



*St. James United Church*  
**Announcements**  
**Holy Humour Sunday - April 16, 2023**

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**Upcoming Events:**

- **Mon. Apr. 17<sup>th</sup> - 1pm – UCW Meeting** (upper room) Roll call: money for St. James' garden, Program: Karen Given, Hostess: Shirley King
  - **Sun. Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup> – 10am – Worship Service**
  - **Sun. Apr. 30<sup>th</sup> – 10am – Worship Service;** "Pasta Plus Lunch" and celebration of April Birthdays. Enjoy an array of dishes, hot or cold, that all contain pasta. If you can contribute a pasta dish - crock pot, casserole or salad - or a birthday cake please contact Pat at [patriciaedmonds11@gmail.com](mailto:patriciaedmonds11@gmail.com) or 705-739-1106. All are welcome. Freewill donations appreciated.
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**THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP... from Pastor Patricia.**



**What is Holy Humour Sunday?** In the early church, the Sunday after Easter was observed by the faithful as a day of joy and laughter with parties and shenanigans to celebrate Jesus' resurrection. The custom of Holy Humour Sunday... sometimes called "Bright Sunday", came from the idea that God played a joke on the devil by raising Jesus from the dead.

**So... let's have some joy and laughter on Sunday!**

Wear your **brightest** clothes, find something funny 😄 to add (there *must* be a crazy tie, t-shirt, socks, Groucho Marx goodies or a hat you can't wait to wear!)

**and bring your willingness to feel the joy of celebrating God's defeat over the devil!!**



**Thank you to this Sunday's volunteers who make our time of gathering meaningful & fun.**

**Greeter:** Cairine Tessier

**Lay Reader:** Hilary Mallett

**Refreshments:** Kay Boer

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### **Broadview Magazine**

It's Renewal Time! Broadview is an independent Canadian magazine featuring award-winning coverage of spirituality, justice and ethical living. Through their compelling stories and engaging images, Broadview challenges and inspires readers seeking to live a purpose-filled, values-driven life.

With roots dating back to 1829, Broadview is North America's oldest continuously published magazine and the second oldest in the English-speaking world. Owned and operated by Observer Publications Inc., Broadview sets its own policies, procedures and editorial programs while retaining an affiliation with The United Church of Canada.

Broadview's mission is to inspire and engage their audience —progressive Christians and those who share these values — with stories about spirituality, ethical living and social justice, as well as news and perspectives about The United Church of Canada.

In both 2021 and 2022, the National Magazine Awards named Broadview the Best Special Interest Magazine in Canada, a first for a faith-based magazine in this country.

St. James United Church receives a group subscription rate. **Each subscription is only \$25, tax included.**

I am the Broadview Rep for St. James. If you would like to check out a sample copy of Broadview magazine, please see me in the Upper Room during coffee and fellowship this Sunday.

For those who currently receive Broadview magazine, please let me know if you plan to renew your subscription. Payment is required by May 28, in cash or by cheque payable to St. James United Church.

Thank you,  
Shirley King, Broadview Rep

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### **Outreach**

Thank you to all who continue to support our local **Food Bank**. This year, to date, Hilary delivered 120 pounds of food in February and 140 pounds in April, for a total of **260 pounds!**

The Food Bank also received **\$580** in financial support from the congregation of St. James.

The increasing need for additional food donations is very evident and your continued support of this community outreach program is greatly appreciated.

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### **Innispirit**

Below, you will find a YouTube link for the 2023 Good Friday Innispirit service. It was provided by Churchill and Gilford United Churches:

<https://youtu.be/W2Go4tXbnsE>

# Some Holy Humour to Enjoy...

**What excuse did Adam give to his children as to why he no longer lived in Eden?**

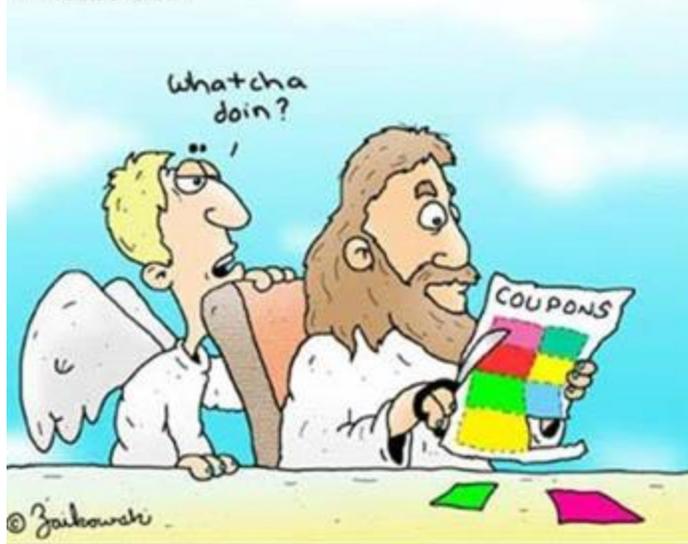
Answer: "Your mother ate us out of house and home" (Genesis 3:6).



