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ANNUAL MEETING



Sun. February 18 after the 10 am service. All welcome! Annual Reports will be available this Sun. Feb. 11th.



Feb. 13 - Lenten Bible Study
9 am begins

Feb. 14 - Teddies for Comfort
10 am Meeting

Feb. 18 - 1st Sun. in Lent

Feb. 18 - Annual Meeting
after service

Feb. 24 - Winter Fun Day at
2 pm the Perriman's

Feb. 26 - Lenten Prayer Mtg.
7 pm begins in Nursery

Feb. 25 - Men's Breakfast
7:45 am Golden Diner in Ayr

Teddies for Comfort Reminder

Wed. Feb. 14

10 - 11 am

Drop in for Coffee & a surprise treat!

See you there!



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PASTORAL CARE AVAILABLE

If anyone needs pastoral visitation or would like to share a prayer request with Pastor Brian, please contact him at: 647-891-8164 or at revbrianjung@gmail.com

MARCH BIRTHDAYS



- 21 - Susan Pollanen
- 27 - Jim O'Connor
- 30 - Carole Wilson

Winter Fun Day

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

2:00 - 4:00 PM

AT THE PERRIMAN'S

Hotdogs, marshmallows, treats & bonfire.

The Follow-up Committee want to say "thank you" for your generous support for the fundraising to help with renovations!

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COIN BOX CAMPAIGN

Coin boxes are now available at the back of the church and will be available at the Winter Fun Day.



Please return your box by the end of June. Thank you for your support!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Mar. 23
Howard & Marg DeBrusk

PLEASE PRAY FOR
Heather Moir, Shirley Sharratt, Glen and Jane Christensen, Shawn Hass and Eva Buchhaupt. Please forward prayer requests to Mardie Crosby at 519-219-0783 or at rcmk@rogers.com.

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TEDDIES FOR COMFORT - MORE TEDDY TALES!

Looks like our Westie Bears are starting off 2024 on the right foot – or should we say the right “paw”! Already, we have had requests for Westie bears from 4 different organizations as follows: Stirling Heights Long Term Care Home has requested a second delivery; Lisaard House of Cambridge; the A.A. Group meeting at Westside and The Friendly Visiting program of Cambridge. Lisaard House provides palliative care in our community. They will also be coming to talk to our group in the near future. We will keep you posted on that date.



The Westside Knitting Group donated 50 Teddies for Comfort Bears to the Friendly Visiting Program in Cambridge. Patricia Reeve spoke to our group on Jan. 31st about the important service they provide.

All of this means that for January, we will have distributed 139 Westies!

Also, we are looking for some more help with sewing up our bears and stuffing them. If you can sew by hand, then we could really use your help on Wednesdays. Or we can show you what to do and you can work on them at home.

We would also like to acknowledge the help of our volunteers who work so tirelessly from home. Thank you to Cheryl Amy, Jean Andrews (Toronto) and Janice Hamill (New Brunswick) for knitting, sewing and stuffing up our Westies.

We thank all of Westside and friends of Westside for your continued support which keeps your Westie bears bringing comfort to so many people in our community.

Please join us on Wed. Feb. 14th at 10 am in the sanctuary for coffee and a surprise treat!

SAVE THE DATE!

2024 CAMBRIDGE SPORTS CAMP

Scripture Union

AUGUST 19-23

MORE DETAILS COMING SOON!

Westside Church

Men's Breakfast Fellowship

Sun. Feb. 25
7:45 am
Golden Harvest Diner - 2492 Cedar Creek Rd. Ayr

WESTSIDE FOLLOW-UP COMMITTEE

PUZZLE

Thank You! FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Fundraiser

DONATIONS ACCEPTED

PLEASE GIVE DONATION MONEY TO BERT PERRIMAN



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LENTEN ACTIVITIES AT WESTSIDE

Lenten Bible Study: "Practicing Jesus' Seven Last Words"

Feb 13 - Mar 26

Tuesdays at 10 am in sanctuary

Dive deeper into scripture this Lenten season with our Bible Study group, focusing on "Practicing Jesus' Seven Last Words" provided by the Presbyterian Church in Canada. We'll explore the profound messages and lessons within Christ's final words, deepening our understanding and spiritual connection during this reflective period.

