**Bridgewater United Church**

**May 19, 2019 5th of Easter**

**Ministry Team:** *Reverend Jeff Chant and Angela Clifton*

**Organist & Choir Director:** *Wendy Fraser*

**Greeters:** *Ralph Cook, Elizabeth Smith* **Ushers:** *Sam Elsworth, Dale Elsworth*

**Audio Visual Technician:** *Ewart Morse* **Sound Engineer:** *Tracy Rafuse*

*The asterisk (\*) indicates the congregation may stand, as they can.*

*The print in* ***BOLD*** *is where the congregation participates.*

Prelude: Verse I and II *written by Abraham Van Den Kerckhoven*

**\*Gathering Song: # 30 MV – It’s a Song of Praise to the Maker (Verse 1)**

Welcome and Announcements

\*Invitation To Worship

Video:

“Love Your Neighbour”

\*Lighting of the Inclusivity and Christ Candles

**\*Opening Songs and Prayer**

**Welcome Into This Place**

**You Are My All in All**

**\*Hymn And Gifts Received:**

**# 138 MV – My Love Colours Outside the Lines**

Time with Children

**The Lord’s Prayer**

Video:

“Love Unconditionally”

Centering

Special Music:

Come, Lord Jesus, Be Among Us *sung by the BUC Senior Choir*

Scripture Reading: John 13:31-35

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Message

Silent Reflection

Prayers of the Community

**\*Hymn: # 226 VU – For the Beauty of the Earth**

\*Extinguishing The Candles

\*Commissioning And Benediction

**\*Choral Blessing: # 220 MV – Hope Shines as the Solitary Star**

\*Postlude: Echo Fantasie *written by Gerhard Schronx*



***The church bulletins are given to the glory of God,***

***and in loving memory of our daughter, Linda and son, Christopher,***

***gift of Bea and Bob Zinck.***

***The May church radio broadcast is given to the glory of God,***

***and in loving memory of husband, Murray,***

***and grandson, David A. M. Jodrie,***

***gift of Mildred Jodrie and family.***

***The May church radio broadcast is given to the glory of God,***

***and in loving memory of our parents,***

***Harold and Leona Thompson and Frank and Eva Elsworth,***

***gift of Sam, Dale and family.***



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**Bridgewater United Church**

**Wants To Stay In Touch With You!**

We try to make every effort to keep our congregation informed of the events that occur at Bridgewater United Church. It would be most helpful to Bridgewater United Church, if you followed the suggestions below to make sure that you are as up-to-date with news as possible.

1. Please pass along your email to the Church Office at buc@tallships.ca, so that you can be added to congregational emails regarding events, services and storm closures.

2. Check out our website at [www.bridgewaterunited.ca](http://www.bridgewaterunited.ca) for information about our Church, Event Calendar, Church Council Minutes, Church Bulletin, Worship Service Audio Recordings, Sermons and so much more.

3. Find us and like us on Facebook.

<https://www.facebook.com/BridgewaterUnitedChurch?ref=hl>

4. The Church Office wants to remind members of the congregation,

if the worship service is cancelled, an announcement will be placed on CKBW

(98.1 FM), on the church’s website at www.bridgewaterunited.ca and

the church phone message will state the cancellation by 9:00am.



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*Facebook:* [*https://www.facebook.com/BridgewaterUnitedChurch?ref=hl*](https://www.facebook.com/BridgewaterUnitedChurch?ref=hl)