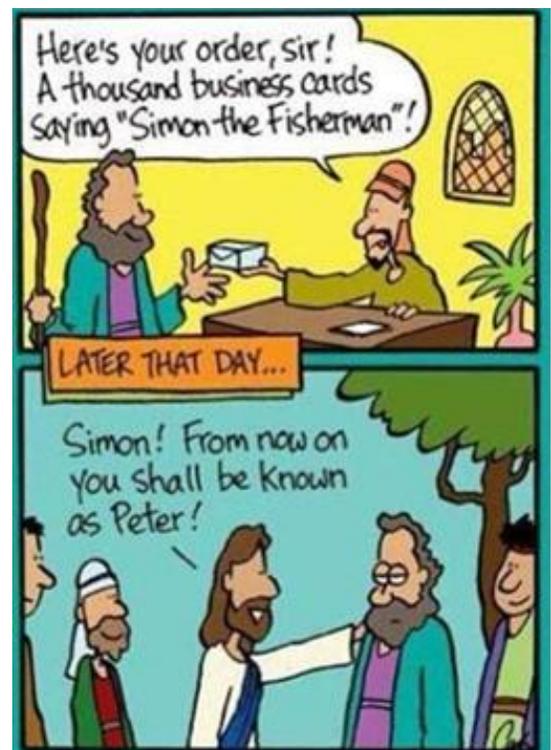
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by Brian Zaikowski



Jesus Saves



*If Moses had received the 10 Commandments via text message:*

- 1<sup>st</sup> no1 b4 me. srsly.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> dnt wrshp pix/idols
- 3<sup>rd</sup> no omg's
- 4<sup>th</sup> no wrk on w/end (sat 4 now; sun l8r)
- 5<sup>th</sup> pos ok ur m&d r cool
- 6<sup>th</sup> dnt kill ppl
- 7<sup>th</sup> :-X only w/ m8
- 8<sup>th</sup> dnt steal
- 9<sup>th</sup> dnt lie re: bf
- 10<sup>th</sup> dnt ogle ur bf's m8. or ox. or dnkey. myob.

ttyl, JHWH.

ps. wwjd?



Gilford United Church

# Chicken Dinner

**½ roast chicken, baked potato, coleslaw,  
bun and homemade pies!!!**

**Wednesday April 19, 2023**

**Take out pick up between 4-5 pm**

**Dine in 5:30 pm limited seating**

**Adults \$25, kids 10 and under \$10**



**Pre-order take out by April 11**

**CONTACT:**

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## Bond Head United Church



## Jesus Revolution Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup>

A celebration of the music of the “Jesus Revolution” era of the 1970s hosted by Joyful Noise. Come dressed in your favourite 1970’s era clothing: bell bottoms, psychedelic shirts, flower power hats...be creative!

## Trinity United Church - Beeton



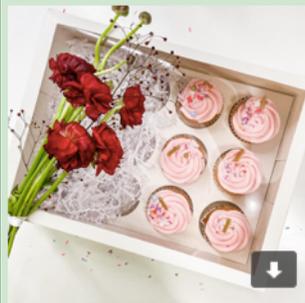
### SKYLINERS BIG BAND

*There Will Be Dancing*

Saturday, May 6  
7:00 - 9:00 PM  
@ Trinity  
\$25.00

Contact Sue Zylski for Tickets &  
Information  
905-729-2836

### Plant, Book, Bake & Small Treasure Sale



Saturday, June 10  
8:30 AM - 1:00 PM

We're looking for donations of flowers & plants (labelled), books (no text books), baking (wrapped & labelled) and small treasures (jewelry, games, puzzles, ornaments, etc).

Donations can be dropped off at the church on Friday, June 9th from 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon and 3:00 - 7:00 PM.

Please contact Linda & Rich Melanson (905- 551-3049) for more info.



What does it mean to be a queer person in The United Church? *Queer Conversations* is a resource for youth and young adults that will allow them to further explore the answers to this question and many others through sharing stories, dialogue, and self-reflection. We'd love to add your voice to the conversation!



**Hi everyone! My name is Hopelyn Butler and I use she/her pronouns. I'm a psychology student at Western University and a proud member of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community.**

**Last summer I started *Queer Conversations* in partnership with The United Church of Canada and I can't wait to share it with you! Let's have some *queer conversations*!**

**Please go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cZliBFCeEiE> for a video from Hopelyn.**