



UCW April News

Easter Greetings

Thank you to Marlene Hutchison for “Popping open her Trunk” for a PoP Up surprise book sale the day of the Bake Sale pickup. Organized and done in 24 hours! TRULY AMAZING!

We have lots of ideas for outdoor pop up fundraiser activities in the warmer weather. If you have any ideas you’d like to try, let us know how we can support you. Email us at: ucw@rideaupark.ca.

Lessons learned: keep it small, pre-order and pre-pay, outdoor pickup with limited timeframe, 1 or 2 volunteers facilitating pickup. Organization is key!

Stay tuned for Turkey Pie availability this spring.

We are hoping to hold a Zoom meeting on Monday, June 7th, to review our year, and to “see” each other before summer. We expect to enjoy some music and worship together. Details to follow.

Our unit members continue to keep in touch through telephone calls, emails and Zoom meetings. Some of us still send lovely cards and notes via snail mail - which are always a delight to receive.

Thank you to everyone who makes an effort to reach out to our church family in any way - it is always much appreciated.

UCW donations can be made year round via eTransfer to ucwfinance@rideaupark.ca

Why was the Easter Egg hiding?

Because it was a little chicken.

Virtual Penny Auction, Soup, Baking, and Book fundraisers brought in about \$2000.

The UCW mailed Easter Cards to members of our congregation for whom the past year has been particularly lonely or who may have lost family members.

Some of our UCW and congregation members have received their first (and sometimes second) vaccine doses. This is great news!

Easter is the only time of year when it is safe to put all your eggs in one basket.

Golf is just the adult version of an Easter Egg Hunt.

A true friend is someone who thinks you're a good egg, even if you're cracked.



Draw Us Forth

Draw us forth, God of all creation.
Draw us forward and away from limited
certainty
into the immense world of your love.
Give us the capacity to even for a
moment
taste the richness of the feast you give
us.
Give us the peace to live with
uncertainty,
with questions,
with doubts.
Help us to experience the resurrection
anew
with open wonder and an increasing
ability
to see you in the people of Easter.

- Author Unknown

on that first warm day
there aren't enough windows
to open, there aren't enough
doors to walk through, there
aren't enough ways to wrap
rays of sunlight around
goose-bumped skin and
naked necks.

the city cracks into colour
and even last year's gum,
petal-pink and pressed to the
pavement like a scrapbooked
wildflower, is perfect,
is precious.

the air is an aching arm,
burning after the weight
of winter winds and snow-stuffed
clouds and as the geese arrow
their way home, the shoulder
drops, the wrist relaxes, the
fingers unfurl.

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