



PEACE UNITED CHURCH

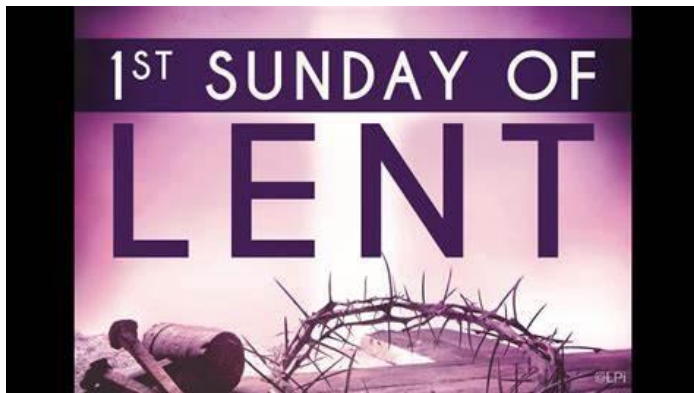
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February 15, 2024



DROP IN FOR A VISIT!



Rev. Murray will be in the Peace office on Tuesday and Thursday next week (weather permitting). If the big black truck is in the parking lot, you will find him there. Drop in and say hello or give him a call at the church 519.684.7341.

PROPOSED BOARD AND COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

For the past several months, your Unified Board has been reviewing, studying and discussing the structure of the Boards and Committees of Peace United. Thirteen and a half years have passed since Peace United was formed and while many things have remained the same, many have continued to evolve. As a result, at the 2023 Annual Meeting on February 25, 2024, we will be recommending and seeking your approval for implementation of this revised plan.

To assist you in preparing for this discussion, we are sharing some background information and the proposed structure so you can review it at your leisure, have time to ask questions, and bring forward any suggestions or concerns.

On Sunday, February 18, 2024 the Unified Board will be hosting a coffee time following the Worship Service where they will be available to answer your questions, listen to your suggestions and concerns, and provide further information as needed. We hope you will join us at that time.



PASTORAL CONCERNS/EMERGENCIES



You can reach Rev. Murray via email at roundingmurray@gmail.com. For pastoral concerns or emergencies, please call Denise and she will pass on your concern.

2023 ANNUAL REPORT AND MEETING

The 2023 Annual Report has been emailed separately from the Peace News. If you would like a printed copy, please see Denise on Sunday.



The 2023 Annual Meeting will be held during the **Sunday, February 25th, 2024** service. A Potluck luncheon will follow the service. Please bring your own plates, cutlery and cups. Printed copies will be available on Sunday, February 18th.



BROADVIEW SUBSCRIPTIONS

We have till April 10, 2024 to renew or to sign up to receive Broadview. A yearly subscription is \$30. Email reminders will go out to our present subscribers. If you are interested, please let Denise know.



FUNDSCRIP – NEXT ORDER DATE



We hope you're enjoying your cards. **The next order will be placed on March 3.** It would be helpful if orders could be submitted by Feb. 25 if payment is by cheque (cheques, payable to Peace United Church, may be postdated to Feb. 28). If you are paying by e-transfer (peaceunitedtreasurer@outlook.com) remember to send an email to Shelley Jeary at saj@execulink.com and have your order in by March 1st.

TOASTIE TOES – TILL MARCH 2024

We will be collecting new socks and gently used hats and mitts for shelters in Waterloo and Oxford Counties. You can drop your donations in the bin under the mailboxes. Soap, shampoo, and other personal care items are welcome too! Maggie dropped our first collection off last week to Operation Sharing in Woodstock.



PEACE VOLUNTEERS



If you are not available on your designated Sunday, please make a trade. One greeter will run the lift and the other will greet upstairs. One greeter will light the Christ Candle when Meghan plays the Prelude and one greeter will take the offering up, please check for pink slips of prayer requests, and if any, please pass to Rev. Murray.

Date	Greeter	Greeter	Counter	Counter	Peace Kids
18-Feb	Maggie	Bill	Denise	Ed	Debbie
25-Feb	Gary	Kathy R	Ferne	Shelley	Maryann
03-Mar	Ron	Denise	Shirley	Denise	Lisa
10-Mar	Karen	Marion	Maryann	Pat Hall	Barbara
17-Mar	Ian	Darlene	Nancy B	Shirley	Frances



Kathy Hofstetter is walking with **Oxford County Library Steps Out** and is fundraising for Woodstock-Operating Sharing. If you'd like to support her, here's the link to [her page](#). Kathy has raised \$425 so far!

2024 DINNER THEATRE

Mark your calendars for Friday and Saturday, November 15 & 16 and a matinee on Sunday, November 17 for an interactive theatre!



Spaghetti Pie Drive-thru Takeout Dinner



Date of Event: Saturday, March 9, 2024

Address: Peace United Church
20 Samuel Street, Plattsville
(Please enter off Mill and exit to Samuel St.)

