## **DUBLIN'S MISSION**

As followers of Jesus, we are called to live God's love: enact it as a congregation, share it in our community and nurture it in our world.

# Announcements for the week of May 15, 2016

All announcements are placed on the Dublin website the day after the service. If you miss a Sunday, please check there to stay connected.

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# **W**ELCOME

We are delighted you are here today to worship with us, and we invite you to join us for refreshments in the auditorium after the service. If you wish, please fill out a yellow card (found in the pew rack in front of you or at the Hub in the auditorium) and place it in the offering plate so that we may contact you. We always invite suggestions for making our service and church life more meaningful for you and your family.



Dublin offers exciting classes from JK up to and including grade 12, as well as engaging Junior and Senior Youth programs. At the conclusion of Conversation Time, children should follow the teachers downstairs. For those new to Dublin, an usher will be pleased to help you. Nursery care is available for little ones 3 and under, or they are welcome to stay with you in the Service.

**UPHOLDING THE WORLD AND OUR COMMUNITY**: As a church, we are called to pray for each other as well as for the mission of the church in the world. We pray for the people of *Kenya and Tanzania*; in our region and community for *Rockton-Sheffield United Churches* (Hamiliton Presbytery), and for **St. Georges Anglican** (Guelph Prayer Cycle)

THOSE ASSISTING TODAY: Ushers - Main Floor: Bill and Lynn Anderson, Stephanie Hetherington-Wilson, Joan Mitges; Ushers - Balcony: Brenda Doner, David Churchill; Scripture Reader: Charlotte McCallum; Sound Board: Joel Aitken; Offering Counter: Ian Cowbrough; Nursery: Serena Van Acker, Kate Keilty; Coffee Hosts: Prayer Shawl Ministry Team

# Our Youth at Dublin!

Welcome to Dublin Youth! Juniors are grades 6-8 and seniors grades 9-12.

**TODAY:** Special Junior check in time! Sonya Wu-Winter would like to talk to you about a children/junior youth choir! Whether you have been part of the previous choir or not, all junior youth invited to give input!!

# **Upcoming Services . . .**

**Today** 

May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	All Ages Service
May 29 <sup>th</sup>	Worship, Sunday School teacher appreciation, Church Picnic
June 5 <sup>th</sup>	Worship

# **Dublin this Week**

Tues	5:00pm 5:00pm 7:30pm 7:30pm	Youth Ensemble - Sanctuary Connections Team Meeting - Upper Room Handbell Choir - Sanctuary Church Council Meeting - Hallman Room
Wed	1:30pm	Meditation Group - Harmony Room
Thurs	1:00pm 6:30pm 7:30pm 7:30pm	Tru Ki Lo UCW - Hallman Room Beginner Handbells - Harmony Room Chancel Choir - Sanctuary Faith Development - End Office

# May at Dublin

# After church today **Brenda Doner** will reflect on her experience as a **CUSO International volunteer in Laos and Myanmar,** and talk about other service opportunities for adults and families, internationally, in Canada and USA. We'll start by noon and you can be out by 1 pm. Can't make it? Read some of Brenda's reflections at https://medium.com/@bedoner.

**6:00pm - OMG** is a group of parents/guardians of teens who meet once per month for fellowship, conversation and to discuss topics parents of teens grapple with everyday. The group meets on a Sunday evening, share a potluck meal, check-in and a topic of interest to the group. New members are welcome anytime. Our May meeting is led by Andrew Hyde, Campus Minister of the Ecumenical Campus Ministry and Multi-Faith Resource Team at the University of

Guelph. He will do a presentation on spiritual life on campus as well as a Q&A. If you last name A-L please bring a main course, if M-Z bring a dessert. To RSVP email Sara Kaune at skaune@sentex.net.

May 19<sup>th</sup>

**Tru Ki Lo UCW** will meet at **1:00 pm** in the Hallman room. Our guest speaker, Cory Pronk, will talk about growing up in Holland during the German occupation during WWII and then liberation by Canadian troops. Everyone is welcome

May 26th

**Observer Discussion Group, 7:30 - 9:00 pm** Come and join in a lively discussion on one of the following articles:

- 1. "Why non-believers still come to church" page16. A United Church Sunday School teacher who doesn't believe in God. Really? Is Gretta Vosper just the tip of the iceberg?
- 2. "Out in the Wilderness", pages 18-19 A united Church camp for transgender children? Is this necessary?
- 3. "Married to Mental Illness", pages 20 23 What options does the spouse have?

