

# UNITED NEWS

From Wyman Memorial and Côte St. Charles United Churches

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Two great gift ideas for the holidays that gives back to the church!

## Fundscrip

Order forms are at the back of the church or at coffee hour. Large variety of cards available! Last date for ordering for Christmas will be December 16. For more info visit: [www.fundscrip.com/](http://www.fundscrip.com/)

## Epicure

Epicure is a company that sells high-quality ingredients to help us create wonderful meals.

There are 3 packages available (includes shipping and handling):

Extraordinary Trio \$25  
Weeknight Dinners \$25  
Healthier Desserts \$20

Order forms are to be returned by November 11 and delivery is expected no later than November 25. To order online visit: <https://squareup.com/store/hudson-pastoral-charge>

## Possible New Direction

On Sunday, October 28, the congregation gathered for a unique Stewardship Luncheon. Kent began by sharing material from a Church Council visioning session. Two of the difficult facts that confronted the Council were a massive deficit anticipated for 2019 (\$38,000); and the fact that the Wyman church building, even after rentals, creates \$24,000 of the deficit. This is not including the much-needed repair of the sanctuary roof. Two positive facts that also presented themselves: we clearly identify people and faith as the most important aspects of our existence. Lisa Van Egmond and Laurel Picard then reflected on the weekly empty pews and difficult finances, and invited the congregation to look 20 years into the future. Finally, Lisa presented a scale model and photographs that showed how the Côte Church could be re-developed into a viable worship and community space, along with office, all-purpose and washroom spaces on the main floor, and a spot for our treasured stained glass. A part of this plan would be to move the back wall of the sanctuary out 21 feet - to the actual end of the current foundation - and to extend to the south. There was a sense of grief at the idea of selling the Wyman property to make this reality. Those who opposed the idea were invited to send other ideas to Kent by e-mail. After much discussion those present indicated an overall enthusiasm to look into the details of such a plan (costs, etc). Council will follow-up shortly. For pictures of the model and for photographs, go to [www.wyman-hudson.ca](http://www.wyman-hudson.ca)

## Book Sale Thank-You

We would sincerely like to thank everyone who helped with the Fall Book Sale. Too many to thank for all your hard work in this space but you know who you are. A special thank you to the Scouts and high school volunteers who helped us with the packing up at the end of the sale. We made close to \$1,200 and this money will be distributed in December to the various local charities we support. Thanks again!

## Gifts With Vision

This year we will be doing "Gifts With Vision" instead of shoe boxes. More information to come.

## Remembrance Day Service

The Cenotaph service at the Hudson Legion will be in the morning therefore it has been decided that we will change our service time on **Sunday, November 11. Lunch will start at 12:00PM and our church service will start at 1:00PM.** Please note the times.



## Christmas Season is Coming Sunday, December 2

First Sunday of Advent &  
Chorister for a Day @ 10:30AM  
Choir Candlelight Service  
Sunday, December 16 at 7:30PM