

GOOD NEWS AT GRACE

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CELEBRATING UNITED CHURCH CAMPING!

Camp Bimini is one of the three United Church of Canada camps in Western Ontario Waterways Region and one of the 55 across Canada. We are located just south east of Stratford on the Embro Road, tucked in the pocket of Perth County. Since 1947, children, teens and those young at heart have been gathering in community.

For those of you who have experienced Camp Bimini or any Christian Camp, you know what that experience is like. You can likely remember the activities, the campfires, the games, the meals, the songs, the staff and more. It's magical and indescribable for the many people.

Here are two ways to describe what an overnight camp experience at Camp Bimini is like written by two 2023 Camp Bimini staff members.

It's like a Rubik's Cube. There are 43 quintillion positions, yet the goal remains the same each time, one colour on each side. At camp, you have nearly infinite possibilities to experience with your campers, but your goal every time is to ensure that they all have a good time. By Jayden Ruby

An item I use to describe what Camp Bimini feels like is a friendship bracelet. For the past 10 years of my life, I have been going to Camp and I have made so many friendships along the way. Whether it be friendships with other campers or staff I always feel safe and welcome. Even though sometimes I only see those friends at camp, I still talk to multiple friends outside of camp and this shows how lifelong connections are made. I can also feel my friendship with God growing larger when at camp. All throughout Camp Bimini, I feel connected to God especially when we are singing about God at vespers, praying and singing grace. By Ellie Shantz



This Sunday at Grace, we will be celebrating United Church camps and in particular Camp Bimini. We invite you all to come and remember your camping days or come to hear about this important ministry of the United Church of Canada. A form for financial donations, the wish list for Camp Bimini and upcoming events of Camp Bimini are in this newsletter. We hope you can find a way to support this place and space that means the world to so many children, youth and adults.

CAMP BIMINI

3180 Perth Road 113, RR 1, St. Pauls ON N0K 1V0
www.campbimini.ca



Upcoming Services and Dates:

SERVICES CAN BE VIEWED ON GRACE YOUTUBE CHANNEL, WHICH CAN BE ACCESSED THROUGH OUR WEBSITE: www.graceunitedtavistock.com

April 30th: 10:30 am Camping Sunday Worship Service led by Carol Young, Sunday school.

All are welcome for light snack and refreshments in Zion Hall following worship.

May 2nd: 1:30 - 3:30 pm UCW. Roll Call: Show and Tell, bring your winter project

7:00 pm Christian Education committee meeting

May 3rd: 10:00 - 11:30 am Sit n' Knit Stay n' Crochet

7:00 pm Session Meeting

May 4th: 7:00 pm Choir Practice

May 7th: 10:30 am Worship service led by Rev Marg Smith. Sunday school.

All are welcome to join us for 'Lunch for Lincoln'. Soup/chili by donation and bake auction for the Lincoln Richards Education Fund.

May 10th: 12:00 pm Tavistock Ministerial Meeting - Quehl's Restaurant

May 11th: 12:00 pm High Noon Lunch

7:00 pm Choir Practice



The supply minister search team is pleased to announce that Rev Marg Smith will be our half – time minister beginning May 1st. She has been hired for six months. You will recognize her as she has been a great guest minister a number of times at Grace.

Emergency pastoral care: Please contact Rev Mary Boland at 519 655 2992 if you are in need of emergency pastoral care.

Contact us

Carol Young cell 519-301-1356 tavigraceyouth@gmail.com
Office 519 655 2151 graceunitedtavistock@gmail.com
E-transfer donation email gracetavistockdonation@rogers.com

Office Hours (please call ahead for an appointment)

Katherine Brenneman Thurs. 9:30 – 2:30 pm

Do you have a prayer request?

"In all things let your requests be known to God in prayer." (Philippians 4:6)



Grace has a group of wonderful and dedicated people that form a prayer chain. If you, or anyone you know is in need of prayer, please reach out to the chair of Grace PCO, Bev Neeb 519 655-2695, or Rev Mary Boland 519 655 2992 and we will begin praying for you.

