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#### Upcoming Events

- Feb. 26 Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Lent 1 - New Member Sunday - Communion -Minute for Mission - Cookie Sunday
- Feb. 28 Walter Auld Fellowship Luncheon 12 noon
- Mar. 1 Noon Hour Concert
- Mar. 5 Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Lent 2 - Annual General Meeting following the service
- Mar. 8 Noon Hour Concert
- Mar. 9 Men's Coffee Group 10:00 a.m.
- Mar. 12 Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Lent 3 Prayer Shawl Circle 1:30 p.m.
- Mar. 14 U.C.W. Unit Meeting 1:30 p.m.
- Mar. 15 Noon Hour Concert
- Mar. 19 Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Lent 4

- Mar. 21 U.C.W. Executive Meeting 1:30 p.m.
- Mar. 22 Noon Hour Concert
- Mar. 26 Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Lent 5 Baptism Sunday - Cookie Sunday
- Mar. 28 Walter Auld Fellowship Luncheon 12 noon
- Mar. 29 Noon Hour Concert
- Apr. 2. Palm Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. -Communion
- Apr. 7. Good Friday Service 10:30 a.m.
- Apr. 9. Easter Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
- Apr. 10 Easter Monday (office is closed)
- Apr. 11 Church Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- Apr. 16 Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
- Apr. 23 Spring Tea Fundraising Event
- Apr. 30 Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Minute for Mission - Cookie Sunday



Rev. Craig Donnelly (Cambridge Street) and Rev. Wayne Reed (minister at Queen Street) cut the cake, "Welcome to Queen Street" at the reception in the gymnasium following the inaugural Amalgamation Worship Service on Sunday, February 5, 2023.

# Photo Gallery

#### **Cambridge Moments**

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The choir and an invited orchestra presented the Christmas cantata, *Night of the Father's Love*, December 18, 2022.



Making lunch for the kids at King Albert Public School is way more fun than you would ever expect.



Artemis Chartier played the flute on December 11, 2022.



The women of the choir performed the hit song from the movie *Sister Act* on January 30, 2023.



Rev. Wayne Reed, minister of Queen Street United Church, addressed the congregation on February 5, 2023.

### From the Minister Craig Donnelly

We are stronger together. This was the theme for the inaugural

amalgamation worship service between Cambridge Street and Queen Street United Churches. What a milestone memory-maker with an overwhelming response by both congregations. Close to two hundred people attended the service and reception, complete with carnations presented by the children to welcome the people of Queen Street and a deliciously decorated cake with the words, "Welcome Queen Street."

There was a spiritual spark in the music selected for this special occasion involving the Worship Band and Cambridge Street Singers. The historical context of Oueen Street was poignantly delivered by Reverend Wayne Reed

who is the self-described "bare-foot minister" to the "bare-foot church." Beautifully crafted sanctuary furnishings from Queen Street have been incorporated into our joint worship space to help members of Queen Street feel at home, especially after having to leave their own beloved building on the corner of Queen and Lindsay streets several years ago.

Many people from both churches conveyed they were very pleased with the service. Importantly, Queen Street people expressed they felt genuinely welcomed. Thank you to Cambridge Street people who helped make this warm welcome possible for the fifty-five members of Queen Street United Church who transferred their membership.

Let us also be spiritually sensitive to the wide range of emotions. Milestones can be marked by happiness, yet also with a certain sense of sadness. New beginnings bring with them excitement for new possibilities, yet also a degree of uncertainty of an unknown future.

I still believe from the bottom of my heart that "we are stronger together." I cannot tell you exactly what the "yet to be discovered future" will look like. There is one thing I know; God is good, so if we entrust ourselves into God's care, we will land together in the place God intends us to be. I hope you can open your hearts to believe it too. Maybe you already do!



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### Notes on Music Erwin Stroobach

I would like to thank everyone who participated in making the Christmas

season such a wonderful time of the year. From *A Christmas Carol*, handbells, Christmas Cantata with orchestra, to the Living Christmas service, it was so nice to be able to do these things again.

Throughout all the Wednesdays in March, we will be presenting our 20<sup>th</sup> Noon Hour Concerts! We have another fabulous lineup of performers. Check out the announcement elsewhere in the *Chronicle* and we hope you will be able to attend these free (donations accepted!) concerts.



Voices of Victory will be performing at Adelaide Place, Sunday Feb. 26 at 2:00. Looking ahead, the Desserts Concerts will be returning on May 12 and 13, with Voices of Victory and Friends presenting *Desserts with Disney*. And on May 26, Voices of Victory will be hosting a *Youth Choral Extravaganza* with four choirs and guest conductor. Stay tuned for these exciting musical events.

We are so thankful to have Craig back in the pulpit and also greatly appreciate Paul Reed stepping in during Craig's absence. I also want to personally thank Jan and Derek Warren, who have now retired from the Music Team after 20 years, for their amazing contributions and support since my arrival many years ago. They have certainly left their mark, from costumes (Voices of Victory musicals, *A Christmas Carol*), props, table cloths, bell table covers ... it's quite a list! Thank you both!

With preparations under way for Easter, may we experience the joy of knowing that we worship a Risen Saviour. Hallelujah!



