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PEACE UNITED CHURCH

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SUNDAY SERVICE

Join us for Transfiguration Sunday and Communion this Sunday, February 11.

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.



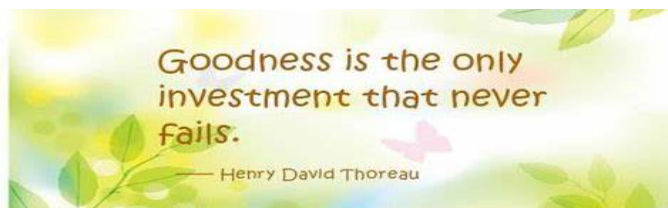
PASTORAL CONCERNS/EMERGENCIES

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.



MISSION OUTREACH

Our committee would like to thank everyone who generously supported our chili lunch on Sunday, February 4th. With your thoughtful donations we were able to raise **\$310** to put towards our M&S budget. All those in attendance appeared to enjoy the hot lunch and fellowship, along with the delicious assortment of desserts supplied by Fay and Frances. Thank you!



COOKIE DECORATING



Debbie Baer reports that we have sixteen (16) children signed up for cookie decorating on Saturday, February 10th from 1 to 3 pm. We plan on the kids taking home a dozen cookies each. It's going to be a fun (and probably messy) afternoon. 😊

ANNUAL MEETING

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. The report will be emailed early next week, and printed copies will be available on Sunday, February 18th. Please let Denise know if you would like a printed copy.

FUNDSCRIP RESULTS

Way to go, people of Peace! The February Fundscrip order totaled \$10,325 and produced a profit of \$348. The number of participants increased from nineteen (19) in December to twenty-five (25) this month. **Total profit from the two orders is \$869.05 - a terrific start!**



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. **FYI – The Peace Kids schedule has been updated!**

Date	Greeter	Greeter	Counter	Counter	Peace Kids
11-Feb	Denise	Karen	Pat Hall	Denise	Frances
18-Feb	Maggie	Bill	Marg H	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

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



2024 DINNER THEATRE

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



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.

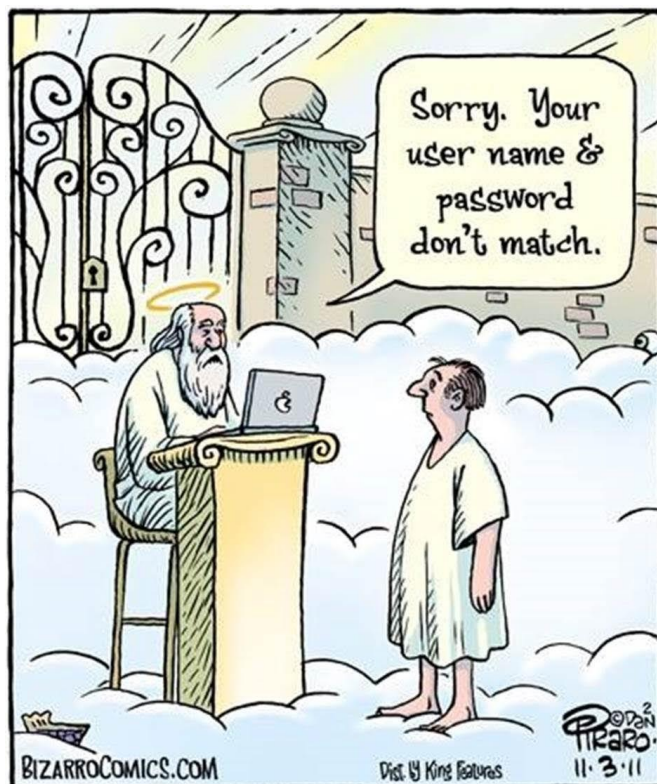
COLLECTING MILK BAGS & CARD FRONTS

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 [January 30, 2024](#)

ANTLER RIVER WATERSHED REGIONAL [February 2024 Newsletter](#)

CONNECTIONS News & Views of Oxford County Churches [December 13, 2023 Newsletter](#)



LIONS EUCHRE

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. First round of applications are accepted until Saturday February 10, 2024 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** Opens Monday January 29, 2024 at 6:00pm. Go online now to set up your account at www.campbimini.ca. If you have certain weeks you are interested in, please register at 6pm on January 29th. An experience your camper will never forget!

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.

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.

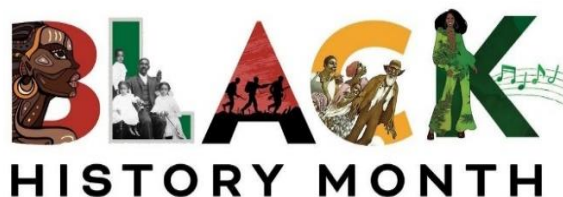


Students in Grade 10 and their families are invited to Conrad Grebel University College and the University of Waterloo on Thursday, February 22 at 5PM to share a meal and tour the residence at Grebel before attending Waterloo's Grade 10 Info Night. Learn about the supportive environment that this small and vibrant faith-based community can provide for students studying in any faculty or program at UWaterloo. Email grebelstudentservices@uwaterloo.ca by Wednesday, February 7 to register for dinner.

Study the Bible, Christian theology, church history, and the practice of ministry in an interdisciplinary and ecumenical setting in the Master of Theological Studies program at Conrad Grebel University College. Full tuition scholarships are available for full-time Canadian students. Apply by February 1. uwaterloo.ca/theological-studies

Get ready to imagine and initiate transformative peacebuilding with a focus on civil society and community-led change. Apply to the **Master of Peace and Conflict Studies** program at Conrad Grebel University College to combine interdisciplinary scholarship with experiential learning. The application deadline is February 1. uwaterloo.ca/master-peace-conflict-studies

In preparation for Lent, register for the workshop **Mediation from the Inside Out** taught by Betty Pries, online from February 12–15, offered by Conrad Grebel University College. This workshop includes resources and guides for prayer and spiritual disciplines, as well as the opportunity to practice. uwaterloo.ca/conflict-management



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), 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.