

# HASTINGS-ROSENEATH PASTORAL CHARGE

## "LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCHES"

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TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

Hastings, Ontario

Worship: 9:15a.m.-10:15a.m.

Organist & Choir Director: Marcus Elia

Chairperson: Ruth Geddes

ROSENEATH UNITED CHURCH

Roseneath, Ontario

Worship: 11:00a.m.-12:00 noon

Organist & Choir Director:

Chairperson:

Visit our web site ~ <http://harpcharge.com>

### "CARING AND SHARING"

*Our prayers are with those who are shut-in and sick, unable to join us in worship this morning.*

*Love and prayers to Audrey McMillan as she recuperates after her surgery this week.*

### "COMING EVENTS"

Sunday February 23, 2020 Hastings' Annual Congregational Meeting after worship and coffee time.

Sunday March 8, 2020 Roseneath's Annual Congregational Meeting after worship. Please bring your own lunch.

### "PLEASE NOTE"

**Roseneath Church address change:**

As of Feb. 17, 2020, the church address will be:  
11943 County Road 24  
Roseneath ON K0K 2X0"

### "SPECIAL REPAIR PROJECT"



*Trinity Hastings has some extensive repairs needed to the back of the church in the eaves.*

*As much as we love pigeons, they can't keep sneaking in the eaves where the wood has rotted away.*

*The work will be done in the spring. It will cost approximately \$2,000 for a man-lift and material to repair.*

*The church council are launching a special appeal to help cover the cost.*

*You can bring some coins and add to our special cans, or make a donation marked as "Special" Repair Project in your offering envelope. With many thanks!*

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### "MINUTE FOR MISSIONS"

**A Way to Heal** Thanks to Affirm United and Mission & Service, the Living Apology Project gave many a place to heal and to learn. Seeing the

poems, laments, stories, and pieces of art created by people affected by the 1988 decision to accept LGBTQIA2S+ people as full members in The United Church of Canada was therapeutic for some; for others, it conjured up memories of anger and fear.

The late Former Moderator Anne Squire shared the first reflection on the Iridesce website:

My secretary once handed me a letter, saying, “I don’t want to give you this, but I have to.” It was from Elizabeth, outlining her work in the church; she said the last straw was the possible ordination of gay and lesbian people. She ended with “My prayer is that you will be stricken with AIDS. Yours in Christ, Elizabeth.”

Another day a big box arrived with no indication of the sender. One of my staff said, “Don’t open it; it might be a bomb.” I said, “We can’t live in fear this way.” Inside were two 10-inch cubes of acrylic; embedded in each was a metal rod that had been bent into a Greek letter. One was Alpha and the other was Omega. When someone asked what this meant, I said it meant that God was with us at the beginning of our life and will be with us at the end. I also felt that it meant that God was with us in this divisive project and would help guide us.

To answer that hurtful letter now, I say, “Yes, Elizabeth, I do have aids but not the kind you are talking about. My aids are Affirm, my family, my friends, and my faith.”

# Going Down!!

As the storm raged, the captain realized his ship was sinking fast. He called out, "Anyone here know how to pray?" One man stepped forward. "Aye, Captain, I know how to pray." "Good," said the captain, "you pray while the rest of us put on our life jackets - we're one short."



## VILLAGE OF HASTINGS FREE COMMUNITY LUNCH

Second Friday of the Month / Summer & Holiday Exceptions

**HASTINGS CIVIC CENTRE / 6 Albert St. E.**

**11:30 AM ~ 1:00 PM**

### 2020 DATES

Jan.10, Feb.14, Mar.13, Apr.17, May.8, June 12,  
Sep. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 13, Dec. 11.



### Next Week:

February 23,2020-Transfiguration Sunday

Scripture:

Exodus 24:12-18 (Reader)

Matthew 17:1-9 (Minister/Leader)

Hymns:

VU104 We have come at Christ’s own bidding

VU289 It only takes a spark

VU585 Jesus bids us shine

MV209 Go make a difference

**Following are the Dates  
for the Free Lunches  
in Warkworth  
at St. Paul’s United Church  
March 2, April 6, May 4 and June1,  
2020**