

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

- Monday**
 12:00 pm Overeaters Anonymous
 1:30 pm Yoga (cancelled Feb. 22)
 6:00 pm Sparks
 6:30 pm Brownies
 7:30 pm Yoga & Meditation
- Tuesday**
 9:00 am Quilters
- Tuesday & Friday**
 8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous
- Wednesday**
 7:00 pm Overeaters Anonymous
- Thursday**
 7:45 pm Choir Rehearsal
- Friday**
 10:00 am Overeaters Anonymous
 8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous

Tuesday, February 23

- 7:30 pm Joint Search Committee

Wednesday, February 24

- 10:15 am Pastoral Care Team
 10:30 am Lectionary Bible Study
 12:00 pm Unit 19
 6:30 pm Audit Committee

Thursday, February 25

- 5:15 pm Youth Confirmation
 5:30 pm Peace with Justice
 7:30 pm Canadian Taizé Brother Emile Visits ESG

Friday, February 26

- 7:00 pm Final Friday Film

Every one of us has the power to help someone who is powerless.

Sunday,
February 28, 2010

10:30 am Taizé Service
Don Parsons preaching

LOOKING
AHEAD

Week of Guided Prayer *begins*

Tuesday, March 2

7:00 pm Governing Council

Wednesday, March 3

10:30 am Lectionary Bible Study

7:30 pm Lenten Study Group *begins*

Thursday, March 4

5:15 pm Youth Confirmation



Daily Apple's Green Café at ESG Sun., Mar. 7 Enjoy a delicious nutritious lunch prepared by Daily Apple Green Foods. For special Oscars/ Hollywood-themed menu, see the sign-up sheet. To sign up via email: penny.wilkins@rogers.com

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UCC Haiti Relief—1.3 Million!

Donations for the United Church's Haiti Appeal surpassed \$1.3 million on Wed., Feb. 10, as congregations met the government's February 12 deadline for matching. The United Church, its partners in Haiti, and members of the ACT Alliance (Action by Churches Together) are grateful for the love that God has shown the people of Haiti through the remarkable generosity of United Church members across Canada.



Reminder: Coffee Hour will be hosted by the Nominating Committee on Feb. 28.

EGLINTON ST. GEORGE'S UNITED CHURCH



Announcements

February 21, 2010

Please join us for coffee after the service hosted by Sunday Women's Group in the South Studio.
11:45 am Planning Meeting for "Art in the Church" after service, Hearth Room

Church School

- Upper West Wing:** Babies and Toddlers – (Infants – age 3) – Infant Room & Treehouse Room with caregivers Lita, Josie and volunteers
- Bible Story Theatre:** Rotation 6 - Life in Palestine
- Lower Level:** Youth Church (Grades 6 and up) - Youth Room with Sheilagh McGlynn
- Parents:** In the event of a fire alarm, please meet your children on the front lawn. Each child must be signed-out with the Church School leader.

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Thurs., Feb. 25 - 7:30 - 9 pm

Enjoy an evening with **Brother Emile of Taizé**. Sign up at the Welcome Desk. Prime yourself for our

Sunday Taizé Worship on Feb. 28, below.

A Service of Prayer with the Songs of Taizé, Sunday Worship - February 28

Founded during WWII by Brother Roger, the ecumenical community of Taizé, nestled in the hills of Burgundy, France, welcomes up to 6,000 young adults each week from every part of the world. Worship three times a day (shaped by rich congregational song, scripture, silence, candles and fresh flowers) is the heartbeat of this community's life. The simple prayer/songs of Taizé become a kind of mantra as they are sung over and over with rich harmonies, expressive cantor and instrumental parts moving us into a deep communion with God. People of every faith tradition find Taizé profoundly meaningful. Led by Don Parsons.

Week of Guided Prayer

Sun., Feb. 28 – Sat., Mar. 6, 2010

Looking for a way during the Lenten season to deepen your faith and prayer life? Join the 15 others already registered for a wonderful week of praying the scriptures around the theme "We Are Not Alone." You will be matched one-on-one with a "companion" for 1/2 hour sessions for Monday to Friday. Sunday and Saturday are group opening and closing sessions. Come to explore the scriptures with your heart as well as your head! Wondering if this may be right for you? Contact Deborah Hart at 416-481-1141 x 320. To register contact Jennie Keating at 416-762-4021 or sign up at the Welcome Desk by Tues. Feb. 23. Cost: \$20



Final Friday Film - Feb. 26 at 7:00 pm

The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas

WWII story seen through the eyes of an eight-year-old son of commandant at a concentration camp.



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OUR REGULAR HOURS:
Monday - Friday 9:00 - 5:00

Text or audio of sermons, click on
Service Materials www.esgunited.org

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Lenten Study Group Four Wednesdays: Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24 from 7:30 - 9:00 pm

Join Connie, Deborah and Don for a 4-week Lenten Study as we explore our relationship with money and its impact on our faith life. We will be using a book of daily reflections called **There's No ATM in the Wilderness**. On sale today and Feb. 28. Cost \$12.00. Sign up at the Welcome Desk.

