

Whitehorse United Church E-News, Week of January 15, 2018

Upcoming Activities & Events (Also, check out the website [Church Calendar](#))

Date	Time / Location	Details
Ongoing		
Sundays	9:30 am, Sanctuary	Toddlers' Service – short service of songs stories and snacks for little ones and their families.
Wednesdays	Noon, Sanctuary	Worship Service
Wednesdays	3 pm, Upper Room	Bible study
Wednesdays	7:30-9 p.m.	Choir Practice
Thursdays	7:15–8:00 am Upper Room	Early Morning Bible Study
January		
Tuesday, 16	5:15 pm, Choir Room	Braeburn Board meeting
Thursday, 18	2-6 pm, Lewis Hall	ASKANDY organizational meeting
Friday, 19	5 pm Upper Room	Eldering Group
Sunday, 21	7 pm, Sanctuary	Taize worship services
Tuesday, 23	5 pm, Choir Room	M&P Committee meeting
Friday, 26	5:30 pm, Upper Room	Writers' Group
Sunday, 28	7 pm Sanctuary	Beatles Night – "Just A' Cookin"
February		
Thursday, 1	4 pm, Upper Room	Finance Committee meeting
Friday, 2	7 pm, Sanctuary	Ecumenical Choir Concert to support Canada Food Grains Bank
Sunday, 4	7 pm Lewis Hall	Interfaith Potluck and Special Guest Speaker
Tuesday, 6	7 pm, Upper Room	Worship Committee meeting
Wednesday, 7	5:30 pm, Upper Room	Christian Growth Committee meeting
Tuesday, 13	5:00 pm Lewis Hall	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Hank Moorlag will be doing E-newsletter production to support Bev during January while Jan Mann is away. Please send items to Hank by e-mail by Sunday night each week.
Thanks!

NOTICES



REFUGEE PROJECT

On Sunday, January 14, 2018 at a Congregational Meeting, a motion was put forward and passed unanimously for Whitehorse United Church to sponsor a refugee family.

Stuart Clark has prepared an information summary on behalf of the Refugee Committee headed by Robin Fairburn and Mike McBride. The information summary can be found on the WUC website at www.whitehorseunited.org by clicking 'Refugee Project' on the home page.

WANT TO HELP? Call the church office 667-2989.

REMIT #6

The United Church of Canada is making changes to its Constitution by way of a number of 'remit's'. Remit #6 proposes 'One Order of Ministry'. Congregations are invited to study the remits and through their governing bodies, in our case the Council, respond to the question posed in the remit.

To learn more about Remit #6, and how to provide your input, please visit the WUC website at www.whitehorseunited.org and click on 'Remit #6'.

TAIZE PRAYER THIS SUNDAY

You are invited to a Taize Prayer this Sunday night, January 21 19, at 7pm for song rehearsal, with the official start of the prayer at 7:30. We actually start rehearsing the songs with the musicians at 6:30, so you are welcome to arrive at that time if you wish! However, the half-hour between 7:00 and 7:30 is devoted to teaching YOU the songs of the evening! The prayer will be followed by tea for those who want to enjoy a chat afterwards.

The prayer is at the Whitehorse United Church, on the corner of Main Street and 6th avenue.

All are welcome for this evening of meditative songs, short prayers and silence. You don't need to know how to sing or how to pray; you just need to enjoy a bit of music, peace and quiet time. Why not invite a friend?

For more information call Susan at 456-7304

TWO MUSICAL EVENTS COMING UP SOON

1. **BEATLES NIGHT** – Our own musicians (in alphabetical order: Brian, Maralyn, Moe, and Pat) now known as “Just A Cookin” will present a concert of Beatles music on January 28 at 7:00 pm in the church sanctuary. The proceeds will be evenly split between the Mission & Service Fund and Braeburn Camp. PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD, IT’S GOING TO BE GREAT!

2. **AN ECUMENICAL CHOIR CONCERT** – Our church choir, joined by any other church choirs and singers, presenting a variety of Ron Klusmeier’s gospel/worship music on Friday February 2, at 7:00 pm. Proceeds will be in support of the Canada Food Grains Bank.

INTERFAITH POTLUCK AND SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

On Sunday evening, February 4th there will be an interfaith potluck. We gather with our friends and neighbours from other faiths, bring some food to share, and get to know one another informally.

