

THANK YOU to Joe Calverley for leading in Worship today and to Azrael Hackshaw for his music ministry.

COUNCIL HAS RECEIVED THE REVIEW REPORT from Carol Hancock.

WUC representatives will meet with Regional Council on April 24 and then we will learn what actions they will take. You will be kept informed.

We have received notice that as appointed by Horseshoe Falls Region, **REV.HEATHER LEFFLER** has agreed to offer **PASTORAL CARE** to members of WUC who feel they need it specifically in relation to the review process. Please contact her at <u>hleffler@rogers.com</u> or via cell 519-573-9642.

FOR ALL OTHER PASTORAL CARE needs, contact the office for an appointment.

CONGRATULATIONS to Bob and Sue Stevenson on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary! What a wonderful milestone!

ROOFING WORK – starting this Tuesday, the roofers will begin repair on the parlour roof area. They will be setting up their crane in the north Church Street entrance area and their disposal trailer at the west front sidewalk area so these doors will be blocked for a few days next week. Please keep these areas open for the workers and continue to use the gym doors.

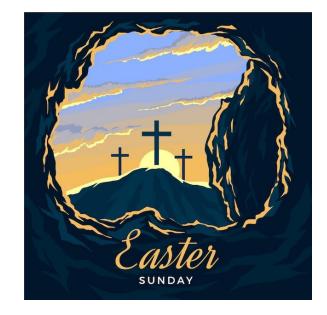
THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA CELEBRATES 100 YEARS! A special service and lunch is being planned for Sunday, June 8 when churches across Canada will be celebrating. Put the date on your calendar!!

LADIES DAY AWAY is an opportunity to gather and be inspired at Grace United Church, Port Dover on Saturday April 26, from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Guest speakers are Jocelyn Bell, Editor of Broadview Magazine, and Executive Director Rev. Trisha Elliott. A delicious lunch will be served, music and a selection of books to view and purchase from the Grand River Book Store. Tickets are \$25.00 each and are on sale until April 22. Please contact Heather King at 226-931-9434 for a ticket or more information. See bulletin board for more information.

A SPAGHETTI DINNER is being served at Colborne Village United Church on Sunday, April 27 at 5:30 p.m. and includes musical entertainment. See bulletin board for more information.

WATERFORD UNITED CHURCH April 20, 2025

Worship Leader: Joe Calverley Music: Chris Savory / Azrael Hackshaw



Today we are gathered in the traditional territories of several indigenous nations with gratitude. As settlers, we take on the responsibility of learning about historic and current relationships, and our desire to engage in building right relations. We are also mindful of broken covenant, and the need to commit ourselves to deep reconciliation and healing.

The Waterford United Church is a place where everyone is welcome regardless of their ability, age, class, ethnicity, gender, race, or sexual orientation.

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WATERFORD UNITED CHURCH Sunday, April 20, 2025 EASTER SUNDAY Joe Calverley

GATHERING

THE LORD IS RISEN. HE HAS RISEN INDEED!

CHOIR INTROIT: Yonder Come Day

RESPONSIVE PRAYER:

Christ is the Lord of life, raised up by the Father; in His turn, He will raise us up by His power.

Lord, Hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, light in the shining darkness, you lead your people into life.

Lord Hear our prayer.

Lord, you walked the way of suffering and crucifixion. may we suffer and die with you and rise again to share your glory.

Lord, hear our prayer.

King of glory, we look forward to the great day of your coming in splendour Help us to see you face to face and be transformed in your likeness. Lord, hear our prayer.

HYMN: Jesus Christ is Risen Today

VU #155

SCRIPTURES:

First Reading: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles Acts 10: 34, 37 – 43

Psalm 118 - Voices United #837 Refrain: Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Second Reading: A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians Colossians 3: 1-4

HYMN: Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing (vs. 1 & 2) VU #169

Reading from the Gospel of John – John 20: 1 – 9

HYMN: Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing (vs. 3 & 4) VU #169

PRAYERS OF ILLUMINATION

MESSAGE: This Day of Days

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Ring the Easter Bells

OFFERING:

Offertory: We Praise You, O God (vs. 1) VU #218 We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator; in grateful devotion our tribute we bring. We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you; we bless your holy name, glad praises we sing.

Prayer of Dedication: (together)

Gracious God, when we remember Jesus gave his life for us, our offering seems so small. Yet Jesus shows us five loaves and two fish can feed a multitude; a man dying on a cross becomes Living Bread for a hungry world. Bless these small gifts with your goodness so that the miracle of Jesus' love continues to amaze the world. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER LORD'S PRAYER

RECESSIONAL HYMN: The Day of Resurrection	VU #164
SUNG BLESSING: The Strife is O'er (vs. 1 & 4) The strife is o'er, the battle done, The victory of life is won, The song of triumph has begun, Hallelujah!	VU #159
On the third morn he rose again,	

Glorious in majesty to reign, O let us swell the joyful strain, Hallelujah!

