

COMMUNITY NEWS + EVENTS

Book Launch | Tues., Sept. 8, 6:30-8:30 pm | South St. Vital venue | Jeff Franz-Lien has published his first novel, "Reconfigured: Are You Digitized?", and a celebratory book launch is being held. Dessert & cold drinks provided. There will be a talk, reading & book signing at 7pm. Books, \$20, with no obligation. No entry charge, limited space. To reserve your seat & receive location, please contact Monika Franz-Lien, 204-391-3085 or jfranzlien@gmail.com. | [book info here](#)

Community BBQ | Wed., Sept. 9 | 4:30-6:30pm | Fort Garry United Church, 800 Point Rd. | BBQ with hot dogs, fresh salads, cookie & beverage for \$7/person & ice cream \$3/person | live music | games | info. resources | rain or shine

Open House | Thurs., Sept. 10 | 10:30am-3:30pm | CH. Active Living Centre, A357 Oakdale Dr. | tour the facility, meet the staff, fitness demos 11am-2pm | BBQ 12-1:30pm, \$5/person, cash only | call 204-8977-5263 to reserve your spot

Too much art? Need to downsize? Consider donating to Art from the Attic, the annual sale in support of Grands N' More and the Stephen Lewis Foundation. Art is being accepted until September 16. | Drop-off locations: The Art Drop Off Kiosk @ St. Vital Mall, entrance 1, next to Marshalls W & Sa, 11am-1pm Storageville 820 Waverly St. or 123 Reender's Drive, M-F 9-6 End of the Roll 801 Century St. M/W/F 9-5, T/Th 9-6 | information 431-275-1183 or gnmafta@gmail.com | grandsnmore.com



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The Life and Work of Our Church

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Children's Ministry Director:
Rosalie Finch

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Greeter:

Colleen Askew

Welcome:

Wally Ort

Reader:

Ed Buller

HeBrews Café:

Valerie Chatain-White
Janet Goddard
Jane Murray

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Bruce Berven, Doris & John Blakeston, Coralie Bornais, June Clubb, Linda Fraser, Herb Letkeman, Marnie Manerch, Andreas Miller, Bob & Phyllis Preston, Bev Russell, Diane Webb, Joy Wilton

On the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle this week, our thoughts and prayers are with: Benin, Ivory Coast & Togo and Virden (Virden, MB) United Church and Oak Lake (Oak Lake & Griswold, MB) & St. Charles-Headingley (Headingley, MB) Pastoral Charges

Do we have ... your current mailing address, email address & phone number? If not, we would like to! We make contact using each of these methods, especially at tax time. Please ensure that the office has this information. Give us a shout; we can update our records and have a great conversation.

The **second quarter statements** have been removed from the narthex. Statements will be emailed to those requesting it. Please let the office know your correct email address and we will attend to this.

Our **Mission & Social Action Committee** is holding its first fall meeting on Tuesday, September 9th, 1pm. We are always looking for ways our Church can be of service to our broader community. Curious about our plans for the fall? Please accept this invitation to attend our meeting and add your voice and interest to our endeavours!



The Mission & Social Action Committee requests your assistance in collecting school supplies for Westgrove School. The **school supply drive** ends today. Delivery will take place this week. Requested items, in order of need, are pencils, glue sticks, markers, erasers, Hilroy scribbles, coloured Sharpies, crayons, pencil sharpeners & small whiteboard markers. We thank you so much for your past and continuing support.

The ABC's of Christian Faith – Would you like to know more about Christian faith in our tradition? Join Rev. Dr. Michael Wilson for a six week look at some of the foundational tenets of Christianity in the liberal protestant tradition. Topics will include Bible, Prayer, Worship, History, Theology, and more. The **ABC's of Christian Faith** is for anyone interested in membership through Confirmation or Adult Baptism, those who are new to the church, those who have come to CUC from other traditions, and anyone who would simply enjoy a refresher. Classes will be held every other Wednesday at 7:00 pm beginning September 23.

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| September 23 | Who is God, the Trinity, the Incarnation |
| October 7 | What is the Bible? – A Crash Course |
| October 21 | Prayer as centring, giving thanks, inviting intercession |
| November 4 | 2000 years of Church History – Where does the United Church fit it? |
| November 18 | Worship and the Church Calendar |
| December 2 | Ministry - What Do We Do After We Say I Believe? |

Please register at the church office (204-832-3667 or office@charleswoodunited.org) or speak to Michael for more information.

Still Waters – is a grief support group, a monthly gathering of anyone experiencing the complicated emotions of sorrow and absence. It is intended to be a calm, healing, conversational time to which participants are welcome to come as often, (or seldom), as they feel helpful. **Still Waters** meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 1:30 beginning Wednesday, September 16.

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 Labour Day	Sept. 7 All Day	Office Closed
Tuesday	Sept. 8 9:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Seekers BR W & E Mtg. BR
Wednesday	Sept. 8 10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Staff Mtg. BR M & SA Mtg. BR Council Mtg. BR Al-Anon Na
Thursday	Sept. 10 7:30 p.m.	Choir S
Friday	Sept. 11	
Saturday	Sept. 12	
Sunday Creation Time I	Sept. 13 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Worship S HeBrews Café K, VRH



Please be aware that the **church office will be closed** on Monday, September 7th due to Labour Day. Regular office hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. will resume on Tuesday, September 8th. Enjoy the weekend!

With immense thanksgiving for her ten years of ministry to our children and youth, we are nonetheless sorry to announce that Rosalie Finch has resigned as Children's Ministry Director to pursue other opportunities, effective September 12. Rosalie has brought boundless energy, a creative heart, and deep faith to her responsibilities. We wish her nothing but joy, happiness, and success in her future endeavors. Our Ministry and Personnel Committee is already hard at work on ways to express our gratitude to Rosalie as well as planning for staffing for this essential part of Charleswood United Church.

Summer Potted Plants Maintenance - We have again been blessed with beautiful potted plants at the south entrance and volunteers are needed to tend them. We ask that you sign-up for any week (s), Monday through Sunday, to water and maintain the pots as necessary. Please add your name to the volunteer board sign-up sheet as you are able. Thank you.

