## **GRACE UNITED CHURCH**

Caledonia, Ontario

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent March 11, 2018

Welcome to Grace!

A special welcome to anyone visiting or worshipping here for the first time.

Please sign the Guest Book at the Caithness Street entrance.

To learn more about Grace United Church, please fill out the

"Connect" card & place it on the offering plate.

#### GOD GATHERS US FOR WORSHIP

 $m{st}$ Invites you to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Change My Heart, O God ~ E. Espinoza

Lenten Prelude ~ J. Battishill

Welcome

Rev. Dan MacLean

We Light the Christ Candle

\*Introit VU #236 Now Thank We All Our God (v.1)

# \*Call to Worship

One: We come to worship God, who loves us.

All: Give thanks to God, for God is good: God's love goes on forever.

One: God has led God's people through deserts and oceans, mountains and valleys.

All: Give thanks to God, for God is good: God's love goes on forever.

One: God loves the world so much that to us the Son was given, that believing in him we should not perish but have everlasting life.

All: Give thanks to God, for God is good: God's love goes on forever.

#### Prayer of Reconciliation

One: Gracious God, you offer us a new covenant.

Write your words on our hearts, that we might know you, and know how to follow you. When we feel lost and alone, remind us that you are always with us. For all those times when, we grow impatient and lose our trust in you:

All: forgive us, holy God.

For all those times when fear and mistrust get the best of us, and we lash out in anger, or run and hide:

forgive us, holy God.

For all those times when we ignore you - your gracious love and your call to discipleship: forgive us, holy God. Amen.

#### **Words of Assurance**

Friends in Christ, know that God loves you and has saved you.

Thanks be to God!

Hymn

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God, do not be afraid; lift up your voices, the Lord is near; lift up your voices the Lord is near.

**F.** J. Berthier (Songs & Prayers of Taize)

### WE ARE INVITED TO LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

#### Children's Ministry

Following this time, children are invited to join with their leaders.

Scripture Reading Ephesians 2:1-10

One: May God bless to our understanding this reading from Holy Scripture.

All: Amen!

**Gospel Reading** John 3:14-21 One: This is the good news of Jesus Christ!

All: Thanks be to God!

Music Ministry O How He Loves You and Me ~ K. Kaiser

Soprano: Lynne Shipton

Message Amazing Grace

## WE ARE INVITED TO RESPOND TO GOD

\*Hymn VU #147 What Wondrous Love Is This

Invitation to Our Offering

**Offertory Music** 

Gabriel's Oboe

\*Dedication of our Gifts

All praise and thanks to God for all that has been given, the Son, and Spirit blest who dwell in highest heaven, the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

VU #236 (v.3)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn: VU #266 Amazing Grace

\*Sending Forth & Blessing

Live in charity and steadfast love, live in charity; God will dwell with you.

J. Berthier

**Postlude** Near the Cross ~ arr. Hustad

You are invited to gather downstairs in the Grand Room to enjoy fellowship and refreshments.

<sup>\*</sup>Hymn VU #333 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

# GRACE UNITED CHURCH 174 Caithness St. East, Caledonia, ON N3W 1C2 www.graceunitedcaledonia.com

Mission Statement

To be a welcoming Christian community; Sharing God's Word, Showing God's Love, Serving God's World.

Ministers: All People of the Congregation

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#### **Ne Hold these People in our Prayers**

Pat & Rod Bryan as they mourn the loss of Pat's father, Clive Ottaway;
Peter & Bonnie Unrau; Lorne & Helen Park; Frances Murphy; Shauna Borges;
Lola Edwards; Ron Clark; Joan Stahn; Jeff Lee (nephew of Joan Lee);
Marg & Ron Cross; Ted Abbey; Norma Hindman; Angeline Ottaway (mother of Pat)
Doris Schaeffer; Nada Arh (mother of Reese); Chuck Thompson;
Colton Halden (great-grandson of Mary Edwards)
Hamilton Conference Prayer Cycle: Mount Forest - Woodland United Church

## Local Mission givings this month are for Ryerson Camp

Everyone is Welcome to the Caledonia Community Good Friday Service at 10am at the Caledonia Fairgrounds.

