

Calendar

Sunday, April 25

- 8:00 a.m. Sunday Morning
Women's Group
- 10:00 a.m. Office open
- 10:30 a.m. Church Service
- 11:40 a.m. Office Open
- 11:40 a.m. Fellowship Time
~with cake to celebrate with
the Enquiry Group
~Observer subscriptions
available
- 12:30–2 p.m. Paso por Paso
Annual General meeting

Monday, April 26

- 11:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 3:30 p.m. Jubilee House
- 7:00 p.m. Balancing Your Personal
Medicine Wheel
- 7:30 p.m. Amnesty International
- 7:30 p.m. NA Support Group
- 8:00 p.m. House Band

Tuesday, April 27

- 9:00 a.m. Tai Chi
- 9:00 a.m. M & P Committee
- 9:30 a.m. Mother Care
- 9:30 a.m. Recipe for Joy Small Group
- 10 - 11 a.m. Social Services
- 10:30 a.m. Gentle Yoga Small Group
- 11:15 a.m. Social Services Team mtg.
- 6:30 p.m. Telecare Training
- 6:30 p.m. Beavers & Cubs
- 7:30 p.m. UCW #2* - at home of
Diane Weber, 327-7333

Wednesday, April 28

- 10:30 a.m. Learning Circle ~ *Darwin,
Divinity & the Dance of the
Cosmos*
- 11:45 a.m. MS Adaptive Tai Chi
- 6:00 p.m. Tools for Healing
- 6:30 p.m. Sparks & Brownies
- 7:30 p.m. Wisdom Circle
~Encounter World Religions
Shintoism & Confucianism

Thursday, April 29

- 10 – 11 a.m. Social Services
- 10:30 a.m. Gentle Yoga Small Group
- 2:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Small Group
- 4:00 p.m. Property Committee
- 6:00 p.m. Orff Instrument Ensemble
- 6:30 p.m. Carol Choir
- 6:45 p.m. Cherub Choir
- 7:30 p.m. Youth Group
- 7:30 p.m. NA Support Group
- 7:30 p.m. Learning-in-Community
Circle ~ *Jesus: The
Misunderstood Jew*
- 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Friday, April 30

- Office Closed
- 9:30 a.m. Mother Care
- 10:30 a.m. NIA Small Group

Sunday, May 2

- 10:00 a.m. Office open
- 10:30 a.m. Church Service
~ Anniversary Sunday
- 11:40 a.m. Office Open
- 11:40 a.m. Fellowship Time
- 3:30 p.m. 3:30 *Live!*
~Memories of my Mother
with Kerry Ovens

* off site

OTHER GROUPS WE PARTNER WITH BY PROVIDING SPACE: Monday: Can. Hard of Hearing Assoc.; Tuesday: Cellar Singers Rehearsal; Wednesday: Suzuki Baby Group, Terry Cowan Drumming; Reconnaissance; Friday: OSMH Training; Saturday: Gordie Keith Memorial Circle Dance; Sunday: Can. Cancer Society Volunteer Appreciation.

The Rose on the pulpit this morning is placed by Edie Hilfman McDonald, in memory of her husband, Lloyd Hilfman on the anniversary of his death, April 27, 1983.

WELCOME CENTRE ~ In the Greeting Area! Pick up a yellow folder 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!

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 our 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.

WISDOM CIRCLE ~ Wednesday April 28th, 2010 will explore two ancient faiths from Asia. Speaker JW Windland, of Encounter World Religions, will be presenting two one hour lectures: Shintoism: The Way of the Kami and Confucianism: A Culture of Order. As the indigenous religion of Japan, Shinto's unique mythology and spiritual practice is inseparable from Japanese culture. This lecture will look at how this shrine-based religion informs individuals and society through a process of balance, harmony, purification and extraordinary reverence for both living and ancestral figures. Confucianism, on the other hand, may be considered as much or more a social system as it is a religion. This lecture studies the political, social and religious conditions that gave rise to and influenced the development of this unique school of thought. Presentations start at 7:30 sharp. Cost is \$15.00 at the door. This is the last Encounter World Religions session for the spring season.

LEARNING-IN-COMMUNITY 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 held at St. Paul's before Holy Week. The group will study Amy-Jill'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. Contact the Church Office to register, 326-7351. New people still welcome.

MORE VOICES ~ are still available for purchase for the Church, or personally. They can be purchased at the Church office for \$17.80 (taxes included). We're aiming for a set of 60 and already have 33!

NEXT MOVIE NIGHT AT ST. PAUL'S ~ Friday, May 21, in the Banquet Hall at 7:00 p.m. *The Vicar of Dibley* Free admission – pop and chips and, yes, popcorn this time, for a nominal charge.

