



Sept. 11, 2024

I am not a fan of violent, heavy rainstorms. There is something about water damage both inside the home and outside that scares me. Since I moved into this house in Markland Circle, I have dreaded heavy rain because the eavestroughs would fill up and overflow to the point that my poor gardens under the eaves got more than they bargained for. The soil would be washed away. I have been known to open large umbrellas and place them over my poor plants to deflect the water. Well, this year, I had had enough. The newly raised garden I had planted was being drowned after several downpours. Luckily my neighbour was having some roofing people in, and he asked me if he wanted to refer them to me for an estimate on new eavestroughs. I willingly accepted. This lovely neighbour even sent this company a video of my overflowing eaves to give them an idea of what they were up against! After meeting with the representative, I was given the estimate and nearly choked. It was a lot of money. I pondered and prayed upon the matter and decided to open the wallet and take the plunge into a major upgrade to the house. The installers were great, and the new eavestroughs with leaf guards looked lovely, but there was no rain in the forecast, so I wanted proof that my money was well spent. Well, here it is, Monday, and it poured. I ran outside to see if all was working effectively. There was great joy on Markland as I saw the downspouts doing their job. There was no gushing of water pouring over the troughs. All was good. Now the good Lord can rain down upon my house, and my gardens and I are free from drowning. I can once again enjoy those glorious thunderstorms from my front porch.

***Be glad, people of Zion, rejoice in the LORD your God, for he has given you the autumn rains because he is faithful. He sends you abundant showers, both autumn and spring rains, as before.***

***Joel 2:23***



## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Fun at Mimico Presbyterian Church



In December 2021, a small masked and mighty crowd came out to hear the first preview Where Were You in '72? ~ a revue with Briar Boake and musician friends Peter Mueller and David Johannesson.

Since then, the show has been seen in other church halls, yards, house parties, clubs and pubs and festival stages like Kempenfest in Barrie and 3 sold out shows at the Porchside Festival in Collingwood, July 2024.

It still continues to be a joyride into the time when peace activism met the galvanizing force of music and produced an eclectic era in musical pop. An unequaled creative synergy brought singers and songwriters like Joni Mitchell, Crosby Still Nash and Young, Carly Simon, and bands like the Doobie Brothers to the forefront and the radio airwaves produced a unique

soundtrack of the times. The early '70s are full of songs, stories and reflections.

Where Were You in '72 ~ from Hippie to Happy in Donald Hendry Hall

**Saturday, Oct 5th, 8 pm** with Briar Boake and Friends ...Rob Gusevs on Keys, David Johannesson on guitars and vocals, and at least one special guest!

**Tie dye, love beads, head bands, fringe and feathers encouraged. Prize for best outfit - happyhippie, chilled out chick or groovy guy.**

Keep on Truckin'!!

Doors open at 7 pm for delicious desserts and refreshments included with your ticket.

Tickets are only \$25 to support church outreach and the artists.

### Neema Village

My neighbour, Valerie was born in Tanzania, on the East Coast of Africa. Her family emigrated to Canada in 1971 and now, after almost 54 years she will be returning "home" albeit for only 2 weeks. In February, she and her husband, John will be going back to the country of her birth on a mission to volunteer at a wonderful community called Neema Village.

Neema Village is a Not-For-Profit NGO that was founded in 2012 with a mission to:

- rescue abandoned, orphaned, and at-risk babies and children
- work to reunite abandoned children with their extended families
- promote in-country adoptions of orphaned children

In addition to working with orphaned and displaced children, Neema also works with women providing basic education, teaching usable skills to help women find work and create business opportunities, teaching parenting skills and most importantly, providing spiritual guidance, all of which promotes a sense of self-worth and gives hope to the women who come to Neema Village.

Part of Valerie and John's commitment to Neema to not only raise awareness of this organization, but also to raise funds as Neema exists only on donations. If you feel the urge to donate, you can send your donation via e-transfer to [valeriedevine@outlook.com](mailto:valeriedevine@outlook.com) or you can give me your donation and I will pass it on to her.