#### **Sunday Volunteers**

<u>Today</u> Greeters: \*Keith & Marg Crawley; Joan Lee

Ushers: Carlos Borges & Sam Gowling

Sunday School: Reese McMillan & Darlene Aldridge

Tellers: Marg Crawley & Jean Rent

Mar 18<sup>th</sup> Greeters: Lynne & Roy Shipton; Peggy Fox Ushers: Darlene Aldridge & Marion Stoneman

Scripture: Joan Lee

Sunday School: Pat Ottaway-Bryan & Darlene Aldridge

Tellers: Lynne & Roy Shipton

Mar 25<sup>th</sup> Greeters: \*Lloyd & Lena Jenkins; Robin Kittle

Ushers: \*Liz Fuller & Volunteer needed

Scripture Reader: Robin Kittle Tellers: <u>Volunteers needed</u>

<u>LENTEN STUDY</u> each Sunday in the Library until - Mar. 25, following worship @ 12:30 pm. Bring your lunch and grab a coffee. We'll be discussing the gospels and the life, death and resurrection of Jesus using the video mini-series, "Son of God".

<u>LENTEN LUNCHES</u> are once again being put on by the Caledonia Ministerial Association. Lunch and Worship will be held this year at Caledonia Presbyterian Church from 11:45 am - 1 pm every Wednesday until Good Friday. 117 Argyle St. N. 905-765-4524

### THANK YOU!! From Mission & Outreach Committee



Many thanks to everyone who supported our "Soup Lunch" last Sunday.

From your donations of tasty soups & delicious desserts We realized \$307 from the free will offering!

# WINTER WORK BEES for MARCH:

13<sup>TH</sup>, 20<sup>TH</sup> & 27<sup>TH</sup> from 9 -2pm in the Grand Room. Please bring your lunch, beverages provided.



#### **WOODWORKING CLUB**

Thursdays from 9:30-12 @ the Workshop of Lanny Salmon, 8555 Leeming Rd. Mount Hope.

BEGINNERS WOODWORKING CLUB Fridays at 1 p.m. at Lanny's shop, 8555 Leeming Rd, Mount Hope. Info at 905-679-4670.

# GRANDMOTHERS TEA March 28, 2018



Mohawk Chapel 301 Mohawk St. Brantford (519-756-0240) Time: Noon - 2 pm. Everyone Welcome! Potluck luncheon, bring your favorite dish or dessert and share in the fun and laughter.

CALEDONIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH is pleased to announce an Easter Canata, "Behold the Lamb" Tues Mar 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. The concert will be presented by the Church Choir and other featured guests under the direction of J.R. Richard.

Free admission; freewill love offering gratefully received.

#### **BOOK LAUNCH TODAY!** author Allison "Sam" Gowling

from 1 to 4 pm, Community Centre on James Street in Jarvis. "From Stroma to Walpole Township;

The History & Legacy of The Miller Clan In Walpole Township."

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u> that Zehrs is no longer participating In the "food tape" program, but Foodland tapes are still accepted in support of the West Haldimand Hospital.



# **MARCH CALENDAR**

The HAC is thrilled to welcome back Sandra Allen for **Line Dancing** each Tuesday in March, 12:30-1:30. Come ready to dance, laugh and have fun.

Speaker Series: All Speaker sessions are 11:15AM-12:30

March 15

David Wells, Singer. Join us for hits of the 50's, 60's and 70's.

March 22

Susan Roach, Community Addiction and Mental Health presents building blocks for mental health.

March 29

Mark Heastont, Philippines Mission Trip. Mark will share stories of his recent mission trip.

## **J STEPHAN FITNESS**

Exercise class in the Grand Room <u>EVERY Saturday</u> 9:30-10:30. Everyone is welcome to attend at any time; \$7 per class.