

Wilmot United Church is an open and welcoming presence in downtown Fredericton, putting our Christian faith into action to be a light in God's world.

We welcome all into the life and ministry of our faith community.



Welcome all to the faith community of Wilmot United Church!

I am Rev. Mary Tingley and serve as minister among the many caring people here. Wilmot is a spiritual space that creates connections through a wide range of activities always striving to nurture our diverse spiritual directions through worship, music, prayer/meditation and progressive theological and/or contemporary book studies. We grow in faith, but more importantly, we live our faith through serving our greater community with multiple forms of outreach and pastoral care in the city of Fredericton. We hope this directory will provide you with some familiar and new ways of being part of our community. We are glad you are here among us.

Rev. Mary







Robyn Abbott

Meet our Wilmot Office Staff

Brenda Cameron is our General Office Administrator, Finance and Bookkeeping Manager and Staff Support. Robyn Abbott's specialty is Social Media and Technical Support.

The office responsibilities have been divided into two part-time positions to serve our needs and provide us with skilled employees. Although they have identified working days/hours, there will be flexibility as we move forward with this new structure.

Thank you to everyone who helped make our first year at Wilmot so fun and welcoming. We've learned a lot and are looking forward to another year!

Wilmot Office Hours:



Tuesday to Thursday, 9am - 5pm; closed from 12pm - 1pm

Office phone and email: 506-458-1066; wilmotuc@nb.sympatico.ca

Web Site: wilmotuc.nb.ca

Wilmot United Church Music Ministry

Music Leaders



Steven Peacock



Margaret MacDonald

Wilmot's music ministry leaders are Director of Music Steven Peacock and Organist/Pianist Margaret MacDonald. Steven conducts the Senior and Handbell Choirs, and he oversees the musical content of our worship services, which regularly feature his skills as a classical guitarist, singer, djembe player and arranger/composer. Margaret plays organ and piano as a soloist and accompanist during worship services, often adding her vocal and handbell skills to the proceedings, and works faithfully with the Senior Choir during rehearsals and performances.



Wilmot Senior Choir

The Wilmot Senior Choir is a four-part (SATB) chorus which sings music in a range of classical and contemporary sacred styles. We rehearse in the choir loft from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. on Thursday nights from September to May, and we warm up for Sunday worship half an hour before each service begins. The Senior Choir is a user-friendly group that combines solid music

making and fun in a nurturing and positive environment. New singers are always very welcome!



Frank T. Pridham Memorial Handbell Choir

The Frank T. Pridham Memorial Handbell Choir is a three-octave choir which performs at worship services about once a month between September and May. Our rehearsals take place in the Godly Play Room every Thursday night between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m., and the musical challenges are always balanced with lots of camaraderie. New ringers are very welcome!



Other Ensembles and Soloists

Wilmot often welcomes a variety of smaller vocal and instrumental ensembles (such as the Youth Chime Choir) to special services throughout the year. As well, vocal, and instrumental soloists (and, on occasion, music professionals) from within and beyond the Wilmot congregation are a regular feature of our worship services. Steven and Margaret provide rehearsal preparation, accompaniments, and arrangements for these musicians, with the goal of positive and worshipful musical experiences for our performers and our congregation.

Contact: Steven Peacock: 506-452-0170 speacoc1@unb.ca

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Part of our responsibilities in the office includes keeping Wilmoters updated on what's happening in the church and the greater Fredericton community. We accomplish this with two weekly email announcements: an email on Wednesday sharing news, upcoming events, and other details and one on Saturday sharing the details of the upcoming Sunday service. If you would like to have these announcements in your inbox, let the office know so we can put you on our list.



Wilmot Online

You can find Wilmot at facebook.com/ wilmotunited or on YouTube at youtube.com/ @wilmotUnitedChurch. We also have a Google account where people can leave reviews. Leaving a review that describes your sense of Wilmot can help those searching for a congregation find the right fit for them.

Exciting Online News: Watch for our new web site which will be launched soon.



Randy Randall

Our Custodian

Randy Randall, our custodian has been part of our church family for 20 years. We enjoy his welcoming smile and his helpful ways.

His working hours are: 8:30 to 5:00 pm, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, with lunch break 12:00 noon to 1:00 PM.



