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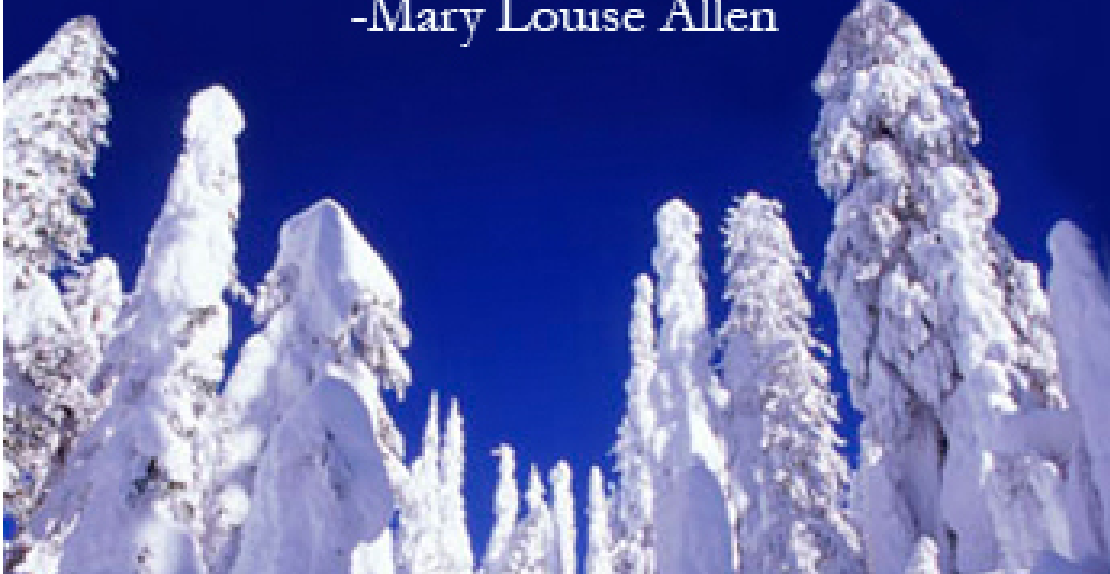
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“Snow makes whiteness where it falls  
The bushes look like popcorn balls  
And places where I always play  
Look like somewhere else today.”

-Mary Louise Allen

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## Stewardship Seconds

Good news! The party is started! The kingdom is near! We have gifts to share!



# This Week's Schedule - Internal Groups

## Sunday 29 January

9:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Activity Room
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary <a href="#"><u>Zoom Link</u></a>
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.	Flute Choir	Sanctuary

## Monday 30 January

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m	Limestone set up	Sanctuary
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Limestone Ringers	Sanctuary

## Wednesday 01 February

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m	Pastoral Care	<a href="#"><u>Zoom Link</u></a>
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## Thursday 02 February

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Music Room
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## Friday 03 February

9:30 - 10:30 a.m.	Wellness Walking	Sanctuary Welcome Centre
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**Stephanie will be on holidays: Wednesday 01 February, Thursday 02 February and Friday 03 February celebrating her daughter's 15th birthday! During this time the office will be closed. For assistance, please contact Rev Michelle at 613 389 2530 or [rev.michelle@ermuc.ca](mailto:rev.michelle@ermuc.ca)**

# Worship This Week

Prelude

Welcome + Tidings + Acknowledgement of Traditional Territories Patti Speck

Musical Introit Kim Barney

Lighting the Christ Candle

Opening hymn: MV 12- Come Touch Our Hearts

Call to Worship:

One: This is a call to all those who are poor in spirit,

**ALL: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

One: This is a call to all those who mourn,

**ALL: for they will be comforted.**

One: This is a call to all those who are meek,

**ALL: for they will inherit the earth.**

One: This is a call to all those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

**ALL: for they will be filled.**

One: This is a call to all those who are the merciful,

**ALL: for they will be shown mercy.**

One: This is a call to all those who are the pure in heart,

**ALL: for they will see God.**

One: This is a call to all those who are the peacemakers,

**ALL: for they will be called the children of God.**

One: This is a call to all those who are persecuted because of righteousness,

**ALL: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

Centring Prayer and Lord's Prayer:

One: Will You Pray with me?

