

UNITED NEWS

From Wyman Memorial and Côte St. Charles United Churches

Summer 2020

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Pastoral Care

In-person pastoral visits have restarted. The protocol is that visits will take place outdoors; Kent will bring his own chair and his own coffee. If you wish a visit, contact Kent: minister@wyman-hudson.ca

Fundscrip Cards

Even though we are not worshipping in Wyman, Fundscrip cards are still available! This is an easy fundraiser for the church as it comes at no extra cost to you. You can call 450-458-7545 or email mojoli@msn.com to place your order with Mona.

Flower Sales

A huge thank you to everyone who bought flowers throughout March, April & May. A total of \$1255 was donated to Wyman!



Upper Room

Now available for July and August. It would be best to email the church admin@wyman-hudson.ca if you would like a copy.

A Summer Buffet

We are in for an exciting summer of worship and more! First for the worship part! We are joining with Montreal West United Church, Mount Royal United Church, and the Trinity (Rosemont) - Anjou Pastoral Charge. We will be sharing services between four clergy - Kent Chown, David Clinker, Read Sherman and Mark Hammond. As well, there is a plethora of musicians – organists, pianists, other instrumentalists and well as soloists and more. Wyman has its own contribution, but there will be more besides! Our Sunday services will continue at the same Zoom Meeting ID as we have been using all along, and they will continue at 10:30 a.m. which was a compromise time for other congregations that normally worship later. Joint worship will begin July 5 and run to September 6. AND - on the last Sunday in July we will be having a joint Communion service with all four of the clergy.



News From Outreach

Your Outreach Committee is thrilled with the response you all have to our Lemonade fundraiser. With the proceeds from the sale we're pleased to give \$306 to Wyman! Thank you all for your support. We enjoyed the opportunity to visit with so many of you, at a distance but still in person. In the coming weeks we'll be looking to you all for some input regarding our next fundraisers... Watch your inbox!



From the Ad Hoc Committee - Martin Smith; Chair

In the time of physical distancing, we are all wondering when we as a church family will be able to return to worship together under the same roof. We have been doing well using Zoom, thanks to our tech guru. Yet we are, I'm sure, looking forward to getting together again in person. To that point, the ad hoc committee is still moving forward with plans to update the Côte St. Charles United Church. The engineering drawings are complete, allowing us to draw up a request for quotes that will be sent out to various contractors. We are also sharing the material with the Regional Council for their consideration and approval. We are also continuing to apply pressure to get over the last hurdle with St. Lazare, and that is the building permit. They are overwhelmed with the backlog of permits, and we are reminding them that this has been outstanding for a year. In conclusion, things progress, albeit at a slow pace impacted by the COVID-19 situation. That said, we continue to move forward. Be well. Stay safe. See you out there on Zoom!

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Re-Opening

The Regional Council has strongly recommended that worship in the sanctuary not begin until after Labour Day at the earliest. The United Church has a multi-phase opening schema: your Council will be working on the various phases in the near future so that we know where we are going, as there are many aspects - worship is only one. (Opening offices, tenant activities, etc).

All Are Welcome!

Invite your friends and family to church! We are still a welcoming congregation. Other congregations have new folk attending.... because those attending have shared invitations! And you can invite people from close by... or far away! Just give them the Zoom info and time for worship, or for Reflections & Connections!

ZOOM INFORMATION:

Click <https://zoom.us/j/4939842064>

Or call: 438-809-7799,

Use meeting ID 493 98 42 064 #

If ever you are asked for a password,
we will use 458

Stay Connected with Zoom:

Walking Through Grief

Although, at time of writing, we are still "Talking through Grief" and our usual Zoom link. This gathering is for anyone who is grieving the loss of another individual - be it a recent or more distant loss. That pretty much includes anyone! So you, too, are welcome. We chat, we hear a reading about grief, often reflect on it, and then chat a bit more. Join us on Zoom (for now at least) on Wednesdays at 10:00AM.

Reflections & Connections

Every Wednesday evening at 7:30 people of the congregation gather on Zoom for what has become known as Reflections & Connections. Folk chat about anything at all, and then there is a more focused time with a reading, usually from scripture, and then either there are some thoughts shared by the leader, or there are one or two questions around which discussion revolves. Prayer follows, and then more general conversation. Sometimes the structure changes a bit. It is a wonderful way to stay connected in this time when we cannot gather physically; it is also a time to remember that our faith is relevant to our time.

Choir Fellowship

Members of the Choir log onto Zoom on Thursdays at 7:30 for fellowship with other members. If you can't log on right then join us a little later! We normally gather until 8:30.



Behind the Scenes...

