Community Ministry Updates & Events

KAWARTHA LAKES PREGNANCY CENTRE: As we enter a new season, we gear up for changes that lie ahead. In order to continue our work in confidence, we appreciate people like YOU who support us financially. Thank you so much for your gift of $214.75. Your gift will help support our clients who are currently pregnant and returning clients who are in need of material support or parenting/life skills education.

From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord is to be praised. Psalm 113:3

One client said, "I don't know what I'd do without the help from the Centre." You help us open our doors and continue to operate because we do not receive government financial support. We operate strictly on the faithful and generous donations from people like YOU. Again, thank you for partnering with us, as we move forward into a new season.

Blessings, Mary Ann Dobsi Executive Director director@klpcentre.ca

You are invited to **KLPC's FALL BANQUET** *"PAVING THE WAY ... FOR THE ONE"*. Fairview Baptist Church 130 Colborne St. W. Lindsay, ON - **FRIDAY OCT 28th**. Reception 6:00pm; Dinner 6:30 pm **TICKETS $30.00**. A free will offering will be taken at the dinner. To save your spot call/text 705-878-8527 or email: info@klpcentre.ca.

Community Events

MARIPOSA FARM MARKET & WOOLEN MILL: Special "Evening Group Rate" for our annual Mariposa Fall Festival. **Fall Festival** includes a 5 Acre corn maze, photo opportunities, kid's fun zone, storybook walk, opportunities to experience our farm animals, in addition to our ***"Pick Your Own Pumpkin Patch."*** Evening Groups also include a Campfire Experience. Youth Groups are welcome to come explore all we have to offer!

Our Fall Festival runs **September 16th - October 31st**, Friday - Sunday, though we welcome Evening Groups to book Monday - Friday as well. The rates for Evening Groups are $20.00 per participant. We are located at 1275 Highway #7 Oakwood.

Please contact Leaha Denney at events@mariposafarmmarket.ca with any further questions or to book your Evening Groups!

KAWARTHA LAKES SINGERS:
CHOIR SINGERS WANTED. Kawartha Lakes Singers is looking for new members who can read music. All parts, especially basses. Rehearsals are Tuesdays 7-8:30pm, Lindsay. More info at klsingers.ca. Please contact **Arlene Gray** at 705-799-1742 or singtoomemee@gmail.com.

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Jennings Creek Church Office Hours : **Wednesday 11-2:30; Thursday 9-3 & Friday 9-12:30**

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BUILDING COMMUNITY SPIRIT:

On Saturday, September 17th we joined together at Ron & Kim Fintelman's property to celebrate the Kick-off of a new season of ministry. Highlights and photos will be in October's Newsletter..

GROWING IN FAITH:

Family & Faith Formation Ministries. This consists of: GEMS, Cadets, Youth and Adult Bible Study. Programs will begin in October on Wednesday evenings beginning at 7pm. We have something for everyone and everyone is welcome. Official start dates will be announced at the Kick-off BBQ and posted in the October Newsletter.

Coffee Break Ladies Bible Study will begin on Sept. 29th. More details on page 4.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

Council will meet again on **Thursday, October 6th, 7:30pm**. Council packets will be distributed Sept. 30th.

COMMUNITY MINISTRY FEATURE:

This month we are featuring Kawartha Lakes Pregnancy Centre. For updates and events happening at KLPC, please see page 4.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE ~ Sabbath

The LORD replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." (Exodus 33:14)

God shared those words of comfort with Moses while he was leading the Israelites through the wilderness. At that time, Moses was feeling the weight of leadership, and God promised the very presence of the LORD would give him rest. There was no need to carry the burden on his own; God would go with him. In that scripture passage, Moses catches a glimpse of the glory of God and returns to the people literally radiating the glory of God.

Over the past four months I had the opportunity to practice sabbath rest. It was a time for me to intentionally focus on the presence of God. On one occasion, I had the opportunity to practice a spiritual hike through the woods. The hike included various stations where I was invited to reflect on God's presence and work in my life. One station invited me to consider the past and recall the times God provided in the midst of life storms. With each memory I was to take up a stone as a visible reminder. I soon had a small altar of stones before me. I began to weep as I could visibly see all the times God was faithful and I was reminded that He has never left me. He has carried me, and will continue to give me the strength, wisdom and clarity I need in my calling.