Wilmot Door Supervisors

If you're attending a function or meeting outside our office hours, you're likely going to meet a Wilmot Supervisor. Our evening/ weekend door supervisors are Arik Cornish, Alex Ebbett, Jacob Ebbett, Nathan Gorey, Greg Blake, Shealynn Harnish, and Colton Gough. We are also in the process of bringing a few more people to the team, so this list is expected to grow.

Access to Wilmot



For access to our church building, please ring the doorbell button on the right side of the Carleton Street Door. Outside of Office Hours, you can also call the Wilmot Hall/Kitchen phone 506-452-0219



Covid Protocols - Fall 2023

At the time of publishing this booklet, we have no masking, social distancing, or hand sanitizing requirements. However, we aim to respect everyone's comfort level. You are welcome to wear a mask, hand sanitizing solution is available, and extra space is available in the balcony during worship. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the Office or the minister. We will continue to monitor the situation and adapt our protocols as appropriate.



Wilmot Church Council

Wilmot Church Council is the official governing body of the congregation, providing support and guidance to committees, groups and individuals. It also facilitates communication among various parts of the congregation. Our Council meets the 4th Wednesday in the months of March, May, September and November, 7:00 to 9:00 pm in the Board Room. Between meetings, the Council Executive, consisting of chair, secretary, treasurer, two Council representatives, and the clergy acts on behalf of Council.

Rotating Chairpersons: Lynn Fullerton, Lynn MacKinnon, Mary Lynn Cameron, and Angela Wrobel.



Ministry and Personnel Committee

Members of the Ministry and Personnel Committee provide support, consultation and supervision for our clergy and staff. They facilitate communication between congregation, clergy and staff members. The Committee also carries out typical human resource functions, such as salaries, benefits, working conditions, annual reviews, etc. Members meet monthly at a mutually agreeable time or as needed.

Chairperson: Judy Coates: 506-454-5631

judycoates@rogers.com;



Finance and Property Committee

Our Finance and Property Committee is responsible for the stewardship of our financial and physical resources. It develops the annual budget, oversees our investments, and ensures all our financial commitments are met. Members keep the congregation informed about our financial situation at regular intervals. The Committee is responsible for all property



concerns of Wilmot United Church and the old Manse, including repairs, renovations, and maintenance. Also, it ensures the proper management of the Fredericton Rural Cemetery, complying with the provisions of the NB Cemetery Act. Members meet four times a year, September, November, March, and May, with additional meetings called as needed.

Contact: Peter Curtis peter.curtis57@gmail.com



Rental Space

Wilmot is a large building centrally located in downtown Fredericton with a variety of room sizes and a massive kitchen. Our spaces are available to rent for events, clubs, teams, and activities. Discounts are provided for nonprofit organizations and anyone booking more than six hours of space. For more information, contact the office at:

506-458-1066



Worship Committee

Gathering for worship is the sustaining foundation of our Wilmot church family. The Worship Committee reviews past worship services and supports our minister in planning future worship experiences. It is responsible for preparing the elements for our Communion services throughout the year and arranges for our annual Anniversary Sunday guest speaker. When pulpit supply is needed, it liaises with the M & P Committee to provide Sunday worship leaders. Ushers and greeters are recruited by the sign-up coordinator. It also receives and approves requests for baptisms and marriages to be celebrated at Wilmot. New members are always welcome to join us!

Contact: Angela Wrobel, 506-472-8234 ajwrobel2@gmail.com



Sanctuary Committee

The Sanctuary Committee is responsible for ensuring that the sanctuary is properly arranged (i.e., tapestries, pulpit and communion cloths, flower arrangements, candles, and seasonal decorations) according to the liturgical calendar. These are all things that serve to enrich our worship services throughout the year.

Contact: Barbara Frame, bcframe1@gmail.com

Formats for Worship

At Wilmot we love to share and expand upon the many seasons of church life including a wide variety of special days in our faith journey. We offer weekly worship in person at 11:00a.m. At the same time we also live stream the service for folks who cannot make it physically to our location. If you wish to catch up later, our services are also uploaded to Wilmot United Church YouTube after each live service. During the church year we also share some services with our neighbouring churches of St. Paul's United Church and St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church which enrich our faith experiences.