*Church Office Hours are Monday – Friday 9:30am – 1:00pm*

*Our Church is a* ***Nut-Free and Scent-Free Church***

This Week at Bridgewater United

**This Sunday: 5th of Easter**

 **10:30am** Worship with Children’s Activity Table

**Monday: Victoria Day ~ Church Office Closed**

 **6:30pm** Scouts

**Tuesday: 10:00am** Pastoral Care Committee

 **4:30pm** Bridgewater Day Care Committee

**Wednesday: 10:00am** Coffee, Tea and Conversation

 **4:00pm** Inclusivity Committee **6:30pm** Beavers

 **7:00pm** Church Council

 **7:45pm** 3rd Bridgewater Scout Group Committee

**Thursday: 10:00am** Coffee, Tea and Conversation

 **6:00pm** Arts & Crafts at Pizza Delight **6:30pm** Cubs

**Next Sunday: 6th of Easter Rural Life Sunday**

 **9:00am** Senior Choir **10:00am** Coffee, Tea and Conversation

 **10:30am** Worship and Sunday School

Engaging Our Church Community

The Church Council is beginning a process of listening to our members to learn what you love about our Church and your hopes for us in the future. Therefore, we are beginning with a series of opportunities for you to join us in conversation. We are hoping you can attend one of the following:

***Coffee, Tea and Conversation ~ May 22nd and 23rd at 10:00am***

***Potluck Lunch after Worship on June 2nd***

Providing A Welcoming Space For All

If you know someone who has difficulty attending Worship because of transportation, please call the Church Office and we will arrange a Sunday Carpool.

Copies of the Choruses are on the top of the Hymn Book bookshelf at the back of the Sanctuary for those that would rather have the music in front of them.

There is a Supervised Nursery available for parents/guardians with small children during the service. There is a change table, play area and a speaker to hear the Worship Service. This is located off the Christian Education Centre (Gym.)

You will notice in our Sanctuary, chairs with Blue Wheelchair Signs on the back. These spots are to remain open and clear, so that persons in a wheelchair have an accessible space when they are part of our Church Community. Thank you.

UCW Springtime Luncheon and Sale

Join us on June 1st from 11:00am – 1:00pm for our annual UCW Springtime Luncheon and Sale. Doors open at 10:30am. Trinkets & Treasures Table, Arts and Crafts Table and Bake Table. Adults $10 and Students $5. Tickets available through UCW members. Donations for the Trinkets and Treasures Table (no white elephant please), crafts and baking can be dropped off in the Library and marked “UCW,” weekday mornings from 9:30am - 1:00pm or on May 31st after 6:00pm.

Celebrating In Worship

We will be having our June 9th Worship Service and Sunday School Picnic outdoors at the Woodland Gardens behind the Desbrisay Museum. Please bring your own chair to sit on and there are washrooms on-site. We are also encouraging you to bring your own plates and utensils in your ditty bag (Just like in your Scout/Guide Camping days) to help with Bridgewater United’s Carbon Footprint. Hot dogs, hamburgers and beverages will be provided. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. We want to clarify that our Church is a Nut-Free Church, and this will be extended off-site.

Faith Formation Special Projects

Sherbrooke Lake Camp is a fun, residential United Church summer camp. Currently we have eleven children signed up for camp. Thank you to all who have donated to “Send a Kid to Camp.” We are still $1,262.00 shy of the cost of sending all 11 kids to camp this summer. Please consider giving to this wonderful Outreach Ministry.

Outreach Opportunities

Monetary donations and donations of non-perishable food items are always appreciated throughout the month for the Bridgewater Inter-Church Food Bank. For May, there is a request for canned beans: molasses or tomato or canned fruit.

A Note From Property Committee

Please join the Property Committee on Thursday, June 13th at 6:00pm for a Church Yard Clean-Up. Bring along a rake and some friends, as many hands make light work.

Property Committee is looking for someone to shovel the front walkway, back door entrance, entrance to the Bridgewater Day Care and a path to the Oil Tank when we are blessed with a snowstorm throughout the winter. If you know of or are interested in this job, please contact Randall Knox at (902) 521-4005.

We are selling the pews in the Chapel, and the congregation will have first pick of them. $150 for a big pew and $125 for a small pew. You have until May 26th to speak for one before it is advertised in the community. Please speak to Randall Knox at (902) 521-4005 to arrange a pick-up time. Thank you.

