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Come Worship with us at 10:30 am
 Preaching for us on Sunday, May 26th will be:
Rev. Cathy Stewart.
 Theme for Sunday: "Welcoming the stranger"

Scriptures for Sunday

Isaiah 56:3-8

Acts 8: 26-39

Please Pray For these people
 (Names will remain on the list for one month.
 Please ask to post again if necessary.)

- Patricia Parkin for healing
- Barb Richardson's mother Janice for healing from heart surgery.
- Ann Hendsbee and her family for healing.
- Inez for healing from surgery.
- 2 year old Adam Van den Ende with unknown blood infection.
- Klaus for healing from surgery. Friend of Pipe family.

PASTORAL CARE

Any pastoral needs should be addressed to Rev. Cathy Stewart by notifying the church office or calling Cathy at 905-928-0889 or email Cathy at cathystewart57@gmail.com.

Coming Events

"Tuesdays Nights on Pearl..."
 Stay tuned for the next film night... probably in June.

Child and Youth Cookie bake off The kids of Erskine will be making cookies for Erskine on May 26th. Prizes for best cookies. Ages 16 and under can enter.

June 23rd is the Annual Erskine Picnic in Victoria Park.
 The 10:30 outdoor Service will be led by Rev. David Moody followed by a BBQ. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided. If your last name starts with A-M, you are asked to bring a salad to share; N-Z please bring a dessert. Don't forget your folding chair or blanket. There will be a couple of games after lunch. Rain location will be the main Hall.

Search Team Update
 We have had numerous applications for the position of Minister here at Erskine. Our team has been reviewing applications as they are received, and following up with on-line introductory conversations with promising applicants. So far we have done 6 introductory conversations, and have 2 more planned for this week. We have completed one in-person interview and hope to have a second (possibly a third) in the coming weeks. Please continue to pray for our team and for the special person God is preparing to serve at Erskine.

Heather Hosten
 Chair, Search Team



Office hours for Church Administrator:

Tuesday—9:00—noon
 Wednesday—9:00-noon
 Thursday—9:00—noon

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The older kids will be going to the Fireside room and the younger kid will be in the West Nursery this Sunday during service this week. There will be an adult in the nursery if you wish to have someone watch your baby or toddler during service.



Rev. Cathy Stewart will be preaching until this Sunday. She will be providing pastoral care until we get a new minister. For pastoral needs, depending on urgency, please call or leave a message at the church office or with your shepherd. We will make sure the right person gets in contact with you promptly.

Session News:

Liz Sadler will be Acting Clerk of Session for the next several months.

Next Session meeting is on June 20th at 7pm.

Church of the Ascension is having a Rock'n Roll Dance Saturday, May 25th at The Church of the Ascension from 8pm to 11pm.

Tickets \$10/per person Includes 50/50 Draw, Cash Bar, Door Prizes

Join us for a fun, good old-fashioned rock and roll dance featuring the Fender Benders band from Cambridge, Ontario.

Refugee Donations Jamil and his 3 sons Raed (14) , Rami (12) and Ramez (10) will be moving into an apartment on Oxford Street on May 1st. Thank you, Erskine family, for the donations to help set them up in their new home. We have collected everything on the list.

Our minister for most of June will be Rev. George Beales. The Rev. George Beals has been a Minister within the Presbyterian Church in Canada for 41 years. He has served in congregations in Prince Edward island, Madoc, Richmond Hill and Hamilton, Ontario. George's last charge was that of The Church of St. John and St. Andrew & St David's P. C. in Hamilton, from which he retired in 2015. Over the past four years he has provided Sunday Supply to congregations throughout the Presbytery of Hamilton. George is married to Sue (Roulston); they are the parents of three adult children - Daniel, Aaron and Sherry; and three grandchildren - Nate, Josh and Solomon.

Our bookkeeper, Lisa Tkach, will be in the office every other Thursday from 1pm to 3pm

(see the online calendar).

Any bills that need to be paid, will be handled at that time. Bills can be left in the office or in the office mail slot.