

Weekly Announcements for Quispamsis United Church August 17, 2023

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1. **Faith Profile Survey:** A box marked Profile Survey is in the narthex for those dropping off their completed surveys. Your opinion is important to us. Please have completed surveys returned by September 10th, 2023.

2. **Choir Practice:** Choir practice will resume on Thursday, September 7, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Come one, come all and bring a friend! For more information speak to a choir member or Stephen.

3. **Music Lessons:** Stephen will be offering music lessons this fall at QUC. It is for ALL ages and levels. Piano, Voice, Flute, and Ukulele. Lessons will be on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday afternoons from 3:00 – 7:00. Sessions: ½ hour & 1 hour lessons. Competitive rates, family and 1-hour lessons discounts. Contact Stephen Alexander at stephenalexander313@gmail.com.

4. **Faith Profile Committee:** "The Faith Profile committee has prepared a survey which was sent to you. This survey will provide valuable input as we prepare our Faith Profile. We want everyone's input. Please return by Sept 11/23 by mail, drop it off at the QUC office, or a box in the Narthex on Sunday. There will also be copies of the survey, if you require one, in the Narthex. Reach out to any of the following if you have any questions: Bob Crowley, Kim Brown, Carolyn Kimball, Hally Kimball, Heather McDonald, Faye Sherrard & Tom Wilson. Thank you in advance for completing the survey."

5. **Sunday Readers for the Next 2 Services:** One of the great gifts that we have each week is your participation in Sunday Worship in the welcoming, Acknowledgement of Land, the responsive pieces (Call to Worship, Commissioning, etc.), and of course the scripture reading. You add so much to the experience of worship every Sunday! Below are the readers for the next 4 Services. If you see your name here and are unable to be available for your Sunday, please **check the reader list and arrange a replacement and let Leslie know.**

- a. August 20: Heather Alward
 - b. August 27: Heather Haché
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6. **Worshipping Online:** Follow the instructions below for logging on to Zoom, getting your copy of the bulletin, and catching up on services you may have missed.
- a. **Zoom Information:** The information to join our Zoom worship is below:
 - i. The Zoom link for smartphones, tablets, or computers is:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/233787625?pwd=V2gxY05oYU5NMm1YMFZKTElnM2NtZz09>
 - ii. The password for this meeting room is: **400688**
 - iii. For those who would prefer to call in the number is: **1 647 558 0588** then use the Meeting ID: **233 787 625**, and then enter the passcode **400688** when prompted (long-distance charges may apply if you do not have a plan)
 - b. **Bulletins for Sunday:** The bulletin is available for viewing on our website, and can be found at the following link:
 - i. Sunday's Bulletin: <https://www.quc.ca/s/August-20-Bulletin.pdf>
 - c. Council Minutes: <https://www.quc.ca/congregational-minutes>
 - d. **Last Sunday's Worship:** In case you missed it, the worship service (video) and

message (audio) are on the website. Just follow the links below, scroll to the date, and watch or listen.

- i. Videos of Previous Worship Services: <https://www.quc.ca/worship/videos>
 - ii. Audio of Message: <https://www.quc.ca/worship/messages>
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7. **New Battery for AED and Instructional Video:** A new battery was acquired for the AED in the hallway (donated by Janie and Kid Zone)! An instructional video on the use of this device is available here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3uhZPzvyu10&t=51s>. We will be showing this video just before the beginning of our worship on Zoom on July 23rd

8. **QUC Office Hours:** Barring emergencies, the church will be accessible and Leslie will be in the office Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30-12:30. Should you need access to the building outside these times, please contact Leslie at office@quc.ca to make arrangements.

9. **QUC Calendar:** For any events you would like to see posted, contact Leslie. You can find the calendar by using the following link: <https://www.quc.ca/quc-calendar>

10. **Dedicate a Service:** CELEBRATE a member of your family or place a MEMORIAL in our weekly bulletin by making a donation. Just send your donation, details of the announcement “Dedicated by (donator) in loving memory/celebration of people/situation” and your chosen date to Leslie. She will include your message in the PowerPoint.

11. **Looking for Tech Volunteers** – We have regularly been updating our technical abilities at the church with new laptops, microphones, screen, cameras and are still planning future updates. We have a very small crew and we are looking for some help. If you enjoy learning and/or are a bit tech-savvy, we would love for you to join us. If you are interested, please reach out to us through Leslie at office@quc.ca.

12. **Financial Report: For the Period of May**

	Current Month	Year To-date
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Total Receipts	\$ 17,248.82	\$77,290.64
Total Expenses	\$15,000.12	\$79,142.83
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$2,248.70	\$1,852.19
M&S	\$776.50	\$4,552.50

Another good surplus in May, let's keep it going!!!

13. How You Can Direct Your Givings: Did you know that when you give financially, you can direct where that money goes and how it supports the work of our church and mission? Here are some of the categories for directing your offerings: **Local, M&S, Memorial, Building, Outreach, and Special (Advent, Lent, etc)**

If you want to make any changes to where your gifts go to support the work of this community of faith, just follow the directions below:

- a. *Envelope givers* – Already divided between Local and M & S. If you want it to go to another category just write on the envelope
- b. *E-Transfer givers* – Write in the message section where you would like it recorded. If no comment is made it will be recorded as a Local
- c. *PAR givers* – Send Brion a message stating how much in each category. If no comment is made it will be recorded as a Local
- d. *Mail givers* – Write on the cheque which category and how much in each. If no comment is made it will be recorded as a Local

For any queries or concerns please give Brion Crossman a call at 849-6003 or Hally Kimball at 849-9618.

14. Submitting Announcements: To get your announcement in this weekly notice, we ask that you submit them to Leslie with a **small paragraph** of detail by Wednesday of the week you want your announcement to run. Also, include the number of weeks that you want this announcement in the weekly notice (if no number is given we will run it for 4 weeks or until the event has taken place). Send all announcements to Leslie at office@quc.ca

15. Sharing our Message on Social Media: Sometimes we have some pretty amazing events going on at QUC. Sometimes we do some pretty awesome stuff in the community. Sometimes we just want to remind people of the welcoming home that they can find at

QUC. We can share all of these messages through Facebook! If your **committee** has a message to share with the wider community, send that brief message (preferably with a picture) to Leslie through office@quc.ca and she will get our message out there!