NEWS from the BRIDGE

Life @ Bridge Street United Church, Belleville, Ontario, during COVID-19

AN INITIATIVE BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE TRANSITION TEAM



FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2022



Sunday, April 3

10 a.m.

LENT 5 WORSHIP

THIS WEEK—IN-PERSON & VIA ZOOM

Sundays @ 10 a.m.

DETAILS ARE PRINTED IN THIS NEWSLETTER.

Think on this...

"If more of us valued food and cheer and song above hoarded gold, it would be a merrier world."

- J.R.R. Tolkien

CONGRATULATIONS, Elizabeth Ewashkiw!!!

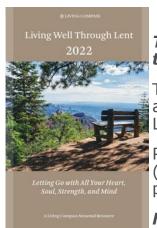
This week, the Belleville Rotary Club honoured Elizabeth Ewashkiw with a community member **Paul Harris Fellowship** award (Rotary International's highest honour) for her years of leadership, dedication and voluntary service in the community.

One note of congratulations from a Knitters United member stated:

"Elizabeth, indeed it is lovely that your involvement in the community, your kindness to neighbour, and your encouragement of others has been lauded."

Congratulations on this receiving this well-deserved honour, Elizabeth, From the BSUC Community of Faith

A NEW SEASON; A NEW OPPORTUNITY TO GROW YOUR SPIRIT!



The Season of Lent is a period of almost 6 weeks leading up to Easter Sunday.

To help you grow spiritually in this time, Rev. David has arranged for a complimentary online resource "Living Well Through Lent 2022" to be available upon request.

Please contact Carol in the church office by email (admin@bridgestchurch.com) and an electronic copy will be provided to you.

May your spirit be blessed as you turn your heart and mind towards it!

TWO GREETERS NEEDED FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL...

- One person to initially welcome and check for proof of vaccination. This person is stationed at a table just inside the Ramp entrance.
- Another person to stand in the Sanctuary to further welcome and invite those attending worship to take a seat where bulletins have been placed.

It would be wonderful to have 4 Greeters on Easter Sunday to welcome all who attend; one set of Greeters at the Ramp entrance and another at the main entrance.

If you can help in this way, please contact Carol in the church office, admin@bridgestchurch.com, 613-962-9178, or speak to Frank Hiebert on Sunday morning, or at fhiebert@coqeco.ca, or 613-968-5825.

JOIN US FOR 10 a.m. SUNDAY WORSHIP ...

IN PERSON ...

To make this opportunity as safe as is reasonably possible, certain pandemic protocols will guide our gathering:

- 1) Masks are to be worn for the entirety of one's indoor attendance.
- 2) Social distancing of 2 meters is to be observed.
- 3) Seating in the sanctuary will be pre-established to ensure social distancing.
- 4) On the first occasion of an individual's in-person attendance, provincially-issued proof of vaccination will need to be presented for verification and record-keeping purposes.
- 5) Masked singing (congregational and choir) is welcomed.
- 6) An after-worship fellowship time is not possible at this time.
- 7) For those unvaccinated persons, worship will be available via Zoom technology.

Thank you for helping to ensure that in-person worship remains a possibility by minding the conditions under which it is possible.

ON-LINE VIA ZOOM...

This is a recurring meeting, 10 a.m. Sundays.

Here are the log-in details:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88090347511?pwd=SGlzK1ZXdWE2SC9oT2NsMmR3MDJoUT09

HOLY WEEK SERVICES @ BSUC ...



Both services will begin at 10 a.m.

BSUC pandemic protocols will be followed, including mask wearing and the showing of provincially-issued proof of vaccination. (See above for further details).

Anyone wishing to attend, and who can adhere to these COVID protocols, is welcome.

EASTER OFFERINGS —

Support your community of faith with a special offering this Easter season...



2022 BUDGET TARGET FOR EASTER OFFERINGS IS \$4,500

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WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE...

CHEQUE - Place on Offering Plate, or mail to 60 Bridge St. E., Belleville, ON, K8N 1L7.

INTERAC e-Transfer – Add admin@bridgestchurch.com to your INTERAC e-Transfer contact list and your donation will be automatically deposited into the church's operating bank account (no security questions/answers to worry about). Your INTERAC e-Transfer donations will be recorded and receipted at the end of the year.

CREDIT CARD – Click the "Donate Now" button on the home page of our website, www.bridgestreetchurch.com, to contribute through "CanadaHelps".

PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance, monthly, administered by the United Church of Canada) – Contact the church office @ **admin@bridgestchurch.com** to arrange for this method of contributing.

REMINDER—"BROADVIEW" SUBSCRIPTIONS...



SUNDAY, APRIL 3 IS THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT 2022 – 2023 SUBSCRIPTION ORDERS.

<u>BROADVIEW</u> magazine brings subscribers news of issues within the national church, insights into the workings of other congregations and thought-provoking articles on timely issues.

Cost = \$25 per year (tax included)

At this late date, there are now **two ways to pay** (in each case, please be sure to mark "Broadview" on payment):

- Interac E-Transfer See details above.
- <u>Place payment in the offering plate on Sunday morning</u> in a special envelope marked "Broadview".

-OR CONTACT CHURCH OFFICE TO INDICATE YOUR DESIRE TO SUBSCRIBE-

COPIES OF 2021 ANNUAL REPORT & AGM MINUTES ...

... are available on the table at the back of the Sanctuary, or you may request copies of minutes be sent to you via e-mail (admin@bridgestchurch.com)/pick up copies of Annual Report in church office (please call first, 613-962-9178).

REMINDER- UCW MEETING ...

You are invited to a UCW meeting on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>April 13</u>, <u>2022</u> @ 1:30 pm.

This meeting will be held in the Sanctuary. The main topic is: "How do we Move Forward?". The UCW's Purpose is to unite women of the congregation for the total mission of the church and to provide a medium through which we may express our loyalty and devotion to Jesus Christ in Christian witness, study, fellowship and service.

You are invited to attend and share your thoughts and ideas.

Please RSVP to Shirley at hmclaren3@cogeco.ca or call 613 771 1555.

CAREER OPPORTUNITY @ BSUC— OFFICE MANAGER ...

This permanent full-time position is primarily responsible for ensuring the smooth day-to-day operations of the church office in addition to supporting a number of ministry teams with their administrative and bookkeeping requirements.

This is a 35 hour per week position and is also entitled to benefits as offered by the United Church of Canada.

Further details including a complete position description available at www.bridgestreetchurch.com ("our staff"/"career opportunities").

We invite you to share this career opportunity with anyone you believe may be interested in this position.

Happy Harmony Choir Relief Concert



St. Mark's United Church 237 Cannifton Road North Cannifton, ON

Saturday, April 30th, 2022 7 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets: Donation only

Donations will be given to the Red Cross