

**Announcements: Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

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**Ministers:** The people of the congregation

**Order of Ministry:** Peter C.

**Office Administrator** – Beckey Dunham

**Office Hours** - Monday to Friday 8:30 am – 2:30

**Nursery:** If you would like to help out in the nursery on an occasional basis, please speak with Sean D., Elizabeth B., or Sharon C..

**Name Tags:** Community building and connection is enhanced when we wear name tags.

**Worship Service Helpers:** Please take a look at the clipboard and see if there is a place where you can help out before, during or after our worship service. There are lots of spots available in the coming weeks. If you don't know what to do, please ask and we'll get someone to help you, or point you to the job descriptions.

**Bulletin Sponsorship:** If you would like to sponsor a church bulletin in memory or in recognition of a special person or event, it is as easy as picking out one of the bulletins displayed on the side bulletin board and filling in the information on it. Cost is \$20.

**Baptised Today is:** Jethro P. son of Adrienne C. and Breck P.

**Meals on Wheels:** Thanks to the following Meals on Wheels drivers who were able to assist this month: Sharon C., Cappy E., [Ann H.](#), [Bonnie H.](#), [Lloyd H.](#) and Jessica S.. Your assistance, and that of anyone in your family who helped you, is very much appreciated. Meals on Wheels is one of the community outreach projects that our congregation is involved in. Yellowknife United Church is one of six community groups who are committed to providing volunteer drivers on a one week out of six rotating basis. Although the numbers vary, at the present time, there are four or five individuals in Yellowknife who require an evening meal to be delivered via the meals on wheels program. Volunteers are contacted by the coordinator once every six weeks to see if they are available to drive on one of the days for "our week". If you are busy or away that week, no worries, you'll get called upon when our turn comes up again. The task involves picking up the meals from the Stanton Hospital kitchen sometime between 4:45 and 5:30, and delivering to those individuals on the list for the day. The entire commitment often takes less than one hour. If you are interested in letting your name stand on the list of potential drivers, please call Jeannette H. at 873-3942 or Cappy E.

at 873-5747. We'd love to hear from you. [Some upcoming dates for us are: Apr 21-27, Jun 2-18 and Jul 14-20.](#)

**Lenten Lunches** The final Lenten Lunch for this year will take place on Wednesday at Holy Trinity Anglican Church at noon on Wednesday March 28. Soup and Sandwich lunch followed by a reflection from a local church leader.

**Holy Week and Easter Worship:**

Good Friday:	March 30 at 11:00 am
Easter Ecumenical Sunrise at Pilot's Monument	April 1 at 7:00 am
Easter Sunday Communion	April 1 at 11:00 am

**Preparing for Easter Worship:** In preparation for worship on Easter Sunday, we would like to invite you to contribute to the Easter theme by bringing an object to be displayed that represents New Life, Resurrection, Joy, Hope, Easter for you.

**Book Club:** In April we will be discussing "Embers: One Ojibway's Meditations" by Richard Wagamese. In this carefully curated selection of everyday reflections, Wagamese finds lessons in both the mundane and sublime as he muses on the universe, drawing inspiration from working in the bush to bring him closer to the Creator. Honest, evocative and articulate, he explores the various manifestations of grief, joy, recovery, beauty, gratitude, physicality and spirituality. The book is available at the public library and at the Yellowknife Book Cellar where it is put aside at the counter under "Book Club". We meet at Javaroma at 12:30 on Sunday, April 8.

**Stewardship Seconds:** Dominion belongs to God. To us is given the blessing and privilege of being good stewards of God's dominion.

**Experience Hope & Wholeness**

Do you feel that you are sick and tired of being sick and tired? Feeling stressed, overworked, and not quite sure where to turn? Stop by for a free 15 minute consultation to discover what is holding you back, Thursday March 29 from 6-9 pm, and Friday March 30, 12-3 pm and 6-9 pm.

Follow it up and "Learn 8 Easy Steps to a New You" on Saturday, March 31, 7:00 pm

Come to these free events at the Yellowknife Seventh-day Adventist Church, right by CBC, [5008 Forrest Drive](#). Call for more info: 873-6767.

**Readings for next Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

***Good Friday:***

*Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12*

*Psalms 22*

*Hebrews 10:16 – 25 or Hebrews*

*4:14-16; 5:7-9*

*John 18:1 – 19:42*

**Readings for next Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018**

***Resurrection Sunday/Easter:***

*Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah*

*25:6-9*

*Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24*

*1 Corinthians 15:1 – 11 or Acts*

*10:34-43*

*John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8*

**Ecumenical Prayer Cycle:**

This week – March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Next week – April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018:

Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia

Albania, Bosnia, Herzegovina,

Croatia, Former Yugoslav

Republic of Macedonia,

Montenegro, Serbia, Slovenia

**Northern Community Prayer Cycle:**

This week – March 25<sup>th</sup>:

Next week – April 1<sup>st</sup>:

Nahanni Butte

Cape Dorset

**Participating in today's Worship Service:**

Opening Host:

Lorne G.

Greeter:

Barb P.

Candlelighter:

Anya S.

Reader:

Lloyd H.

Choir Director:

Elizabeth B.

Musician:

Sharon C.

Closing Host:

Nancy T.

Church School Teacher:

Kathryn W.

Nursery:

## **Ecumenical Accompaniment in Palestine and Israel**

*Our gifts for Mission & Service support the Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel.*

In 2002, the World Council of Churches developed the program to create an international presence in the face of Israeli occupation. Since then the United Church has sent over 25 ecumenical companions who have been posted in many regions of Palestine and Israel.

From February through April 2017, a United Church of Canada Ecumenical Companioner was posted in north Israel. There they primarily monitored agricultural gates—counting the number of Palestinian farmers granted access to their land and noting whether the gates were open during their allotted times. During a visit, the

Ecumenical Companioner took United Church staff to a Palestinian park, where Palestinian families enjoy picnics and fresh air. The simple act of picnicking there is a protest against the occupation, and claims land that is (for now) Palestinian. Two Israeli settlements sit atop the valley ridge overlooking the park. The once-flowing river is diminished to a stream, as pipes route water over two kilometres to the Israeli settlement.

Ecumenical Companioners take a risk participating in the program. They also face a context very different than life in Canada. Many return to Canada informed and ready to advocate for a just peace and an end to the occupation. Mission & Service allows United Church Ecumenical Companioners to accompany the mission and ministry of the World Council of Churches in occupied Palestine. They share first-hand experience to inform their local community of faith, civil society, and government of the realities of occupation. Our gifts for Mission & Service accompany partners in the midst of occupation.

*If Mission & Service giving is already a regular part of your life, thank you so much! If you have not given, please join me in making Mission & Service giving a regular part of your life of faith. Loving our neighbor is at the heart of our Mission & Service.*

[Matched with a companion video. View or download at [www.youtube.com/unitedchurchofcanada](http://www.youtube.com/unitedchurchofcanada).