Holy One, with our Spirits reaching out and our hearts open wide,  
we bring our whole selves to you today,

**ALL: We are ready to receive your teaching,**

**your inspiration,**

**your invitation,**

**and your blessing,**

**for each of us, and for our whole church family.**

One: You are more than we can ask or imagine;

**ALL: Today we bring our attitude of gratitude,  
So please bless us with your Beatitudes.**

One: We pray these things, in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray together with one voice saying:

**ALL: Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name.**

**Thy Kingdom come.**

**Thy will be done on earth,**

**As it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,**

**As we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,**

**But deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,**

**The power, and the glory,**

**For ever and ever. Amen.**

Anthem 1: How Lovely Are the Messengers

Forming Young Faith: Ruth Judd

Scripture Reading: The Beatitudes Matthew 5:1-12 Carolyn May

Sermon: Where are YOU in the Sermon on the Mount

Hymn: MV 171- Christ Has No Body Now But Yours

Prayers of the People:

Anthem Two: Beatitudes

Offering Dedication

Offertory:

Closing hymn: MV 216- Wherever You May Go

Commissioning + Benediction

Choral Amen



## *souper* SUNDAY

Have you had enough of cold, grey days of winter? Well then come to church on Sunday, and stay for LUNCH

ITS SOUP-ER SUNDAY!

Hot Soup is being provided by Michelle and Joyce, and will be served in the welcome centre after church THIS SUNDAY, JANUARY 29TH.

BRING YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS AND NEIGHBOURS.

If you normally go out for lunch after church, plan to stay for soup, and help support the church.

Free Will Offering, with all donations going into the operating fund.

Come for the SERVICE, stay for the SOUP.

ITS SOUPER SUNDAY!

## **Tidings for 02 February**

Please ensure that any items you have for the 02 February edition of Tidings is sent to me no later than Monday at 9 a.m. I am off next week on holidays and need to have it done before I go. Thank you so much :)

Stephanie



## Treasurer's Update - Financial Summary

	December 2022						
	Month				Year to Date		
	2022		2021		2022		2021
Total Revenue	\$ 51,927		\$ 98,003		\$ 416,966		\$ 490,209
Total Expenses	\$ 65,119		\$ 27,201		\$ 412,439		\$ 399,704
Surplus/ Deficit	\$ (13,192)		\$ 70,802		\$ 4,527		\$ 90,505
Revenue in December 2021 included some Extraordinary amounts.							
If you have any questions, please reach out to Peter Merkley, Treasurer.							

# Increase Lower Hall Rental Revenue - Help Empty the Stage!

Can you help move Church Enhancement items and shelves from the stage roadside and lakeside to the Westview Room? No heavy lifting just a whole lot of stuff.

Join the Property Team at 9:00 am Saturday February 4. Many hands will make the move go fast. If you can help, please advise Stephanie at [churchoffice@ermuc.ca](mailto:churchoffice@ermuc.ca). Questions? Contact Gord Bell [gbell@kos.net](mailto:gbell@kos.net).

Refreshments will be provided.





# THE HYMN SOCIETY

Register today for the 2023 Annual Conference of The Hymn Society to be held July 16-19 at McGill University in Montréal, Québec. Come and join members, leaders, and friends of The Hymn Society to gather, connect, share, learn—and of course, to sing! If you're not able to attend in person, we will also be offering a digital option.

This year's conference theme is "Land, Language, and Liberation." Our gathering will be held in Montréal, which is not only the largest city in Québec but is also a crossroads for the cultures of First Nations, the descendants of English and French settlers, and immigrants from around the world. Together we will reflect on issues that continue to challenge the peoples of Québec, of Canada, and all of North America.

Plenary speakers who will help us unpack our conference theme are Kenny Wallace, Kuzipa Nalwamba, Lester Ruth, and a panel led by Anneli Loepp Thiessen and Becca Whitla. Evening hymn festivals will be led by Frédéricka Petit-Homme, Jonathan Maracle, Robert Lebel, and Leslie Jordan. This year's festivals will include songs of various traditions and genres, including Gospel, First Nations, French Catholic, and Praise & Worship.

In addition to hymn festivals and plenary addresses, the conference will include six featured sessions, the annual Emerging Scholars Forum, three colloquia for text writers, composers, and songwriters, and nearly thirty sectionals.

Want to know more about the program and schedule? Visit our website and browse through the various events that will enrich our time together. Register now to reserve your place at this year's conference. Early bird rates are available through March 15.

## Contact Us

<https://www.thehymnsociety.org/event>  
[office@thehymnsociety.org](mailto:office@thehymnsociety.org)

5 Thomas Circle NW 4th Floor  
 Washington, DC 20005

800 THE HYMN  
 800 843 4966

# March Auction at Edith Rankin

Circle Saturday, March 4 at 1:30pm on your calendar for our 2023 live and silent auction at Edith Rankin. Our “Leap of Faith” auction in 2019 was a huge success and now we are doing a repeat in 2023. We raised over \$5000 at the last auction.

