



## News From the Edge

### Church Community Update February 2024

While winter is a time for sleep in nature, there is no sleep where our church construction is concerned.

Our construction teams have come a long way in securing tenders from the trades in preparation for each phase of construction, to ensure we meet our critical timelines. The trustees of AUC continue to keep a close eye on the funds available while releasing approvals as needed to keep things moving forward.

Here are some of the updates we are excited about:

The two elevator/stairway shafts, one being at the Northwest corner of our footprint, and the other being at the Southeast corner which will be in the Tower, rise up to complete the concrete work of our construction contracts.

The structural steel is the next big step forward and will commence early March. This is when the form of the church building will begin to be revealed.

If we engage our imaginations we may see – the bones of the building forming and witness first hand – the Pheonix Rising!

The EDGE Committee continues the work of monitoring the progress of the construction project. Recently, EDGE has focused on the interior work for the identified priority areas of the church, and in doing so, assisting the efforts of the Fundraising Team.

### Lenten Study Group on Zoom

Lent is almost here; instead of giving something up, why not think about what you would like to learn from your journey this year? Grief, anxiety, hope, love, pain, despair, awe—many emotions are used to describe our relationship with all of Creation. What is your personal, physical, and spiritual relationship with God's Creation?

Copies of the book are available after church on Sunday morning and



through the week from Suzanne in the office.

Books are \$16.

*You do not need to have the book to join the study group!*

Every Wednesday from February 21 to March 27 at 7:00 pm

Check out the AUC website for the Zoom link:  
[www.auroraunitedchurch.ca/news/act-fast-lenten-study-group](http://www.auroraunitedchurch.ca/news/act-fast-lenten-study-group)



### Movie Night

*Cher and Nicolas Cage*

**Moonstruck**  
Tues Feb. 13, 7pm,  
Historic Chapel

*Honouring the life and legacy of Norman Jewison.*

### Shrove/Pancake Tuesday



Trinity Anglican Church  
Tues. Feb. 13th, 5-7 pm  
\$5 individual/\$20 family  
*Shrove Tuesday is the day before Lent and comes from 'shriven' meaning to go to confession. Pancakes are a way of using up all the fattening ingredients in the house before Lent.*

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



**Save the date for the AGM - Sunday March 17,**

**Contacting Our Church Staff by Phone 905-727-1935 or Email**

**Rev. Lorraine Newton-Comar x 23** Minister of Worship & Pastoral Care  
**Rev. Andy Comar x 22** Minister of Faith Formation & Pastoral Care  
**Suzanne Whitehurst x 21** Secretary  
**Trevor Gibbs x 24** Bookkeeper  
**Margaret Heney x 26** Music Coordinator  
**Lisa Kyriakides x 27** Handbell Choir Director

[lorraine@auroraunitedchurch.ca](mailto:lorraine@auroraunitedchurch.ca)  
[andy@auroraunitedchurch.ca](mailto:andy@auroraunitedchurch.ca)  
[info@auroraunitedchurch.ca](mailto:info@auroraunitedchurch.ca)  
[bookkeeper@auroraunitedchurch.ca](mailto:bookkeeper@auroraunitedchurch.ca)  
[margaret@auroraunitedchurch.ca](mailto:margaret@auroraunitedchurch.ca)  
[handbells@auroraunitedchurch.ca](mailto:handbells@auroraunitedchurch.ca)



## Aurora United Church

February 11, 2024~11 am

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

Aurora United Church Office 905-727-1935 x 21 ~ [www.auroraunitedchurch.ca](http://www.auroraunitedchurch.ca)

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

Hearing assists available from the volunteer in the sound booth.



### February 11th to February 18th ~ Transfiguration

Sun. Feb 11 cash card order	11 am—Worship ~ Transfiguration (Communion) 11:15—Funday Sunday ~ children's program
Mon. Feb 12	4 pm—6 pm —Embellished ~ Binions Hall 7 pm—9 pm — AUC Council ~ Zoom
Tue. Feb 13	7 pm — Movie Night ~ Moonstruck ~Historic Chapel
Wed. Feb 14 Ash Wednesday	10:30 am Chartwell Park Place ~ Service 10am—2 pm — Community Café ~ St Andrew's Presbyterian Church 5 pm—Welcome Table ~ Trinity Anglican 5:15 pm — 6:45 pm — Faith-A-Peal, Handbells ~ Sanctuary 7 pm—8:15pm — Bellissimo, Handbells
Thurs. Feb 15	11:30 am — 1 pm — Martha's Table ~ St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church 7 pm — 8:30 pm—Chancel Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
Sat. Feb 17	9:30 am –10:30 am—Rise & Shine Breakfast ~ Binions Hall
Sun. Feb 18 cash card delivery	11 am - Worship ~ Lent 1



The AUC Rising From The Ashes capital fundraising campaign was launched following worship on Sunday January 28th. 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 made a presentation to the congregation. Brian North, chair of the EDGE Property Committee also updated the congregation on the status of the building project.

Check out the AUC website to watch the video presentation, view the PowerPoint presentation, read more about the campaign and see how you can make a donation today. Just click on the AUC Rising From The Ashes scrolling banner.



### Coffee Time After Worship

We hope you will stay following Worship...  
to greet friends, ~ old and new.

### Sunday Morning Nursery

If you are interested in serving as a Nursery volunteer (ages teen to adult) contact the office at: [info@auroraunitedchurch.ca](mailto:info@auroraunitedchurch.ca)



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