

EASTER 2024



NEWS FROM THE PEWS

Knox-Elora & St Andrew's Alma



- 24 April - Wednesday
7:30 P.M. KnECT Meeting
- 20 April - Saturday
1:30 to 4:00 P.M. Euchre Afternoon
- 27 April - Saturday
8:30 A.M. Spring Road Clean Up
10 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. Service Club's
Spring Fling Bazaar
- 11 May - Saturday
10 A.M. Glen Jackson Memorial Golf
Tournament
11:00 A.M. St. Andrew's Tart Galore
Festival
- 8 June - Saturday
7 P.M. Nathan Sloniowski—Lost Love
Letter to a Small Town Concert

In Memoriam

We remember. . .

Harold Dodwell

John Elmore

Marjorie Wilton

God will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away. – Revelation 21:4



Men's Breakfasts

A hearty breakfast, and a time of fellowship and devotion. Join us gentlemen Wednesday mornings at 8am. At Box Social We look forward to your company.

St. Andrew's Tart Galore Festival

The Tart Galore Festival at St. Andrew's, Alma is Saturday May 11th from 11 until we are sold out (whichever comes first). We already have a number of groups registered. If you know of any community groups who might be interested in booking a table please let Beth, Grace or Susan know. We will be looking for help with the festival closer to the day. It's time to get your Butter Tart on.

Glen Jackson Memorial Golf Tournament

The Glen Jackson Memorial Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, May 11 at 10 am at Beaverdale Golf Club in Cambridge. Please join us for a great day of golf, food, prizes, raffle, trivia and putting contests.

All proceeds support KnECT in our local and international projects. The cost is \$130/golfer and includes 18 holes of golf, shared cart, BBQ burger and chicken buffet, prizes and tax receipt. Dinner only is \$30. If you would like to join us please contact Jennifer Marfleet by April 26.

Volunteers Needed

Knox is looking for volunteers to act as greeters (before the service) and elevator attendants (before and after the service) and Psalm readers. No experience required. Please speak to Shelley M, Rev. Clarke, or John H.

Also looking for volunteers to lead the Responsive Psalm at both churches. Please speak to Rev Clarke anytime.

There is a time of fellowship following the service of worship in Elora. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board next to the coffee maker if you would like to host.

Ministry to Seniors Opportunity

For over 30 years, Knox has been proud to be part of the Center Wellington Ministerial team of churches who lead services of worship at our local senior's buildings. Each Sunday, residents at Wellington Terrace (2:00) and Highland (3:00) gather for worship lead by one of the participating churches. Unfortunately, over this past year a large number of churches who were part of this Sunday ministry have had to temporarily withdraw as they search for a new minister. There are now only 4-5 congregations remaining including Knox. Our turn now comes up almost monthly. We need help.

Willy, Dorothy and Sylvia are looking for a few people to join the team. The services consist of prayer, a scripture lesson, a message from Sylvia and hymns....lots of hymns. We invite to join even for one Sunday and see if this is something you would be interested in doing. You do not have to be from Knox to volunteer. Happy to have anyone from St. Andrew's help with services too. Please speak to any member of the worship team.

We also conduct services at Caressant Care on Tuesday at 9:30 and 10:30. There are more churches involved, so our turn only comes up every other month.

Minister's Message

Following the services of worship March 17 the Clerks of Session Jo-Anne Hall for St. Andrew's and Shelley Maitland for Knox read the following letter from Rev. Clarke announcing her retirement as of September 1st, 2024

Greetings

It has been my great privilege to serve as your minister for the past eight years. This was not an easy decision for Malcolm and I to make.

As most of you already know Malcolm's health is declining. He is on the waiting list to get into a nursing home back in Brockville where our family is. It is time.

You have been very kind to Malcolm and I especially over these past two years and I know that God has wonderful things in store for you in the years to come.

Susan

Next steps

The Presbytery of Waterloo Wellington has already granted me permission to retire. They will in the coming months appoint an Interim Moderator who will oversee the Call process. The Sessions of Knox and St. Andrew's have offered their suggestions of who they would like to work with. This person will take care of filling the pulpit, insure the sacraments are maintained, oversee pastoral care,

weddings and funerals and conduct Session meetings. They may not personally carry out these duties but they will make sure that someone does.