Please think about what you could contribute and then come and bid on other peoples’ donations. A few examples are:

One pie a month for a year  
Special Easter cookies  
A lakeside luncheon  
Bridge and lunch for 4 or 8  
A weekend at a cottage  
Dinner party  
Gently used items. ie. art , home decor  
Special perennials  
Boat ride  
Fudge

Your imagination is the limit. Please let Sandra, Patti or Stephanie know and we’ll get our list started! We have 4 donations so far. We’ll keep you posted as contributions roll in.

Sandra:

Patti:

**Stephanie:** [churchoffice@ermuc.ca](mailto:churchoffice@ermuc.ca)

# **Progressive Euchre Tournament**

## **At Edith Rankin Memorial United Church**

PLACE: 4080 Bath Road, Kingston, Ontario (Lower Hall)

DATE: Friday 10 February 2023

TIME: 7 p.m.

There will be prizes and lots of fun. Open to everyone who enjoys euchre, including kids. Light refreshments will be served.

Bring your friends, neighbours and relatives. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$4 for teens and kids 12 and under are free. Please contact Tom Kerr at 613-634 1990 or by emailing: [trahm@sympatico.ca](mailto:trahm@sympatico.ca)

Hope to see you there!



## ERMUC Women Leading Worship

In the past the UCW has traditionally led a worship service the Sunday after Easter. To continue this practice as a Congregational Group, we are looking for women in the congregation - any age, in a group or not - who would like to work as a team to lead this service, on Sunday, April 16th. Please contact Marg Merkley if interested in being involved.

([margandpetermerkley@gmail.com](mailto:margandpetermerkley@gmail.com) or 613 532 8490)

## Sanctuary Enhancement Team

The Sanctuary Enhancement Team is searching for those who have a flair and design talent to create monthly floral arrangements. Please contact Jean Barna at [jkbarnabrown@hotmail.com](mailto:jkbarnabrown@hotmail.com) for further details.



# Coldest Night of the Year (CNOY)



What is Coldest Night of the Year (CNOY)?

- Family-friendly fundraising walk
- Supports local charity partners who provide essential care and service for people experiencing homelessness, hurt, and hunger

What is CNOY's history?

- Started in 2011
- Raised over \$57,000,000 across Canada in 166 communities since 2011

Who are we supporting?

- Nightlight Kingston
- Since 2012
- Multi-denominational Christian ministry
- Operates adult drop-in centre in downtown Kingston
- Serves those on the margins
- Website: <https://nightlightcanada.com/>

How is Edith Rankin participating?

- A team of walkers (the Rankin Ramblers) who are gathering sponsors
- Don't worry, there's still time to join the team

## Coldest Night of the Year 2 of 2

Do we have a fundraising target?

- Our team target for 2023 is \$8,000
- In 2022, Rankin Ramblers raised \$5,850...over 25% of the funds raised in downtown Kingston

Details for Participants (Walkers):

Date: Saturday, February 25, 2023

Where: Your choice

Organized walk in downtown Kingston

Virtual walk (wherever you'd like)

What: Participants register to walk 2km or 5km

Who: Everyone is welcome!

How:

- Register online by clicking [here](#) to join the Rankin Ramblers
- Solicit donations from family, friends and neighbours
- CNOY Toques: Participants who raise \$75 (youth age 17 and under) or \$150 (adults) receive a 2023 CNOY Toque

How can I participate if I'm not walking?

- Go to the online link <https://cnoy.org/donate> and donate to one of the Rankin Ramblers or the team
- Charitable donation receipts for donations of \$20 or more

If I have questions?

Contact Marcus Robertson by email at [marcusrobertson@xplornet.ca](mailto:marcusrobertson@xplornet.ca) or by phone at (613) 373-1138



# TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY

## Golden Voices Concert Choir Returning to Canada!

Edith Rankin is collaborating with the Tuskegee University Golden Voices Concert Choir Tour through Tom Mawhinney. Edith Rankin will be hosting the choir for lunch before their Kingston Concert on March 11th. Get your tickets today for this amazing night of music. You won't be disappointed.

With spirited direction, exemplary discipline, strong, young voices, and a stirring repertoire, this is a choir that choral music lovers should not miss.

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7:30 PM on MARCH 8, 9, 11, 12, 2023

The Golden Voices Concert Choir, founded in 1886, was directed from 1931 to 1955 by William Levi Dawson, the first person to arrange the songs of the slavery era for four-part choirs. His arrangements are still cherished and many of his works are still widely performed and form a core component of today's choir's broad repertoire.

