

#### **LET'S CELEBRATE!**

After 21/2 years, the Restoration Project has been completed. Central's roof and masonry have been repaired, a new accessible walkway has been installed, the plumbing has been updated and the grounds have been newly landscaped. We all owe a huge debt of gratitude to the Restoration Committee and the Fundraising Team who have worked so hard and spent hundreds of hours to make this happen. On Saturday, May 6th, we will be having a Community Open House, with mini-tours, videos, organ music, tours of the bell tower and refreshments. Central members are encouraged to invite friends and family to hear about the restoration and to see this architectural jewel at its best. On Sunday, May 7th, special guests who have contributed to the restoration are being invited for a Service of Thanksgiving. This is a special weekend and we encourage the entire congregation to join in the celebration.

#### **DATES AND EVENTS**

Saturday, May 6th / Community Open House / 10am - 2pm Saturday, May 6th / KW Symphony / 8pm Sunday, May 7th / Service of Thanksgiving / 10am Wednesday, May 10th / Hymn Sing Café / 2pm - 4pm Saturday, June 3rd / Annual Garage Sale / 9am - noon Saturday, June 10th / Men's Breakfast / 9am July 7th to 16th / Youth Trip to Mistissini July 24th to 27th / Vacation Bible School Camp

## **LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH**

Some extra unexpected expenses in the first quarter (two new furnaces, insurance, etc.) have led to a shortfall in our operating budget. You can help by making a weekly offering in the collection plate, signing up for regular monthly donations through PAR or sending an e-transfer to **office@cpcmail.ca**.



# RESTORATION FUNDRAISING

As we celebrate the completion of the construction part of the project, we will continue our fundraising efforts as we pay down the bank loan which has been affected by the current higher interest rates.





### **HYMN SING CAFE**

Join us as we sing some favourite hymns, enjoy the David Durward Bell Ringers, and socialize afterwards over tea and cookies. This is the last Hymn Sing Café for this spring so come and sing with us.

#### **SUMMER CHALLENGE**

Each year, Central Church, in conjunction with the Food Bank, selects a food item to collect from June 1st until Labour Day. Use of the food bank has soared over the past few months and this is our opportunity to help meet the need.

## **GARAGE SALE**

If you are looking for gently used toys, kitchenware, etc., please check out the annual garage sale on June 3rd. Drop off for donations will be Friday, June 2nd from 9am to 8pm. No electronics or large furniture please. Remember that the money raised at the garage sale helps to finance our orphanage in Lesotho and other outreach projects.

## **JUNE BARBECUE**

While the date for our June barbecue has not been confirmed, this fun event will take place as usual.

#### **AUBREY'S SABBATICAL**

Our beloved Aubrey is taking a break! After many years at the helm of Central Church, Aubrey is taking a leave from June 5th until September 11th. We look forward to hearing sermons from a number of favourite guest ministers as we give Aubrey time to renew and refresh.

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Wow! What a show. The talent show, which took place April 16th, was outstanding. Central's talented members including soloists, duos, trios, choir members, pianists, an organist recital, etc. The money raised from this event will help our friends at the Cambridge Food Bank make a difference in our community.

