

NEWSLETTER

November 8, 2024



WORSHIP DATES AT MELROSE

- 10th Nov, 2024
- 17th Nov, 2024
- 24th Nov, 2024
- 1st Dec, 2024

GREETINGS!

In the name of the One who loves us and holds us dear

We are an inclusive community on Locke Street, dedicated to seeking justice, loving kindness and walking humbly with God. We are a progressive church with traditional elements to our

service and quite a lot of music. We welcome people who are questioning. We dress informally and understand that children often run around and make noise.

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Message from the Board

Sunday, Nov 10th ~ Congregational Gathering 12pm to 2pm

with Rev Richard Bott to discuss future directions for Melrose.

Wednesday, Nov 13 ~ Official Board Meeting @7:30 pm.

Please note the change of day! All are welcome at any board meeting! If you would like to attend, please contact the office for more information.

Upcoming Worship Services

Sunday, November 10th ~ Remembrance Day with Reverend Margot Feyerer at 10:30AM.

Sunday, November 17th ~ with Reverend Rick Maxwell at 10:30am

Sunday, November 24th ~ with Meg Chalmers at 10:30am

Sunday, December 1st ~ Advent 1 at Westdale United at 10:30am

WWII Melrose Honour Roll



If you would like to know more information about our fallen Melrose heroes, there will be an information sheet available on the table at the front of the Sanctuary this Sunday or click [here](#) to download it from our website. Thank you to Tabitha de Bruin and Alex Cann for researching and compiling this information!

Mistletoe Bazaar Online Ordering!



*Advanced ordering is
now available on our new
online store!*

Go to our website or click

[HERE](#)



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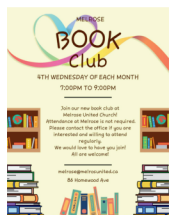
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Thank you!

A team of people, including Jeff, Gwyn, Rosella, Maureen, and Libby (and a host of others who pitched in to help or who made a financial contribution) planned and implemented a fantastic turkey luncheon to celebrate Sonia Ireson's retirement. From the beautifully themed table setting to the delicious meal, the celebration was a success because of your hard work and good planning. Thank you so much!

*Thank
You*



Melrose Book Club

We meet in the evening, on 4th Wednesdays, at Melrose, in the parlour. There's no particular theme to the books we are reading. New members are welcome: please speak to Catherine or Dianne or email Sue in the office.

Congregational Gathering

Sunday, November 10th ~ Please join us from **12:00pm to 2:00 p.m.** This important gathering will be an opportunity to discuss future directions for Melrose and will be facilitated by Richard Bott, a former United Church moderator and current minister at Grace United Church in Burlington.



Joint Potluck

Thursday, November 14th @ 6:00pm ~ Join us in the parlour for a joint potluck with our friends from Westdale United Church. Our guest speaker will be Lucia Iannantuono who will be speaking about Climate Action: Hamilton and Beyond. Please bring a hot or cold item to share. RSVP Gwyn, gwynxag@gmail.com.

Donations for Mission to Seafarers

Did you know that the men and women who staff the ocean going ships you see in the Port of Hamilton are often away from their families, countries, and cultures for 4 to 9 months or more each year? The Mission to Seafarers Centres in Hamilton and Oshawa provide a safe haven where seafarers can use free Wi-Fi to connect with their families after long periods of isolation. These centres also offer a comfortable lounge, books, periodicals, a meditation room, a pool table and a selection of new and gently used warm clothing - especially needed during the cold weather on the Great Lakes, St Lawrence River and Atlantic Ocean.

This November, we are asking for donations of adult socks and large chocolate bars. A large basket will be placed in the Sanctuary for your contributions.

Each year, the Mission assembles approximately 600 bags to be distributed in December to all seafarers on international ships.

The Mission to Seafarers is grateful to Melrose United Church and the Knitting Circle for their generous donations of beautiful hand-knit hats and scarves!

For more information, please speak with Geoff Harrison.



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MISTLETOE BAZAAR!



Advanced Ordering Now Available!



Our new online store is now accepting orders! Please go to our website or click [here!](#) All orders must be picked up on the day of the Bazaar.

Baking for Cookie Walk

Our amazing and Cookie Walk is only successful with your assistance! Please consider making three recipes of your favourite cookies. Don't forget to freeze them for Bazaar day! Thank you!

Volunteers Are Needed at the Bazaar!

There are lots of roles that need to be filled on the day of the Mistletoe Bazaar! Two cheerful greeters are needed from 8:45am to 10am and from 10am to noon. Table helpers are needed for the Cookie Walk, Bake Table, and Clear Out Table. If you are able to fill any of these roles, please speak to Gwyn or email her at gwynxag@gmail.com. Thank you!

Looking Ahead!

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Saturday, November 2nd & 16th ~ Community Knitting and Crochet @9:30 Bring your current project and materials, beginners welcome! Coffee, tea and snacks will be provided.

Saturday, November 23rd ~ Mistletoe Bazaar gam to noon. Enjoy vendors, bake table, Cookie Walk and Tea room! Online ordering will be available later shortly! Stay tuned!

Friday, November 29th ~ Progressive Euchre. Doors open @7pm. Games start @7:30pm sharp! Beginners welcome, you do not need a partner!



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