Contact: Rev. Mary Tingley 506-230-1000 marytingley.wilmotuc@gmail.com



Audio Visual Team

Live streaming, Zoom and YouTube of our worship services are produced by our Audio Visual Team. Additional volunteers are needed, and training is available.

Contact: Craig Frame, 506-459-4732 craig.frame1@gmail.com





FAITH FORMATION

The Faith Formation Committee is actively committed to the development, encouragement, and oversight of programs and opportunities to foster spiritual growth and development; education; fellowship; and fun all the while engaging the spirit of the Wilmot church community.

Faith Formation participates with the UNB Campus Ministry along with other area churches.

Contact: Mary Lynn Cameron 902-664-8980 marylynn.cameron4@gmail.com



Children and Youth

We are happy that Amy Foster-McAllister will be returning as our Children and Youth Co-

Ordinator. Godly Play was introduced last year and she will be continuing her work with this important ministry for our children. We will also see Amy on Sunday mornings when she often leads the "Young and Young at Hear."





What is Godly Play? Godly Play is a creative, imaginative approach to Christian formation and spiritual guidance. Using the Montessori Foundation, it values process, openness, community and relationships. It is being offered to our children on Sunday mornings during the scheduled Sunday School time. If you need more information, or would like to help, contact:

Contact: Amy Foster-McAllister 613-323-5521 amyefoster123@gmail.com



Youth Groups

In collaboration with St. Paul's United Church we will be continuing a Downtown United Youth Group for ages 10 (grade 4) -18.

Meetings will be Sunday evenings from 6:30 pm to 8 pm, with the first meeting taking place on Sunday, September 10, 2023. Location details will be made available to interested parties via email. Please see sign up sheet downstairs at coffee and conversation. A time for gathering conversation, learning, mentorship, fellowship, outings and activities will be offered.

Contact: Amy Foster-McAllister 613-323-5521 amyefoster123@gmail.com

<u>Youth Group Fundraising</u> is ongoing. Continue to save your refundable bottles and cans. The recyclables can be dropped off at the church during open hours. Proceeds are used for youth activities.



Adult Bible Conversation

The adult bible conversation group meets before Sunday worship at 9:30 to 10:45 AM (Atlantic time). People participate physically in the Board Room on the 2nd floor and virtually via Zoom. To receive the reading materials and the Zoom address, please send your request and Email address to the church office (wilmotuc@nb.sympatico.ca). The first meeting for the season will be on the Sunday immediately following "welcome back Sunday" in September.

2023 Revised Common Lectionary Sundays & Special Days Calendar

The group engages with the lectionary readings for the particular Sunday of the Revised Common Lectionary shared by Christian churches throughout the world (cf. https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu). This group is a safe and welcoming environment for participants to respectfully exchange our various life experiences and often differing opinions concerning our faith. We seek relevance for today with the stories that go back several thousand years of our historical Christian journey.



(Although the title of the group contains the word "adult", teenagers also may find the discussions interesting and have opinions to share with the group, in person or online.)

For any additional information:

Contact: Norm Laverty

506-455-3349 lavertynw@gmail.com Lois MacDougall 506-455-2157 or any other group member.



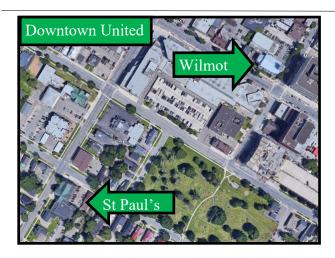
Faith Exploration

Wilmot Seekers Group will resume their conversations in 2024. Please watch for dates, times and location in the weekly announcements. Our participants come from various congregations and from many stages in their faith journey. Our meetings are not unlike those of the first century, whose followers were not fully Christian nor Jew, but gathered as "God-Seekers", questioning, and listening.

We choose relevant books by current authors for our conversations. Our facilitator for these conversations will be Rev. Mary Tingley. Participants may send her any quotations or questions that they may have and these could be considered for each upcoming meeting.

Contact: Rev. Mary Tingley 506-230-1000 marytingley.wilmotuc@gmail.com





Downtown United

Wilmot and St. Paul's responded to a generous gift from J. W. Bud Bird by forming a joint committee to examine how we might enhance Downtown United so that the two Churches might thrive and through collaboration be of greater service to the Fredericton community. The committee is composed of four people from St. Paul's (Rev. Michelle Armstrong, Ralph Simpson, Derrick Grant and Mel McGuigan) and four people from Wilmot (Rev. Mary Tingley, Hilary Drain, Dana Hanson and Craig Frame).