For further information on Neema Village, visit their website at [neemavillage.org](http://neemavillage.org)

### A Fall Devotional Update:

A **new** edition of **Our Daily Bread** (September/October/November), as well as the current edition of **These Days** (July/August/September), are available on the table in the church vestibule and in the devotional box on the church porch.

### St. James Food Basket

**St. James Food Basket needs egg cartons only.** They currently have a good stockpile of reusable bags and have **run out of storage space.** Thank you for your help.

### Coffee/Tea Sign-Up is Here Again



The sign-up sheet for coffee/tea service after worship is on the bulletin board opposite the kitchen downstairs. Please sign yourselves up or sign up your committee so that our Fellowship time after church can continue.

Sept. 15 – Carol and Loreen

Sept. 22 – Pat and Harry

Sept. 29 – Rachael and ?

### Fall Bible Study

Our fall Bible Study will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 11:00 AM and will run for 8 weeks. Our topic will be the series *The Chosen - Season 4* which will take us up to the ride into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. This season is awesome, as I have already seen all 8 episodes and each one is better than the last.

### PRAYER REQUESTS AND PASTORAL CARE

\* Pray for the people of war-torn countries who are living in fear and uncertainty. Pray for those close to home who need your special love and guidance during trying times.

\* **Anna Cherniak** writes, “My mother (**Irene**) was home but has been readmitted to hospital for further tests. Let us keep Irene in our prayers.”

\* **Halyna’s** son **Roman** was admitted to hospital with gallstones.

\* Please keep in your prayers the following: Nancy Green, Charlotte Prentice, Joan, and Peter Kohar, Shannon J., Wayne J., and family, Olive S., and Margaret M’s brother, Simon. Please keep these folks, and indeed everyone in our church family and people around the world, in your prayers.

**Note from your editor: Could you please advise us from time to time on the status of your loved ones so that updates can be recorded and shared to prove that the power of prayer does work miracles.**



## Sing! Etobicoke, Encore, 2024 Fall Schedule

Date	Start Time	Location	Workshop Theme	Registration Link
07-Oct-24	9:30 AM	NPCC	Songs of Fall/Songs of Thanks	F24SE1
21-Oct-24	9:30 AM	GV	Road Trip	F24SE2
28-Oct-24	9:30 AM	NPCC	Hallowe'en, Ghosts & Spirits	F24SE3
04-Nov-24	9:30 AM	Fellowship	Lean on Me	F24SE4
11-Nov-24	9:30 AM	NPCC	Remembrance	F24SE5
18-Nov-24	9:30 AM	GV	In the Twilight	F24SE6
25-Nov-24	9:30 AM	Fellowship	Guest Day (Chihiro?)	F24SE7
02-Dec-24	9:30 AM	GV	Looking Forward	F24SE8
09-Dec-24	9:30 AM	NPCC	Holiday Guest Day (Men Aloud)	F24SE9
16-Dec-24	9:30 AM	GV	Holiday	F24SE10

Note: we will not be meeting on Thanksgiving, Oct. 14, 2024

## Sing! Etobicoke, Encore, 2025 Winter Schedule

Date	Start Time	Location	Workshop Theme	Registration Link
06-Jan-25	9:30 AM	NPCC	Winter Words	W25SE1
13-Jan-25	9:30 AM	GV	Light the Way	W25SE2
20-Jan-25	9:30 AM	Fellowship	Songs of the North	W25SE3
27-Jan-25	9:30 AM	GV	Time after Time	W25SE4
03-Feb-25	9:30 AM	Fellowship	Guest Day III	W25SE5
10-Feb-25	9:30 AM	GV	Love Songs (Guest Day III)	W25SE6
24-Feb-25	9:30 AM	NPCC	Troubled Water	W25SE7
03-Mar-25	9:30 AM	GV	Over the Rainbow	W25SE8
10-Mar-25	9:30 AM	NPCC	Unforgettable	W25SE9
17-Mar-25	9:30 AM	NPCC	Spring Sing (Guest Day IV)	W25SE10

