

March 19, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Lent

**We Gather to Worship**

Welcome and Announcements

Joke

Land Acknowledgement: We acknowledge our Creator and the world around us and our place within it. We acknowledge the many nations who call this land home. We acknowledge the Indigenous and non-Indigenous brothers and sisters who walked this land in the past and those who walk it today, this, the traditional and treaty lands of the Anishinaabeg (Ahnish-in-nah-beg), Neutral, and Haudenosaunee (Ho-deh-no-show-nee) peoples.

The Bible is Opened

Memorial Candle Lighting

**Woodhouse**

|                              |                |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| David Charles Cates          | March 6, 2022  |
| William Edward Simpson       | March 2, 2019  |
| Sharon Elizabeth MacKenzie   | March 4, 2019  |
| John Malcomson               | March 25, 2009 |
| Florence Marguerite McDowell | March 13, 2021 |
| <b><u>Grace</u></b>          |                |
| Mary Lou Bridgwater          | March 19, 2021 |
| Joyce Lillian Donaldson      | March 1, 2021  |
| Ann Mary Higho               | March 26, 2021 |
| Barbara Eugenie Luciani      | March 30, 2018 |
| David Alexander Novinka      | March 8, 2020  |
| Sandra Pearce                | March 14, 2019 |

Although death has separated us physically,  
**faith and love have bound us eternally.**

Though we cannot see you,  
**we know you are here.**

Though we cannot touch you,  
**we feel the warmth of your smile**

**as we continue our own journeys.**  
As you were, you will always be,  
**treasured forever in our memory.**

Call to Worship

Draw near to the light of God’s love;  
flock to the One who leads us by still waters.

**The Lord is our shepherd; we shall not want.**  
**God is light for all who are stumbling in darkness.**  
Awake, all who are sleeping through God’s wonders;  
look around you and observe the light Christ gives.

**We gather in the name of Jesus Christ,**  
**who is the light off the world and our light.**  
The God revealed in Jesus Christ is our host.

We are guests of One who feeds and heals us.  
**We have come to worship the God of mercy.**  
**We are here to be fed and enlightened.**  
*Lavon Baylor, Fresh Winds of the Spirit, Book 2.*

Hymn—VU # 410 This Day God Gives Me

Opening Prayer

Anthem

Prayer for Illumination

The scripture today is long, O God. Help me to stay focussed  
as I read it. Help me to find your message in it for our lives  
today. Amen.

Scripture Ephesians 5:8-14, John 9

Message

Hymn VU # 87 I Am the Light of the World

**We Respond to God's Word**

Offering

Doxology VU #540 **Grant Us, God, the Grace**

Prayer of Dedication

Minute for Mission

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Concern

Hymn—VU # 747 The Lord’s My Shepherd (Psalm 23)

Benediction and Commissioning

As we travel on this Lenten journey,  
**we know that God leads and guides us.**  
As we travel on this Lenten journey,  
**we notice the words of Jesus making choices for life.**  
As we travel on this Lenten journey,  
**we dream and work with the Spirit for a world  
where peace and harmony are restored.**  
**We go into our meeting in peace, going in the love  
of God. Amen.**

*Peter Chynoweth, Yellowknife, N.W.T.*

Annual Meeting

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Welcome to our church!** Please fill out the ‘Let’s Celebrate Together’ form at the back of the sanctuary and place it in the manila envelope provided. ‘*Let’s Celebrate Together*’.

**Stewardship Seconds - March 19, Fourth Sunday in Lent**

Use generosity and gratitude to bring light, truth, and wholeness.

**Let’s Celebrate—March 19-25**

**Pastoral Charge Birthdays**

Heather King March 21  
Joan Johnstone March 23

**Pastoral Charge Anniversaries**

Mrs Linda & Mr John Brzozowski March 21

**NEXT WEEK - SCRIPTURE READERS**

**Sun March 26 – Paul Malcomson, Suzanne Greenslade**  
**Romans 8:6-11, John 11:1-45**



**DECORATE GRACE SANCTUARY with EASTER LILLIES**

If you would like a *LILY* to be placed in the sanctuary in memory of a loved one, please fill out the form on an envelope found at the back of the sanctuary enclosing a donation for *each plant* you are requesting. Please place your donation on the offering plate by Sunday April 2, 2023

**Save the Date - Tia McGraff & Tommy Parnham Concert**

The Woodhouse Cemetery Board is holding an afternoon outdoor concert featuring the music of Tia McGraff and Tommy Parnham. The concert will be at Woodhouse on Sat July 29, 2023. Time and details to follow.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Book Study - *The Last Week***

Travel with Jesus during his last week  
Thursdays, 10:30am at Woodhouse

**Seder Meal - Maundy Thursday April 6, 5pm**

Re-enactment of the last supper. Limit 12 people.  
Call Rev. Kathryn to register 519-717-7426

Help for Ukraine Families - an Ongoing M&O Project

We now have 7 local families who have moved into our area- some in Delhi/ Port Rowan. We have a list of the items most needed. Please put your name beside the item you can provide. We have two lists and split them between the churches so please keep watch out for the list as it will change in a couple of weeks.

Have an announcement for the bulletin? Please send it to the office by Tuesday at 9:00am.

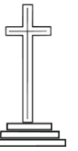
**Week at a Glance MONDAY March 20 to SUNDAY March 26**

| Day   | Time     | Event                    | Where              |
|-------|----------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Mon.  | 8:20 am  | T.O.P.S.                 | Grace Room         |
| Tue.  | 10:30 am | Bible Study              | Growing Place Hall |
|       | 1:30 pm  | Grace UCW                | Grace Room         |
|       | 1:30 pm  | Hand & Foot              |                    |
| Wed   | 4:00 pm  | Grace Choir Practice     | Sanctuary          |
| Thurs | 9:00 am  | Office Volunteers        | Office             |
|       | 9:30 am  | Woodhouse Choir Practice | Woodhouse          |
|       | 10:30 am | Bible Study              | Woodhouse          |
| Sun   | 9:30 am  | Woodhouse Service        | Woodhouse          |
|       | 11:00 am | Grace Service            | Sanctuary          |



**Welcome to the Port Dover – Woodhouse**

**Pastoral Charge**  
**Woodhouse United Church and**  
**Grace United Church**  
**Sunday March 19, 2023**



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