- ✝ pray for Brenda Mohr as she struggles with health issues, her sister Jackie (cancer diagnosis).
- ✝ pray for Keith Weitzel as he deals with health issues.
- ✝ pray for Ken Brenneman as he deals with health issues.
- ✝ pray for Brian Gerber as he struggles with health issues.
- ✝ pray for Rev Young, Lincoln and family as they mourn the passing of Rev. Jason Richards

The Grace United Church Scholarship, Application deadline is April 30, 2023. For full information and/or an application to apply, please contact the Youth Coordinator, Carol Young tavigraceyouth@gmail.com or the church office.

To give to the Scholarships, you can include in offering envelope or in another envelope marked "scholarship". Cheques made payable to Grace United Church.



Our Newsletter Front Pages

If you have an idea for a front page article for the Good News at Grace we would like to hear from you. Please talk to Katherine in the office at 519 655 2151 or send an email with your news article or devotion to graceunitedtavistock@gmail.com. We want to hear about anything of interest to you and what is happening in our Grace Community of Faith.



Help Needed.



Grace is in need of a volunteer or a few to look after lawn mowing duties this summer. A lawn mower has graciously been donated to the church and will be available to use. This is a perfect opportunity for youth for high school volunteer hours ! If we can get a few volunteers a weekly schedule can be worked out. Please be in contact with the property committee.

Lunch for Lincoln - SUNDAY, MAY 7. Following worship, we will be having a **soup/chili lunch and Bake auction!** The cost of this lunch is by donation and the proceeds from this lunch and auction will be given to the **Lincoln Richards' Education Fund!** We will need help with food, set up, clean up and dishes! Please connect with Carol Young or Marianne Ruby to extend your help for the lunch. Bring your baked goods that day (no need to tell us ahead for the baked goods)!

Please keep Rev. Young, Lincoln, Bruce and Marg (Jason's parents), Jason's friends and family and the St. Marys UC family in your prayers in the days, weeks and months ahead. It will be a very tough road ahead for them all.

At the end of his obituary, we can read *"Jason also asked that you do something nice for someone unexpectedly and without explanation"*



Thursday, May 11 High Noon Lunch at Grace United Church. "A Starwatcher's Journey" Come for a hot lunch and stay to listen to Dr. Paul Barlett and see his beautiful photography of the skies. This will be the last high noon lunch till the fall.

FündScrip

Paper Fundscrip orders are due this Sunday, April 30th. Short form paper order forms are in the pews or [long form paper order forms](#) can be downloaded.

FündScrip

May 2023 Promotions
Valid from April 29 to May 31 - 9:30 AM ET

HelloFresh 9% Regular 7%	Chefs Plate 9% Regular 7%
Ivanhoe Cambridge 5% Regular 3.5%	CrossIron Mills Metropolis at Metrotown Guildford Town Centre Laurier And more...
Kernels Popcorn 10% Regular 5%	Pizza Nova 9% Regular 5%
TJX Canada 8% Regular 6%	Winners HomeSense Marshalls
Triple O's 13% Regular 10%	White Spot Restaurant 13% Regular 10%

Physical Gift Cards

Electronic Gift Cards

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Aerie 8% Regular 6%	American Eagle® 8% Regular 6%
Boston Pizza 8% Regular 5%	Build-A-Bear Workshop® 11% Regular 7%
Indigo 8% Regular 5%	Chapters COLES
DeSerres 8% Regular 5%	Edo Japan 8% Regular 5%

Physical Gift Cards

Reloadable Gift Cards

Electronic Gift Cards



**Camp Bimini
Mother's Day
Breakfast**

**Sunday May 14, 2023
9:00AM- 12:00PM at Camp Bimini**

Tickets
\$15 adult,
\$10 for 12 and under,
Single household family \$50

email treasurer@campbimini.ca
to reserve tickets

**Mother's Day
Worship Service
at Camp Bimini
10am**

CAMP BIMINI WISH LIST 2023

Camp Bimini thanks everyone who has donated wish list items to Bimini in the past or who is donating wish list items for the upcoming season. Please pass these items onto your Camp Bimini representative or drop them off at Bimini (contact us before to be sure someone is there, campbimini@cyg.net or 519-271-4129). You may also contact us to arrange for someone to pick them up.

