

September 2019

Newsletter of Melfort United Church

Faithnews

Mark Your Calendar

9.8
Sunday School Resumes/
Noon Lunch/ Food Bank Sunday

9.15
Services – Nirvana @ 2:30
Parkland @ 3:30

9.22
“Gather in September”

9:29
5th Sunday (Worship Cmte)

10.6
World Wide Communion

10.13
Services – Nirvana @ 2:30
Parkland @ 3:30

10.17
Bible Study Resumes

11.03
Fall Supper

Worship Committee

Please join us on Sept 8th for a **Taste of Fall**. The Worship committee is hosting the noon lunch with many garden flavours mixed with robust ham and some sweets to top it all off. Join us and invite your neighbors, it will be a great meal.

Come Gather in September is Sept 22nd. It is a special Sunday service to welcome those who have been away during the summer months. We miss you all and want to get caught up with you.

September 29th – The Worship committee is leading the service as it is the 5th Sunday. Hopefully we can keep up to the great job the other committees did while filling in for Emmanuel’s annual vacation in July. Thanks to those that stepped up to the podium to delight us with your wisdom and leadership.

The fall of 2019 Seeds of Hope granting cycle is now open and accepting applications! This round will only provide grants for events, United Church camps, seniors programs and projects, and seniors housing. Applications must be submitted by Oct 15th to grants@untied-church.ca for more information.

Respectfully submitted by Jean Senecal

Finance Committee

Welcome back to our wonderful United Church families!

Hopefully, you have had a summer spent doing the things that summers are all about. We are ready to start the fall and winter activities, both in the church and the community.

Our financial situation needs your attention. Expenses continue to increase while our income remains the same. The fundraising events will be starting with the garage sale, so we ask your support. Please consider increasing your givings to the church.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Kim Eskowich, Cheryl Sproule

Mission & Service, Outreach/Reception & Membership

At Easter time 25 cards were delivered to shut-ins.

On Sunday, June 14th our committee was responsible for leading the service. Thank you to Garry Forsyth and Robin Miazga for doing this for us.

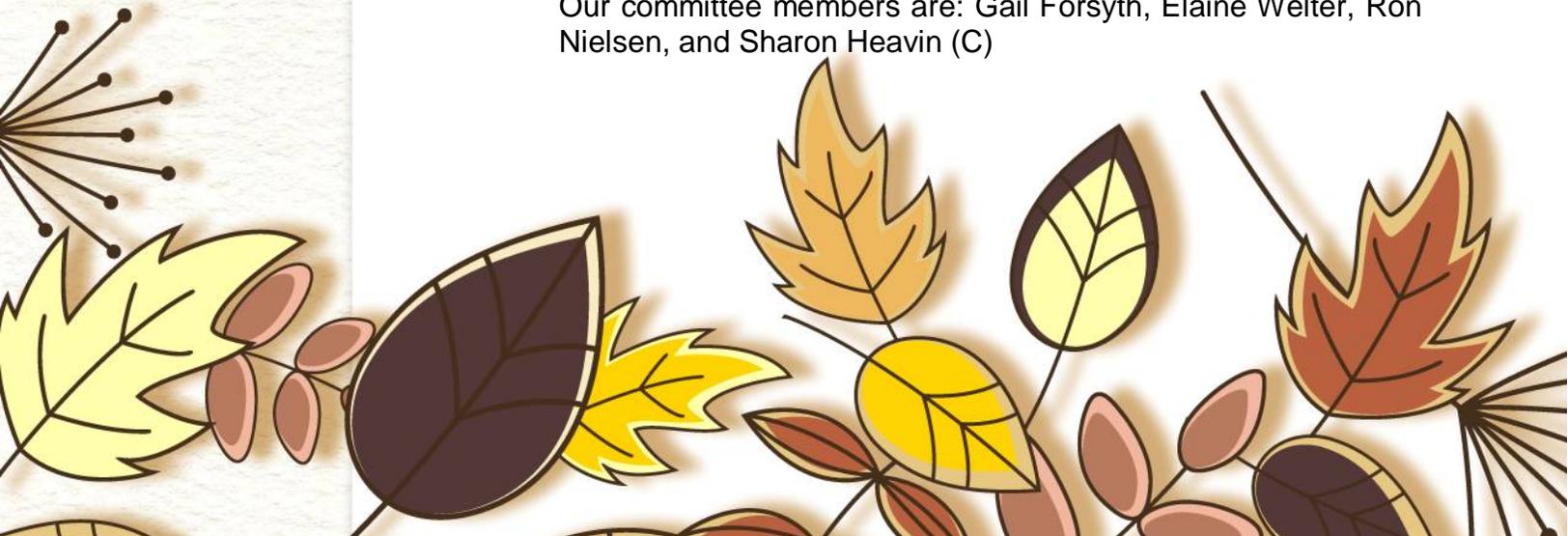
The new usher/greeter list for Oct, Nov & Dec. will be available shortly. If you would like your name added to the list or taken off please contact: Sharon Heavin 306-752-4020.

The Memorial book is up to date.

November 3rd is the date for the Fall Supper. Our committee is responsible for preparing the dressing, beverages, and organizing the takeout meals and arranging for drivers.

