of her brother, Jim Barrett on March 19th. ❖ We lift up prayers of thanksgiving for the life of Helen Macdonald, who died on January 31 and keep in our prayers her family and friends. ❖ We keep in our prayers by sending light and love to Mary Rose, Betty Hurson, Roy Reading, Ava Hunter, Theda Coleman, Walter Franklin-Hearn, Laurie Smith (Deanna Peacock's father), Mark Dahmer (Jack Dahmer's son), Sarah King (Shirley & Harvie Johnson's niece), Rick Byrne, Harry Hughes, Jann Merrick, Nora Robert (Bonnie Sugden's mother), Scott Lepard, Letty Eastcott, and others connected to our St. Paul's family who are in hospital, recovering at home, in treatment, or preparing for surgery, as well as their families. *Anyone named in our prayer list (or a close relative of theirs) has agreed that they be included. The ministry of prayer is a powerful one. May God's blessings be with us as we continue sharing this ministry. Please let the church office know if you or a loved one is in the hospital as we are not able to check the whole hospital list but want to be of support. The portion of the list we can check is the United Church section – but you will need to make sure that you tell the registration person to put you on that list every time you go or your name will not show up.* ☞

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Poetry for eco-justice & Lecture
7:30 p.m.

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Citizen of the Year: Sherry Lawson
3:30 p.m.

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7:30 p.m.

APRIL 24

Awakening the Dreamer, Changing the Dream
Symposium Day
10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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Please let the office know if you would appreciate contact for pastoral care. With a community this large it is difficult to ensure that everyone is receiving the support they need unless they let us know. Purple pastoral care sheets are provided on the hook in the pews to share pastoral care needs for you or another.