



PastoralPoints

The quarterly newsletter of the Braeside Pastoral Charge.

FoodgrainsResults



Our Riverview Foodgrains Project was very successful this past summer. On the approximate 40 acres the project team raised 24 bushels of soy beans per acre. Since these bushels were already "pre-sold" to our buyer, we raised nearly \$3,000.00. When those monies are matched by CIDA funds, we will have raised around \$15,000.00 this past summer for developing countries food relief.

Already, the ground is being prepared for next summer's crop. On a sunny afternoon drive by the land and take a look. You never saw a prettier piece of "disked" land.

There will be a Foodgrains Project "Fall Information Meeting" on Friday, November 30, 1-3pm at Almonte United Church. The guest speaker will be Joshua Mukusay, Kenyan Development Worker.

CarRally&Potluck



On October 20th over 50 people took part in the Third Annual Car Rally. The tour sites included scenic places between the Villages of Braeside and Burnstown. The rally ended with a huge pot-luck supper with prizes awarded for everyone who participated and for those who finished with the best scores.

Advent 2007 calendarpoints



November 30, 2007
Christmas In Our Valley
7PM - Braeside United Church

December 2, 2007
Advent Candlelight Service
7PM - Castelford United Church

December 9, 2007
Advent Communion Service
All Churches

December 16, 2007
White Gift Service
Braeside United Church

December 23, 2007
Christmas Pageant
12:30PM - Castelford United Church

December 24, 2007
Christmas Eve Family Candle Service
7PM - Glasgow United Church

December 24, 2007
Lessons & Carols
9PM - Braeside United Church

January 6, 2008
Epiphany Communion Service
All Churches

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GlasgowReview

The Glasgow congregation has seen and participated in many events this fall. We witnessed two baptisms this fall. On October 14th was Meghan Riley Steinke and on October 28th was Cayden Jarett Dale Dorzek.

The Valley Ramblers entertained our congregation on the Thanksgiving weekend Sunday. Everyone agreed that it was wonderful. The UCW held the Women's International District Annual. Refreshments were served after three funerals by the UCW. The Sunday School has raised enough money to sponsor two bed kits for Sleeping Children Around the World. Our Fall Supper was a great success.

The UCW Christmas party takes place on December 3rd at 6:30 at The Friendship Hall. All are Welcome. Please bring a small gift.

The Christmas Eve Service is of course December 24, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. This February 2nd, 2008 we are planning a fund-raiser in conjunction with Partners in Caring for Arnprior Hospital.

The Lily Belles

The Lily Belles have been busy since their inception in September. The group started as women's group from the Braeside United Church who's primary function is friendship. There is a meeting and an outing once a month. The group has been busy. We started out with a meeting that Val Dougherty, the parish nurse, attended and gave us a talk on women's health. The outing that month was to a dinner at Mary Campbell's bed and breakfast. The next two meetings focused on crafts, making and sprucing up Christmas decorations for the church. We also have decided to adopt a needy family for Christmas this year. We have also paired up people in the parish who are shut ins with some of our members for a visit.

Our Halloween outing was a murder mystery dinner which was for the women and spouses. Everyone really got into character and a good time was had by all. We took a bus to "Ferre Rouge", a type of dinner night club on the Quebec side. There were 35 people that attended this outing and I'm sure they had as much fun on the bus as they did at "Ferre Rouge".



Callum Alexander McFarlane the son of Lindsay Ralph and Robert McFarlane was baptized October the 28th. Callum was surrounded by family of all ages. From his first cousin Hudson McFarlane (2weeks old) to his Great Grandmother Gwen Ralph (98 years young).



Emerging Spirit

Five members, representing our pastoral charge, and Richard attended a day-and-a-half workshop on November 16th and 17th, to learn more about how we can participate and use the materials being produced in The United Church's Emerging Spirit campaign. "Living the Welcome" training event had five workshops, plus several plenary sessions to help us understand what is happening in our Canadian church and non-church culture and how we as a rural pastoral charge might become more accessible to people who are not presently involved. The three Sessions will meet in early January and will formulate recommendations for our Annual Meetings of what we can be doing and how we can be doing it throughout this coming year.