All welcome.

May 29<sup>th</sup>

Annual Church Picnic at Dublin: Games and Good Food!! Where? Right here on our own front lawn. Bring your own chairs, but this year we are having a potluck picnic. Please sign up at the Hub after the service. We are looking for helpers for set up and clean up. Any questions: Contact Sheri Cabena at shericabena@gmail.com or call 519-822-2172. Rain date: No need because we shall just move into the Auditorium.

Hamilton Conference New Ministries Service at Dublin - Saturday May 28 This special service to ordain and celebrate new ministers will be held at Dublin on Saturday May 28 at 2 pm followed by a reception. Congregation members from all Guelph United Churches are invited to participate in hosting this event. Volunteers will be needed to help set up, clean up, greet, usher, direct parking and serve coffee and tea. Sign up sheets will be posted on the Volunteer Bulletin Board in the Hub or contact Anita Jarvis, Coordinator of Volunteer Ministries at dublincvm@bellnet.ca or 519-821-0610 ext. 222.

Adult Retreat! Please join us on Friday June 3rd from 7pm to June 4th 1pm at Crieff Hills Retreat Centre just outside Guelph. We will have time for a campfire, spiritual practices like the labyrinth, quiet time and fellowship time. A \$50 donation is suggested to cover accommodation (in a house) and food. If interested please contact Karen Orr youthcoordinator@bellnet.ca. Unfortunately we didn't have enough for the junior youth retreat so I am opening this up for adults.

The Spring/Summer issue of **News and Views** is going to print soon. If you have any news or information which you would like included in this final issue before September please send it to shericabena@gmail.com. or

sheilamclaren@rogers.com. The deadline for submissions is May 17 th. Don't forget Limerick's corner!!

**Ladies badminton.** Thursday mornings 9:30 to 11:30, (except May 19 and the summer). Dublin auditorium. Any skill level is welcome - it's for exercise and fun: Dale said all the laughter made it her favourite time of the week. Both Dublin members and community members. \$3/person/session all goes to the church. Bring your own racquet. For more information, contact Isobel King: 519-822-4792 or Liz Snell: 519-821-5710.

In 2012, as part of the Building our Future Campaign, Dublin Street United Church approved a 5 year scholarship for our youth. This is the last year of the scholarship and applications are now being accepted. The wording states: We establish a 5 year scholarship (\$1000 per year) for a youth member of our congregation (25 or under) to experience, teach or establish some outreach that can have reportable benefits to Dublin Street United Church. Application deadline is June 1, 2016 and applications or questions can be sent to David Durbin - durbin007@gmail.com. You can also email Dave if you need a copy of the application form. Here's a quick summary of successful past scholarship applications:

- " A mission was to support small farmers with micro loans. The youth involved then shared their experiences with the congregation a number of times.
- " Supplemented training at Leadership Development Camp. That training was then used with our youth as well as youth at the local camps
- " 2014 was split with 2 recipients A portion to partially fund an educational trip to Italy with the learnings coming back to our Dublin Children in art sessions. The scholarship also supported a missions trip with Forward Willow with information shared back to the Dublin congregation

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# Notice to all Dublinites from Ministry and Personnel Committee (M and P)

• Twice a year M and P " check in " with each staff member individually to see how the staff person is progressing and to offer any assistance that M and P can provide in his or her role. We invite members of the Congregation to send a letter or note to any member of M and P within the next few weeks if there is any concern, issue or compliment you would want passed on to a staff member. We ask that you please sign your name to your comments so that if any clarification is needed we can get back to you. Although the formal invitation to provide feedback happens annually members are encouraged to approach any member of M and P at any time of the year.

John Pawley, Heather Noble, Jennifer Maddock, Mike Nero and David Smith...Co-Chairs

 We have been advised that regrettably Jennifer Boland is unable to return to her role at Dublin. Our thoughts and continued prayers are with her. In the coming weeks M&P will be embarking on an open recruitment and hiring process for the position of Office Administrator. We are very appreciative of the support Alecia continues to play in her interim role.