The committee has worked with Cathy Stewart and Marijke Strong of Credence & Co. to hold a number of events meant to help the congregations of Wilmot and St. Paul's to reflect on their joys and challenges and dream about what we might become were we to strengthen our collaboration. A final report will be available this fall which summarizes this work and provides a blueprint for further collaboration.

Contact: Craig Frame 506-459-4732 craig.frame1@gmail.com

Wilmot Flats



Fredericton Housing First/ United Way Project. A place to call home for 4 very happy people!

With the help from Wilmot members, family & friends, 4 one-bedroom apartments were ready to be rented on June 1st, 2023 for folks who were without a home. In the



spring of 2022, King Construction started demolition on Levels 2 & 3 of the Old Manse. The Wilmot crew rolled up their sleeves starting in August 2022 with priming, painting and assembling Ikea kitchen cabinets. UCW generous donations of towels, bathroom amenities, kitchen utensils, dishes, etc. were complemented with beautiful quilts from the Quilters and bedding, furniture, financial donations and more from members of the church and Fredericton community.

Contact: Steven MacKenzie 506-472-1299 sjmackenzie@bellaliant.net







The Radical Hospitality Committee

members reach out to the congregation to make everyone feel welcome, hosting and helping with events that strive for inclusion and an opportunity to meet. We assist in our intentional welcome of the 2SLGBTQI+ community and seek paths of exploring other areas where the congregation wishes to strengthen its welcome. Members are always open to be approached for any questions or ideas anyone has to offer. We meet for one hour in the evening, once a month at the Church, or as needed to prepare for an event. Stay tuned for some exciting events such as bowling, sleigh ride, P.I.E Day, Movie Night, Pride Parade and a spin on Coffee and Conversation.

Contact: Derek Ness derek.ness@unb.ca



Rainbow Brunch is a gathering of Wilmot LGBTQ12S+ members and allies. We come together to share a potluck meal and conversation. We encourage members of other congregations to join us. Details on dates and times will be in the bulletin.



Our <u>Progressive Dinner</u> has become part of the Christmas season at Wilmot. Adults are invited to a planned potluck dinner with various courses held in different venues. After we enjoy delicious appetizers, main course and desserts, the evening ends with a carol sing. Details and actual dinner date will be announced at a future date.



"Guess WHAT's Coming for Dinner" will be held on World Food Sunday, October 15 at 5:00 pm. The whole church family and friends are invited to an unplanned potluck supper in the gym. What we have to eat will depend solely on what people bring. Perhaps there will only be desserts!! Forget about Canada's Food Guide for one meal and join the crowd for good food, warm fellowship, and lots of fun. Details will be announced closer to the date.



Coffee & Conversation

Each Sunday after worship there is a stream of people heading to the gym for coffee and conversation. This is an opportunity to meet some new people, catch up with friends, hear about happenings within the church, and enjoy a cup of coffee/tea/juice and some treats. Hosts are needed for this important congregational activity. If you can help, contact

Derek Ness derek.ness@unb.ca.



Morning Out Group

Our Group meets regularly Thursday mornings throughout the year, in the parlour from 9am till whenever! Although previously called the Ouilters we have extended our group for those of us using needles – whether it is for hand quilting, sewing, knitting, rug hooking etc. Occasionally we choose a sewing project and all bring our machines to create beautiful items. Tea is served around 11am often with a delicious snack. Join us with your own work, join us at the quilt or learn to quilt and have a social relaxing time amongst friends.

Contacts: Linda Gough 506-456-3706 or Gill Keyser 506-455-4029



United Church Women (UCW)

Our UCW members include Wilmoters and others from beyond the community. We are delighted to have members of St Paul's UCW join us at our meetings. We meet regularly each month for fellowship and social gatherings from September to June, usually the second Monday of the month except on holiday weekends, from 1pm to 3pm in the Parlour. Our meetings include a program provided by a member, or a visiting speaker, or a chosen activity - followed by a business meeting and lunch. During our

business meeting we share concerns and celebrations, plan and organize our fund raising initiatives and discuss expenditures. We hold a number of fund-raising events during the year:



Foodless Food Sale in February Donations welcome



New this year – Fabric and Yarn Sale and Tea in conjunction with St Paul's UCW and Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers – Sept 30



RUMMAGE Spring and Fall Rummage Sale October 27-28 and April 2024



Apple Pie Making November 9 and 10



Bake and New-to-You Sale December 1

We appreciate all volunteers who help with our events and we always welcome new members. Watch for our events in Wilmot's Online Weekly Announcements.

