

COMMUNITY NEWS + EVENTS

Tues., Jan. 30th, 10am-4:30pm, United Church in Meadowood, 1111 Dakota St. will host *Food Safe: Certified Food Handlers Training Course*. Earn a Province of Manitoba Food Handlers Certificate in accordance with the City of Winnipeg Food Service By-law. Cost is \$85/person plus \$5 for book rental or \$17 to purchase the book. Please bring a bagged lunch. To register & for more information, please contact Sandy at ucm@ucim.org or 204-256-7002.

Fri., Feb. 2nd, 7pm, Booth University College, 447 Webb Place, invites senior high youth, ages 16-21 to a free *concert* featuring Fresh IE with a five-minute spoken word on "What's your better world?" This is a great opportunity for your youth group to have fun, learn a little bit about Booth & start a good conversation about what education for a better world means! Register at BoothUC.ca or text 204-223-6120.

Sat., Feb. 3rd 7pm, McNally Robinson, 1120 Grant Ave., Providence College Lecture Series begins with *Beyond the "Pro-Life" versus "Pro-Choice" Debate*, given by Randall Holm, PhD, Associate Professor of Spiritual Formation. Free admission & no registration required. For more information, please call 204-433-7488, ext. 272 or visit www.prov.ca

Sun., Feb. 4th, 7pm, Crescent Fort Rouge United Church, 525 Wardlaw Ave. invites you to *Chamber Wind*, an Artie Shaw concerto with Dr. Catherine Wood, featuring clarinetists from Brandon University & Winnipeg. Tickets \$15/person in advance from the church office 204-475-6011 or at the door.

Mon., Feb. 5th, 7pm, Crescent Fort Rouge United Church, 525 Wardlaw Ave. invites you to *Understanding Dementia*, a free information session resourced by the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba. As we age, we become increasingly concerned about dementia. What are the warning signs, the risk factors & protective factors? How do we get a diagnosis? Are there myths and misconceptions that need to be dispelled?

Mon., Feb. 5th, 7pm, 5014 Roblin Blvd. The Charleswood Historical Society presents the 6th of its 2017-2018 *Heritage Lecture Series*. Author Bill Redekop will speak on "Lake Agassiz: The Rise and Demise of the World's Greatest Lake" Refreshments will be served. Silver Collection.

Thurs., Feb. 8th, 6pm, Charleswood Public Library, 6-4910 Roblin Blvd. will host *Navigating Your Child's Use of Social Media*, a presentation by the Assiniboine South Early Years Coalition & the WRHA with Melissa Kushnir & Ang Bartley, School Psychologists. Please contact Diane Campbell, PTSD 204-488-1767 ext.1283 or dcampbell@pembinatrails.ca to register.

Fort Garry United Church, 800 Point Rd. will offer **Thursday morning 10:30-11:30am Zumba** classes for 50+ & **Tuesday morning 10:30-11:30am Fitness Classes** 50+ taught by an IAM Fitness Instructor. Class includes a warm up, cardio, & cool down to help improve fitness, balance, mental health, weight control, & sleep. All welcome regardless of physical ability. \$80 for 10 classes or \$12 drop in fee. More info or to register contact the instructor raulparagas@shaw.ca, 204-997-9105 or call the FGUC office 204-475-1586 or fguc@shaw.ca

Fort Garry United Church 800 Point Rd. will offer a **Friday morning 9:30-11:30am Moms & Tots Group**, offering moms a break for discussion with coffee & snacks. Childcare provided in nursery/playroom. Recruiting new Moms & Tots! (\$5/session, 1st one free) Please contact the church office 204-475-1586 or email fguc@shaw.ca to sign up.

The Life and Work of Our Church

Jan. 28, 2018

Ministers: Rev. Dr. Michael Wilson
Rev. Noelle Bowles

Senior Choir Director: Shauna Sperry
Organist: Carla Plosz
Musician-in-Residence:
Brendan Thompson

Children's Ministry Director:
Rosalie Finch

Youth Co-ordinator: Leah Wilson

Office Administrator: Janet Ammeter
Bookkeeper: Nancy Jeffrey

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204-832-3667

Our Greeters this morning are:

- ★ 9:00 a.m. Mona Bilton
- ★ 11:00 a.m. Myrna Hammond
Karen Hayden

Our Prayers of the People Readers this morning are:

- ★ 9:00 a.m. Joan Rettie
- ★ 11:00 a.m. Coralie Bornais

Our Scripture Readers this morning are:

- ★ 9:00 a.m. Carolyn Hsu
- ★ 11:00 a.m. Colleen Jury

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: *Kim Belfry, the family of Irene Baron, Helen Boyer, Olga Hembroff, Martha Houston, Aferdita Hyseni, Neil McEwan, Ian Moore, Karen Poborsa, Ethel Scarrow, Pat Slobodizian, Cheri Staple, Hal Thiessen, Christopher Warner*

Please contact the church office if you know of anyone who is in need of a pastoral visit or a card.