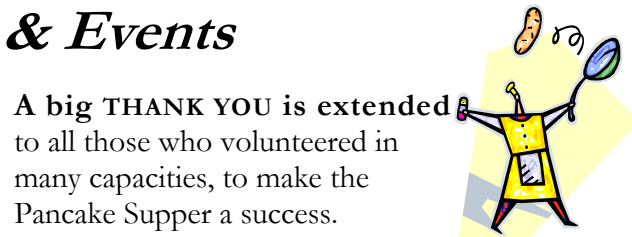
Community Announcements

A Day with Emmanuel College Saturday, March 6, 2010 9:30 am – 3:00 pm

Considering a call to ministry? Wanting to enhance your theological understanding? Come and spend a day at Emmanuel College! Meet the faculty. Worship with us. Hear from students about their experiences



learning together. Sample some courses. Tour our excellent library. Learn about our degree program options. Discuss the candidacy process for ordination. Enjoy breakfast and lunch with our community. Emmanuel College is located on the University of Toronto's St. George campus, in the midst of a multicultural and vibrant city. To register **before March 1, 2010**, or to obtain more information contact Admissions Counsellor and Recruitment Coordinator Leanne O'Neil: 416-585-4464 or via email to leanne.oneil@utoronto.ca, www.emmanuel.utoronto.ca. Emmanuel College 75 Queen's Park Crescent Toronto



A big **THANK YOU** is extended to all those who volunteered in many capacities, to make the Pancake Supper a success. —The Co-ordinators: Smees and Malcolms.



World Day of Prayer - Fri., Mar. 5 - 2:00 pm

The World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement which brings Christians of many traditions together to observe a common day of prayer each year. Through preparation and participation in the worship service, we can come to know how our sisters of other countries, languages and cultures understand the Biblical passages in their context. We can hear their concerns and feel ourselves in solidarity with them as we pray with and for them. In this way, it is possible to enrich our Christian faith as it grows deeper. Hosted by Blythwood Road Baptist Church (1.5 blocks East of Yonge).



Sat. March 6, 7:00 pm Not Just Couples Club's 24th Curling Bonspiel

Desire to have fun is essential! Includes curling (lesson at 7:15 pm; Curling draw at 7:45 pm), light food (no dinner this year) and prizes; cash bar available. Tickets \$25 pp. Wear comfortable sports clothes (no jeans). Shoes to be worn on the ice should be carried in. Previous curling experience is not necessary! Hosted by Doug Dicks, Carol Laschinger, Louis Forbes, Greg and Jennifer Thompson at the Bayview Golf & Country Club, 25 Fairway Heights Drive. **RSVP by Wed., Feb. 24.** For reservations, please forward your cheque to: Doug Dicks, 201 St. Leonards Ave T.O., M4N 1K8 (416) 482-2370

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GREEN TIPS FACTS

Be an Eco-Driver: reduce speed and fuel consumption by 10% for every 10 kpm; keep your tires at the correct inflation pressure; reduce your fuel consumption by ten tanks a year – save \$100's and one tonne of carbon emissions. To learn more Visit <http://torontogreen.ca>.

Follow-up to the Bruce Sanguin Event Greening our Faith

Communities: Annual Forum, Sun., Mar. 7 - 12:45 pm - 7:30 pm

Wondering how church communities can make a difference? Presented by **The Green Awakening Network and Greening Sacred Spaces**. Location: Eastminster United Church. The afternoon program includes practical workshops, an interfaith panel including Mardi Tindal, Moderator of the United Church and an optional meal. Cost \$30 (incl. the meal). Contact greenawakening@tucc.ca or pick up registration forms at the Welcome Desk. **Closing date for registrations is Mar. 1.**



Sermons You'd Love to Hear

A colleague of Deborah's will be visiting ESG on **Thurs., Mar. 11, 7 pm** Sharon Wilson from Windsor Park United Church in Winnipeg will be here to find out about topics for sermons you wish your ministers would preach. She is visiting several congregations during her three-month sabbatical to have conversations about "the issues that matter in your life that you wish were addressed in Sunday worship." Her project is entitled: "Real World, Real Sermons." Come and offer your thoughts to Sharon, and trust she will pass them on to our ministers! Sign up at the welcome desk to attend.

Benevolent Fund Helps People in Need

OUTREACH CORNER

Every Thursday afternoon our doors are open to assist those who have trouble making ends meet --some are on disability, some live in rooming houses or shelters, and some on the street. Here they find a listening ear as well as a food gift card and/or TTC tokens. Sometimes they receive food from our pantry cupboard. Three or four times a year (including today) you will find a special envelope in the Sunday bulletin for donations towards this vital part of our ministry. We thank Geoff Whitney, and his back-up team of Barbara Bagnell and Sally Crenian, for carrying out this ministry on our behalf each week. And thanks to you for any donation, large or small.

Earth Hour - Sat., Mar. 27, 5:00 pm

Sign up for our FFP (Family Friendly Program) for Earth Hour. This evening includes an Earth Hour craft, dinner and child friendly "lights out yoga." Main course will be provided. Please bring an appetizer, salad/veggies



or dessert. Cost: \$5 per person or \$20 per family. Contact Michele Clemo 416-487-2881, if you have any questions

LAY MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

As part of the FoodShare initiative, our **Good Food Box** team meets one Thursday morning a month to sort, pack and distribute fresh produce to many in our community. If you are able to help, please contact Janet Whitney, 416-223-4509, whitneygandj@yahoo.ca or Barbara Buchanan, Coordinator of Lay Ministry, 416-481-1141 ext 260, barbara@esgunitied.org