After the meal there will be a guest speaker, Dr. Wayne Horowitz, who is an international scholar, will speak to us. He is a Professor of Assyriology at the Institute of Archaeology at Hebrew University in Jerusalem. His research focuses mainly on the religions and traditions of the Ancient Near East thousands of years ago, but an ancient drawing of the Babylonian Moon has brought him in recent years to Northern Canada and Alaska. Professor Horowitz is back in Whitehorse this February to speak about his research and experiences.

The Feast of the Boy in the Moon: A New Look at a Traditional Gwich’in Festival of the Boy in the Moon.

The Gwich’in narrative of ‘The Boy in the Moon’, a story of Man and the Caribou migrations, survives the stories and memories of the Gwich’in First Nation in the Yukon, NWT, and Alaska. For the past five years, the Gwich’in Ethno-Astronomy project of the Gwich’in Tribal Council, Department of Cultural Heritage of the NWT have been speaking with tribal elders and collecting written evidence documenting the Boy in the Moon tradition throughout the North. Professor Horowitz will present an update into this research focusing on rites and rituals relating to the Boy in the Moon.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

Our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper will take place on Tuesday, February 13, 2018.

For more information about the supper – times, costs, etc. Please click on the link on the home page of our website: www.whitehorseunited.org. There you will find two Posters for distribution.

Sign up sheets will be posted in the church narthex shortly. Please consider pitching in to help set up, cook, cleanup, etc. We will also be asking people to bring desserts.

Our organizers for the event this year are Hank and Susan Moorlag (633-3881)

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA – Interim Report on Regional Council Boundaries

The United Church Boundaries Commission is proposing 17 regional councils to replace conferences and presbyteries. You can get more information on this by going to this web page:

<http://www.united-church.ca/news/interim-report-regional-council-boundaries>

Wahl Music Training Fund

Do you want to attend a music camp, take music lessons, have your children or grandchildren take music lessons or bring a music clinician to Whitehorse? You can do that by applying to the Wahl Music Training Fund.

The fund is available to anyone who is a member or adherent of Whitehorse United Church.

Applications are available on the Whitehorse United Church website. For more information contact Jennifer at: jennifermoorlag@gmail.com

AskAndy – Alive and Still Kicking And Not Dead Yet – came out of a conversation with Bev Brazier (pastor, Whitehorse United Church) about seniors who don't have family in Whitehorse.

Are there ways to help one another be safe and supported? For example,

- whom would you call if you needed serious help?
- who here knows where your important papers are?
- who will notice if you are ill?
- who will contact your family away in case of emergency?
- who will serve as local contact for your family?

Twenty-three people came to our original meetings last Spring. Of that group seventeen have joined one of three subgroups (“pods”). Each pod serves as “family” for the members of the pod, with information being shared and responsibilities taken as the particular pod decides. We expect to meet Thursday, January 18 at 2 PM (Whitehorse United Church) to form more pods.

Please contact Whitehorse United Church [867] 667-2989 or wuc@klondiker.com to be notified of any changes to the time and place of that general meeting.

Asking for Need help with Opportunities

Birthday, Anniversary Cards

Community Life is looking for people to help write birthday and anniversary cards. You don't have to buy anything. All of the cards and stamps are in the office. If you would like to help please contact Dianne at the office. 667-2989

Beagle Needs Transport

Beagle Paws is looking for transport from Edmonton to Whitehorse for a Beagle called Nora. If anyone is flying to Whitehorse and would be prepared to add her to their ticket Beagle Paws will reimburse them for the cost. Please send May Sutherland and e-mail if you or you know someone that can help us out. Would be greatly appreciated. may@beaglepaws.com Thank you very much.

Multicultural Centre Offers Support

Do you know someone who needs help doing things such as: applying for a work permit or passport, writing a resume, preparing for an interview, learning computer skills, studying for a citizenship test or drivers license? Or ESL tutoring for children of all ages. For more contact the Multicultural Center 667 6205 or info@mcyukon.com

Coffee Cards

If anyone has full McDonald's coffee cards that they don't plan to use, we can use them in the office to give out to people.



Prayer Chain

Did you know that we have a prayer chain? It's simply a group of people who have agreed to be there to pray for people when asked to do so. No meetings, just a willingness to pray. Would you like to be part of this ministry? Let Bev know.

Poster Distribution Service

Mallory's Postering Service - available for poster distribution. Contact Mallory at 334-6816.