DESSERT BRIDGE AND EUCHRE PARTY ~ Have you and your friends bought your bridge or euchre tickets yet? -- \$8.00 each -- \$32.00 a table – Friday, May 14th. Come and enjoy dessert at 1 p.m. in the Banquet Hall and there will be "lots?" of prizes! Tickets are available from UCW Unit 1 members or from Donnajean, 325-1757.

HEY KIDS! ~ St. Paul's has just become a member of KIDS FOR TURTLES! Watch for cool events to be posted on our bulletin board.

NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK, MAY 1-8 ~ See the bulletin board in the main hallway for the schedule. Monica is helping to organize the opening event – a Coffee House on May 1 at the Mariposa Folk Festival office. We are looking for donations of cookies and squares. Please phone Monica, 326-7351, ext. 107, if you can help.

THE MOVIE, "The Lovely Bones," will be showing at the Orillia Public Library today – Sunday April 25 – at 1:30 p.m. Please phone the

Library to register, as there are limited spaces available.

READING OF THE SCRIPTURES ~ In a 10-day period – April 28 to May 7, the entire Bible will be read aloud here in Orillia. If anyone would like to be a reader for a half hour to an hour time slot, please call Craig Cook of St. Mark's Presbyterian Church at 325-9343. Readers are needed asap.

3:30 LIVE! ~ Sunday, May 2nd at 3:30 p.m. in the Banquet Hall will feature guest Kerry Ovens on the theme, "Memories of My Mother."

CREATING CIRCLES OF TRUST ~ A DVD presentation – Tuesday, May 4th at 7:30 p.m. This DVD based on Parker Palmer's book "Hidden Wholeness" is a treasure—an inspiring, useful blueprint for building safe places where people can commit to "act in every situation in ways that honor the soul." Karen has found the DVD to be inspiring and looks forward to this opportunity to share it and discuss it with others. This is a continuing education opportunity for small group leaders but everyone is welcome!

JAZZ BRUNCH ~ Last October the New Orleans-style brunch that we served after the Jazz Service, where our musicians for the day shared more of their music, was a wonderful success. People loved the food, the music and the fun. If you are willing to help do the cooking, set-up and/or clean-up this year, please call the Church office (326-7351) – a great way to spend time with friends and share laughter, hospitality and good food.

THE MOVIE, PRAIRIE GIANT ~ is available to borrow from St. Paul's library.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS ~ March 31, 2010

Revenue:	March	Year to date
Local	\$33,934.46	\$ 85,882.91
M & S	\$ 3,584.50	\$ 11,476.50
Disaster Rel.	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,291.50
Expenses:	March	Year to date
Local	\$ 35,757.15	\$ 96,699.30
M & S	\$ 3,584.50	\$ 11,476.50
Disaster Rel.	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,291.50
Financial Position:		
	March	Year to date
Local	\$ -1,822.69	\$ -10,816.39
M & S	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Disaster Rel.	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Bank:		
General:		\$21,867.48
Investment account:		\$25,000.00
Petty Cash:		\$ 150.00
Bank Total:		\$47,017.48

AS WE PRAY ❖ We lift up prayers of celebration that Deanna Carbert was honoured with the June Callwood Circle of Outstanding Volunteers award, a Provincial award from the Hospice Association of Ontario. She was nominated by Hospice Orillia for her dedicated service to them over the past 13 years. ❖ We lift up prayers of celebration that Ken McMullen was named to the Order of Orillia for his volunteer time on the development and provision of services to marginalized and homeless citizens, including his work with Hillcrest. ❖ We lift up prayers of thanksgiving for the life of Jean Coote who died on April 9 and keep in our prayers her family and friends. ❖ We keep in our prayers by sending light and love to Mary Rose, Roy Reading, Theda Coleman, Walter Franklin-Hearn, Mark Dahmer (Jack Dahmer's son), Sarah King (Shirley & Harvie Johnson's niece), Rick Byrne, 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.* ☞

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

MAY 2

Anniversary Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

MAY 4

Creating Circles of Trust DVD
7:30 p.m.

MAY 7

Men's Dinner 6:30 p.m.

MAY 8

Training for Small Group Leaders
10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

MAY 14

Dessert Bridge & Euchre Party
1:00 p.m.

MAY 15

St. Paul's [Not Just] Couples Club, 6:00 p.m.

MAY 19

Wisdom Circle, 7:30 p.m.
Jaak Reichmann

MAY 21

Movie Night ~ *The Vicar of Dibley*, 7:00 p.m.

MAY 26

Awakening The Dreamer, "Transition Towns"
7:30 p.m.

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APRIL 25, 2010

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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.