#### The Life & Work of Applewood United Church an Affirming Congregation

"Planting seeds watching them grow."

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# **Frauds and Scams**

# Tuesday, April 9 at 1:30 pm



Join us for a presentation by Peel Regional Police Crime Prevention Regional Community Mobilization

Refreshments will be served! All welcome!



Scan the QR code to join the zoom meeting or click here.

Compassionate Care Team Applewood United Church 2067 Stanfield Rd, Mississauga



# Worshipping with Applewood United - April 7, 2024

This Sunday, join us on ZOOM or at Applewood United Church for our worship service led by Rev Alison Nicholson. An informal refreshment time will follow the service, if volunteers are available. If you are attending on ZOOM, a direct link will be emailed on Saturday, along with a copy of the service. To participate in the ZOOM worship over your telephone, call 647-374-4685 or 647-558-0588, and when asked enter this meeting ID: 827 5263 8086 and this Pass Code: 753101.

Co-host - Susan Eccles Announcer - Lori Coleman Reader - Cathy Campbell Greeter - Andrew MarshallSound - Michael BorlaceUsher - Joan MarshallTech Team - Len VantolCoffee - Glenna Armour and Lynda Kudrewatych

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Meetings and Events - Week of April 7, 2024									
Sunday	April 7	10:30 am	Hybrid Worship Service						
Tuesday	April 9	1:30 pm	Compassionate Care Seminar—Frauds and Scams						
Tuesday	April 9	7:00 pm	Executive Committee Meeting (P)						
Wednesday	April 10	9:45 am	ZOOM Men's Group						
Thursday	April 11	9:30 am	Applewood Playgroup (AGCH)						
		10:00 am	Knitting Circle (P)						
		7:00 pm	Choir Practice (P)						
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### **Upcoming Services**

Sunday, April 14	10:30 am	Hybrid Worship Service
Sunday, April 21	10:30 am	Hybrid Worship Service - Earth Sunday
Sunday, May 5	10:30 am	Affirming/Social Justice Sunday with guest speaker Will Rowe,
		from the East Mississauga Community Health Centre

# **Upcoming Events**

- **Ongoing** Applewood Auction. Open for bids! See the catalogue <u>here</u>! **There is still time to donate!** See page 4 for more information.
- **Tuesday, April 9, 1:30 pm**, Compassionate Care Seminar Peel Regional Police presentation on Frauds and Scams. Refreshments will be served.
- **Sunday, April 21, following worship**, Applewood Anniversary Celebration in the Ann Graham Community Hall. Lunch, trivia, memories, celebration. See page 6.

South Mississauga Youth Group Schedule Program to be shared between Applewood and Christ First United Churches







**Christ First** April 18 May 16



# News You Can Use

Please remember that announcements must be received by **Nancy Beatty** at <u>editor@applewoodunited.ca</u> no later than 10 am on Wednesday so they can be included in the weekly AppleLog. Articles submitted must have the name of the contact person and may be edited for content and/or size.

Applewood United Church has developed a **Media Policy** to ensure that the content included in all our Applewood media reflects our inclusive ministry. This policy was approved by our Executive and can be found on our <u>website</u>. We encourage everyone to familiarize themselves with the policy as they submit future articles.

# Welcome to the Applewood United Church Community!

We are glad you are reading our newsletter! We gather on Sundays for Hybrid worship, a combination of live + virtual participation. We work to stay connected via our <u>Facebook page</u>, LED sign, telephone contact, visits, and delivery of materials to those without internet access. We are always looking for more ways to keep in touch! Please feel free to share this AppleLog, website links, contact information and any other documents we produce widely with friends or neighbours.

To access a written copy of our weekly services, or recordings of our services, please visit our website <u>www.applewoodunited.ca</u>, and go to the Worship tab. You can choose 'Worship at home' for the written service, ZOOM recordings for the 'live' version. You can also call one of our friendly helpers, names and numbers listed on the last page of the AppleLog.

Our rooms and building are available for rental for special occasions and meetings. Please contact the office for more information and rates. <u>office@applewoodunited.ca</u>



# **April Book Club**

We will meet next on Wednesday, **Apr. 24**<sup>th</sup> **at 1:30 pm** in the parlour to talk about "The Herd" by Emily Edwards.

'It is hard to imagine a more timely novel. A fascinating exploration of all sides of a particularly knotty, politicized issue.' **Jodi Picoult** 

To vaccinate or to not vaccinate. That is the question and the decision to be made. To some being vaccinated is clearly the right thing to do. To others, fear dictates their decision against it. Goodreads website summary—click <u>here</u>.

If you would like to join the group or have any questions you can contact Lynda Kudrewatych.



From the Affirming Committee



This past Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, was International Transgender Day of Visibility. As we hear the news happening around us, it is more important than ever to support trans people and everyone who is part of the 2SLGBTQ+ community. For tips on how to be a better ally, please read <u>this article</u>. Submitted by Christina Miller

# **The Applewood Auction is Under Way!**

Have you made a bid yet? Go ahead – it's easy! Click here to see the updated catalogue!

#### HOW TO BID

We prefer you send an email to appleauction24@gmail.com stating your name, phone number, the lot number you are bidding on, and the amount of your bid. Then watch for the next update of the catalogue to see if you are the top bidder! If not, you are perfectly free to bid again at a higher figure. And yes, feel free to bid on more than one item per email.

#### **MORE DONATIONS NEEDED!**

To make the auction a successful fundraiser for the church, we need many more donations. Remember our basic formula. Donors get a tax receipt for the amount their donation brings in the auction; purchasers do not get a tax receipt but do get the joy of their purchase; and the church gets a much-needed cash injection towards budgetary shortfalls. Everybody wins!

