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Have you ever watched an historical movie and felt compelled to research what really happened? There have been many times while I have watched TV that I had more questions related to that show's content. Case in point: I have just finished the series on Netflix entitled KAOS which is a very modern take on Greek mythology. We had Zeus, Hera, Orpheus, Medusa to just name a few. I was compelled to research these characters and to learn of their "real" stories. I learned something while watching this series. Now this is where I segue into The Chosen where those who attend the Bible Study sessions are halfway through the 4<sup>th</sup> season. I cannot emphasize enough how much this series has impacted me and the way I now look at the Bible. After each episode I am compelled to look up the related scriptures and by doing that, I have realized how masterfully the creators of this series have weaved these very same scriptures into a series that is mostly fact, but with side stories that actually are not in the bible, but which do make sense. Every episode makes me think. Every episode does make me emotional. The closer that we are getting to Jerusalem and Palm Sunday and ultimately the crucifixion, the more it tugs at my heart and emotions. This series has also provided me with what is now my favourite passage from the bible. When I saw it and heard it in episode 1 of season 1, it hit me like a ton of bricks. **Isaiah 43:1 "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; you are Mine"**. Those three words, "You are mine" I keep near and dear to my heart.

This series has also had a great effect on those who are acting in it. I recently saw an interview with Jonathan Roumie who plays Jesus in the series. He was asked by the interviewer, "If Jesus were sitting here, in front of you, what question would you ask Him?" After a brief pause, Jonathan looked up and responded, "If Jesus were sitting here in front of me, I would ask Him, **did I get it right?**" The woman who was conducting the interview could not go on as she was so emotional at his response. Well, Jonathan, we who have been studying this series can definitely say, "Yes you did get it right!"

You can all download the Chosen app (it is free) on your tablets or computers. You will not be sorry.

As a testament as to how faithful this group of people who attend bible study is, we had a lot of technical difficulties yesterday and were unable to get the episode to play on the TV. Instead of caving in and going home, the 7 of us hovered around my iPad and watched episode 4. (view picture below) It was worth it. Thanks to Kathy T. for leading this session in Pastor Eric's absence.



## **NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Membership Classes – A Success!!!**

We are excited to announce the success of our recent church membership class! Over the past couple of weeks, a dozen new members of our church family have engaged in rich and personal dialogues, sharing their faith journeys. Together, we have deepened our understanding and commitment to Graceview Presbyterian Church. While they are already warmly welcomed into our family, we plan to officially conduct the membership induction during the church service on Sunday, November 24th (tentative). Stay tuned for more details!



### **Hello Churches in Etobicoke!**

You, your church members, friends and neighbours are invited to this free Community Workshop! See the attachment for registration & other details. Light refreshments. Play area for toddlers & young children.

### **You are invited to:**

**WHAT:** Complete and Walkable Neighbourhoods in Etobicoke

A community workshop to envision . . . and all-round happier ways to live in beautiful Etobicoke.

**WHERE?** St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 3819 Bloor St. West at Kipling Ave – Beside Six Points Plaza

**WHEN?** Sat. October 26, 2024, from 1 pm to 3:30 pm

Presented by Etobicoke Climate Action in connection with:

- ECULINKS Etobicoke
- Toronto West KAIROS
- Central Etobicoke Community Hub Initiative
- Friends of the Etobicoke Greenway
- The Etobicoke Voice

Thank you on behalf of the organizing committee!

Cora Dusk

ECULINKS Etobicoke

## **A Fall Devotional Update: UPDATE!!!**

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



### **"Soup by Dave" Luncheon**

Outreach will be hosting our third "Soup by Dave" luncheon on Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am in the downstairs hall. Chef Dave Taylor will be preparing minestrone soup for the lunch and will demonstrate how to make it for us. Every guest will receive a copy of his recipe. We are very pleased to have "Chef Dave" share his culinary talents with us and know that he will provide us with another lively presentation and time to ask questions about the soup. There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the front foyer. Please plan to attend and invite your friends to join you. Free Will Offerings will be gratefully accepted.



Pastor Eric has a spare bike (the one with the brown handles) which he would like to give away to a member of the congregation who may want it, or who may know of someone who could use it. Let Pastor Eric know if you are interested.

### **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.

October – Outreach Team

### **Fall Bible Study**

Our fall Bible Study takes place on Tuesdays at 11:00 AM and will run until Nov. 12. 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. Come one come all. You will not be disappointed.

## 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.

\* Bob Nancarrow is out of the hospital and back in his residence.

\* Please keep in your prayers the following: Lenore C., Nancy G., Charlotte Prentice, Joan and Peter K., Margaret M's brother, Simon, the Jarvis family, Olive S., Roman P., Jean Fox's son, Ryan, Anna C. and family and Gordon F. 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
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

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- \* Tuesdays @ 10:00 AM – Walking Group – All are welcome
- \* Thursdays @ 2:00 PM – Worship service at Centennial Park Place
- \* Thursday, Oct. 17 @ 6:30 PM – Choir Practice
- \* Tuesday, Oct. 22 @ 11:00 AM Bible Study “The Chosen”- Season 4 – Episode 5

- \* Monday, Oct. 21 @ 9:30 AM – Sing! Etobicoke @ Graceview
- \* Thursday, Oct. 24 @ 11:30 AM – Another “Soup by Dave” event!
- \* Sunday, Nov. 3 @ 10:30 AM - Remembering Tree Service
- \* Sunday, Nov. 10 @ 10:30 – Remembrance Day Service
- \* Friday, Nov. 15 @ TBA – Chef Keith Hoare and his students at TCI will be serving dinner at Graceview.
- \* 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.”

	<u>Prayer Roster</u>	<u>Lay Readers</u>	<u>Welcome and Announcements</u>
Oct. 20	Errol Baldeo	Lynne Bishop	Bob Twynam
Oct. 27	Ethel Waite	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

#### When I grow up.

After a church service on Sunday morning, a young boy suddenly announced to his mother, "Mom, I've decided to become a minister When I grow up."

"That's okay with us, but what made you decide that?"

"Well," said the little boy, "I have to go to church on Sunday anyway, and I figure it will be more fun to stand up and yell, than to sit and listen."

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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>

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Walking Group 10:00 *Bible Study	2	3 Service @ CPP 2:00 PM	4	5
6 *Communion *Membership Class 1	7 Sing Etobicoke @NPCC	8 Walking Group 10:00 *Bible Study 11:00 * Craft Club – 11:00	9	10 Service @ CPP 2:00 PM	11	12
13 Thanksgiving Sunday Membership Class 2	14	15 Walking Group 10:00 *Bible Study 11:00	16	17 Service @ CPP 2:00 PM Choir practice 6:30 PM	18	19
20 Rev. Jan Hieminga	21 Sing Etobicoke @GV	22 Walking Group 10:00 *Bible Study 11:00	23	24 *Service @ CPP 2:00 PM *Soup by Dave 11:30 Choir – 6:30 PM	25	26
27 Tim Connor	28 Sing Etobicoke @NPCC	29 Walking Group 10:00 *Bible Study 11:00	30	31 Service @ CPP 2:00 PM Choir practice 6:30 PM		

\*CPP = Centennial Park Place