

MELROSE NEWSLETTER

September 4, 2026

SUNDAY WORSHIP DATES AT MELROSE

- September 6, 2026
- September 13, 2026
- September 20, 2026
- September 27, 2026

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.

A Message from the Board

Official Board Meeting ~ Meetings will resume in September, date TBA!

All are welcome at any board meeting!

If you would like to attend, please contact the office for more information, melrose@melroseunited.ca

Welcome Rev Ken and Jasmine!

WELCOME

Our first service with Rev. Ken Jackson' and Jasmine, our new Children's Ministry Coordinator will be held this Sunday, September 6th in the parlour at 10:30am! Be sure to join us and wish them a warm welcome!

Upcoming Services At Melrose!

Services will return to the Sanctuary on Sept 13th

Sunday, September 6 ~ Worship Service @ 10:30am with Rev Ken Jacson

Sunday, September 13 ~ Worship Service @ 10:30am with Rev Ken Jackson

Sunday, September 20 ~ Worship Service @ 10:30am with Rev Ken Jackson

Sunday, September 27 ~ Worwship Service @ 10:30am with Rev Ken Jackson

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We always welcome children and understand that they may not be quiet during the service. We appreciate their joyful noise and are glad that they are here!



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From the UCC

A Back-to-School Blessing

Loving God,
parent and companion to us all,
hold the precious children and young people
in your loving care as they begin a new school year.

Nurture in them a sense of wonder.
Keep their curiosity alive,
their imaginations wide,
and their hearts open to the joy of discovering something new.

May the spark of creativity, possibility, and adventure
continue to burn brightly within them.
Give them courage to ask questions,
freedom to dream,
and confidence to become who they are meant to be.

Surround them with people who see their worth
and meet them with kindness, patience, and respect.

Protect them from harm,
from cruelty and fear,
and from words and ideas that diminish the dignity of others.

And may they be a source of kindness, courage,
and welcome to those around them.

Bless them as they learn and grow,
as they make friends, face challenges,
discover their gifts, and find their own light.

May they shine in the ways that are uniquely theirs—and
may every child be surrounded by the love, care, and hope they need to flourish.

Amen



Mistletoe Bazaar!

Start planning !! we are going ahead with our Annual Mistletoe Bazaar on **Saturday, November 21st, 9am to Noon**. Please put this event in your calendars NOW!

We will need cookies, baked goods, and plenty of those!! If anyone has empty 250ml jam jars please drop them off to the church during the summer. We will need them for peach jamming in early August!

Please consider the myriad of ways that you can help: kitchen tea room, greeters, set up, tear down and selling our amazing goods.

We are now accepting vendor applications! Please email the office or speak with Gwyn!

Stayed tuned for more updates!!!



Bazaar Raffle Baskets

Gwyn is asking anyone who is vacationing and enjoying their travels this summer to consider picking up a "souvenir" of their trip! At the Bazaar this year we will be having raffle baskets as a fundraiser for the roof. Please consider a donation to a basket: ideas include: pottery, jam, gift certificate for ice cream, bottle of wine, a unique handcraft.... Please drop these items off in the church office anytime in September labelled "Gwyn Bazaar." You can contact Gwyn for more details on what might be needed at gwynxag@gmail.com.



Cooking in the Kitchen!



Cooking in the Kitchen is back! Starting **Monday, Sept 21st from 6 pm - 8 pm**. Everyone is welcome to assist on Momday evenings with baking cookies, putting together pies and soups for our frozen food section and Bake Table at the bazaar. We need 4 people every Monday evening (excluding Thanksgiving Monday) to assist in making this year's Bazaar a success. Please contact Libby or Gwyn and let us know your availability!



Looking Ahead!

Euchre

Friday, August 28th ~ @7pm ~ Doors open at 7pm, games start at 7:30pm. You do not need a partner! Entry fee \$5, coffee, tea and snacks available all night!



Community Knitting and Crochet (and needlework too!)

Saturday, Sept 5th & 19th ~ 9:30am - 11:30am ~ Bring your current project and materials, beginners welcome! Coffee, tea and snacks will be provided. Please enter through the doors off of the Stanley Ave parking lot.

Board Games

Sunday, September 20th @ 1:00pm ~ Come and play your favourite board game or bring your own! You do not need a partner. Entry fee is \$5, children under grade 1 are free!



Duet Club Scholarship Winner's Concert

Sunday, September 27th @ 2:30pm ~ Please join the Duet Club as they celebrate this year's talented Scholarship Winners! This is a pay what you can concert.



Social Media at Melrose

Did you know? Melrose has an active social media presence on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)! Check out our pages for information on Melrose events, the wider church and for messages of inspiration! Please like and share our posts!

A Message From the Church Office

Please be sure to submit your church related items for the bulletin or newsletter by Wednesday of each week. Kindly email melrose@melroseunited.ca.

The Church Office will be open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9am to 2pm this week and will return to regular hours, Monday to Friday 9am to 2pm on Monday, September 14th. Thank you!

