

COUNTRY HILLS CONNECTIONS

Lent: A Season of Rescue

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Lent began on Wednesday, February 26, and as we always do at the Shuart household, on the Tuesday night before, we had pancakes. If you're not familiar with this practice, with Lent, or what it has to do with Rescue let me fill you in.

Lent is a man-made tradition to help us prepare for Easter. It typically begins 7 Wednesdays before Easter. The night before Lent begins, (often called Pancake Tuesday), people traditionally consumed rich and sweet items in their homes before entering a season of modified fasting. During Lent, we give something up (often rich or sweet food, or caffeine) to take something up – a greater focus on Jesus with our time, energy, and thoughts.

This Lent season our teaching focus will be on God's great rescue plan for humanity. It began from the moment humanity sinned and is ongoing still as the power of Christ's resurrection is at work to draw people back to their loving creator. Consider giving something up and to focus on Jesus.

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A great way to do this is through a guided reading plan. You can follow along with a reading plan for Lent in the Bible app called "Lent: Remembering the Life of Jesus."

The link is on our webpage and on social media. There is also a printed reading plan available at the welcome centre at the back of the auditorium. May you know the love and power of Christ who rescued you this season of Lent

***But God showed his great love for us
by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.
Romans 5:8 (NLT)***



Get Connected

Membership Information Class

Thursday, March 12
7 - 9 pm

If you are interested in learning more about becoming a member of Country Hills Church, Join us for this casual information session. Go to our website countryhillschurch.ca to register.

The Prayer Chain is available to receive prayer requests and/or for you to join. Contact the church office at 519-578-7275 or office@countryhillschurch.ca

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Sunday Morning



Sunday, March 1

"The Fall" - Jeremy Shuart

Sunday, March 8

"David" - Jeremy Shuart

Sunday, March 15

"Daniel" - Jeremy Shuart

Sunday, March 22

"Jonah" - Mike Wasyluk

Sunday, March 29

"A Rescue Meal" - Jeremy Shuart

Nursery and Lighthouse Children's Ministry

For all ages up to Grade 6

Register your children at the

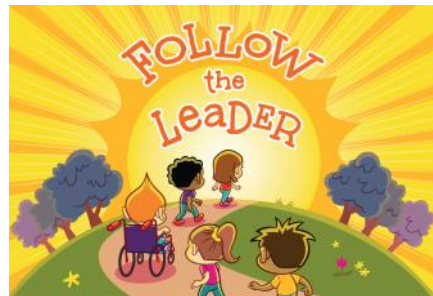
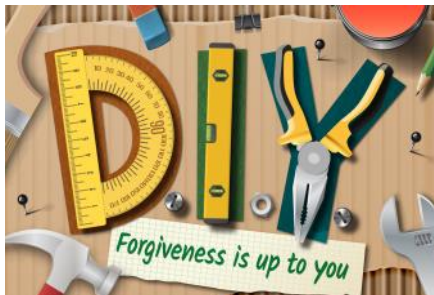
Guest Registration Desk or contact the church office.

519-578-7275 or office@countryhillchurch.ca

Download the Parent Cue App for ideas and conversation starters to help move your child toward a deeper faith and a better future.



This month in Lighthouse...



COME VISIT THE CHURCH LIBRARY



New in the Library this month

Beneath Copper Falls

Colleen Coble (suspense)

The Promise

Beth Wiseman (novel)

Who I Am With You

Robin Hatcher (romance)

The Curse of Misty Wayfair

Jaime Jo Wright (suspense)

Wonderstruck:

Awaken to the Nearness of God

Margaret Feinberg

Series:

The MacGregor Legacy

Jennifer H. Taylor (Historical Novel)

1. For Love or Loyalty
2. For Love or Country
3. For Love or Liberty

Series:

Blue Justice

Lynette Eason (Romantic suspense)

1. Oath of Honor
2. Called to Protect
3. Code of Valor
4. Vow of Justice

DVDs:

The Return (drama)

Paradise Recovered (family)

Doonby: Everybody is Somebody (drama)

Small Group Study:

The End of Me— Kyle Ildeman

Grace is Greater— Kyle Ildeman

You can reserve books, CDs and DVDs ahead of time and pick them up on Sundays in our Church Library. Just visit our website under Media / Library and follow the prompts!

The Library is always looking for donations. If you have books you have read, movies you have watched or CDs you have enjoyed but no longer wish to keep please consider donating them to our church library so that others can enjoy them too!

Missions Update

Rob and Sharlene Dilts

World Partners First Nations Canada

For those of you who may be somewhat newer to Country Hills Church, let me take this opportunity to introduce you to one of our missionary families who have worked with Canada's native people in northern Ontario for the last several years.

Rob and Sharlene and their son, Jonathan (currently in grade 8) serve our native people, working to bring peace and reconciliation and the life giving message of God's love for all people, through Jesus Christ to them.

This is a very hard mission field, as past hurts and feelings of betrayal are still very much in the forefront of the minds of the native people.

