Children's Ministry Leader Wanted – CUC is seeking a Children's Ministry Leader to support children and youth in Christian education, worship, service, & community life. The successful candidate will work with ministerial staff, the W & E Comm., volunteers & families to coordinate church school & activities. Clear criminal checks are required. To apply, please send a résumé and cover letter to David Roper, M &P, rope34715@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY NEWS + EVENTS

Heroism in the Air: Heritage Lecture Series | Mon., Nov. 2, 7pm | CH. Seniors Centre, 5006 Roblin Blvd. | Gordon Crossley will share about the Victoria Cross & Canadian Airmen 1917-1945 | parking at the back | wheelchair accessible | refreshments | silver collection | charleswoodhistoricalsociety.ca

Fall Supper | Sat., Nov. 7, 5:30pm | St, Mary's Road United Church, 613 St. Mary's Road | roast pork, ham & vegetables, bread, pie & more; vegetarian & pre-ordered takeout available | Brad Ellis 204-293-5514, bradleysellis@gmail.com or SMRUC office 204-257-0678, office@stmarysroad.ca | $20/adults, $10/12 & under, free/under 5

Job Opportunity | St. Andrew's River Heights United Church, 255 Oak St., is seeking a permanent part-time Office Manager to oversee office administration, communications, facility bookings & support for programs and events. We are looking for an organized, personable individual with strong administrative and communication skills. | Please submit your résumé and cover letter to m.p255@standrewsriverheights.com by Friday, November 6."

Charmaine & Friends | Sun., Nov. 8, 7pm | St. Andrew's River Heights United Church, 255 Oak St. | chamber music for flutes and strings featuring Charmaine Bacon, flute & Rachel Dyck, piano | tickets: $25/$10, 12 & under free | charmainebacon.com

The Fly & Camel Café presents Canadiana | Sun., Nov. 15, 2:30pm | St, Mary's Road United Church, 613 St. Mary's Road | celebrate the true north strong & free with our new house band | no admission charge, free will offering

Craft Sale | Sat., Nov. 21, 9:30am-2pm | Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, 4588 Roblin Blvd. | local vendors, lunch, bake table & raffle for 3 cash prizes

Carol Sing | Sun., Dec. 6, 3pm | Charleswood Mennonite Church, 699 Haney St. | enjoy a carol sing with our friends followed by cider, cookies & fellowship

The Life and Work of Our Church

Nov. 1, 2026

Minister: Rev. Dr. Michael Wilson

Senior Choir Director: Shauna Sperry
Pianist: Faisal Alsaidi
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Pentland
Joan Rew
Zoria Syme
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Warren Thompson

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Russ Thompson

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Judy Bell
Joyce Burns
Marilyn Mutter

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On the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle this week, our thoughts and prayers are with: Canada & The United States of America and The Counselling Centre, Red Sucker Lake (Red Sucker Lake, MB) & Russell-Silverton (Russell, Silverton, MB) Pastoral Charges

NEWS + EVENTS

Many Gifts, One Spirit - The 2027 Stewardship Campaign The third quarter statements along with information for our 2027 Stewardship Campaign. Thank you for your prayerful consideration. Please take your envelope today - help us save postage! Please feel free to contact us with any questions. Thank you for your generous and continued support of the work and ministry of Charleswood United Church.

Super Saturday Sundae is …
Saturday, November 28th, 2:00 - 4:30 p.m.!
All ages begin their Advent season with crafts, carols, the Advent/Christmas story & of course, ice cream sundaes.
We are currently looking for craft leaders, craft elves, kitchen elves & drivers plus anyone who wants to be a part of this fun day! No experience is required to volunteer … just a jolly spirit!
Come and share in this highlight of the Advent season at CUC. For more information, please contact the office.



Tickets: $7 crafts + supper
$4 crafts only
$4 supper only
Ticket sales will run until November 22nd, both after worship and in the church office, Monday to Friday, 9am-4pm. ***Ticket sales end November 23rd.***

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.

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 or speak to Michael for more information.



The **deadline to drop-off your knitting** for the hampers/ Christmas Cheer is Wednesday, December 2nd for dedication on Sunday, December 6th. We are deeply grateful for your attention to this ministry. Please be aware that the Cheer Board no longer provides yarn to partner organizations. If you have yarn suitable for mitts & toques, please contact the office. Thank you.

Christmas is a-comin' and that goose is getting' fat … please do put a penny or a bit more in the Christmas Hamper hat! **White Gift Sunday** is December 6th, so please refer to the enclosed insert for requested items & opportunities to assist. We could not fill the hampers without the generous support of the congregation. For more information, please speak to Jenna Poborsa, convener.