#### HOW TO DONATE

Send an email to appleauction 24@gmail.com giving your name, telephone number (not for publication - only used if we need to clarify details), a description of your donation, photo if applicable, and a minimum bid you want placed on your item. That last bit is optional, but it allows you to place a lower limit on the amount of money the church can receive before you give up your donation.

# Please donate now!

The auction ends in the week of May 13 – 17, exact date and time to be announced later.

Mike Miller on behalf of the Stewardship Committee

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# Spring Word Search

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# Lives in Transition

We hope this space in the AppleLog will allow the community to share news - joyful and sad - about their friends and family, former members of Applewood, or others who may be known in our faith community. Please send your notes to <u>editor@applewoodunited.ca</u> by Wednesday morning each week. We will continue to inform you directly of deaths in the Applewood family when we have that information to share.

Barbara Challis, a long time member of Applewood, died on Monday, April 1, 2024. We hold her family in our prayers. Visitation and funeral details can be found <u>here.</u>

# **April Dates of Significance**

#### April 7 - World Health Day



World Health Day is a global health awareness day celebrated every year on the anniversary (1948) of the founding of WHO (World Health Organization). It is an opportunity to motivate action to take on the challenges of today and tomorrow.

The year's theme, **My health, my right**, addresses the challenge of financing health as a human right. Diseases and disasters, climate change, conflicts and displacement threaten this right for millions of people around the world.

Health for all includes the ability of individuals to access high quality health services, education, and information without financial hardship. It also includes access to safe water, food, housing, and liveable environments.

#### April 10 - International Day of Pink



Since 2007, the second Wednesday in April has been designated as International Day of Pink, a world-wide anti-bullying and anti-homophobic event. Similar to Pink Shirt Day (held in February), this day is more specifically aimed at the 2SLGBTQIA+ community.

It stands for creating a more inclusive and diverse world. This year's theme is **Visibility.** This word reflects the need for being seen, acknowledged, respected, and listened to by individuals, society, educators, and politicians. Every person needs to be accepted for who they are and what they can contribute to their communities. #International Day of Pink

Submitted by Sophie Cook



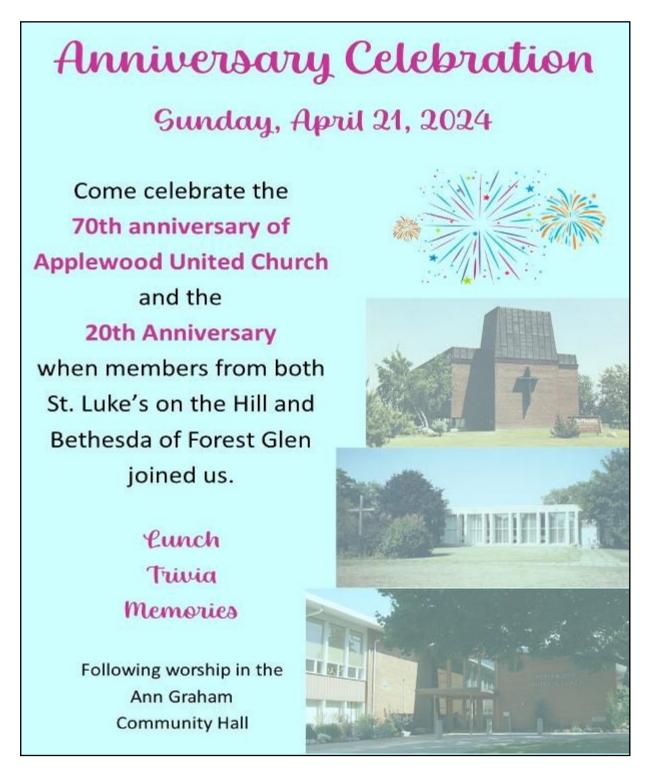
#### Applewood Playgroup

Join us on Thursday mornings from 9:30—11:30 am for our Applewood Playgroup. If you know anyone who might be interested in participating, please let them know. All are welcome! Annemaria Bakker

We warmly invite you to join us for a special luncheon celebrating the 70th Anniversary of Applewood United Church and the 20th Anniversary of Bethesda United Church and St. Luke's United Church joining Applewood.

Please join us at noon on Sunday, April 21, in the Ann Graham Community Hall, for a light lunch, a challenging trivia game and a trip down memory lane with photos and other mementos. Tickets are \$5 each (free for children under 10) and can be purchased after service for the next 2 Sundays or by calling the office.

Glenna Armour, Jo-Anne Prentice and Leslie West



# **Beyond Easter: Education's Lasting Impact**



Easter may be over, but the power of education continues to shine! While school supplies and buildings are crucial, education extends far beyond those walls. Your donation to the United Church of Canada Easter appeal today can empower communities and individuals through innovative programs that make a lasting impact. Give the gift of knowledge and opportunity—<u>donate now</u>! [Photo credit: Canva]

The United Church of Canada E-ssentials - April 2, 2024



#### Men's Coffee Group Wednesdays @ 9:45 am via ZOOM Contact: Roy Hicks 905-625-3018 or hicksr2014@gmail.com





# **Computer Help**

If you need help accessing ZOOM, our 'Worship at Home' links, or our website, please call one of the volunteers below. They are 'standing by' to help! Rev Joanne

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#### Donations to the Church by Interac e-Transfer

Go to the Interac transfer feature on your financial institution's website, enter <u>treasurer@applewoodunited.ca</u> in the recipient box and follow directions. There may be a small charge for this service, depending on your bank plan.

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