As I stepped out of the woods that afternoon I may not have literally been radiating God's glory but I did feel as though a burden had been lifted. As I return to my call as pastor I do so with the assurance that God will be with me and he will continue to give me rest. *Pastor Ben v.*

Finance Updates

OFFERING RESULTS: AUG 21, 2022

Church Ministry Budget	$2,232.00
Special Offerings	
Lighthouse Centre	132.00
Property Purchase	1,000.00

OFFERING RESULTS: AUG 28, 2022

Church Ministry Budget	$4,070.00
Special Offerings	
Kawartha Food Source	325.00
Resonate Global Mission	50.00
Heritage Christian School	300.00
Safe Church Ministries	25.00
Ukrainian Outreach - Deacons	110.00
Youth Ministry	67.90
Facility Rental Income	226.00
Shalom	867.51

OFFERING RESULTS: SEPT 4, 2022

Church Ministry Budget	$2,070.00
Special Offerings	
Kawartha Mission	260.00
Durham Christian High Sch	100.00
Facility Rental Income	150.00

OFFERING RESULTS: SEPT 11, 2022

Church Ministry Budget	$972.00
Special Offerings	
Resonate Global Mission	167.00
Heritage Christian School	20.00
Deacons - Ukrainian Outreach	1,110.00

Council Highlights

SEPTEMBER 8, 2022 MEETING

- Council welcomed Pastor Ben back after his 4 month sabbatical
- Fall Church program kick off supper will be hosted by the Fintelman's on September 17th. Main meal will be provided, please bring a dessert
- Rachel Albers installation will take place September 18th
- The Ukrainian family has moved into the parsonage. Thank you to all who painted, cleaned and assisted with prepping the parsonage for the family!
- Budget requests for committees are submitted by September 30th.

Church Family

Congratulations
Koornneef & Bossema Families

CONGRATULATIONS TO RYAN & ADRIANA KOORNNEEF, they were blessed with a little baby boy on Monday, August 29th. His name is **Jeremiah Richard Koornneef** and weighed 9lbs 5oz. Everyone is doing well.

CHURCH FAMILY UPDATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS: If you have an announcement, update or even just a "little" note that you would like to share with the congregation, please write or email the church office at jenningscreekcrc@gmail.com. This Newsletter will be distributed the ***first Sunday*** of every month to update everyone on what is going on in our church, community and beyond.

ODYSSEY: Grade 9 and 10 class uses the *Believe It!* Curriculum. This curriculum was developed to teach foundational Reformed beliefs to high school students with the hope that they will become acquainted with the basic doctrinal teachings of our church. The Believe It! Curriculum follows the teachings of the Belgic Confession. We meet monthly and the curriculum is split into two years.

COMMITTEE BUDGET REQUEST ANNOUNCEMENT:
ATTENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRS – Budgets for your committees are due **September 30th**. Please provide to your council rep or submit to council via the council mail slot at church.

Thank you, Council Executive

HERITAGE UPDATE:
Gift card profits for the month of August were **$1,679.98**.
2021/22 Yearly Profit: **$24,706.57**
Total Yearly Sales: **$439,064.25**
If you would like to purchase gift cards or would like more information, please contact **Hank Bossema at 705-328-2061**.

Church Family Camping August 2022

Church Family Camp: The Lord blessed us with a wonderful camp weekend at Balsam Lake Provincial Park again this year.

Twenty plus families were able to reserve a campsite and be together for the weekend.

On Saturday, numerous families and individuals joined us for the day and we enjoyed beach time as well as the legendary "wine and cheese" social. Thank you to Pieter and Grace for hosting that on your site. The snacks provided by others and the different cheeses to sample were truly enjoyed by all. It was such a warmhearted time spent together enjoying food and each other's company.

On Sunday, we were able to gather at the amphitheatre for our traditional outdoor worship service. We thank Pastor Ben for the message, Marilyn for leading the children in song, and Pieter and Dave for accompanying us in praise and worship.

There is always a wonderful "coffee social" held after the service and we thank Pieter and Grace for allowing us to gather on their campsite. Having the time to enjoy each other's company in a relaxing way and catching up with those we haven't seen for some time was a true blessing.

Thank you everyone for the enjoyable time spent with you.

God has blessed our church family in so many special ways and most definitely, church family camp is one of those.

–submitted by Lena Wilms–

COFFEE BREAK: Your Coffee Break Leaders, (Carol, Jess, Kim, Sandi and Lena) are excited to announce that we are going to start meeting again on Thursday, September 29th at 9:30 am in the church.

We would like this to be a special get-together for all the ladies of our church...so we thought we'd have *"An English High Tea"*! Come dressed in fancy wear. There will be prizes for best facinator, hat, or hair decoration and a time to enjoy tea, treats and socializing. Nursery will be provided to take care of your little ones. RSVP to Lena Wilms if you plan on joining us. Please feel free to bring a friend!

Our first study of the year is "Free of Me" by Sharon Hodde Miller and will begin Thursday, October 6th.

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child
Joanna Charlton

National Collection Week
Nov 14–20, 2022

FOR MORE INFORMATION on programs offered here at Jennings Creek CRC please go to ***www.jenningscreekchurch.ca***