In the coming months, St. Andrew's and Knox will form a search committee and prepare congregational profiles. We will be looking for volunteers from both congregations. The size and composition of the committee to be determined by the Interim Moderator and the Sessions of Knox and St. Andrew's.

Although an actual vote on a new minister is many months away, there are a couple things that need to happen before that. Firstly the Sessions of St. Andrew's and Knox will be taking a look at their lists of members to make sure they are accurate. This may involve contacting people that we haven't seen for awhile to make sure they are interested in participating in the call process. Secondly, and this is where you come in. If you are not a member of St. Andrew's or Knox, this is an excellent time to join. Whether you like to transfer your membership or you would like to attend communicants classes, this is your opportunity to shape the future of both congregations by helping to chose who will lead you into the future. If you are interested in either of these, please let Susan know.

From the Middlebrook Kitchen **Clean Out-the Refrigerator Crustless Quiche**

4 eggs
1/4 cup melted butter or margarine
1/2 cup all purpose flour
1/4 tsp salt
1/2 tsp baking powder.
1 3/4 cups milk
1 1/2 cups diced cooked ham, cooked sausage, green pepper, green onion, sliced mushrooms, cooked broccoli, etc., etc.
2 cups shredded cheese...Swiss, Monterey Jack, cheddar, colby...again, whatever is on hand.

Preheat oven to 350 F. Grease a 9" pie plate. In a large mixing bowl. whisk the eggs and melted butter together. Set aside: Stir or sift the flour with the salt and baking powder. Add it to the egg mixture. Fold in the meats and vegetables that you are using and pour into the prepared pan. Top with the cheese. Bake for 50-60 minutes or until golden and puffed. Let stand for 10 minutes before serving.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

Members have enjoyed an interesting time since January reviewing some of their favourite Psalms. They also studied Acts, Timothy , Titus and of course the Easter story in John. Everything in the world changes but God never changes — He is the same forever .

Anyone interested in coming out to see what we are all about is most welcome. We meet at Vi Y's home on Thursday mornings from 10 to 11. (28 Church St W 519.846.0223)

Some Notes

- A Safety Bar for the gas stove, to prevent it from being accidently turned on, is now installed. Jim Speers installed it and Brian Witzel made the bar and both waived any charges.
- Malcolm Clarke received confirmation for a bed at St Lawrence Lodge and he will be moving there shortly. This facility is located on the banks of the St. Lawrence River at the eastern boundary of the Thousand Islands and the City of Brockville, Ontario.

New Testament Bible Reading Plan

Tips for Reading the Bible Daily

1. Start reading the Bible today -- there is no better time, and there's no reason to wait. Pick a Bible reading plan that will help you know where to start.

2. Set aside a specific time each day. Set your schedule and then stick to it. Mornings are great, but feel free to use any time that works consistently for you.

3. Read the Bible for the sake of learning, not simply to accomplish your next reading. Say a short prayer to God before you begin, asking the Holy Spirit to give you wisdom and understanding, then be refreshed by the words you read!