Dr. Wayne Barr has been director of the Golden Voices since 2001. The choir has the rare distinction of having performed for four different US Presidents by invitation. Under Dr. Barr, rehearsals run for two hours a day, six days a week.

All proceeds go to Tuskegee University.

Tickets are \$15 Student and \$25 | \$30 General Admission

For more information and to purchase tickets online visit

<https://tucanadatour.com> or email [tucanadatour@gmail.com](mailto:tucanadatour@gmail.com)

You can forward it on to your friends, too:

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# Affirming Ministry Team

The Affirming Ministry Team would like to introduce you to the two members of the Team with whom you can share any of your concerns or questions.

Barb Taft: phone 613-634-6506 email address: [barbev37@gmail.com](mailto:barbev37@gmail.com)

Kathy Baer: phone 613-544-0946 email address: [kathy.baer13@gmail.com](mailto:kathy.baer13@gmail.com)

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## Collaboration Lenten Series

Are you struggling with the ageing process? Do you feel that you need some encouragement and inspiration? Join with our Collaborating Churches for a five week discussion of the book 'Aging With Wisdom and Grace' by Noreen Cannon Au and Wilkie Au.


This book explores the contributions faith can make to optimal aging, providing a Christian perspective on such topics as: loss and diminishment, loneliness and suffering, death and dying, regrets and unhealed wounds, gratitude and generativity.

Beginning on Thursday February 23, and each following Thursday from 1:30 – 3 through to March 23 we will gather to enjoy conversation and coffee, tea, juice, water and tasty treats.

This series is being hosted by Princess Street United Church, who is currently housed at St. Luke's Anglican church. The collaboration series will be at St. Luke's Anglican church which is located at: 236 Nelson St, Kingston, ON.

These books are available to order through your local bookseller.

Please join us IN PERSON for as many sessions as you are available. Rev. Michelle will be participating in the leadership as well.



# News from ECORC

## (East Central Ontario Regional Council of the United Church of Canada)



The plan for the evening:

- 6:40 – 7:10 Interactive teaching time, where we review What is friendly visiting? As opposed to pastoral care? How do we do that? What are our limits? How often, by phone or in person, what needs to be in place before we begin a visiting program.
- 7:10 – 7:30 Role playing (for Zoom participants, will be done in breakout rooms)
- 7:30 – 8:00 Going forward. What are best practices for friendly visiting? Any other questions emerging

If interested in attending please contact Margaret Merkley at [margandpetermerkley@gmail.com](mailto:margandpetermerkley@gmail.com) by Sunday, February 5th.

Thank you,  
Margaret Merkley  
ERMUC, ECORC Representative



Belleville Choral Society  
Presents

# Home

*A choral celebration dedicated to  
family, love and friends*

**Saturday, February 18, 2023  
2 pm**

With special guests  
Grace's Landing

St. Matthew's United Church  
25 Holloway Street  
Belleville

Admission  
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For the safety of all, we request attendees to mask.

Find us on Facebook: Belleville Choral Society





On-Line Discussion Group: “The Women Near the Cross,” from ***And She Said* by Betty Radford Turcott**

Hosted by Bay of Quinte United Church Women East Central Ontario Region.

***Tuesdays in February by ZOOM: 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. – Feb 7, 14, 21, 28***

The monologues in the chapter “Women Near the Cross” invite us to enter into the experience of Mary of Jerusalem, Johanna wife of Chuza, Mary of Magdala, Delora mother of Judas, Mary wife of Clopas, Claudia wife of Pilot, and Mary mother of the crucified Jesus. As we ‘become’ these women, we experience the Passion/Easter through their eyes.

The group will meet by ZOOM using breakout rooms to share our experience. Betty Turcott will join the group. Our group and its discussion prompts may make a timely resource for those considering a Lenten program or study series or leading worship with their own church group. **All are welcome to join in some or all evenings.**

Please contact host Cheryl Mound to join in, offer help or ideas or get information.

Contact: [cdmound@gmail.com](mailto:cdmound@gmail.com) or call 613 395 0914.

*And She Said* is available from Grand River Bookstore ([sales@grandriverbooks.com](mailto:sales@grandriverbooks.com) or 1 888 668 0871) or other sources.

*“Each story brings to light the courage, strength, compassion and faith that these women demonstrate, giving them a voice that can be heard and felt. While the challenges and celebrations experienced by these women take place in the biblical era, their perspectives transcend the bounds of time and are highly relevant to the women of contemporary society.”*  
Cover, *And She Said*