We extend our best wishes and congratulations to Allan & Lily Richardson, who celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on October 28th. We give praise and thanks for their example of love and faithfulness. We ask for God's blessings upon them today and always.



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	Nov. 2	10:00 a.m.	C & C Mtg. | BR
Tuesday	Nov. 3	8:00 am. - 4:00 p.m.	Rental: Inclusion Wpg. Workshop | K, VRH
		9:30 a.m.	Seekers | BR
		1:00 p.m.	Interview | BR
		6:30 p.m.	W & E Mtg. | BR
Wednesday	Nov. 4	8:00 am. - 4:00 p.m.	Rental: IW Workshop | K, VR
		10:00 a.m.	Staff Mtg. | BR
		7:00 p.m.	The ABCs of Christian Faith | BR
		8:00 p.m.	Al-Anon | Na
Thursday	Nov. 5	8:00 am. - 4:00 p.m.	Rental: IW Workshop | K, VR
		7:30 p.m.	Choir | S
Friday	Nov. 6		
Saturday	Nov. 7	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Rental: RH Group | CR
Sunday	Nov. 8	10:00 a.m.	Worship | S
24th Sunday of Pentecost		11:00 a.m.	HeBrews Café | K, VRH
Remembrance Sunday		6:00 p.m.	Ena Sutton Dancers | LL

Thank you for your support of our recent socks and underwear collection drive. Items will be delivered this week.

Are you cleaning out your closets & cupboards? Share the warmth during the **upcoming winter clothing drive**. Please bring your new & gently used adult & children's winter gear (parkas, jackets, boots, toques, mittens, scarves, sweaters, sweatshirts) to the church from November 6th to 10th. All items must be in the building by 12 Noon November 10th as they will be packed that afternoon. We kindly ask that all gently used items be clean, in good repair and ready to wear. Thank you for your generous support.





The **Women's Advent Service** will take place on Monday, Nov. 30th, 7pm. All women and girls are invited to this reflective service to celebrate Advent, the season of hope, light and anticipation. A time of fellowship will follow. We gratefully accept gifts of baking, fruit or cheese & cracker trays. Baking can be delivered the week before the service, clearly marked 'Women's Advent Service". We kindly ask that all items be plated and ready to serve.

Calling all singers! A choir will be created to sing at the Oak Park High School Remembrance Service. Everyone is welcome to take part. Please speak to Sharon Gordon, 204-691-6359, for more information. Thank you.



WHITE GIFT SUNDAY
Sunday, December 6th, 2026
Shopping List



The following items will be included in the hampers. Please **refer to this list** when making your food donations. Items not on this list are not included in the hampers. Please ensure food items are **not past their expiry dates**. We do ask that you purchase whole wheat, low sodium and reduced sugar options as much as possible.

Canned fruit, packed in juice
Canned vegetables
Canned tomatoes, diced or crushed
Canned tuna
Canned or dried beans
Peanut butter
Fruit spread/jam
Quick oats – not the instant variety
Boxed cereal, not the sugar-coated variety
Crackers
Pasta
Pasta Sauce
Rice
Mashed or scalloped potatoes
Stuffing
Gravy Packets
Macaroni and Cheese
All-purpose flour – 2 kg.
White sugar – 2 kg.
Pancake mix
Syrup
Fruit Juice – 1 L, 100% juice
Cake Mix
Cookies
Jelly Powder



Thank you for your generous donations to help
those less fortunate in our community.
– Christmas Hamper Committee

Committee Chairperson: Jenna Poborsa 204-999-4201, jennapoborsa@hotmail.com



Christmas Cheer Board Hampers 2026

'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'

Charleswood United Church will again be providing Christmas hampers to help brighten the homes of others who are less fortunate.
Your help is needed to fill these hampers.

White Gift Sunday will take place Sunday, December 6th, 2026.

Your gifts of money and groceries are greatly appreciated. Items can be brought to the church from November 1st, 9:30 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. Monday to Friday & Sunday mornings until December 6th. If you would like to provide financial assistance, please make cheques payable to Charleswood United Church, adding "Hampers" to the memo line. The cost of a hamper can vary from $100 for a single person to $250 for a household of 6. Monetary donations are especially welcome, which allow items to be purchased in bulk, making each hamper consistent as to what families receive.
We are truly grateful for your assistance.

Many volunteers are needed for this endeavor. If you can help, please complete this form and return it to the office. You may also contact the office directly, 204-832-3667 or office@charleswoodunited.org
You will be contacted by a member of the Hamper Committee to confirm your participation.



I CAN: (Please check)

_____ Wrap toys on Wednesday, December 9th, 7pm
_____ Pack hampers on Friday, December 11th, 10am
_____ Deliver hampers on Saturday, December 12th

Name: _____

Phone (Home): _____ Phone (Cell): _____

Email: _____