

# WHAT'S UP AT WESLEY?

Thursday, August 8, 2024



## **BEST WISHES TO SHAWN**

We are sad to report that Shawn McCart, our office administrator, is moving on. Shawn has accepted a position at Club Roma. For the past three years we have been used to seeing Shawn's smiling face and helping hands as we entered the church. In that time, he has gone above and beyond in helping the people of Wesley. We will miss him and wish him every success in his new position.

## **JASPER FIRE**

Jasper United Church and the manse were destroyed in the wildfire that entered Jasper, AB. on July 24. In total, one-third of the townsite — 358 of the town's 1,113 structures — were destroyed.



The United Church of Canada's Northern Spirit Regional Council has been in contact with the leadership of

Jasper United Church and their minister and has put into place supports for the interim and will be developing plans for the future weeks and months.

**Wesley United Church plans to help raise money for fire relief by asking for free-will donations at the Sept. 7 Community Barbecue.**

If you are unable to attend the barbecue, money can be sent to the emergency relief fund of the Northern Spirit Regional Council by e-transfer to [northernspirit@united-church.ca](mailto:northernspirit@united-church.ca) or via cheque sent to the Northern Spirit office: 8510 95 Ave NW, Edmonton, AB, T6C 1Y7. (Please indicate in the memo line that the money is being sent for wildfire emergency relief, and include your contact information (name, address, and phone number) for tax receipt purposes. If you do not provide contact information the Region will not be able to issue you a tax receipt for your donation.)

### **SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES CONTINUE AT CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH IN AUGUST**

For the month of August, Central United Church, located at 12 Young Street (Corner of Young and King Street) would like to invite all the members of Wesley United Church to attend their Sunday Worship Services beginning at 10:00 a.m. The services will be led by Reverend Martha Lockwood.

**THE WESLEY UNITED CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST AND REOPENING ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2024.**

**\*\*\*\* SUNDAY WORSHIP AT WESLEY WILL RESTART ON SEPTEMBER 1ST AT 10 AM. \*\*\*\***

**\*\*\*\* Bible Studies and Youth Activities will also resume in September \*\*\*\***

## **NEW START TIME IN SEPTEMBER FOR WALK IN NATURE GROUP!**

**The next walk will be on Wednesday, September 4 at 8:00 A.M.**

We will park next to the Lock 7 Viewing Centre, 50 Chapel Street South, in Thorold.

Everyone is invited to participate in this 40 minute casual walk.

## **DONATIONS FOR WESLEY CHURCH**

You may drop your Wesley donation envelopes off at our locked mailbox outside the church or if the church is open, you may put your donations in the lock box by the office. Both boxes will be checked frequently. Thank you for continuing to support Wesley.

- Wendy Reed, Envelope Steward

## **FOOD AND PERSONAL CARE DRIVE**

Just a heads up. We will be collecting much needed Food and Personal Care items in the month of September. With the high cost of just about everything these days, there are many families who just can't make it and need our help. More information to come. Thank you for your concern for others.

- Submitted by M. & O. Committee

## **QUOTE OF THE DAY**

"Twenty years from now, you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did. So, throw off the bowlines, sail away from safe harbor, catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover." — Mark Twain

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

September 1 - Sunday Worship Services restart at 10 am in the Sanctuary

September 2 - Labour Day - the church office will be closed

September 4 - Wesley Wednesday Walk, 8 am - see above for details

September 7 - Saturday - Community BBQ at Wesley. The food and fun activities are free – but we will be holding a free-will offering to raise funds for Jasper United Church.

September 15 - Back to school worship service

September 15 - Terry Fox Run Day in Ontario

September 22 - Wesley United Church Anniversary Service, 10 am