



News From the Edge

Church Community Update November 2023

Fall has provided some exciting steps forward as the EDGE Committee met with AUC's new Project Manager, Scott McIvor, from the Dalton Company to review the construction plan for the Aurora United Church building.

Here are some of the updates we are excited about:

- The Dalton Company provided the EDGE committee with a Preliminary Construction Schedule that maps out the timelines of the project clearly identifying the milestones with dates.
- Construction scheduled to begin mid-October 2023 with the completion of the exterior slated for September 2024 at which time the interior work will commence.
- Substantial Performance, which by definition means the building is ready for its intended use, is slated for May 2025.
- Dalton has created spacious meeting rooms and work spaces in the basement of the church for their ongoing work.
- Currently the form work is being constructed for the two stair towers.

As the Amica building has been surging ahead in the past months, soon the AUC building will take the dominant role as the building rises up to meet the sky.

EDGE and our construction teams continue to search for savings in time and cost. Through value engineering, by identifying our priorities and deferring some building features to a later date, substantial savings have already been discovered.



Prayer Shawl Crafter Circle

- ~gather with others who are preparing prayer shawls for our ministry.
- ~creating, supporting, sharing crafting ideas, techniques, fellowship.

All are welcome to attend—seasoned and beginner crafters alike. **1pm Thurs. Feb. 1st** ~ Historic Chapel



Funday Sunday -Children's Program

The Funday Sunday Children's Program is for children from Grades 1-4. Children go downstairs to Binions Hall following the lighting of the orange candle.

Children will return upstairs following the service.



Book Sale - Save the Date

Saturday April 20, 10 am-2pm

Drop-off Friday 19, 4-7 pm
and Sat 20, 8-10 am

NO hard cover please

The deadline for submissions to the 2023 Annual Report is Friday, February 16, 2024



Save the date for the AGM - Sunday March 17, following worship!



Donate Your Containers

Rise and Shine is looking for take away containers for food delivery. Please pre-wash, and the teams will sterilize them.

Drop off in office or leave with Welcome Table .

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Aurora United Church

January 28, 2024~11 am

Church Office Hours 9 am ~ 12 pm (noon) Monday ~ Thursday

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Annual License w/Podcasting, no. A-718074 for Mar 01, 2023- Feb 28, 2024

Hearing assists available from the volunteer in the sound booth.



January 28st to February 4th~ Epiphany 4

Sun. Jan 28 Cash card delivery	11 am—Worship ~ Epiphany 4 11:15—Funday Sunday ~ children's program
Mon. Jan 29	4 pm- 6 pm —Embellished ~ Binions Hall 7 pm—9 pm— Worship Committee ~ Minister's office
Tues. Jan 30	
Wed. Jan 31	5 pm—Welcome Table ~ Trinity Anglican 5:15 pm – 6:45 pm – Faith-A-Peal, Handbells ~ Sanctuary
Thurs. Feb 1	11:30 am – 1 pm – Martha's Table ~ St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church 1 pm—3 pm – Prayer Shawl Crafters Circle ~ Historic Chapel 7 pm – 8:30 pm—Chancel Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
Sat. Feb 3	9:30 am -10:30 am—Rise & Shine Breakfast ~ Binions Hall
Sun. Feb 4	11 am - Worship ~ Epiphany 5 11:15—Funday Sunday ~ children's program



AUC Rising From The Ashes Capital Fundraising Campaign

Please join us following worship today for lunch and the presentation of our new capital fundraising campaign, **AUC Rising From The Ashes**. Joining us will be Laurie Irwin (LEI Consulting Inc.) and Mary Lynne Stewart (Mary Lynne Stewart and Associates – MLS), the consulting team who are providing the campaign planning and implementation.

Hope you can join us for this special presentation!

The Life and Work of our Congregation continues.....