



November - December 2018

Rev. Lori Megley-Best is the minister for Hazelmere United Church and Cloverdale United Church. She officiates at our morning worship services which commence at 8:45 a.m. Refreshments are served in the Church Hall following the service.

September 29, 2018 – Saturday Music Matinee

The Hazelmere Heritage Fiddlers and the Hazeltones along with their special guests – the Spirit Sisters performed at this event. The Church was filled with a very appreciative audience who love the “old time fiddle music” followed by the Hazeltones singalong with the audience joining in on gospel, folk and country favourites. Their enthusiasm kept some of the musicians playing long after the performance ended. Thanks to all of the musicians, especially Jim Morrison, Bruce Feltham and Debbie Penn for their impromptu 20 minute encore! Proceeds from the event resulted in \$500.00 and a private donation of \$200.00 being sent to the Seniors Come Share Society.

October 22, 2018 - A Blue Grass Blast

The Willoughby Ridge Blue Grass Band and The Rusty Rails Blue Grass Combo performed at this event. The music was outstanding and the audience was impressed with the quality of the music and the professionalism of the musicians. The groups were enthusiastically received. Thank you to all the musicians who donated their time. Proceeds from the concert resulted in \$500.00 plus a private donation of \$100.00 being sent to the Ishtar Transition House Society.

Coming events

Saturday, December 15, 2018 - Carols in the Country

The popular Hazeltones and the Spirit Sisters will be the performers for Carols in the Country. Because the concerts are always sold out we are planning on having 2 performances - one at 2:00 pm. and the second at 7:00 pm.

The evening performance will depend on the number of requests. Each performance will be followed by refreshments in the Church Hall. Tickets are \$15.00 - children are free. The proceeds will be going to the Children's Health Centre at the Surrey Memorial Hospital. Tickets can be reserved through our email hazelmereunitedchurch@gmail.com or by telephoning Jo-Anne at 604-538-0197 or Carol at 604-538-1149.

Bequest

Hazelmere United Church (HUC) would like to express their appreciation and gratitude to Gale MacDonald, from Fredericton New Brunswick, who has given a generous bequest to HUC in honour of her Mother Netta Buchanan who passed away in May of 2018. In Gale's words, the HUC mission statement "praising God, celebrating heritage and reaching out to others" was a reflection of her Mother's quiet mission statement. During the many times when Gale attended HUC while visiting her Mom, she reflected on her "appreciation of the beautiful flowers, the love with which the Minister listened to each prayer of the people, the communion with homemade bread and the glory of God in the gift of word and music". As Gale requested, this bequest will be used solely for the purposes of supporting the day to day expenses of our church congregation.

Thank You to the following:

- The guest ministers and the lay volunteers who have prepared and given the Sunday Worship Services this year.
- Jo-Anne Rattray and Carol Falk for playing the piano at our Sunday Church Services. The prelude playing in addition to the playing of the hymns adds so much to the total service.
- The volunteers who each Sunday
 - ✓ read the scriptures,
 - ✓ collect the offering,
 - ✓ arrange the flowers and
 - ✓ provide the refreshmentsthat help to make the Sunday service complete.
- Rob Pederson for having a crew keep our property neat and tidy by cutting the lawn and pruning the trees and shrubs.

- Ken Murphy for delivering each Sunday's bulletins.

Reminders

Flowers in the Sanctuary

Would you like to arrange to have flowers placed in the sanctuary on a Sunday? This could be for a regular service, a special occasion - a birthday, an anniversary or a remembrance. This can be done by contacting Marian McDowell at 604-538-2289. You can also sign the calendar sheet in the hall.

Rentals

The Hazelmere United Church and Hall are available for rentals. The church is available for weddings, baptisms, celebrations of life and musical concerts. The hall is available for meetings and special events - birthday parties, receptions, showers, anniversaries. For information and bookings contact Ken Neville at 604-803-7344.

Hazelmere Heritage Fiddlers

This group practices each Monday evening in the Church Hall from 7:00 till 9:00. Visitors and musicians are welcome to attend. The money they receive for performing at dances and other events is given to charities. They are helping a needy family with a donation for music lessons. Each month a donation is made to the Hazelmere United Church for the use of the hall. For information call Sam McDowell at 604-538-2289.

Collecting

There is a need for clean, used men's and women's clothing in Surrey. The Lookout Agency operates 4 shelters in the North Surrey area plus three (3) temporary modular housing units. Lookout has a room at the Gateway shelter in Whalley where donated clothing is available to those in need. Please look through your closets and collect any used coats, sweaters, socks and shoes/boots that you are no longer wearing.

Children's clothing and shoes - these items will be taken by Rob Pederson to Mazatlán, Sinaloa, Mexico.

Items donated can be left in the Church Hall.