

## Westminster News for Apr 14<sup>th</sup> 2024

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to the glory of God. for 147 yrs*

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*A Baptism service.*

**Easter 3**

**Minister- Rev. Dr. Paul Miller**

**Minister of Music- Jude Kudera**

*Happy Birthday*

April 20- Phyllis Lidstone.



**Gospel Reading- Luke 24: 36-49**

**The scheduled reader is Janet Graham**

**Hymns- 238 - "O Lord My God (How Great Thou Art)"**

**644 - I was there to hear your Borning Cry "**

**396 - "Jesus, stand among us."**

**602 - "Blest Be the Tie that Binds"**

**Service theme- "Witnesses"**

**There will be no Bible Study this Wed.**

The Prayer Cycle Church for Sun Apr 14<sup>h</sup> 2024, is --  
'Lynnville' United Church, - Lynnville , Ont.

April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm is The next **Official Board meeting**

**Westminster's Euchre sessions - every Mon at 1pm**

We are having a Bake Sale Sat May 25<sup>th</sup>

From 9am till noon.

We would appreciate donations of baked goods.

(But please no Cupcakes or Muffins)

See Shirley or Carol Ann if you want more information.

Our friends at St. Georges Anglican Church need our help.

St. George's has been supplying Breakfast for those in need 365 days a year for 20 years. The breakfast program is in need of Fruit Loops and Corn Flakes Cereal. If you would like to help our friends at St. Georges by contributing a box of Fruit Loops or Corn Flakes, there is a large black container in the Fellowship Hall labeled "St. George's".

**You can dine and help our church too !!**

**DINE AT SWISS CHALET -**

\* On the 3rd Friday of each month at 5 pm, we meet to enjoy a meal at the Swiss Chalet on Glendale Ave., near the Keg.

After paying, give your meal receipt to Lisa Mansfield.

*If you plan on joining your church family for an evening meal, Please tell Lisa, to allow the staff time to arrange for suitable seating accommodation for the number expected.*

For all of our cheques added together, Westminster church gets (10% of each pre tax bill).

\* *The next get together is this **Fri Apr.19<sup>th</sup> 2024***

Everyone is welcome !

Between April and September last year our monthly dining evenings at Swiss Chalet benefitted Westminster to the tune of just 10 cents short of \$800, ---which would make our **total rough estimate April to Dec = \$1200.**

Also remember that **if church members dine at Glendale Swiss Chalet at any other time**, we can use those receipts too, ----- just save, and hand your receipts to Lisa.

**Here is the essence of an informative message recently sent from Hospice Niagara, to our Westminster congregation. -- -**

"I'm Jennifer, a Community Program Coordinator at Hospice Niagara, dedicated to enhancing the lives of those in our community facing life-limiting illnesses, and their caregivers. While our exceptional residence is well-known, my focus lies in extending our support to individuals within the broader community.

Hospice Niagara offers outstanding, inclusive programs free of charge, designed to provide comfort, companionship and support. I am eager to introduce these offerings to your congregation and ensure everyone is aware of the valuable support we provide."

**The administrative office is available by phone weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 905-984-8766**

**For more information please email us at [info@hospiceniagara.ca](mailto:info@hospiceniagara.ca)**

Follow these links for more information and lottery details.

[HTTPS://WWW.HOSPICENIAGARA.CA/](https://www.hospiceniagara.ca/)

[HTTPS://WWW.HOSPICENIAGARA.CA/EVENTS-LOTTERY](https://www.hospiceniagara.ca/events-lottery)

**(Thank you for this Jennifer, many people must suffer alone through being unaware of your wonderful programs.**

Post Covid info.

**Whether you physically attend our services, or view them through our online service videos, you can still continue sending your offerings to Westminster by e/mail if you wish, or through your bank with electronic transfer.** When allocating amounts *if you want to help pay the 2024 membership charge, -- put UC dues for each membership you pay.*

*Another (easier) way is by pre-authorized remittance (P.A.R.). This can be set up through the church office, and means no further action needs to be taken by you, as long as you wish payments to continue.*

We all like the coffee hour after the service, but volunteers don't want to be behind the counter every week or two. With more volunteers, there would be a bigger gap between duty sessions. - Let's see some new names on the list- see Lisa

**AND A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED.**

**Children's Christmas shopping** may still seem a long time away. But it's not too soon to start bringing your contributions for this popular event, which allows local children to participate in the joy of Family gift exchanges.

*See Carol Ann M<sup>c</sup>Garr for more information.*

### **Community Care**

Thanks to all who have given to this cause so generously. The needs only seem to increase, so please continue with your donations to support those less fortunate. For remember, that **with just one change in our past, illness, loss of a job, even one word**, any one of us could have been in that unthinkable position of having nowhere to live, and not knowing where our next meal is coming from.

But with the absence of a catastrophic event, having the right opportunities, making mostly the right decisions, and having the right relatives and/or friends where and when they were needed, **we** made it to where we are today, with provisions for the everyday necessities of life.

Let's show our gratitude for our good fortune by donating freely to **the community support system** in our area.

**The need has never been greater**, and remember. -- **Our** collection barrel **is downstairs** -- **in the hallway by the Chapel**, awaiting your appreciated contributions

If you have news, or thoughts to share, please call, Dave Mayer at -905-687-9046, **leave a clear message, or-just your name or number for a return call.**

Better still, e-mail me at-- [dave.mayer@sympatico.ca](mailto:dave.mayer@sympatico.ca)

