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UNITED CHURCH



FEBRUARY 2024  
SEASON OF LENT

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP at 10 AM LIVE STREAM**

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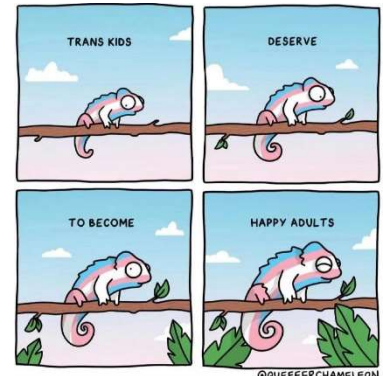
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Hello and good Friday to you,

This week has been really difficult for the 2SLGBTQ+ community as we learned about Nex Benedict, a non-binary youth from the Choctaw Nation who was beaten in their school bathroom in Oklahoma by 3 young women and sent home where they died from their injuries. They were 16. Oklahoma



has a bathroom policy that states that Nex had to use the girls bathroom. Of course, activists in the US are speaking out about this tragic death and we here in Canada can be thankful that we do have some bathroom laws in place that allow trans and non-binary folks to use the bathrooms of their choosing. However, there have been (and likely will continue to be) protests about 'keeping children safe', which is the way certain groups are asking for bathroom policies to change back/change to the policy of Oklahoma and other states. There were a couple of protests here in Ottawa in the late summer and fall and Alberta is a province to watch on what not to do around gender and children. If you have trans and nonbinary family, friends or neighbours, reach out to them this week and tell them your love and appreciate them?

Please see the rest of the KFF for upcoming events!

Continued Lenten Blessings,  
Jenni

## LENTEN STUDY

For our Lenten Study this year, we are using a resource from A Sanctified Art called "Wandering Hearts".

Britannia has already purchased the rights to this study guide. Separate from the Lenten Study, they have also purchased the

"Wandering Hearts Daily Devotions" which include a brief reflection and prayer for each day in the season of



Lent. Britannia is happy to add us to their Daily Devotion email list. \* Please contact either me or Kirsten if you would like a printed copy of the Lenten Study Guide and / or would like to receive the Daily Devotion email.

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### **FEBRUARY 2024 BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

We will gather to discuss IN PERSON at Britannia (985 Pinecrest Road) on Wednesday mornings from 10am - 12 pm on the following dates:

- Wednesday February 28<sup>th</sup>
- Wednesday March 6<sup>th</sup> (KUC UCW meets at 1pm that day- There will be no meeting March 13<sup>th</sup>)
- Wednesday March 20<sup>th</sup>
- Wednesday March 27<sup>th</sup>

## **UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES AND SOCIAL EVENTS**

### **FEBRUARY and MARCH**

**Sunday, February 25** – 2<sup>nd</sup> in Lent at 10AM

**Sunday, March 3** – 3<sup>rd</sup> in Lent at 10AM

**Sunday, March 10** – 4<sup>th</sup> in Lent at 10AM

**Sunday, March 17** – 5<sup>th</sup> in Lent at 10AM – MUFFIN SUNDAY

**Sunday, March 24** – PALM SUNDAY 10AM

**Sunday, March 31** – Easter Sunday at 10AM

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### **Save the Date – Sunday, March 3, 2024**

Cards and games Day - An event for all ages: You are all invited to a cards and games afternoon following the service on March 3, 2024. Bring your favourite games. Light snack will be provided but feel free to bring your own brown bag lunch.

## **MUFFINS FOR THE CHAPLAINCY**



**STARTING AGAIN-** Every 3rd Sunday is going to be our muffin collection day for the Chaplaincy. We are asking congregants to bring muffins once a month on the 3rd Sunday. The children will also be the muffins go to the Carlington Chaplaincy. Norah and Densie will serve coffee and muffins on Monday mornings at the Chaplaincy. People really appreciate having something to eat, especially the last week of the month when their money is running low.

Sunday March 17, 2024

Sunday April 21, 2024

Sunday May 16, 2024

## CHAPLAINCY ANNUAL WORKSHOP - INVITATION



**Carlington Community Chaplaincy Annual Workshop –  
Sat. March 02/2024 9:00am – 11:30 am  
Bellevue Community Centre 1475 Caldwell Avenue**

**Agenda summarized:**

Welcome remarks & Introductions.

Updates from Chaplain, Community, Supporting churches.

Program review. “Moving forward”

- Hospitality – Open Door
- Creative Path
- Other programs

Partnership with the Caldwell Family Centre-  
update & discussion.

Priorities for 2024 --- small groups:

- Restarting regular activities OR Supporting Churches needs/wishes.
- Rebuilding the committee structure.
- Volunteer recruitment needs and action.

Closing remarks.

## SPRING RUMMAGE SALE – APRIL 2024

We will be having a spring rummage sale on **Friday April 19th from 7-9 p.m. and Saturday April 20<sup>th</sup> from 9a.m. to noon.** Start gathering up your donations but PLEASE no clothes, shoes or magazines. Volunteer are needed – the Sign-up sheets will be posted in the Main Hall closer to the dates.



## TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts for donations made in 2023 are now ready for pick up at the church - please see Nancy Brodie after the service for your receipt. All receipts not picked up will be mailed after next week.

## UCW

**UCW Meeting – Wednesday March 6, 2024 1PM in the Hall.**

All are invited to UCW meeting in March. We will have a guest speaker from **Cornerstone Housing for Women**. For those unfamiliar with Cornerstone, they operate residents’ and a shelter for Women in the community. They have strong ties with Minwasshin Lodge, one of our Outreach partners. Hope to see you there.

## WIDER CHURCH

### EASTERN ONTARIO OUTAOUAIS REGION UNITED CHURCH WOMEN (UCW)

Annual General Meeting

Theme: Telling our stories

Guest speaker and Author & Story teller - Betty Turcott

Monday, May 6, 2024

Trinity St Andrew's UC, Renfrew

Registration: 9:30 AM

Program 10 AM to 2:30 PM

REGISTER by email with Carolle Dallas-Arbuckle [cdallas@ripnet.com](mailto:cdallas@ripnet.com)

By Friday, April 26 (earlier is better)

COST: \$20, includes annual report, morning snacks, buffet lunch with vegetarian & gluten-free options.



## WE ARE HERE FOR YOU - PLEASE REACH OUT

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