SPORTS & GAMES

- Soccer balls
- Hula hoops
- Basketballs
- Playground balls
- Large pylons
- Skipping ropes

FIRST AID

- Good bandaids—all sizes
- Hot/cold compresses
- Sunscreen—especially spray sunscreen
- After-bite
- **contact the camp for complete list of needs**

KITCHEN

- Paper towels
- Brooms
- Dustpans
- SOS pads and scrubbies
- Bleach

FURNISHINGS

- Fans (portable—12-20")

MISCELLANEOUS

- Rope—all sizes and lengths
- Batteries—"9 volt" and "AAA" especially
- Canadian Tire Money
- Kindling
- Large tarps

ARTS & CRAFTS

- Scissors
- Magnetic strips
- Markers
- Glue guns & glue sticks
- Tape: all kinds (especially coloured duct tape and clear packing tape)
- Paint brushes
- Bristol board
- Fabric ribbon
- Flat thumb tacks
- Googly eyes
- Paint: acrylic, fabric, tempera
- Embroidery floss
- Sponges
- Safety pins
- Plastic totes (all sizes)
- Aluminum plates (all sizes)
- New white or dark cotton t-shirts
- Baby food jars

OFFICE

- Scotch Tape
- Masking tape
- White copy paper

At Grace we are celebrating Camping Sunday on April 30th. This will be a time to highlight the United Church's camping ministry. Many camps rely on donations and we are asking for your support for Camp Bimini. Below is the donation form to make donations directly to Camp Bimini on Camping Sunday.



CAMP BIMINI

FINANCIAL DONATION

Complete in full and return to:

CAMP BIMINI
3180 PERTH ROAD 113
RR 1
ST PAULS ON N0K 1V0

Cheques payable to CAMP BIMINI

The use, retention and disclosure of personal information collected from this form is done in compliance with privacy legislation including, but not limited to, the Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (2000, c.5)

YES, I want to help Camp Bimini financially!

NAME	
STREET OR RR	
BOX #	
911 # & ROAD NAME	
CITY/TOWN	PROVINCE
POSTAL CODE	PHONE
EMAIL	
DO YOU WISH TO RECEIVE OUR NEWSLETTER , PUBLISHED 3-4 TIMES PER YEAR?	
<input type="checkbox"/> YES PLEASE <input type="checkbox"/> NO THANKS	

I would like to give

- ☐ \$50
☐ \$100
☐ \$250
☐ \$500
☐ other \$ _____

to support **General & Capital Projects**

CAMP BIMINI MISSION STATEMENT

We believe that Camp Bimini is a place where God's creation comes together with respect for each other and the environment. It is our goal to give every child and youth a camping experience where they feel loved and valued for who they are. We strive to be welcoming and inclusive of each individual and provide a safe and nurturing place where campers may experience nature, grow spiritually and create lifelong friendships.

Thank you for your support in providing a positive camping experience at Camp Bimini.



May Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to

Ty Brown - May 1

Devon Schmidt - May 1

Natalie Flach - May 1

Lindsay Parr - May 3

Bella Gingrich - May 4

Emily Shantz - May 4

Deanna Stevely - May 7

Gary Mohr - May 7

Alyssa Lupton - May 10

Bill Brown - May 12

Jordan Riehl - May 13

Benjamin Gingrich - May 15

Jeremy Kaufman - May 20

Don Mordue - May 20

Madelynn Sullivan - May 20

Grace Sullivan - May 22

Shirley Weicker - May 23

Megan Freisen - May 23

Riley Wettlaufer - May 24

Jaymie Riehl - May 26

Karsen Ankenmann - May 31



Happy anniversary to

David and Susan Wiffen - May 1

Katrina and David Isern - May 7

Eugene and Marcia Bender - May 21

Amber and Brett Jackman - May 25

Joe and Laura Scheerer - May 31

