

## Jan's Journal



On this fifth Sunday after Epiphany, we explore the question:  
“How does Jesus teach us to live?”

The scripture passages chosen for this week, call for and celebrate a life of faithfulness in the world, in the public arena, where faith functions openly and social injustices are addressed.

Please plan to stay following worship this Sunday. The Support Group will be hosting a **Valentines Lunch and Bake Sale**. Proceeds from this annual event support a student, Joseph, in Tekera, Uganda, to continue his education.

February is Black History month. You will see that theme woven throughout our February worship services.

Lent is fast approaching! As usual, the **Ash Wednesday** service will be a joint service with West Plains United Church, held here at East Plains. **February 18<sup>th</sup>** is Ash Wednesday. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the service at **1:30 p.m.** There will be refreshments following the service, provided by the Support Group.

If you are interested in the issue of affordable housing, Community Development Halton is inviting you to attend **“Thinking Beyond the Market.”** This is the screening of a film of the same title, by Dr. Brian Doucet, University of Waterloo, School of Planning, Faculty of Environmental Studies. The film will be shown at Film.ca, 171 Speers Road, Oakville, on **Thursday February 19<sup>th</sup>, at 6 p.m.** The film will be followed by a period of Q&A with Dr. Doucet. Pre-registration is required. If you are interested, please let me know and I can send you the registration details.

Would you be interested in learning more about Dementia? Horseshoe Falls Regional Council is offering a workshop on Dementia on **Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup>** between 7-8:30 p.m. The presenter is Janet Kennedy. It is a Zoom presentation. If you are interested, you need to register to receive the Zoom link. You can do that on the Horseshoe Falls Regional Council website: [hfrcucc.ca](http://hfrcucc.ca)

The **Annual Meeting for 2025** will be held following worship on **April 19, 2026**. If you are the Chair of a Ministry Team, please submit a report for the Annual Report to the church office by the end of March.

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Blessings,

Pastor Jan