Pickup times: 4:30 to 6:00 pm

of tickets: 120 Available

Price: Adults \$25, 10 & under \$12

Menu: Spaghetti Pie, coleslaw, homemade dinner roll and butter, apple crisp and a beverage

For tickets, contact

Shelley Jeary 519.572.3168 | saj@execulink.com
Marion Czech 519.404.9913 | czechers@netflash.net



PEACE UNITED'S FACILITY CALENDAR



We are seeing an increase in the number of activities taking place at Peace United. A calendar of events, activities, and facility bookings is maintained in the front hallway by Denise, our Administrative Assistant. The calendar will also be updated and posted on the Peace website here under the [FACILITY BOOKING tab](#).

If you are planning an event, committee or Board meeting, work session, or activity for any area within the church, please contact Denise to confirm availability and to have it added to the calendar, appropriate staff, or personnel so that your plans can be accommodated. Thank you.

COLLECTING MILK BAGS & CARD FRONTS

Please collect your empty milk bags and card fronts from old greeting cards (no writing please). Gail Fulton knows of a group that will put these items to clever use. Please place items in the box on the shelf down the steps to the church hall.

NEW FOR WINTER 2024



We are looking for **weekly volunteers** to assist us with shoveling (and salt if necessary) the walkways to the front and rear entrances. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex with more details.

Keeping You Informed



UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA E-SENTIALS
[February 13, 2024](#)

Community Events



LIONS EUCHRE – FEBRUARY 19

The Plattsville Lions Club will be hosting Progressive Euchre at Peace United on alternate Mondays starting at 7:00 pm on February 19; March 4 & 18, 2023. Alternate Mondays you can play at the Drumbo Agricultural Hall. \$10 gets you into play, prizes and a light lunch, no partner required.



IT'S COLD OUT THERE!

The **Coldest Night of the Year** is a family-friendly walk to raise money for charities serving people experiencing homelessness, hurt, and hunger. Walk with us on **February 24, 2024** – there's a place for everyone! The funds in our area will go to **Wilmot Family Resource Centre** to help those in need in our community. You are also welcome to participate by donating to a team or a walker – you may visit the event page link online to donate or sign up as a walker or team: <https://cnoy.org/location/wilmot>. Help us share the warmth!

FREE FUN FIT ON THURSDAYS!

Fun fitness class with energizing music, low impact movements focusing on improving balance and stability. Thursdays 10:30 to 11:15 am at Princeton Hall, 35 Main Street, Princeton. More information at www.richwood.ca.

FREE SKATING AT PLATTSVILLE ARENA

It's FREE 😊. Public Skating is Sundays from 3-3:50 pm. Parent & Tot Skating is Wednesdays at 11 am. Adult skating is Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 am. Cancellations will be posted at the arena.

CAMP BIMINI

Summer Staff Applications are now being accepted at <https://campbimini.ca/staff/join-our-team/>. Paid positions for Counsellors and Program staff - Age 16+. Volunteer positions for Counsellors-in-Training - Age 15. **Registration is now open** at www.campbimini.ca. An experience your camper will never forget!

BRIGHT FEBRUARY COFFEE CLUB

Coffee, Treats & Game Options ~ **Thursdays 10:30 to 12 noon** at Triple Arts Studios, 12a Baird St. N. Bright. Bring indoor shoes. In case of weather cancellation, a message will be left on the machine. Call weekly 226-649-2787. Sponsored by North Blenheim Mutual Insurance Co.

TRIP OF A Lifetime

TO THE ARCTIC CIRCLE AND BEYOND!

If you are planning a motorcycle trip beyond the "Tim Horton's" coffee shop ride, then join us for an informative interactive slide presentation on March 15th at the Innerkip United Church Hall.

TIME
6.00-6.45 pm - Dinner
7.00 pm - Interactive presentation

MENU

- Octoberfest Sausage on a bun with Sauerkraut
- Chips, Sweet Treats, Coffee, Tea & Juice

PRICE Adults \$20.00
Children (6-12) \$10.00
Children under 5 years of age are free!
All proceeds to the Innerkip United Church

RSVP
Please RSVP by March 8th

Phone: 519-859-2367 (Chris)
519-602-6692 (Church Office)

Email: chris.nielsen13@gmail.com
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CONRAD GREBEL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

Noon Hour Concerts take place in Conrad Grebel University College's chapel most Wednesdays from January to March. From 12:30PM to 1:30PM, these free concerts feature accomplished musicians in an intimate concert setting. Full schedule: uwaterloo.ca/music/events.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

ALMOST FORGOTTEN: BLACK HISTORY IN OXFORD COUNTY

Heather Rennalls is a local historian and freelance writer who has been researching Black history in southwestern Ontario for over twenty years. A resident of Oxford County, Heather has been published in newspapers and magazines, has appeared on CBC Radio and Global News, and lectures regularly to students and the public. Her website, [Heather's Historicals](http://Heather'sHistoricals.com), shares much of her research on Black history in the region and offers additional resources for teachers. Heather also sits on Southwestern Ontario's Black History Committee.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENTS ACROSS WATERLOO REGION AND GUELPH

Black History Month celebrates the achievements and contributions of Black Canadians and their impact on our country's history. Here's a [listing](#) of some local events.