Contacts: Nancy Chase, 506-366-5826 or Linda Gough, 506-459-3706

Note: Rummage Sale donations for the Spring and Fall sales are welcomed at any time and can be stored on the gym stage whenever the office is open.



Pastoral Care Committee

"Pastoral Care is at the heart of almost all of the activities that take place in our congregation. Many acts of pastoral care are not known to the congregation but form part of the bedrock of Wilmot." (This quotation is taken from Wilmot's 2019 Annual Report.) The Pastoral Care Committee is an umbrella group of those who care for others.

Chairperson: Ann Morwood 506-472-1542 eannmor@icloud.com



Prayer Shawl Ministry

There is a friendly group of members who invite all knitters, crocheters, and those wanting to learn, to join them the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Parlour, to create prayer shawls for those in need of comfort or celebrating a baby's birth. Some produce shawls at home and bring them to the group, where each shawl is blessed before being sent on its way to someone within or beyond our congregation. Amazing colours and patterns emerge as dedicated fingers support this ministry.

Contact: Jilanna Eagles 506-472-6925 jilanna.eagles@gmail.com



Our **Prayer Circle** confidentially holds those who are experiencing difficult times in their prayers.

Contact: Guy Vezina colvez@nbnet.nb.ca



The <u>Circle of Care</u> is a group of people that provides tangible support for individuals recovering from illness, surgery or loss. Individuals are called upon as needed to provide a variety of dishes or meals, such as casseroles, soups, rolls, muffins, cookies, etc. Transportation for medical appointments can also be arranged. If you would like to join the Circle of Care to provide support, or you are in need of support, contact our coordinator.

Contact: Joan MacDonald 506-459-7569

Our love for God is measured by our everyday fellowship with others and the love it displays.



Learning and Living into Right Relations

At our Annual Meeting in February 2023, we committed to undertake a journey of Learning and Living into Right Relations with Indigenous neighbours. To support this commitment the Indigenous Relations Committee invited all Wilmoters to learn more about Indigenous People over the summer and prepared a package of resources to help.

Over the fall, there will be a number of learning opportunities including discussions based on some of the books/videos in the summer resource list and a tour of the Beaverbrook Art Gallery. Watch the weekly announcements for details and dates and times.

Some of our learning will happen in worship. On Sunday, September 24, we will celebrate National Truth and Reconciliation Day and Orange Shirt Day. Everyone is encouraged to wear Orange to worship that day. On Anniversary Sunday, November 19, our guest speaker will be Stephen Dutcher, UNB adjunct History professor with expertise in Indigenous treaties and rights. He will also facilitate a special learning session following the worship service.

In March 2024, our Council will vote on a remit that would permit and facilitate the establishment of an autonomous National Indigenous Organization within the United Church of Canada. Further information about the remit will be provided in the new year. The Indigenous Relations Committee encourages everyone to undertake this

journey toward Right Relations and we welcome your questions, comments, and suggestions. We also commend our UCW who made a generous donation through the National UCW to the UCC Healing Fund to support programs for women and children that focus on healing intergenerational trauma.

Committee Members: Shirley Cleave, Kathryn Downton, Jilanna Eagles, John Leroux, Marilyn Luscombe, and Rev. Mary Tingley



Wilmot Information Team

Wilmot Information Team (WIT) is a committee that issues and promotes information about our congregation, its programs, and major events throughout the church year. It meets at the call of the ministry team when informational promotions need to be accomplished and distributed. Rev. Mary Tingley is our liaison with Council and the Ministry Team; Nancy Bauer is our liaison with the Worship Committee; Rick Patterson collates, formats, and provides graphics for special publications, for the church office to print copies and/or upload on our website. The Program Guide which you are now reading is a product of our Team.

