

Welcome to Bethany-Pontypool United Churches

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March Announcements 2018



Congratulations to Frank and Joyce Edwards celebrating their 70th Wedding Anniversary on March 6th. Best Wishes and cards can be sent to 290 Greenlawn Ave., Peterborough, ON K9H 5K8

Lectionary Breakfast We meet for coffee or breakfast at Coach's Restaurant in Bethany on Wednesday mornings at 8:30a.m. However on March 7, we will meet for Lectionary Lunch at Bethany church at 12 noon BYOL. We hope you'll join us, as we get together and share thoughts around the scriptures.

Artsy Afternoon Come and paint! Wed., March 7 at 2:00p.m. at Bethany church. We are painting Van Gogh style in Acrylics. Everyone is welcome, even if you've never painted before, but would like to try! Supplies will be available for a small donation. Please call 705-277-2204 to register.

Prayer Shawl Circle meets on Wednesday, March 14 at 10:00a.m. at Bethany Church. If you enjoy knitting or crocheting we invite you to come out.

Easter Food Bank: Open on Wed., March 21 from 10:00a.m. to 12:00p.m. at Bethany church. If you need assistance or know of someone that needs some help, contact the church office at 705-277-2204.

We are always in need of donations and appreciate your continued support. We are running low in the following items; canned fruit, peanut butter, salmon, tuna, jam, crackers, school lunch snacks like pudding cups, granola bars & cookies. We would also like to include cheese in the Easter Hampers.

Annual Congregational Meetings have been rescheduled for Sunday, March 25. Pontypool will enjoy a potluck lunch with meeting to follow at 1:00p.m. Bethany will meet at 3:00p.m. Hope to see you there!

Tea at 2 p.m. Wed., March 28 at Bethany church at 2p.m. March is Nutrition Month and Lauren from Community Care from City of Kawartha Lakes joins us with live food demonstrations and tastings. Recipes to share along with info about the Senior's Community Kitchen Program. Refreshments served.

5th Annual Live Time and Talent Auction Be sure to mark your calendar for Saturday, April 7. The Fun begins at 7:00p.m. at Bethany church. Doors open at 6:00p.m. with desserts and refreshments served throughout the evening. To register your talent for the auction contact Hilda at 705-277-2992.

Holy Week & Easter Services

Mar.25 **Palm Sunday & Holy Communion, Family Friendly Sunday at Bethany Church**



Mar.29 **Maundy Thursday Supper/Service 6:00p.m. at Janetville United Church**

It is a potluck but in the tradition of the first century. It is food, hospitality, communion & worship together.

Mar.30 **Good Friday Walk with the Cross** - Gather at Pontypool church at 7:30a.m. & walk to Bethany helping each other carry the cross (approx. 3 hrs). Please bring your own cup for refreshments along the way. Hot soup & sandwiches will be shared following the walk. We welcome everyone from surrounding communities & churches to join us.

Mar.30 **Good Friday Service** at 12:00p.m. at Bethany United Church, following the walk & lunch

Apr.1 **Easter Sunrise Service** 6:30a.m. at Pontypool United followed by a Congregational Breakfast. Jim & Fran Ratcliffe leading worship. Everyone welcome.

Apr.1 **Easter Sunday Celebrations** 9:15a.m. Bethany / 11:00a.m. Pontypool

Easter Flowers: If you wish to place Easter flowers or plants in the Church Sanctuary for Easter Sunday in memory or celebration of a loved one, please contact the church office by Sunday, March 25th. Please remove stamen's from Easter Lilies due to allergies.