

Scarboro News

January 6, 2019

This week @Scarboro

Today: Epiphany Sunday – Gifts to Giftedness: Music

- Service at 10:30am, Coffee at 10:00
Coffee & conversation to follow; Memorial Hall
- Welcome to special musical guests –
organist: Ethan Hill & soprano: Jeanine Williams

- Mon:**
- Westside Singers*
 - Scottish Dancing*

- Tues:**
- Book Study; 10am; Chapel
 - Chinook Winds Show Chorus Rehearsal*

- Wed:**
- Midweek Communion; 10:45am; Chapel
 - Promise of Ageing; 1:30pm; Social Room
 - Stampede City Chorus Rehearsal*

- Thurs:**
- Tea with the Revs; 2pm; Ministers' Meeting Room
 - Choir Practice; 7:30pm; Sanctuary
 - Westside Concert Choir Rehearsal*

- Fri:**
- Painting Class; 1pm; King Room*

Next Sun: Epiphany – Gifts to Giftedness

- Service at 10:30am, Coffee at 10:00
Coffee & conversation to follow; Memorial Hall
- Circle Dancing; 2pm; Memorial Hall*

12 Step Meetings daily in the King Room:

Sun @ 8:30am; AA Meeting	Mon-Sat @ 9:00am; AA Meetings
Sun @ 7:00pm; NA Meeting	Mon @ 7:00pm; CA Meeting
Tues @ 7:30pm; CA Meeting	Thurs @ 8:15pm; AA Meeting
Fri @ 8:00pm; AA Meeting	Sat @ 8:00pm; AA Meeting

**We are the home of many community music & arts groups.
To learn more about their programs,
please contact them directly.*

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Epiphany
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Children @Scarboro:

#LOVE

Let mutual love continue.
Do not neglect to show
hospitality to strangers,
for by doing that some have
entertained angels
without knowing it.

HEBREWS 13:1-2

Our Mission

To be:

- A church that offers spiritual sustenance and that others see as *welcoming, diverse, and inclusive*
- A church that is committed to *social justice* and is fully engaged in *local outreach*
- An *arts based* "destination" church

Mission Teams @Scarboro

Celebrating Our Faith

Team Leader: Craig Ainsworth – craiga@shaw.ca

- Lee's last round of **Tuesday book study** will begin on Jan 7 at 10am. We will be reading Kate Bowler's book "Everything Happens for a Reason: and other Lies I've Loved". Contact the office to reserve your copy.
- **Midweek Communion** is shared every Wednesday morning at 10am in the Chapel. All are welcome!
- Come to Scarboro for **Tea with the Revs** Thursdays at 2pm for a cup of tea and a chat. See you then!
- Did you enjoy the music today? Scarboro **Arts** will be sharing more **artistic talent** over the next few months!
- Did you miss the 'premiere' of our Scarboro **Arts** original play "Unto Us"? Stay tuned for more information about an **encore performance** that will kick off a discussion series. What did you take away from the story?

Welcoming & Supporting Our Community

Team Leader: Norma Wood – nlwood@shaw.ca

- **The Promise of Ageing** group meets Wednesday at 1:30 in the Social Room. Come on over and check it out!
- The **Environmental Team** meets next on January 20 at 9am in the Chapel. Come hear about the energy audit.
- The next **Women's Talking Stick Healing Ceremony** is on Sunday, January 27 at 1pm in the Social Room.

Stewarding Our Future

Team Leader: Mary Axworthy – mjaxw@telus.net

- We will soon be announcing the date of this year's **Annual General Meeting**. Keep your eyes open for the 2018 Annual Report which will be published online several weeks before the meeting. Contact Laura or Jill if you would like a paper copy of the report. (Folks submitting reports – *you know who you are!* – get them in ASAP -thanks!)
- **Update on 2018 Financial Position:** Thanks to the generosity of those that responded to our Special Appeal to avert a projected year end deficit, and to a large, unanticipated, late-December donation, we have been able to end 2018 with a break-even operating budget!

2019 Pledge Campaign results

Letters sent out	2018 pledges	Pledges (includes cont. PAR)	Pledges same	Pledges increased	Pledges decreased	New pledges	No pledge but give*
156	96	91 (21)	54	27	7	3	16

*Give regularly based on last 2 years.

Thank you so much to those that responded to our 2019 Stewardship Campaign. We sent out 156 letters; some of these individuals do not attend church regularly but have some kind of a tie to Scarboro UC. As the above chart shows, the number of pledges is down slightly from last year, primarily due to deaths. Essentially, there are 107 congregants who regularly support church operations. This does not include those who contribute sporadically (about 12 people) or put money in the plate with no identification as to the giver.

Based on these results, we are projecting that the amount pledged or donated by regular givers in 2019 will be approximately the same as 2018 (approx. \$258,000). As we saw in 2018, **this pledge amount will not be enough to fully fund 2019 operations**. If additional donations had not been received at year end 2018, we would have been in a deficit position.

The Board is in the process of preparing the 2019 budget and will be considering options that will be presented to the February 10 annual meeting. **If you have not yet pledged, there is still time to do so!** A pledge amount, *no matter how small**, allows us to effectively plan for the 2019 budget, and to continue our ministry to our congregation and the larger community of Calgary. Pledge forms are available from the church office.

**If the 49 folks who got letters but do not give were to give only \$10 per month, that would add up to over \$5,800 per year. Every little bit makes a difference, and every little bit is appreciated!*