

Pioneer Memorial-Stoney Creek United Churches

Two Churches - One Heart - One Community

eNews - Wednesday, June 10, 2026

Worship Has Returned To Stoney Creek UC!

Join us for worship this Sunday, June 14, at 9:30 a.m. at **Stoney Creek United Church!**
All welcome!



- Sunday, June 14, 7:00 p.m. The Stoney Creek United Church Choir presents their annual Spring Concert "Here's to Song". This exciting evening featuring the choir and guest musicians will be held at Stoney Creek United Church. Refreshments to follow and a freewill offering will be collected in support of Stoney Creek United Church.
- Tuesday, June 16, 7:00 p.m. "Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing" at Pioneer Memorial, hosted by Erin Hayman. Everyone is invited to come out and sing your favourite hymns - old and new!
- Sunday, July 5 - **PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO 9:30 a.m. worship service at Stoney Creek UC. The ONLY worship service this day will be held at 2:00 P.M. at PIONEER MEMORIAL!** All are welcome!
- Sunday, July 5, 2:00 p.m. Service in Celebration of the Ministry of Pioneer Memorial United Church at 1974 King Street East. This is NOT the end of our story as Pioneer Memorial United Church, just the end of a chapter! We hope you will come out to say "Farewell" - please invite your family & friends, former members and adherents to join us as well. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

From The Minister's Desk... *Nurturing your peace*

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God". This is the seventh Beatitude spoken by Jesus during the Sermon on the Mount recorded in Matt. 5:9. For me, the thought of peace evokes a deep desire for all to be well in the world. For people to get along. Even try to get along. In the use of the word peace, Jesus captured the Hebrew concept of something more than just the absence of fighting. He spoke to a shalom, which refers to a deeper wholeness, well-being, and right relationship between people...and God. This, we can't wish into being. But we can work at.

In my effort to work at bringing about some level of personal peace, I begin by giving people the benefit of the doubt, because I believe that everyone is doing the best they can. That's my starting point. I remove every chatter in my head that would want me to start at the point of judgement and criticism of others. Because all of that chatter in my head about judging what others do, what they say, and how they look would just be counterintuitive. This is something to work at, otherwise the mind and spirit can slump into "judginess".

Nurturing that inner peace takes time, as it is not a once and for all and end in itself thing. It's a long journey of continues work which requires daily doing. It begins by establishing small, intentional habits that anchors you in the present moment. In this, there is emotional clarity and a mindfulness that sets you at ease with yourself. It's about being fully present and comfortable in your skin and less impacted by anxiety, worry, and stress.

I strive to nurture my inner peace amidst the noise. And noise comes from many sources. I try not to be flustered by circumstances, as I am anchored in Christ and embrace the belief that I am safely held. An important part of what keeps me level is knowing who I am and whose I am. Because without this, the chaos from outside comes in and removes the peace. So, embracing who God has made me to be is primary – my strengths, flaws, desires, dreams—everything that makes me uniquely me... who God loves.

Being a peacemaker then, begins by embracing peace in yourself.

Blessings,

Lennox

Prayer Requests

If you would like prayers for someone in your family, for a friend, or for yourself, please submit your requests to Rev. Lennox at lennox1112002@yahoo.com, or (226)-920-8799.

Your request will be kept confidential, unless you wish it to be included in the Prayers of Intercession.

— Stoney Creek United Church —

ROAST BEEF DINNER

Saturday, JUNE 13



TICKETS \$30 ADULT	TICKETS \$15 CHILD (12 & UNDER)
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For Tickets:

 **CALL JAN**
905-928-8629

OR

 **CALL THE CHURCH**
905-662-4963

Tuesday – Thursday AM for tickets

• 1 King Street W, Stoney Creek •••



The Bible Study group has resumed their regular meetings, discussing the scriptures for the upcoming Sunday's service on Thursdays at 3:00 p.m. on Zoom. The group will continue to use the **OLD** Zoom link: 424-263-1461 and the password: grace.

You are also invited to join an in-person Bible Study Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room at Stoney Creek United. The group will now be discussing the book "Fascinating Bible Studies on Every Parable" by Dr. William H. Marty. All are welcome!

Land Acknowledgement

The City of Hamilton is situated upon the traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee and Mississaugas. This land is covered by the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, which was an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe to share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes.

As settlers, we continue to benefit from the land and its gifts. As settlers, we must ask ourselves how or if we have shared and cared for the earth and its gifts. Facing the truth is hard. Truth must come before reconciliation

Bible Challenge

Welcome everyone! This column is about fun, and stretching our knowledge of the Bible. Don't worry if you don't know all the answers — that's how we learn! The goal is to discover something new about the Bible - bonus point if you know the scripture verse, if there is one! Answers will be in next week's eNews.

1. What gifts were given to Jesus by the wise men?
2. What was the largest weight among the Hebrews used for measuring gold and silver?
3. Jesus predicted the destruction of what unrepentant city in Matthew 11 verses 23 and 24?
4. Who is the author and perfecter of our faith?
5. Could the king of Israel cure Naaman?
6. Whom did Herod put in prison and deliver to four squads of four soldiers each?
7. Who said, “My son, my son...If only I had died instead of you?”

Answers to last week's Bible Challenge: June 3

1. When anyone looks at a woman lustfully, what did Jesus say that person has already done?
Committed adultery with her in his heart. Matthew 5:28
2. For what purpose did John write his gospel?
That people may believe that Jesus is the Christ. John 20:31
3. In which country was Og the king?
Bashan. Numbers 21:33
4. What did John the Baptist eat in the desert?
Locusts and wild honey. Mark 1:6
5. How did Rahab mark her house so she would be protected when Jericho was captured?
She tied a scarlet cord in the window. Joshua 2:18-21
6. At whose preaching did the men of Nineveh repent?
Jonah's. Luke 11:32, Jonah 3:4-5
7. Who said, “I hid a hundred of the Lord's prophets in two caves, fifty in each, and supplied them with food and water”?
Obadiah. 1 Kings 18:13

An Invitation

Dear Friends of Pioneer Memorial United Church:

This is an invitation to a **Service of Farewell and Thanksgiving** for our building, Pioneer Memorial. For 71 years, the building at 1974 King St E. has served as a sanctuary for worship, a centre for ministry, and a home for our community.

It is with heavy hearts, yet profound gratitude for God's faithfulness, that we invite you to join us for a final service to mark the closure of this cherished space.

The **Service of Farewell and Thanksgiving** will celebrate the ministries, friendships, and sacred moments that have occurred within these walls. We will also take this opportunity to give thanks for all who have worshipped here and to prayerfully look forward to how Pioneer's faith community will continue to worship and serve alongside Stoney Creek United Church.

Service Details:

- **Date:** Sunday July 5th, 2026
- **Time:** 2 pm
- **Location:** Pioneer Memorial United Church

Following the service, there will be refreshments in the MacMillan Hall and a time to share memories, fellowship, and stories.

We hope you can join us for this important occasion as we honour our past and entrust our future into God's hands. Please invite your family & friends, former members and adherents to join us as well.

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Sincerely,

Melanie Jamback

Chair of Church Council