The Voices of Victory choir sang a selection of songs on November 20, 2022.



Cambridge Street United Church, 61 Cambridge St N, Lindsay

#### Spirit Fundraising Team

#### Mike Puffer

For several years prior to the COVID outbreak, the church actively

participated in the Shopping Card fundraising initiative. This effort raised money in support of the Voices of Victory youth choir and the church's general coffers through the sale of a wide variety of retail cards that could be used while shopping at grocery stores and many other merchants and restaurants. Most sales were made on Sundays after worship services, when volunteers would have them available for purchase in the gymnasium during coffee time.



The Cambridge Street United Church Spirit Fundraising Team is pleased to announce that the weekly sales of shopping cards have returned. Anyone can purchase cards on Sundays – or during the week through the church office – at their face value, but the church is able to acquire the cards at a discount. This means that you can help raise funds for the church at NO ADDITIONAL COST to you!

Each Sunday after the worship service, members of the Spirit Fundraising Team will have a wide variety of gift cards for purchase. Cards to your favourite grocery, convenience, hardware or retail store, as well as gas station or restaurant, are available and we can even make special orders for you to retailers that we may not carry on a regular basis. Ask to see our list of available cards!

In the past, this has been an effortless and cost-free way for anyone and everyone to support the church's financial needs. All that is required from you is to remember to bring cash or a cheque with you on Sunday. We are also able to accept an e-Transfer if you stop into the office during the week to purchase from Pam Burtt.



At a time when everyone is challenged financially in one or more ways, the Shopping Card initiative is unique in that it requires **no additional expenditure** on anyone's behalf to help raise money for the church. Please support the project, or inquire for more information from any member of the Spirit Fundraising Team.

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#### Finance and Stewardship Team

John Bennett

Many, if not all of us, use pre-authorized payments in our daily lives. Our

bank accounts are debited with monthly payments for such things as utility bills, insurance premiums, loan/mortgage payments, etc. Who uses cheques or cash to make these payments today? So, why not use the same process for your regular church givings? By enrolling in PAR (pre-authorized remittance), your monthly donation is deducted from your bank account (or credit card). Any additional gifts during the year are included in your yearend tax receipt. It's a simple, easy process and helps by reducing Sunday



collection teams' work and office administration. Further information can be obtained from Pam at the church office.

#### Photo Gallery Cambridge Moments



A behind-the-scenes look at the production of *A Christmas Carol* on December 2, 2022.



Congratulations to Don Huff who celebrated his 95th birthday on February 10, 2023.



Eric Smeaton, Ward 5 councillor, takes the oath of office on November 15, 2022 during the city council's inaugural meeting.

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# Photo Gallery New Church Members (Page 1)

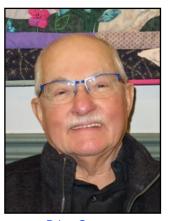
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Laurie Bickle



Steve Bickle



Brian Gowan



Artemis Chartier



Vicki Gowan



Janey Hill

# Photo Gallery New Church Members, Page 2



Jack Kyle



Bob Noble



Mary McKay



Jean Kyle



Yvonne Noble



Iris Whiteside

### Outreach Team Pam Putman-Kimmett

For the past two years, the Outreach Team has invited Henry Reinders, the

Ontario representative for the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, to educate us on the outstanding projects that assist with food insecurity issues around the world and its efficiencies with the use of donations received. This year with Henry's help, we have been offered an opportunity to be part of an actual growing project not far from Lindsay. This will be an agricultural learning experience for kids and "kids at heart" from planting to harvest, at which time our church will share in the proceeds of the project, which, in turn, will be sent to the



Canadian Foodgrains Bank. This year, we will watch the growth of soybeans and what it takes to produce such a crop. The United Church of Canada is a partner in the Canadian Foodgrains Bank through its Mission and Service program and is matched four to one by the federal government for food assisted programs. Stay tuned for further announcements regarding your support of the exciting opportunity as well as updates and reports through our Facebook page.

We are delighted to introduce our team from Cambridge Street: Certified Crop Specialist, Jack Kyle, Market Manager, Paul Robertson, Ploughing Match Enthusiast Steve Bickle, Agricultural Representative Carm Hamilton, Pam Putman-Kimmett and Doreen Sinclair. This committee is a sub-committee of the Outreach Team, of which Pam Putman-Kimmett and Doreen Sinclair are members.

A Mission & Service program, matched by the Federal Government ...... four to one! Who wouldn't like those odds? Connecting with a local growing project this year – how exciting is that? Stay tuned.



Image Credit: Heather Eaton

#### Library Report Joan Smiley

Perhaps due to COVID restrictions, our church library was not accessed

regularly. However, we did receive over this past year many donated books, for which we are truly grateful. We strive to offer to all ages and stages, some of the best non-fiction and fiction resources in the field of religious culture and faith. If you have any suggestions or needs for new resource materials, please do not hesitate to let me know, for this is your library.