Contact: Lucille Caseley, 506-457-2642 lgcaseley@gmail.ca



Congregational Life



Outreach Committee

There are so many possibilities available for folk, no matter their age, interests or talents to share their time for others, opportunities that Wilmot's Outreach Committee supports. The Committee meets the first Wednesday, bi-monthly, 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Check us out...become a member of the Outreach Committee and/or help with a specific project!

Contact: Sally McAllister
sallywmcallister@gmail.com or
Lynn MacKinnon
mimack@nbnet.nb.ca

Wednesdays at Wilmot, from September to June, 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm, we offer an outreach opportunity to individuals who may need a listening ear, information, lunch, food vouchers, bus tickets and haircuts. We welcome donations of cookies, baking, non-perishable food, etc. and financial support to the Benevolent Fund from which vouchers are purchased. Four volunteer teams of 8 to 10 people (many of whom are non-Wilmoters) ensure this program happens. New volunteers welcome.

Contact: Rita Roach Reetie2012@gmail.com





Donations of Food/ Personal Supplies

from the congregation are used by the Wednesdays at Wilmot program.

Non-perishable food, mittens, socks, personal hygiene items may be dropped off at the church during office hours. Watch weekly announcements for needs at specific times.



Saturday Evening Drop-in,

6:00 until 8:30 pm, offers a place to

socialize, play cards or pool as well as other activities in an atmosphere of friendship. Food provided by the Abbey Café as well as snacks are enjoyed. Volunteer teams rotate over a 4 to 5 week period, being responsible for set up, serving, socializing with guests and clean up.

Contact: Guy Vezina colvez@nbnet.nb.ca or Jon Sweeney sweeneyjonathan0@gmail.com



Access to Justice

We educate ourselves and write our concerns for Access to Justice for those without sufficient economic means to bring their needs to government. Learning and understanding is necessary for social justice, and we use various formats during and outside of Sunday worship to present justice issues. You can bring your ideas or wishes to explore a topic/issue for an Educational Event to the Outreach Committee.

Contact: Lynn MacKinnon, 506-999-3126 mlmack@nbnet.nb.ca

Supporting Community

Whenever possible, the Outreach Committee and our UCW provides financial support to community and global organizations/projects.



Fair Trade Cupboard

The fair trade cupboard has coffee, tea, chocolate, olive oil and crafts in their brightly painted cupboard in the gym during Coffee & Conversation and at other gatherings. Wilmot is committed to using Fair Trade Coffee, specifically Breaking the Silence blend, which is produced from a coffee co-operative in Guatemala. We also sell coffee and other products from Just Us Coffee Roasters and sometimes crafts produced by indigenous peoples' cooperatives in Guatemala and have added Extra Virgin Olive Oil and Soap from Palestine. Our goal is to promote and distribute fair trade products which puts more profit into the hands of the producers.

Contact: Melva Curtis 506-459-4828 peter.curtis57@gmail.com



Soup's On!

Outreach Committee serves a delicious Soup Lunch to nourish our bodies and foster our community spirit. These lunches help fund our projects or support other specific needs. Volunteers are welcomed to help prepare soup on Saturday morning and set up and clean up on Sunday. Watch for dates in our bulletins and on our website.



Heritage Project

The heritage project repairs continued from 2022 to 2023 on the Manse exterior masonry. This project was wrapped up in 2023.

The next phases of Heritage Repair projects that were identified for the Church and the Manse did not proceed in 2023. The projects included the site work and foundation repairs. These projects were tendered, however the costs that were returned are much higher than anticipated. The *Engineer* has been retained to look at options to facilitate completing the necessary repairs and staying in line with cost limitations.

The *Engineer* has also been retained to provide an assessment of the condition of the roof and an estimate for work in the Sanctuary. This will allow us to understand the major costs associated with the Church and create a plan for the direction that we should be moving.

If you have any questions regarding the Heritage Projects, please contact:

Greg Black blackbegr@outlook.com



Wilmot Writers

For over 18 years the Wilmot Writers have gathered in the parlour on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month summers included, to share what we have written, a cup of tea, and the big events of our lives. Several books have been published out of our meetings, and many novels, stories, poems, and essays. We are a friendly, non-judgemental, and helpful assembly, welcoming everyone. At the moment half the members of our group are Wilmoters, half are not. For more information contact:

Contact: Nancy Bauer 506-455-8169 wbauer@nbnet.nb.ca



The Cuba Twinning Committee is in the process of gearing up its activities after the hiatus during the COVID19 pandemic. It has, however, maintained contact with its friends in Cuba through Email and WhatsApp.