Note: we will not be meeting on Family Day, Feb. 17, 2024



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- \* Tuesdays @ 11:00 AM – Walking Group – All are welcome
- \* Thursdays @ 2:00 PM – Worship service at Centennial Park Place
- \* Tuesday, Sept. 17 @ 6:30 PM - Session
- \* Tuesday, Sept. 24 @ 11:00 AM Bible Study begins. The Chosen- Season 4
- \* Sunday, Nov. 3 @ 10:30 AM - Remembering Tree Service
- \* Sunday, Nov. 10 @ 10:30 AM – Remembrance Day Service
- \* Friday, Nov. 29 – Deck the Halls
- \* Monday, Dec. 2 @ 12:30 – Advent lunches begin. (There will be a sign up for this)

\*Our services are now live-streamed. Go to the church’s website ([www.graceview.ca](http://www.graceview.ca)) to click the link for the most recent worship services on YouTube.

\* We also have our own Facebook page. (Graceview Presbyterian Church). This site shows the world all that we are and what we have to offer as a church. Check it out and be sure to “follow.”

### **Prayer Roster**

### **Lay Readers**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

Sept. 15	Bob Twynam	Margaret Munene	Kathy Twynam
Sept. 22	Eric Lee	Errol Baldeo	Nancy McPherson
Sept. 29	Ethel Waite	Kathy Twynam	Susan Chopp
Oct. 6	Eric Lee	Nancy McPherson	Lynne Bishop
Oct. 13	Maureen Screen	Al Bishop	Kathy Twynam
Oct. 20	Errol Baldeo	Lynne Bishop	Bob Twynam
Oct. 27	Eric Lee	Anna Cherniak	Nancy McPherson
Nov. 3	Susan Chopp	Nancy Green	Lynne Bishop
Nov. 10	Nancy McPherson	Harry Learoyd	Susan Chopp
Nov. 17	Eric Lee	Chris Parr	Kathy Twynam
Nov. 24	Kathy Twynam	Susan Chopp	Bob Twynam
Dec. 1	Eric Lee	Bob Twynam	Nancy McPherson
Dec. 8	Chris Parr	Jean Fox	Susan Chopp
Dec. 15	Margaret Munene	Maureen Screen	Lynne Bishop
Dec. 22	Eric Lee	Margaret Munene	Bob Twynam
Dec. 29	Bob Twynam	Georgena Engineer	Kathy Twynam

## **WEEKLY GIGGLE**

Moses is wandering around, and he finds the burning bush. He looks closer and sees that while the bush is clearly on fire, it is not burning up. He just can't believe his eyes, and in his amazement, he says, "No way!"

Then, a voice comes from the bush and says, "Yah way!"



Do you have any news or prayer requests that you would like to share? Drop me a line and I will be happy to include it in the Weekly Email. Have a blessed week, everyone.

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NB: If the phone number for Pastor Eric does not connect you immediately (technical issues?) call the church (416-621-0888) and press #1 for Pastor Eric.

Email for Iris: [ericirishk@gmail.com](mailto:ericirishk@gmail.com)

\* Message from **Pastor Eric**: “FYI, the Graceview website page below has been revamped, so as to keep people updated of our activities and events. Visit us and enjoy all that is good about Graceview”.

<https://graceview.ca/calendar-events>

# SEPTEMBER 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3 Walking Group 11:00	4	5 Service @ CPP 2:00 PM	6	7
8	9	10 *Walking Group 11:00 *Craft Club 11:00	11	12 Service @ CPP 2:00 PM	13	14
15	16	17 *Walking Group 11:00 *Session 6:30	18	19 Service @ CPP 2:00 PM	20	21
22	23	24 *Walking Group 10:00 *Bible Study 11:00	25	26 Service @ CPP 2:00 PM	27	28
29	30	1 Walking Group 10:00	2	3 Service @ CPP 2:00 PM	4	5

\*CPP = Centennial Park Place