We have booked days in the month of April, 2020 with IPC Canada Photo Services Inc. to produce another Photo Directory. Our last directory was 2014. More information will follow in the New Year.

Our committee members are: Gail Forsyth, Elaine Welter, Ron Nielsen, and Sharon Heavin (C)

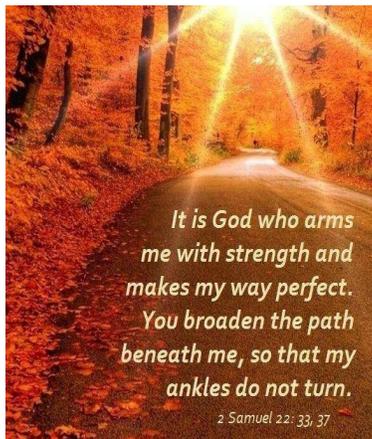


A Creation Time Prayer:

I see a new heaven and a new earth, the promise of God for all, a re-creation of life, and death, and life beyond death, a re-creation of the here and now, where the sound of weeping shall be no more and the sound of rejoicing echoes throughout God's holy mountain.

Come, let us worship God!

*Chelsea Masterman, GRACE U.C.
Edmonton, Alta, The United Church of
Canada "Gathering" resources for worship
planners, Pentecost 2 2019 Year C. Used
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People News

Funerals

Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of:

*Shirley Heilmann
Gladys Moen
Elizabeth Walsh
Paul Novak
Joy Roles
Darrel Harmon
Kathleen Jones
Irene Habberfield
Lester Holoien
Charles Parfitt*

**Moreover whom he did predestinate,
them he also called: and whom he called,
them he also justified: and whom he
justified, them he also glorified.**

– Romans 8:30

United Church Women

Autumn – Mother Nature dressed for the Ball!
We are gradually settling in to Fall routine and would like to update you on what has happened since June.

The UCW led the service on what used to be called Conference Sunday. This is now called Regional Sunday. Thank you to Gale Strachan, Bea White, Gloria Stushnoff and Grace Wilton who led us in worship.

Grace Wilton, Jeanette Stevenson, Iris Kaminskas and Elaine Welter attended a Women's Retreat at Camp Tapawingo in late June.

In July, Naomi unit hosted the July birthdays at Parkland Place. This year Megan and Madison McAvoy sang and performed highland dancing. The residents look forward to the entertainment and treats offered.

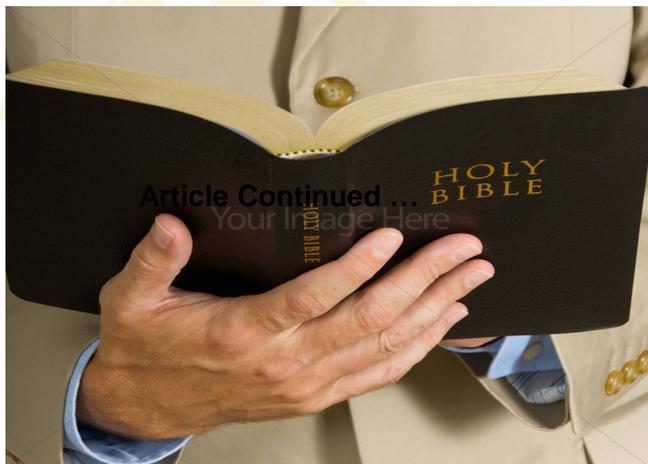
Upcoming events include:

The Fall Garage Sale September 13th -14th. Please note that Women Alive's meeting will be held on Sept. 10th when they will be pricing garage sale items.

UCW General meeting on Sept.19th will begin with a potluck supper at 6 p.m.

Naomi will have their first meeting on September 23rd.

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Fall 2019 Minister's Message:

Greetings to you all brothers and sisters in Christ,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all of you back to church after the slow and restful summer holidays.

Fall is another event-filled season in our lives and especially in the life of the church. Our church school or Sunday school children and youth will be returning to their classes as of Sunday, September 8th, 2019. The Gather in September Service is planned for Sunday, September 22nd, 2019 and all are welcome to attend. Please read the worship and other committee columns, look at their appeal and see where you can lend your hand if possible. Thanks to all of you who are already taking part where you are able to.

Our prayers go to those in the farming world as they begin the harvesting work. May the Creator of all that is protect them against any danger and give them the strength and wellness they need to do their work.

Wishing you all the best Autumn season ever in your church and your families, I am,
Yours in Christ,
Reverend Emmanuel Menyereye

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A one day UCW event at First United in Swift Current on Oct. 5th. Guest speaker will be Catherine Christie, who was overseas missionary to Korea from 2010-2017. She will be covering the topic of the role of the UCW, post restructuring. For further information contact Mary Mohn at d.mohn@sasktel.net.

Thanksgiving Pie Sale at the mall on October 10th, sponsored by Women Alive. This is a church wide fund raiser, so they welcome pie donations from any members of the congregation.

Fall Supper – Nov. 3rd.

Christmas Tea and Bazaar – Dec. 7th.

Save the date – April 24th-26th, 2020 for a province wide Women's Gathering. They are now hoping a group will come forward to host this event.

Respectfully submitted by
Robin Miazga -UCW Secretary