Rob and Sharlene are involved in the community in a number of ways; serving and engaging people, working to build trusting relationships.

Sharlene serves as a lunch monitor daily at the elementary school, works part time at a local cafe and holds a woman's Bible study once a week.

Rob meets regularly with several men in the community as well as pastors, is part of a community drum group, and does much of the organizing of the Indigenous Youth Camp, held at Camp Mishewah. He is working towards building a monthly youth gathering, a safe place for the kids to have fun, and to have a space to discuss their concerns for their community.

They are currently looking for staff for all camp positions (you must be 16 years of age or older). They are also planning some exciting trips to work with Reconciliation and indigenous culture and some indigenous churches.

Please remember this family in prayer! This is a very difficult mission field. Pray for spiritual discernment for the Dilts and Jesus' love. Pray that the Lord would open the hearts of the native people to be free from past offense and wounds and find forgiveness in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Isabel Minaker



Student Ministries

Country Hills Youth Ministry Gr. 7 - Gr. 12

Country Hills Youth Ministry aims to provide a fun and safe environment for students to engage with their faith, build lasting relationships and serve our community.

We meet most Wednesday nights from September to June, and have occasional special events for more information, contact Pastor Mike at mwasyluk@countryhillschurch.ca or via call or text at 519.722.2387

Visit the Students Tab at www.coutryhillschurch.ca for details about the events listed below.

Lighthouse Pro Gr. 5 & 6

Lighthouse Pro is a Country Hills Ministry for students in Grades 5-6.

We meet once per month for social activities to hang out and get to know each other better. We'd love to have your student join us!

For more information, contact Pastor Mike at

mwasyluk@countryhillschurch.ca or via call or text at 519.722.2387

Friday, March 13 - Lighthouse Pro Board Games Night

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Bring your favorite Board Game to play together.

Friday, April 24 - Lighthouse Pro Painting with Purpose

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Cost: \$12

Young Adults

Friday, March 20

A Q & A Night with Professor John Schuit

7:00 pm

John Schuit is a professor at Emmanuel Bible College.

Come ready to ask questions and have a discussion about issues surrounding your faith and many different Biblical principles.

Mark Your Calendar

March

Sunday, March 8
Electric Guitar and Keyboard Workshop
12—1 pm

Tuesday, March 10
Protection Plan Training 7 pm

Thursday, March 12
Membership Information Class
7 pm

Friday, March 13
Lighthouse Pro (grades 5 & 6)
Board Games Night 6:30 pm

Thursday, March 19
Forever Young (55 +)
12 pm
Cost \$ 10

Friday, March 20
Young Adults
Q & A with Professor John Schuit
7 pm

Monday, March 23
Photography Group 7pm

April

Sunday, April 5
Palm Sunday

Friday, April 10
Good Friday Service 10 am

Sunday, April 12
Easter Sunday

April 16—18
Evangelical Missionary Church of
Canada Regional Gathering
being held here at CHC

Monday, April 20
Photography Group 7 pm

Friday, April 24 6:30 pm
Lighthouse Pro (grades 5 & 6)
Painting with Purpose 7 pm

Sunday, April 26
Annual Business Meeting & Prayer
Gathering 6:30—8:30 pm

Save the Date
Saturday, May 2
Women's Breakfast
Watch for more information soon!

Featured Events

Forever Young Lunch for those who are 55+

Thursday, March 19 at 12:00 pm
Cost for lunch: \$10.00

Please contact Lucille Waito, or the church office to let us know that you are coming.

Men's Floor Hockey

Monday evenings
7:30 - 9:15 pm

Anyone 18 or older is welcome

- Bring your own stick, (wooden or composite sticks are allowed as long as they don't mark up the floor)
- No black tape to be used on blade of the sticks
- No slapshots
- Proper rubber soled non-marking shoes must be worn at all times in the auditorium.

Photography Group

Monday, March 23 at 7:00 pm

If you are interested in photography and photo editing, this group is for you.

Everyone is Welcome!

Pickleball

Every Tuesday Evening
from January to April
7 - 9 pm

If you are 18 or older, join us for Pickleball.

This is a fun sport that is easy to learn. No experience necessary

Paddles are provided. Proper gymnasium shoes with a non marking sole are required.

Bring a friend!

Electric Guitar and Keyboard Workshop

Sunday, March 8, 12 -1 pm

If you are interested in learning more about playing electric guitar or keyboard on a worship team, join us for this workshop.

Contact Krissy Werner if you are planning to attend or would like more information.
kwerner@countryhillchurch.ca

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EMCC 2020 REGIONAL GATHERINGS
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We are honored to be hosting our denomination's Regional Gathering. Pastors and Delegates from across Eastern Canada will be joining us for this conference. Stay tuned for ways you can volunteer to help make this event a success.

Save the Date Women's Breakfast

Saturday May 2

Join us for a Breakfast to celebrate
Moms, Daughters Grandmothers, Aunts, Sisters, and Friends
You are encouraged to invite any women who are an important part of your life.
More details coming soon!