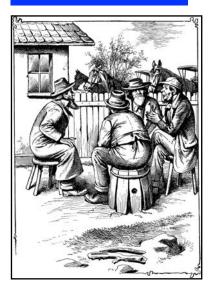
The library is open for your convenience during church hours as well as

Sunday mornings. I would encourage you to drop in and browse our holdings. You may be glad you did.



A Housekeeping Moment: <u>When signing out</u> <u>books</u>: Please sign the index card located, generally, at the back of the resource. Place it in the card box located beside the **Returned Books** box. Also, we ask that you would, please return book(s) in a timely manner, so that others might have access to that particular resource material.

#### Men's Coffee Group



#### Carl Kimmett

Our church is forming a Men's Coffee Group

with an invitation to all men from the congregation. We will meet on the second Thursday of each month (starting March 9) in the upper room at 10 a.m.



There will be coffee, cookies and chat so that we may know each other. There are no fundraising duties.

A warm welcome to the men of the former Queen Street congregation.

## Photo Gallery

## A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens, December 2, 2022





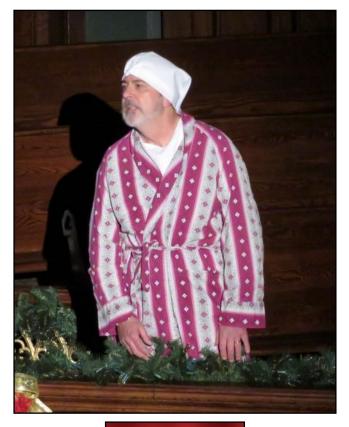


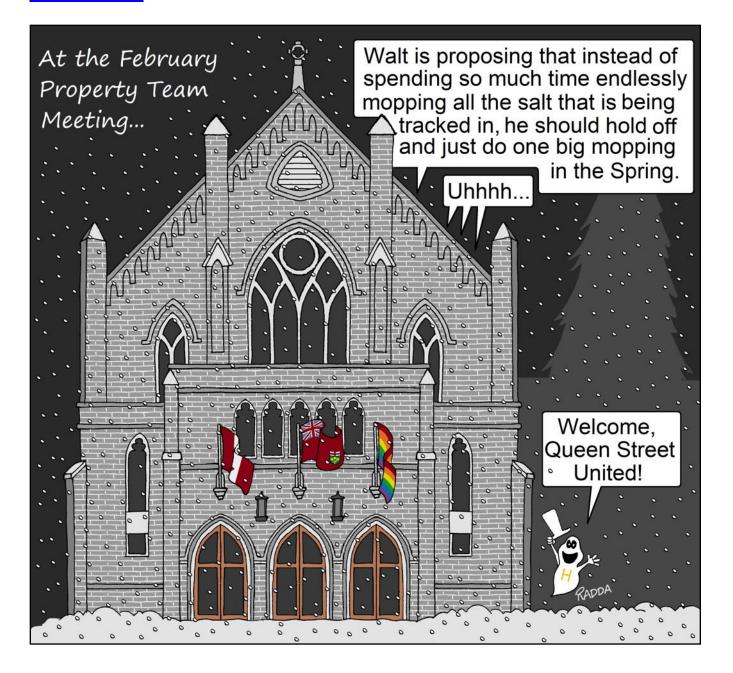


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### Walt's World Walt Radda



### Thank You

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Dennis Eaton

#### Pam Burtt

#### **NEWS FROM THE PEWS**

- Milestone Birthday Wishes to Don Huff who turned 95 on Feb. 10 and John Pickering who turns 100 on Mar. 23.
- Condolences to **Greg and Carol Popp and family** on the death of Greg's father, Willard Popp, on Dec. 2, 2022.
- Condolences to **Vera Wood and family** on the death of her son-in-law in Ottawa.
- We welcome our newest members on Feb. 26: Laurie and Steve Bickle, Artemis Chartier, Vicki and Brian Gowan, Janey Hill, Jack and Jean Kyle, Bob and Yvonne Noble, Mary McKay and Iris Whiteside.
- We extend a warm welcome to the many Queen Street United Church folks who now call Cambridge Street United their community of faith.

## U.C.W. Report

Elaine Kell

Now that our U.C.W. Unit is regularly meeting on the second Tuesday of the

month at 1:30 p.m., I encourage any Cambridge Street ladies to consider joining us and also warmly welcome ladies from Queen Street United to enjoy our meetings of worship, program and refreshments.



The World Day of Prayer will be hosted by the Salvation Army on Sunday, March 5, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. featuring Taiwan with the theme "I Have Heard about Your Faith".

The Kawartha Highlands Presbyterial U.C.W. Annual Meeting will be held at Cannington United Church on March 20, 2023. The Speakers on "Homelessness" are from North House in Oshawa. For more information on this event, please phone Elaine Kell at 705-324-5809.



As you approach spring cleaning, keep in mind our Rummage Sale on May 6. Details will be posted on the Bond Street Bulletin board.

As we welcome Queen Street members, please remember this quote: "Of all the things you wear, your expression is the most important."

Visitors enjoyed the delicious homemade cookies for sale at the Joys of Christmas on November 19, 2022.

#### Photo Gallery Christmas Eve Service, 7 p.m. Photo Credits: Dennis Eaton







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