April 1 - John 17; John 18; John 19

April 2 - John 20; John 21; Acts 1

April 3 - Acts 2, 3 & 4

April 4 - Acts 5, 6 & 7

April 5 - Acts 8, 9 & 10

April 6 - Acts 11, 12 & 13

April 7 - Acts 14, 15 & 16

April 8 - Acts 17, 18 & 19

April 9 - Acts 20, 21 & 22

April 10 - Acts 23, 24 & 25

April 11 - Acts 26, 27 & 28

April 12 - Romans 1, 2 & 3

April 13 - Romans 4, 5 & 6

April 14 - Romans 7, 8 & 9

April 15 - Romans 10, 11 & 12

April 16 - Romans 13, 14 & 15

April 17 - Romans 16; 1 Corinthians 1 & 2

April 18 - 1 Corinthians 3, 4 & 5

April 19 - 1 Corinthians 6, 7 & 8

April 20 - 1 Corinthians 9, 10 & 11

April 21 - 1 Corinthians 12, 13 & 14

April 22 - 1 Corinthians 15 & 16; 2 Corinthians 1

April 23 - 2 Corinthians 2, 3 & 4

April 24 - 2 Corinthians 5, 6 & 7

April 25 - 2 Corinthians 8, 9 & 10

April 26 - 2 Corinthians 11, 12 & 13

April 27 - Galatians 1, 2 & 3

April 28 - Galatians 4, 5 & 6

April 29 - Ephesians 1, 2 & 3

April 30 - Ephesians 4, 5 & 6

May 1 - Philippians 1, 2 & 3

May 2 - Philippians 4; Colossians 1 & 2

May 3 - Colossians 3 & 4 ; 1 Thessalonians 1

May 4 - 1 Thessalonians 2, 3 & 4

Some Notes From the Past

From History of Elora compiled by Mrs Roberta Allan

EloraObserver August 29, 1878

Lizzie Gabe, ten year old, fell asleep during the service in Knox Church on Sunday evening. By general oversight she was allowed to remain sleeping after the service ended, the congregation dismissed and the doors securely locked. She was not released until the bell ringer went to ring the bell the next morning.

Mr. Gay, when organist in Knox Church, used to leave the organ bench at the beginning of the sermon and sit in the nearest front pew. One Sunday, the sermon ended, the last hymn given out and sung with him still asleep, the benediction given and the congregation left. The janitor wakened him that he might lock the church.

Spring Fling Bazaar

Spring Fling Bazaar is April 27th from 10:00-1:30. Plan to come for lunch; sausage and souerkraut on a bun with squares and cookies for \$15. The Service Club is looking for a few extra hands for setting up and taking down. They also appreciate all donations for the bake table. If you happen to have friends who have a home based business, the Service Club has vendor table available. Please speak to Shelley or Linda or call the Knox Office 519 846-0680.

Thanks to Judy and Paul for the wonderful donation of card tables and chairs. They worked well at the last Euchre Party. If you missed the party on March 10, the last of the season is April 20th beginning at 1:30pm. Cards, refreshments and prizes make for a fun afternoon.

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
51 Church Street, Elora

Euchre Afternoon
April 20
1:30 to 4:00 PM

One Easter, a father was teaching his son to drive when out of nowhere a rabbit jumped on the road. Slamming on the brakes, the son said, "I nearly ruined easter! I almost ran over the easter bunny."

His father replied, "It's okay son—you missed it by a hare."



Refreshments and Prizes
\$10/Player

A GROOVY LITTLE ALBUM LAUNCH
 Presented by: *Café Crêperie*
NATHAN SLONIOWSKI
 WITH BRADLEY CRAIG

THE LOST LOVE LETTER TO A SMALL TOWN

SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH
TICKETS \$20 Doors open 5:30PM 7PM Opening Bradley Craig
 ticketsplease.ca Show Starts 7PM 7:30PM Featuring Nathan Sloniowski
CAFE CREPERIE - 40 MILL ST. W., ELORA

The Sweet Truth of Easter

by *Bethany Tapp*

These candies tell a story—
 the best news you'll ever hear.
 It's about Jesus dying on the cross
 so that we could be brought near.
 So hold them and turn them and you will see...
 the "M" become a "W" an "E" and then a "3"
 The "E" stands for Easter...
 Gods everlasting love and His eternal plan.
 It reminds us of the cross
 and the way God rescued sinful man
 The "3" is for the 3 days Jesus spent in the grave
 By His death. His children He did save
 The M is for the mercy the Messiah showed
 as He died in our place.
 and the miracle of the resurrection
 so we can see Him face to face.
 The W reminds us... that He alone
 is worthy of our worship and praise
 and calls us to be His witnesses
 around the world for all of our days.

Easter Word Search

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 GOLGOTHA
 HIGH PRIEST
 JESUS CHRIST
 JOSEPH
 JUDAS ISCARIOT
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MARY
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 PIECES OF SILVER
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