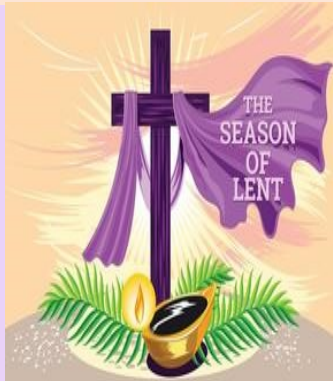
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| PALM SUNDAY | GOOD FRIDAY | EASTER SUNDAY |
| MARCH 24 | MARCH 29 | MARCH 31 |
| 10 AM | 10 AM | 10 AM |
| HOLY WEEK | | |

Lenten Prayer Meetings

Feb 22 - Mar 21

Thursdays at 7 pm in Nursery

This is a time to lay down the burdens of the week and seek solace in the power of communal prayer. Together, we'll lift our voices, seeking guidance, strength, and peace as we journey through the Lenten season as a church family.



Holy Week Relay Fast

Mar 26 - Mar 30

Choose to fast for any of the 18 meals throughout the week as a personal offering, and collectively our congregation will fast for all of Holy week. This sacred tradition brings us together as a congregation, united in faith and purpose. A special meditation resource will be provided to enrich your fasting experience. Participation sheets are available at the back of the church.

About Lent

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 14th) and ends six weeks later, before Easter Sunday. It is a time of reflection, prayer, and penance. During Lent, many commit to fasting, and some choose to giving up certain luxuries to replicate the sacrifice of Jesus Christ's journey into the desert for 40 days. This season is a preparation for the celebration of Easter and helps Christians develop spiritual disciplines.



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BUILDING COMMITTEE UPDATE

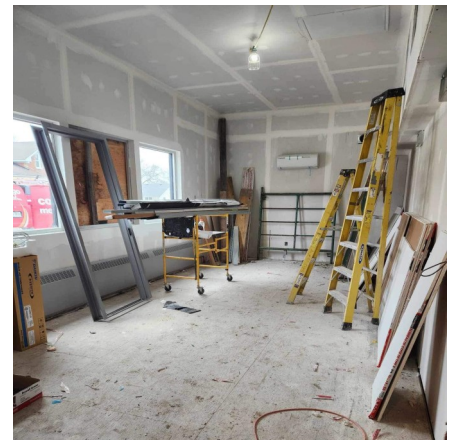
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We are almost there!! The much-anticipated completion of Westside's addition/renovation is just around the corner, and as we all look forward to that day, your Building Committee ask that you patiently bear with us for just a little longer as there is still considerable detailed work remaining.

As we wait for just a little longer, let us be encouraged by the patience our forefathers exhibited while they waited upon the Lord. Scripture is filled with many examples of God's people waiting patiently. A good example for us to consider, is the story of Zechariah and Elizabeth. They had been asking God for a child for many years, and when Elizabeth was well beyond childbearing age, God answered their prayers (Luke 1: 5-17). Their experience demonstrates a vital truth: God's timing is rarely our own, but His is always worth waiting for. Keeping that in mind, your Building Committee has listed below the work in progress.

- parking lots have their first coat of asphalt
- parking lot lighting to begin - weather permitting
- curbs poured
- exterior door into the auditorium being replaced
- exterior Osborne St. door being replaced
- railings, where required to be installed
- exterior siding on addition to be completed
- south facing auditorium windows being replaced
- all exterior windows in the addition being installed
- elevator installation being completed
- exterior/ interior walls being insulated and dry walled
- kitchen plumbing and venting being completed
- handicap washroom on the lower-level nearing completion - when functional, remaining washroom renovations will begin
- prep work for rug installation in the sanctuary to begin shortly



A final completion date has yet to be determined. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to let us know.

John Ridsdale, Building Committee

AND NOW THESE THREE REMAIN

faith, hope & love

BUT THE GREATEST OF THESE IS LOVE

1 CORINTHIANS 13:13

