
COMMUNITY NEWS + EVENTS

Lenten Organ Series | Wed., Mar. 18, 12:15-12:45pm, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 637 Buckingham Rd. | The Wpg. Centre of the Royal Canadian College of Organists is pleased to present noon-hour Lenten services | led by Pastor Tyler Gingrich with hymns, scripture & prayers. This week: Dietrich Bartel|

Advance Inclusion Housing | Wed., Mar. 18, 5pm | West End Cultural Centre, 586 Elllice Ave. | Finland reduced homelessness by 81% - what can Manitoba learn? | Intl. keynote speaker: Juha Kahila, International Affairs, Y-Foundation | free event open to the public | registration required: righttohousing.ca/finland

Verna & Peter Janzen Music Competition | Thurs., Mar. 19, 7pm | CMU, 500 Shaftesbury Blvd. | CMU's 21st annual event showcasing CMU music students featuring competition finalists Emily Adams, Lauryn Edel, Jacob Kenny, Bella Rogers & Larry Ruffin.

Spring/Summer Clothing Sale | Fri., March 20, 5:30-7:30pm & Sat., March 21, 10m-12 Noon | St. George's Anglican Church, 186 Wilton St. | come for this sale with a great selection of adults & children's clothing

Stone Soup 50/50 Draw | help fill the pot in support of the Child Nutrition Council of MB | childnutritioncouncil.com | draw date: March 27

50/50 Draw | Tues., March 31, 1pm | in support of the Charleswood Senior Centre | \$5/5 pack, \$10/20 pack, \$20/100 pack | charleswoodseniorcentre.org

Gratitude Day | Sat., April 11, 10am-3:30pm | St. Eugene Church, 1009 St. Mary's Road | growing with gratitude honouring Lois W., Anne. B & the 75th anniversary of Al-Anon Family Groups | tickets: \$5/person, available from Pauline, pmireul@hotmail.com

Plant Sale | until April 15 | CH. Active Living Centre in partnership with Glenlea Greenhouses offers a plant sale in support of the centre | glenleagreenhouses.com | please select CH. Active Living Centre at checkout

Nothing But the Truth by Philip J. Anderson: Caught in the Act's 13th Annual Dinner Theatre | April 17, 18, 19, 25 & 26 | Transcona Memorial United Church, 209 Yale Ave. W | \$55 (\$20 tax receipt) tmuc.ca/dinner-theatre.

The Life and Work of Our Church

March 15, 2026

Minister: Rev. Dr. Michael Wilson

Children's Ministry Director:
Rosalie Finch

Senior Choir Director: Shauna Sperry
Pianist: Faisal Alsaïdi
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Doreen Barton

Guest Lenten Reader:
Greg Hamilton
Our Lady of Perpetual
Help Parish

Offering Collection:
Kathryn Anderson
Jeff Franz-Lien
Monika Franz-Lien
Gail Reid

Welcome:
Kathryn Anderson

Minute for Mission

Reader:
Jeff Franz-Lien

Reader:
Sharon Gordon

HeBrews Café/
AGM Luncheon:
Care & Community
Committee

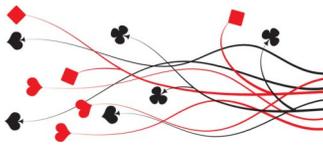
REMEMBER IN PRAYER: *Herb Letkeman, Marnie Manerch, Rich Milne, Bob & Phyllis Preston, Bev Russell, Bob Van Den Berg, Shirley Waterman & family*

On the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle this week, our thoughts and prayers are with: Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway & Sweden and Cartwright (Cartwright, MB), Cloverdale (St. Andrew's, MB) & Dugald (Dugald, MB), Oakbank (Oakbank, MB & Trinity (Brandon, MB) United Churches

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Please join us today for the **Annual General Meeting** following a light luncheon after worship. Your input and participation are needed to discern the future of this congregation.