The Committee has a twinning relationship with the Protestant Theological Seminary (SET) in Matanzas, Cuba (cf. Seminario

Evangélico de Teología (setcuba.org)). Wilmot shares with the Seminary a keen interest in community projects that have a wide variety of focuses: music, art, handicrafts, organic gardening, dairy production, social problems, seniors' needs, needs of the handicapped, as well as theology for modern times. In consequence, the Committee has relations with a number of faith groups throughout Cuba. Although the Committee wishes to be helpful to these endeavours, the prime motivation is to learn from our Cuban brothers and sisters, and secular companions in a continental and world context.

The Committee hopes to start again its
Spanish sessions that will be of interest to
those fluent in Spanish, those who may be
complete beginners, and everyone in between.
These sessions will be of use to travelers, to
those who want to start up a relationship with
Spanish-speaking persons living in
Fredericton, and to anyone who wants to
know more or to share information about
Latin culture in the Americas, Europe or
Africa.

The Committee is also in contact with other similar groups in the Maritimes and elsewhere in Canada who wish to resume, after the pandemic, exchange visits for the youth and the young at heart. The Committee is also open to additional ideas that individuals may wish to explore. For more information, please contact in person, telephone, or by Email:

Greg Black - Committee chair 506-470-5546 blackbegr@outlook.com

America Laverty 506-455-3349 americallaverty@gmail.com

Norman Laverty 506-455-3349 lavertynw@gmail.com

Meca and Norman are away from Wednesday Aug 23rd until after Thanksgiving. Our phone number at Meca's sister's apartment is 416-538-4087.



Wilmot Book Club

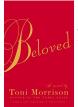
If you enjoy reading and lively conversation, the Wilmot United Book Club might just be for you. The club meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm and always welcomes newcomers. From award winners to classics and biographies to international fiction, we cover a wide variety of genres throughout the year. We intentionally choose books that are readily available from the library. Everyone is invited to join us in the Church Parlour for engaging discussion and a cup of tea and sweets. The schedule for the fall is below.



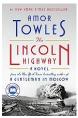
Sept. 26 - The Four Winds Kristin Hannah



Oct. 24 – Maid: Hard work, low pay, and a mother's will to survive. Stephanie Land



Nov. 28 – Beloved Toni Morrison



Dec. TBD – The Lincoln Highway Amor Towles

Would you like to join?

Contact: Shirley Cleave 506-459-7743 cleave@nb.sympatico.ca

Community PARTNERS

Wilmot church widens its walls to create a space to welcome Fredericton's community organizations. You can find information on each of them by browsing their websites and/or Facebook pages, or by calling our church office for their contact information.

- Fredericton Toy Library
- Narcotics Anonymous
- Big Brothers Big Sisters
- Higashi Kaze laido and Kendo Club
- Shivering/Sweltering Songs Festivals



Getting Involved

There are lots of opportunities for those looking to get more involved with church events or services. When it comes to Sunday worship, scripture readers, ushers, greeters and nursery helpers are always welcome. Livestream and sound training is available for those who'd like to assist with that. To get involved, you can contact the office (506-458-1066 or wilmotuc@nb.sympatico.ca) or use the Signup Genius link on our website.

See Free Concerts

Wilmot's sanctuary has wonderful acoustics, and this makes it an excellent choice for musicians and performers to rent. Wilmot provides evacuation volunteers for each concert (sometimes up to eight per show). These are people who have agreed to direct concert attendants to the various exits in the event of an emergency. They're given free attendance to the show. If you're interested in this, please contact the office.