On the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle this week, our thoughts and prayers are with: Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Western Sahara & Tunisia and Oak Table Community Ministry

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Mark your calendars! The **Annual General Meeting** is scheduled for Sunday, March 4th following a light lunch.

All committees & auxiliaries are asked to submit their report to the office by February 2nd, 2018.

Please send your report as a Word Document. Thank you.

AGM
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WE ARE MORE...TOGETHER! Our life together accomplishes many things but it is often done in small pieces by various groups. Have you ever wondered what it all adds up to? In 2017 our life together resulted in just over \$81,000 raised for compassion and healing beyond our walls. The diverse list of recipients included overseas and inner-city UCC mission work, Christmas Hampers, Community Ministries in Winnipeg, Indigenous communities, hurricane relief, poverty in Charleswood, a women's shelter, and Habitat for Humanity to name a few. Together we make a difference in the world God loves. Thank you for your generous and ongoing support.

If anyone knows of or is in possession of original paintings by local artist the late Thelma Shields, and is willing to part with them, please contact the church office. Members of Thelma's family are interested in acquiring any available works. Thank you.

We are having difficulty finding people to serve communion, read Scripture, read the Prayers of the People & Minute for Mission and sit at the Welcome Table for 9 a.m. How can you serve this congregation in any of these ministries? Please complete the insert and drop it in the recycling box for collection by the Worship Committee. Thank you.

The grief process can be difficult and lonely, with many setbacks. CUC will offer a **Bereavement Support Series** for those who are in need of help with this process. Linda Churchill of Crescentwood Counselling will be the facilitator. Linda is a registered Marriage and Family Therapist and a trained bereavement counsellor. Sessions will run for six Thursday evenings from February 22nd to March 29th at 7:00 p.m. The cost for all 6 sessions is \$80/person, maximum 8 participants. All participants must register with the church office by April 3rd. Payment will confirm registration.

FYI from Michael – You may find interest in this recent writing from Catholic theologian Richard Rohr which helps explain the real problem with fundamentalism.

Fundamentalism is a growing phenomenon, not only in Islam and other religions, but within Christianity as well. Fundamentalism refuses to listen to the deep levels of mythic, metaphorical, and mystical meaning. It is obsessed with literalism and exclusion. The egotistic need for clarity and certitude leads fundamentalists to use sacred writings in a mechanical, closed-ended, and quite authoritarian manner. The ego rarely asks real questions and mostly gives quick answers. This invariably leaves ego-driven, fundamentalist minds and groups utterly trapped in their own cultural moment in history. Thus they miss the Gospel's liberating message along with the deepest challenges and consolations of Scripture.

Calling all greeters! Please add your name to the greeter sign-up sheet as your schedule permits. It is so important that each person who enters to worship be greeted personally. Thank you for your attention to this ministry.

THE WEEK AT CHARLESWOOD Office Hours 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Community Venture	8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Monday to Friday (LL)
Monday	Jan. 29 th 7:00 p.m.	Faith Based (S)
Tuesday	Jan. 30 th 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Musical (BR, S, VRH) Alcoholics Anonymous (CR)
Wednesday	Jan. 31 st 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Badminton (VRH) AI-Anon (LL)
Thursday	Feb. 1 st 9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Seekers (BR) Girl Guides (LL) Pathfinders (L) Musical (BR, VRH) Senior Choir (S)
Friday Groundhog Day	Feb. 2 nd 9:30 a.m.	T.G.I.F. (BR)
Saturday	Feb. 3 rd	
Sunday Fifth Sunday after Epiphany	Feb. 4 th 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.	Worship with Holy Communion Cool School Ena Sutton (LL)

Upcoming Events at CUC

- February 2 Deadline for AGM reports
- February 14 Ash Wednesday
- February 18 First Sunday of Lent
- March 2 World Day of Prayer
- March 4 AGM
- March 17 Quiz Nite
- March 20 First Day of Spring
- March 25 Palm Sunday
- March 30 Good Friday
- April 1 Easter Sunday
- April 4-6 20th Anniversary Musical Production
- April 10 Bridge Luncheon
- April 21 Rummage Sale
- May 5 Care & Community Fundraising Concert



**What is keeping you busy on Sunday mornings?
Would you volunteer with us?**

Please check the box beside the ministry that you can perform to serve Charleswood United Church. We ask that you add your contact information at the bottom. Completed forms can be left in the recycling box for collection by the worship committee.

Thank you.

- Welcome Table
- Greeters
- Read Scripture
- Serve Communion (instruction provided)
- Read the Prayers of the People
- Volunteering with Church School
- Coffee Time
- I usually attend 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____