

# Stone United Church

Autumn 2006 -----

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## Property and Finance

Thank you for remembering the church over the summer months. There are many outstanding fees and costs yet to be paid this year and we are facing a general account roughly \$3500 less than last year. We expect our operating costs to stay about the same as last year going into the winter months.

Attached to your newsletter is your billet for this year's supper on Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>. **Please let the supper committee know if you cannot fulfill your billet as soon as possible.** The success of the supper depends on everyone doing his or her part either before or during the supper. If you cannot work the time you have been asked to, please let us know especially. The schedule we prepare depends on it. Every year we lose a few more people and it is getting harder to replace these people with new. On the same lines, if you or someone in your family can work at the supper, and are not billeted any time, let us know too. **Please order your tickets** ahead of time from one of the following:

5:00 setting – 856-4052

6:00 setting – 856-9648

7:00 setting – 856-4765

Prices are – Adults \$15.00 Children (6-12 years) \$7.00 5 and under with a ticket free

We are still keeping an eye on the rural well water issue. The Health Unit will sample the water during their annual inspection. Our testing has been coming back clean to this point and we will continue our monitoring. As many of you know, the TV and the DVD/VCR machine were taken again in late June. This is the second time in 2 years. Many things have come out of this. The most important is the locks on the church have been changed. The new keys cannot be duplicated at the local hardware and are only available from a member of the Property and Finance committee. **Please phone ahead to arrange a key for the church.** The keys are no longer hanging in their old locations and you may not find anyone at home. Keys can be left out for any member when you phone ahead. The TV and DVD/VCR have been replaced.

The sound system in the church has been upgraded thanks to a generous donation to the memorial fund.

Lynne will soon be wireless and the method of recording services will be much better.

Church prints, like the one at the front of the church, are still available from P&F for \$25.

## Christian Education

The committee is looking for teachers in the Sunday school for the upcoming year. The lesson material this year is available online to the teachers. A computer is being arranged for internet access at the church if more material is required.

## Worship and Fellowship

The Worship Committee is planning a frozen pie sale to raise funds for guest speakers throughout the year. If people have interest in ordering pies for the fall or over the Christmas season please contact the committee. Anyone interested in helping make the pies can contact the same people.

Dates to remember

- Oct. 01 2006 World Wide Communion (Christian Ed. serves)
- Oct. 07 Decorate church for Thanksgiving- anyone who can help is welcome and donations of produce can be dropped off.
- Oct. 08 Thanksgiving
- Oct. 15 Stone Church Anniversary 10:00 A.M. (Tom Watson –Guest speaker)
- Oct. 16 Stone Church Supper – Rockmosa
- Oct. 22 Guest speaker in Rev. Bandy's absence –Cate Dewey
- Oct. 29 Coffee hour after church – Christian Ed. hosts
- Nov. 05 Remembrance Day Service
- Nov. 26 Baptism
- Dec. 03 Advent begins
- Dec. 10 White Gift Service
- Dec. 24 Regular service in the morning & Christmas Eve Service with communion served by Property and Finance
- Dec. 31 Joint service at Stone 10:00 A.M
- Jan. 07 Joint Service at Rockwood at 10:00 A.M

**Pastoral Care and Membership**

Adult confirmation or Membership Transfer is being planned for late Oct/06, if anyone else is interested in membership please contact the church office at 519-856-4160 or e-mail Rev Bandy at [lynnebandy@aol.com](mailto:lynnebandy@aol.com)

Subscriptions to THE OBSERVER magazine will be coming due for renewal by year-end. If you wish to subscribe for 2007 or make changes, please contact the chair. The current cost is \$14.00 per year, which is paid from general funds under the all-family plan of the United Church of Canada.

Hasty Notes are available for purchase. Package of 12 coloured cards with envelopes are \$10.00, please contact members of Pastoral Care.

We support the use of FAIR TRADE COFFEE, as well as fair prices for our Canadian Farmers. So if you have eaten today, give your thanks to the Farm Industry.

**United Church Woman**

The U.C.W. catered the Eastern Star Banquet on May 30<sup>th</sup> and a luncheon for the Dublin St. U.C.W. on June 5<sup>th</sup>. A bridal shower was held on June 20<sup>th</sup> at the church. A quiet summer followed and meetings resumed Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>. Donations for Women in Crisis will be accepted through the month of November and a box will be placed at the back of the church for anyone in the congregation to leave contributions of personal hygiene items, towels face cloths and money.

<b>Church Givings</b>	<b>Mission &amp; Service Givings</b>