



Newsletter

March/April Edition | HC Update

HOPE CHAPEL Centre of Community Care



Sixth Line BIC Bake Sale Fundraiser
Inviting all bakers to make a contribution in support of Hope Chapel!

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Wonder

Despite the assertion that we haven't had a 'real' winter this year, we know that spring is on the way. Spring with its warming rays, leafing trees, flowering beds and lengthening days. The grays and browns will be replaced by a full array of colours and the air filled with the music of songbirds. New life will be in evidence everywhere.



For me, spring is a time of wonder, as though the earth (at least in our part of the world) cannot wait to waken from her cold sleep once again. My wonder leaves me grateful to God who ensures the yearly cycle of the seasons. It is a reminder that even in the face of winter, new life is possible and that seasons of hardship do not last forever but will come to an end.

Spring is also a time for Christians to celebrate Easter. The details of Easter, too, leave me in wonder, even more than the miraculous nature of the changing seasons. The reminder of God's work on our behalf, so that we can experience new life even after death, leaves me in awe. How is it possible to understand the depths of God's love that would cause him to sacrifice himself for us? It would seem impossible, too good to be true really, if not for God's own explanation.

The apostle John wrote this assurance:

"God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through him. This is real love—not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins....God is love, and all who live in love live in God, and God lives in them. And as we live in God, our love grows more perfect. So we will not be afraid on the day of judgment, but we can face him with confidence because we live like Jesus here in this world." (1 John 4:9-10,16b-17)

Just as the seasons change under God's loving care, we too can be transformed, sharing a 'family resemblance' that has love at its very core. And again, I am left in wonder and filled with gratitude to God for his work of bringing new life into the world and into my life and the lives of all who choose to live for him. A life changed, just as a change in the seasons, can be a wonder to behold!

Sponsorship Drive Update

We want to extend a big THANK YOU to those who have responded to date to our need for sponsorship and volunteers.



2023 Corporate Sponsors

- Living Water Resort
- Stuart Ellis Pharmacy
- Unique Distinctions Inc
- A&D Bird Seed & Country Store

New Sponsors & Supporters

- Collingwood Cinema Club
- Inner Harmony Family Chiropractic
- Walmart
- Loblaws
- Blue Mountain Hiring Hub
- Women of Wasaga
- Plus a number of community members

Please consider how you might be able to support Hope Chapel, through donations, prayer or through the promotion of the many community services being provided. Help us continue to serve our community by supporting the High School Lunch Program, the Community Cupboard, the Giving Tree, or the many non-profits we provide space to for little to no cost.



Join us on Sundays!

11:30am Friendship Meal

12:30pm “The Chosen” and Bible Discussion

March 3rd & March 31st – Communion & Worship

Easter Dinner – March 31st

You're invited to join us at Hope Chapel for

EASTER LUNCH

...and for Pastor Jane's Birthday!

Sunday, March 31st

Time: 11:30am

All are welcome
and encouraged
to RSVP



Bring a donation of food for our Community Cupboard

Monthly Community Prayer

COMMUNITY PRAYER
@ Hope Chapel

“I urge you to pray for all people. Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them.”
(1 Timothy 2:1)

All are invited to join us from 4-5pm on the following Fridays for a time of prayer

January 5	February 9	March 1
April 5	May 3	June 7

What's in the News?

Collingwood pushes boards to re-instate police in schools

School resource officers and police-led programming cancelled last year by Simcoe County's public and Catholic boards

Article by Jessica Owen...Collingwood Today



Special Const. Karen Markus delivers a South Simcoe Police program to a Grade 5 class at Cookstown Public School in February 2019. Photo courtesy of South Simcoe Police Service

The Town of Collingwood is joining a chorus of voices across Simcoe County calling on local school boards to bring back the school resource officer program.

During their regular meeting of council on Feb. 21, Collingwood councillors voted unanimously in favour of sending a letter in support of continuing the school resource officer program to all Simcoe County school boards, the County of Simcoe and all member municipalities, Simcoe County MPPs, Minister of Education Stephen Lecce and Solicitor General Michael Kerzner.

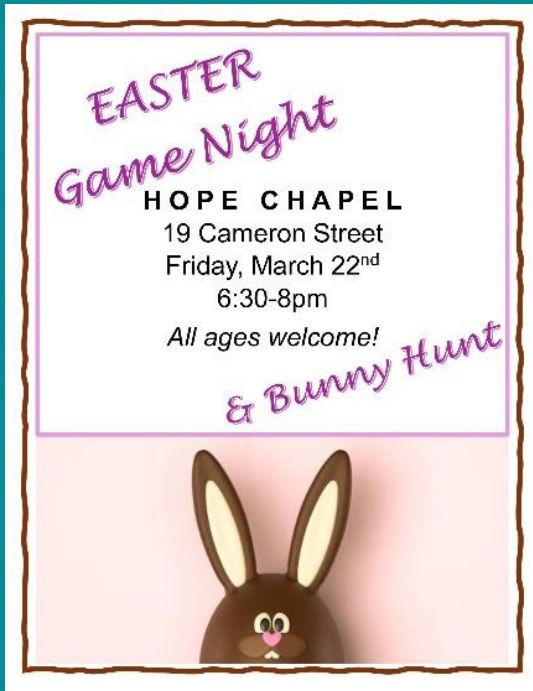
For the rest of the article please go to...

<https://www.collingwoodtoday.ca/local-news/collingwood-pushes-boards-to-re-instate-police-in-schools-8343321>



Family Fun Events

Hope Chapel hosts a fun event for everyone.



Online Guided Discussions Tuesdays from 6:30 – 8:00pm

March 19,25, April 2,9 – “Jonah – A Reluctant Prophet
& A Gracious God”



Ways to Give

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ONLINE

Visit

<https://www.hopechapelcollingwood.ca/donate2023> and follow the link.

E-Transfer: collingwoodhopechapel2@gmail.com
(Please be sure to include a mailing address for tax receipt.)

Canada Helps and PayPal options available.

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