An Evening of Music

Maritime Concert Opera presents “The Pirates of Penzance,” at Central United Church; Lunenburg on June 22nd at 7:30pm. Tickets are $25 in advance or $30 at the door. Students are $15 and under 16 are $5. Tickets available through Shop on the Corner, Kinburn Pharmasave or phone (902) 634-3199.

Thank You

We are honoured that you have partnered with Servant’s Heart Ministries and the people of the Dominican Republic and Haiti. Your support in 2018 of $20,749.26 has made a lasting impact on the lives of many. *~ Blessings, Phil & Donna Williams*

Minute for Mindfulness

“Kindness is a mark of faith, and whoever is not kind, has no faith.”

**Bridgewater United Church**

**PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) Form**

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Have you considered signing up for PAR?

PAR is a monthly pre-authorized bank withdrawal by Bridgewater United Church that can be increased or decreased at any time. PAR cards are available at both entrances and are placed in the plate during Offering.

\* Please complete and sign the authorization form below.

\*Attach your personal blank cheque marked “VOID.”

\*Drop off the authorization form and void cheque to our office.

Never have to worry about remembering your Church Envelope AGAIN!

**Pre-Authorized Payment Authorization**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I (we) authorize Bridgewater United Church to process a debit, electronic or other form in the amount of:

1. Fixed amount: $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on my (our) account of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (day) of each month beginning \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I (we) acknowledge that I (we) have read and understood all the provisions contained in the terms and conditions of the pre-authorized payment authorization and that I (we) have received a copy.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Treasurers’ Report to Church Council**

**for Three Month Period Ending March 31, 2019**

**Receipts** **2019 2018**

 Total Receipts $ 41,177.00 $ 43,805.00

 Trust Receipts

 Mission and Service $ 4,057.00 $ 4,627.00

 UCW Funds for M&S $ 500.00 $ 500.00

 Food Bank Receipts $ 755.00 $ 1,014.00

 Disaster Relief $ 0.00 $ 0.00

 Starfish International $ 1,000.00 $ 0.00

 Misc. Trust Receipts $ 1,167.00 $ 1,601.00

 Building Use Receipts $ 11,894.00 $ 13,201.00

 Fundraising Receipts $ 3,729.00 $ 2,797.00

 UCW Donation to Local $ 500.00 $ 500.00

 Broadcast Service Receipts $ 1,103.00 $ 875.00

 Misc. Receipts $ 171.00 $ 1,642.00

 **Total Receipts (Note 1) $ 66,053.00 $ 70,562.00**

**Disbursements**

 Total Trust Disbursements $ 7,105.00 $ 7,855.00

 Total Personnel Expense $ 41,312.00 $ 35,145.00

 Total Office & Admin Expense $ 6,025.00 $ 6,092.00

 Accounting Fees $ 4,672.00 $ 4,558.00

 Heating Fuel1 $ 12,071.00 $ 9,706.00

 Lights, Water & Sewer2 $ 2,266.00 $ 2,835.00

 Snow Removal & Salting $ 5,037.00 $ 3,508.00

 Janitorial Services $ 1,255.00 $ 0.00

 Insurance $ 0.00 $ 0.00

 Floor Maintenance $ 866.00 $ 3,440.00

 Other Premises Expenses3 $ 4,202.00 $ 858.00

 UCC Allocation $ 2,580.00 $ 0.00

 Other Misc. Expenses $ 1,966.00 $ 1,278.00

 **Total Disbursements (Note 1) $ 89,357.00 $ 75,275.00**

**Operating (Deficit) Surplus**

 **at End of Period (Note 2)** **($ 23,304.00) ($ 4,713.00)**

**Bank Balance** $ 29,899.31

**Note 1:**

Total Receipts and Disbursements does not include Building Fund Transactions.

**Note 2:**

Church Adjusted Operating Deficit is $16,011.00 more than last year for same period.