

# NEWSLETTER

October 18, 2024



## WORSHIP DATES AT MELROSE

- 20th Oct, 2024
- 27th Oct, 2024
- 3rd Nov, 2024
- 10th Nov, 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.

## Connect With Us



[melroseuc](#)



[melroseunitedchurch](#)



<http://melroseunited.ca>

86 Homewood Avenue  
Hamilton, ON  
L8P 2M4

## Message from the Board

**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, October 20th ~** World Hunger and Food Insecurity Sunday at 10:30AM. Please bring a non-perishable food item!

**Sunday, October 27th ~** All Saints Sunday at 10:30AM. Meg Chalmers will lead the service.

**Sunday, November 3rd ~** with Reverend Margot Feyerer at 10:30AM. Retirement Celebration for Rev Sonia afterwards!

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

## Save The Date!

**Sunday, November 3rd ~** We are hosting a retirement celebration for Sonia after our Worship Service with a delicious luncheon and presentation. Please RSVP to the office if you can attend [melros@melroseunited.ca](mailto:melros@melroseunited.ca) by **Oct 21**. Thank you!

*Retirement Party  
for Rev Sonia!*



Sunday, November 3rd

Join us for a delicious luncheon  
and presentation  
after our Worship Service!



905-522-1323

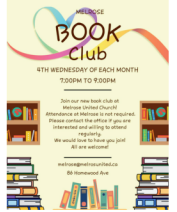


[melrose@melroseunited.ca](mailto:melrose@melroseunited.ca)



## 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.



## Reconciliation, A Vision and a Process



**Monday, October 21st @1:30PM - 3:30PM.** Join us for a community gathering with Tim Hackborn to learn more about Indigenous life in Hamilton, including the diverse populations, vibrant organizations, and impactful programs. Everyone is welcome to this sharing circle. Hamilton Community Food Centre, 310 Limeridge Rd., West.

## Joint Potluck

**Thursday, November 14th @ 6:00pm** ~ Join us in the parlour for a joint potluck with our friends from Westdale United Church. Please bring a hot or cold item to share. RSVP Gwyn, [gwynxag@gmail.com](mailto:gwynxag@gmail.com).



## Music Feeds the Soul

**Sunday, November 2nd** ~ In celebration of Westdale United's 95th Anniversary. Tickets are sliding scale \$1 - \$95 and are available from the Westdale United Church office or on Eventbrite via the website. [www.westdaleunited.ca](http://www.westdaleunited.ca)

## News From the Worship and Faith Formation Committee

The Worship and Faith Formation Committee have decided to trial a change in how we collect offerings. Many churches have stopped passing collection plates because so many people give their offering in ways that are not visible. For the month of October, we will place offering plates in the center aisle and near the Stanley Ave parking lot entrance for envelopes or cash offerings instead of passing the offering plates. The offering prayers will acknowledge offerings in all forms such as envelopes, PAR, e-transfers or online donations. We will reassess this after trying it for a few weeks to see if it works for us. If you have questions or feedback, please reach out to a member of the Worship and Faith Formation Committee. Thank you!

## Message from the Office

If you have any news items or announcements for the bulletin or newsletter, please remember to submit them to Sue by Wednesday each week. Kindly send your submissions to [melrose@melroseunited.ca](mailto:melrose@melroseunited.ca). Thank you!



905-522-1323



[melrose@melroseunited.ca](mailto:melrose@melroseunited.ca)





# MISTLETOE BAZAAR!



## Mark Your Calendar!

The Mistletoe Bazaar is right around the corner! This year's bazaar will be held on **Saturday, November 23rd from 9am to noon**. Donations of 250ml jam jars can be dropped off in the kitchen. Pre-order information will be available soon on our website! Stay tuned!

## Help is Needed in the Kitchen!

Five to ten people are needed each week to assist in kitchen on Monday evenings from 6pm to 8pm to make pies, soups and cookies for the bazaar. The dates are: Oct 21 & 28. Please connect with Gwyn if you are able to attend, [gwynxag@gmail.com](mailto:gwynxag@gmail.com). Thank you!

## 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!

## Looking Ahead!

**Saturday, October 19th ~ Community Knitting and Crochet @9:30** Bring your current project and materials, beginners welcome! Coffee, tea and snacks will be provided.

**Monday, October 21st ~ Reconciliation, A Vision and a Process @1:30pm.** A community gathering to learn more about Indigenous life in Hamilton. Hamilton Community Food Centre, 310 Limeridge Road West.

**Friday, October 25th ~ Progressive Euchre.** Doors open @7pm. Games start @7:30pm sharp! Beginners welcome, you do not need a partner!

**Sunday, November 3rd ~ Retirement Party for Rev Sonia!** ~ Join us after Sunday Worship to celebrate Rev Sonia's retirement. Please RSVP by October 21st, [melrose@melroseunited.ca](mailto:melrose@melroseunited.ca).

**Thursday, November 14th ~ Joint Potluck @ 6pm.** Join us in the parlour for a joint potluck with our friends from Westdale United Church. Please bring a hot or cold item to share. RSVP Gwyn, [gwynxag@gmail.com](mailto:gwynxag@gmail.com).

**Saturday, November 23rd ~ Mistletoe Bazaar 9am to noon.** Enjoy vendors, bake table, Cookie Walk and Tea room! Online ordering will be available later shortly! Stay tuned!



905-522-1323



[melrose@melroseunited.ca](mailto:melrose@melroseunited.ca)