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Position	Name	Email	Phone Number
Minister	Rev. Mary Tingley	marytingley.wilmotuc@gmail.com	506-230-1000
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Organist	Margaret MacDonald	wilmotuc@nb.sympatico.ca	506-458-1066
Office Administrators	Brenda Cameron Robyn Abbott	wilmotuc@nb.sympatico.ca	506-458-1066
Sexton	Randy Randall		506-452-0219
Children & Youth Coordinator	Amy Foster- McAllister	wilmotuc@nb.sympatico.ca	506-458-1066
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Special Worship Services and Congregational Events Fall of 2023

SEASON OF CREATION TIME

Sunday, Sept 10, Worship at 11:00 am **Welcome Back Sunday** Start of Creation Time to Oct 8th

Sunday, Sept 24, Worship at 11:00 am **Orange T-Shirt Day (Every Child Matters)**

Wednesday, Sept 27, 7:00 to 9:00 pm **Church Council Meeting**

Saturday, Sept 30, Fabric and Yarn Sale with Teal

Sunday, Oct 1, Worship at 11:00 am **World Wide Communion Sunday**

Sunday, Oct 8, Worship at 11:00 am **Thanksgiving Sunday**

Saturday Oct 14 and Sunday the 15, Wilmot Retreat (Watch for Notices)

Sunday, Oct 15, Worship at 11:00 am **World Food Sunday** 5:00 pm "Guess What's Coming to Dinner" (potluck)

Sunday, Oct 22, Worship at 11:00 am **Peace Sunday**

Thursday, Oct 26, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Set up for Fall Rummage Sale

Friday, Oct 27 9:00 am to 5:00 pm & Saturday, Oct 28 9:00 am to noon Fall Rummage Sale

Sunday, Oct 29, Worship at 11:00 am Reformation or All Saints Sunday

Sunday, Nov 5, Worship at 11:00 am Remembrance Sunday

Thursday & Friday, Nov 9 & 10 Apple Pie Making and Sale

Sunday, Nov 19, Worship at 11:00 am **Anniversary Sunday (Stephen Dutcher)** Soups On!

Wednesday, Nov 22, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm **Church Council Meeting**

Sunday, Nov 26, Worship at 11:00 am **Reign of Christ Sunday** Hanging of the Greens

Friday, Dec 1, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Bake and New-to-You Sale

SEASON OF ADVENT

Sunday, Dec 3, Worship at 11:00 am **Advent Communion**

Sunday, Dec 10, Worship at 11:00 am White Gift Sunday

Sunday, Dec 17, Worship at 11:00 am

Sunday, Dec 24, (Times TBA) **Christmas Eve Services**

Sunday, Dec 31, (Church may be closed) Watch for Updates

Please check our Sunday worship bulletin, our weekly email announcements, and our website wilmotuc.nb.ca for updates, changes and cancellations. We will keep you posted!





JOIN THE WALK WITH US! WE'RE MAKING FAITHFUL FOOTPRINTS

- Wilmot's Property Committee installed two heat pumps in 2023
- Shirley hangs her laundry to dry on her clothesline
- Lois rides her bike to meetings whenever/wherever possible
- Our UCW hosts two giant rummage sales each year
- Ellen collects recyclable bottles and cans for the Youth Group
- Peter shreds scrap paper for animal bedding
- Our office staff has greatly reduced paper use in a variety of ways
- Linda reduces paper towel use with cleaning rags for cleanup
- Lucille uses fabric remnants for quilt making and crafts
- Rick makes beautiful creations using scrap wood
- Carolyn buys local at the Fredericton Market
- Our Quilters Group has a puzzle borrowing library in the parlour
- Judy shares a R list (Recycle, Repurpose, Reuse, Reduce, Repair)
- Randy replaces Wilmot's light bulbs with LED bulbs
- Terri never buys a beverage can or bottle but carries a refillable container
- Marg drives a hybrid car
- Kathryn composts with vermiculture
- Wilmoters collected and sorted over 2,000 used books for their 2023 sale
- Our Church Kitchen recycles plastic, cans and paper
- Our Church Council has banned styrofoam cups
- Wednesday @ Wilmot solicits reusable grocery bags to distribute food to clients
- Norm offers transportation to others attending meetings
- Joan and Andy donated an energy efficient deepfreeze for our outreach work
- Many Wilmoters compost kitchen scraps
- Some repurpose gift wrap for special occasions
- Some check second hand shops before buying needed items
- Rick uses cold water cycle for washing clothes
- Some Wilmoters eat less red meat
- Some Wilmoters don gloves and carry a bag for garbage when they go for walks
- Some Wilmot gardeners use rain barrels and save grey water to water their gardens
- Our Outreach Committee sponsored a "Give It Up for the Earth" initiative for Lent 2023



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