

5 The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. **6** He is not here; he has risen, just as he said.

Matthew 28: 5-6

April 1, 2022

Greetings

On behalf of Malcolm, Maggie and myself, I would like to thank everyone for their well wishes and prayers while we battled Covid during March. Your kindness is much appreciated. Thanks to Rev. Dr. Linda Bell for supplying the pulpit. We hope we are all back on track and ready for spring.

Susan

ORDINATION AND INDUCTION OF ELDERS (KNOX)

A service of ordination and induction will be held on April 3rd at Knox. Brian Adams, Willy Amos. Carman Core and Loretta Fox will be welcomed to the Session of Knox at that time.

LENTEN STUDY

Due to illness the Lenten Study at St. Andrew's had to be postponed. It will now run for two weeks April 4th & 11th at 7:00 pm at St. Andrew's. There are lots of copies of the readings, if you would like to borrow or purchase a copy for your own personal devotional guides during Lent. There are copies at the back of the sanctuary or you can call Mary at the Knox Office(519 846 0680) and she will assist you in securing a copy.

CONGREGATIONAL MAINTENANCE PLANNING MEETING (ST. ANDREW'S)

At the 2022 Annual meeting, the congregation of St. Andrew's decided to move from a Board of Managers to a Committee of the Whole (congregation). The first congregational maintenance Planning Meeting will be held on April 3rd following the service of worship. The goal is to organize the repair projects scheduled for this summer.

GOOD FRIDAY OBSERVANCES

This year, both St. Andrew's and Knox will be hosting the Good Friday Observances with our brothers and sisters of the United Church (Alma and Elora)on Friday, April 15. The Elora service is at 11:00 am. The Alma service is at 7:00 pm.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

Alma United will host the joint **Sunrise Service** on Sunday, April 17 at 7:00 am at the Alma Community Center.

Next Food Bank Sundays are April 3, 2022 and May 1, 2022

EASTER EGG HUNT

Watch for Knox-Elora's Easter Egg Hunt coming April 2-13th. We will be placing posters of Easter eggs in the windows of 12 participating businesses in downtown Elora and children are invited to find them. Children need to pre-register for the hunt and then record the number of the egg shown on the poster as well as the merchant's name where each egg is found along with their own name.

Completed ballots can be placed in the ballot box that will be outside the south door of Knox church or, emailed to knoxelora@wightman.ca.

On April 16th, the church will be open from 9:30 am to noon and the children who submitted ballots, can come and claim their prize. All children who enter will receive a prize.

Check out the details in the Wellington Advertiser -

https://www.wellingtonadvertiser.com/easter-egg-hunts.../...

ST. Andrew's CHOIR PRACTICE

The Choir of St. Andrew's begins practices for Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter on March 10 and continues Thursday evenings at 7:00 until Easter.

EASTER STORY TIME

Knox is pleased to welcome back the Magic Pebble Story time for an Easter Edition. Join us on Saturday, April 9th, at 11:00 a.m. for a selection of stories old and new told by Elora's finest story tellers. Everyone welcome.

TARTS GALORE FESTIVAL

We are back! After a hiatus of two years, the Tarts Galore Butter Tart Festival is back! Spread the word that there will lots of hand crafted butter tarts for sale on May 7th, 2022 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at St. Andrew's. If you are available to assist with the festival, please contact Grace B., Beth A. or Susan C. or email revsvclarke@yahoo.ca.

KNECT

This year's **Roadside Clean Up** will be Saturday, April 30th. You are asked to meet at Knox at 8:30 a.m.

Get your golf clubs out and shined up. The **Glenn Jackson Memorial Golf Tournament** is slated for May 14th. More details to follow.

FUTURE GROUP

The next meeting of the Future Group will be May 5 at 1:00 pm. On the agenda will be the results of the Easter Egg Hunt, the Take Out Picnic Supper(May 28) and the Mennonite Quilt and Coverlet Show (June 25)

PRAYER CHAIN

A quick reminder that our prayer list is first names only. If you have a prayer request, please let me know. (At your request, the person's name will appear on this list.)

Brian Bob Richard Don Nancv Jeff Stephen Donna KnECT Carol Mark Elora United Robert Lynn Cathy Front line workers Vi Weslev Corrie & Sam Jim Alma United Teachers St. James Peter Bill

Diane's family John

Special offering for **Presbyterians Sharing** the last Sunday of the month at St. Andrew's (April 24)

NEW ON SUNDAYS AT KNOX

If you arrive early to worship at Knox, you will notice something new. Before the prelude, join Jim Y for a few choruses old and new. (hymns with Jim). If you have a chorus you would like to sing please let Jim know.

KNOX BOX

Thank you for your continued support of the Knox Box. We are in need of socks and food items that won't freeze (soup mixes, Mac and Cheese, tea, coffee, side kicks etc), purse size packages of tissues and snacks (granola bars)

Jim Y and Rob Y will begin work on the new Knox Box as soon as the weather permits. Over the long months of the pandemic, the Resource Box has seen multiply uses daily. The wind and constant use, have really done a number on the doors and the exterior. The new box will pay tribute to Ed (& family) who built the first Knox Box and Bob who built the church that sits on top. The new Box is funded through a grant from the Program Ready Fund of the Presbytery of Waterloo Wellington.

This same fund will provide the material for a similar resource box to be built at St. Andrew's in the spring.

GIRL GUIDE COOKIES

The chocolate and vanilla Girl Guide Cookies are now on sale. In both Alma and Elora, we are fortunate to have a vibrant Guiding Program. At Knox, we are home to Guides (Mondays), Sparks, Pathfinders and Rangers (Thursdays). Show you support by buying a box of cookies.

SENORS CHAPEL SERVICES

Some of you may not be aware that we have a dedicated group of volunteers who lead Chapel services at our Senors Buildings as part a program run through the Centre Wellington Ministerial. Sylvia, Willy, Dorothy, Erik and Rev. Clarke lead services every other month on Sundays at Wellington Terrace and Highland Manor. Erik and Rev. Clarke go to Carescent Care and Heritage River on Tuesdays(every other month). We are indebted to the leadership of Don H who lead the Sunday Program for many years. If this sounds like something you would be interested in participating in, please speak to Rev. Clarke.

GIVINGS

A reminder, that both St. Andrew's (8 Peel Street, Alma) and Knox (51 Church St. E, Elora), are able to accept donations by cheque. Knox also accepts e-transfers and online donations through our website at www.knoxelora.ca.

AND FINALLY THE FUNNY

Knock, knock! Who's there? Alma. Alma who? Alma Easter candy is gone

Knock, knock! Who's there? Arthur. Arthur who? Arthur any more Easter eggs to decorate?

One Easter a father was teaching his son to drive when out of nowhere a rabbit jumped on the road. Slamming on the breaks his son exclaims to, "Oh no dad I nearly ruined Easter! I almost ran over the Easter Bunny." to which his father replied, "It's okay – you missed it by a hare."_