Calling all Bridge players! Join us on Tuesday, April 28th, 12-3:30pm, for the annual **Bridge Luncheon**. This afternoon always offers good food, fun, spirited competition & great prizes. Please come as a table of four. Tickets, \$20/person will be sold on Sunday mornings and during the week until we sellout.

We are looking for 1 or 2 adults or adolescents who have taken the babysitting course and regularly babysit to volunteer on Sundays to staff the nursery. A police record check and a vulnerable person check must be done, paid for by the church. Duties include accompanying and playing with infants & toddlers during the service, watching for new babies & toddlers and inviting families to use the nursery & ensuring the room is safe and comfortable. Wally Ort will be present for a time to ensure a smooth transition. Those interested are asked to please contact Pat Shaw, patnshaw@gmail.com or 204-297-9889.



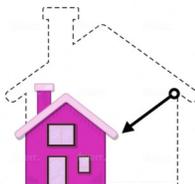
March Climate Tidbit: Olympians last month and para-Olympians this month love their sport & we love watching them. [Some](#) of these athletes are part of [Protect Our Winters](#) because they see effects on their sport's snow and cold temperatures by fossil-fueled climate change. The [IOC says](#) "by the middle of the century, we'll have 10-12 countries cold enough to host" and may have to limit locations and shift the games to January. While we can all reduce personal emissions from lifestyle choices, many banks continue to [finance fossil fuels](#). ACTION: Be a climate advocate; assess your bank at the website [bank.green](#), tell them you care what they're doing about climate change, and maybe even MOVE your money to a more sustainable one



Get your thinking caps on and your teams ready for Quiz Nite April 11, 2026!! This is a fun night of questions on general knowledge, current events, music, word/picture puzzles. Bring your own snacks. Wine is available for purchase; soft drinks & coffee are provided. Doors open 6pm, quiz 7pm. Prices are \$25/person or \$200 for a full table of 8 people. You can register your team in the office during the week or in the Narthex on Sunday

mornings, starting March 22. Please have one team member send in a cheque, payable to Charleswood United Church or cash or e-transfer (donate@charleswoodunited.org) for the cost of the entire table. Please provide all players' names with contact to facilitate completion of the registration forms. This is always a great evening of multi-generational fun! See you there.

Our next CUC Senior's **Lunch & Learn** is planned for Wednesday, March 25th. We will enjoy a lunch at noon, doors open at 11:30am. We welcome Brian McMillan, real estate agent & owner of My Smaller Nest, as he speaks on the art of downsizing. For planning, please register in the Narthex on Sunday mornings March 15th & 22nd or with the office during the week. A free will offering will be taken. Please join us.



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	March 16		
Tuesday	March 17	9:30 a.m.	Seekers (BR)
St. Patrick's Day 			
Wednesday	March 18	7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Council Mtg. (BR) Al-Anon (Na)
Thursday	March 19	10:00 a.m. 7:30 p.m.	Rental (CR) Choir (S)
Friday	March 20		
First Day of Spring 			
Saturday	March 21	10:00 a.m.	Choir (S)
Sunday	March 22	10:00 a.m.	Worship Cool School (VRH) Youth (Loft)
Fifth Sunday of Lent			
		11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	HeBrews Café (K, VRH) C. Bacon Practice (S)

RUMMAGE SALE – Saturday, April 18, 9am-12pm
Mark your calendars now for this important fundraiser!
It is not too soon to be organizing all that stuff.

We welcome donations of kitchenware, housewares, small electronics in working order, laptops, only flat screen computer monitors & TVs, small non-upholstered furniture, antiques, vintage items, luggage, jewellery, bedding, towels, toys, books, games & puzzles. We will not accept large furniture, TVs, magazines or technical books.

Drop-off: April 13-16, 9:30am-3:30pm.
We will not accept items on Friday April 17. Much help will be needed the week prior to, during the sale and with clean up. Students: this is an opportunity to earn volunteer hours. To volunteer, please contact Lorrie, 204-889-2740.



Please support this important fundraiser – donate, volunteer, shop!