

# Chalmers' Spirit

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The Salvation Army kicks off it's Kettle Campaign this month. The shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child are due back on Sunday, November 16th.

The Christmas season will even begin to make an appearance this month with the Mary Moffat Everything Christmas Sale on Satur-

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Always  
&  
Forever



## Photo Time!



**The youth group held The Great Turkey Trek on Thanksgiving weekend and welcomed high school students, young adults and grade 7&8 students. They were divided into groups and had to visit 8 houses around Arthur Stringer: The Posers, The Hunters, The Bannermans, The Balls, Bev Cameron, Liz Gough, The Thorpes and the Taylors. At each house they had to collect one item, which went into their bag. After they had collected all 8 items, they had to return to the first house they visited, hand over the gift bag (as a thank you to the host families) and receive some puzzle pieces. Kim, Abbey and I had pitched a tent in the field behind Arthur Stringer and when all of the teams returned, they had to solve the puzzle. We had a fabulous time!!!**



## The Great Turkey Trek

## Grab a Book by Christine Hunter

**The Berenstain Bears go to Sunday School** by Stan & Jan Berenstain

The Berenstains are a family of Bears, Mama and Papa, brother and sister, and baby honey Bear. Sunday mornings have become a busy time for the Bear family, with soccer practice, ballet lessons, shopping and chores to be done. But Mama Bear's mind goes back to an earlier time in their lives when they used to go to church on Sunday mornings. The children would go to Sunday School – and looking back, she feels they were a much closer family at that time.

So Mama calls a family meeting and suggests that they should start back to church. Early rising on Sunday morning is not very popular. But once they get to the church and start meeting old friends, and neighbours and especially when they start to sing the old familiar words of the hymns, Mama and Papa Bear felt right at home.

Read about the adventures of this bear family as they try to bring some sense of purpose back into their family life.



**Morton the Magician** by Sheldon Casavant

Morton is a boy who loves magic. He reads every book he can find and then when he has read all he can find about magic .....he goes to the library. Well he has read all the books in the library too, so feeling a little disappointed he turns to leave. But at the last minute his eye catches a book that he has never seen before. Morton takes the book off the shelf ..... open it ..... and out pops a furry rabbit! And not just a furry rabbit ..... it talks too! Wow!

This is an exciting little book that your six or seven year old might like to read for themselves. But it would also be a fun book to read to a younger child.

**The Mystery of the African Gray** by Elspeth Campbell Murphy

This is quite a short book, and has big print, so is ideal for the younger reader. TCDC – that's the Three Cousins Detective Club - is a group of three cousins (surprise, surprise) who love to solve mysteries.

Mrs Simpson lives in the same apartment building as Titus and inherits an African Grey parrot when her Uncle Henry dies. She calls Titus one day when her parrot disappears! Can Titus find the parrot? Then a whole other mystery unfolds. I enjoyed following Titus, Timothy and Sarah-Jane on this adventure.....I hope you do too!

And once you have finished this book – there is another in the same series waiting to be read! The Mystery of the Butterfly Garden

Happy Reading,

Christine Hunter, Librarian

## Junior Youth by Linda Adamson

There were two junior youth plus me at Knox St. Thomas on Oct 12 for a night of fun, faith sharing and food. Total attending was about 14 kids plus leaders. We are hoping to host something at Chalmers in late November or early December and invite Knox and possibly another couple of churches to join us.



## Photo Time Again!



## CY Service



## Congregational Breakfast



# Take Time to Smile!

## FORREST GUMP GOES TO HEAVEN

The day finally arrived. Forrest Gump dies and goes to Heaven. He is at the Pearly Gates, met by St. Peter himself. However, the gates are closed, and Forrest approaches the gatekeeper.

St. Peter said, 'Well, Forrest, it is certainly good to see you. We have heard a lot about you. I must tell you, though, that the place is filling up fast, and we have been administering an entrance examination for everyone. The test is short, but you have to pass it before you can get into Heaven.'

Forrest responds, 'It sure is good to be here, St. Peter, sir. But, nobody ever told me about any entrance exam. I sure hope that the test ain't too hard. Life was a big enough test as it was.'

St. Peter continued, 'Yes, I know, Forrest, but the test is only three questions.'

First: What two days of the week begin with the letter T?

Second: How many seconds are there in a year?

Third: What is God's first name?

Forrest leaves to think the questions over. He returns the next day and sees St. Peter, who waves him up, and says, 'Now that you have had a chance to think the questions over, tell me your answers'

Forrest replied, 'Well, the first one --which two days in the week begins with the letter 'T'? Shucks, that one is easy. That would be Today and Tomorrow.'

The Saint's eyes opened wide and he exclaimed, 'Forrest, that is not what I was thinking, but you do have a point, and I guess I did not specify, so I will give you credit for that answer. How about the next one?'

'How many seconds in a year? that one is harder,' replied Forrest, 'but I think and think about that, and I guess the only answer can be twelve.'

Astounded, St. Peter said, 'Twelve? Twelve? Forrest, how in Heaven's name could you come up with twelve seconds in a year?'

Forrest replied, 'Shucks, there's got to be twelve: January 2nd, February 2nd, March 2nd .... '

'Hold it,' interrupts St. Peter. 'I see where you are going with this, and I see your point, though that was not quite what I had in mind ... But I will have to give you credit for that one, too. Let us go on with the third and final question. Can you tell me God's first name?'

'Sure,' Forrest replied, 'it's Andy.'

'Andy?' exclaimed an exasperated and frustrated St Peter. 'Ok, I can understand how you came up with your answers to my first two questions, but just how in the world did you come up with the name Andy as the first name of God?'

'Shucks, that was the easiest one of all,' Forrest replied. 'I learnt it from the song,

'ANDY WALKS WITH ME,

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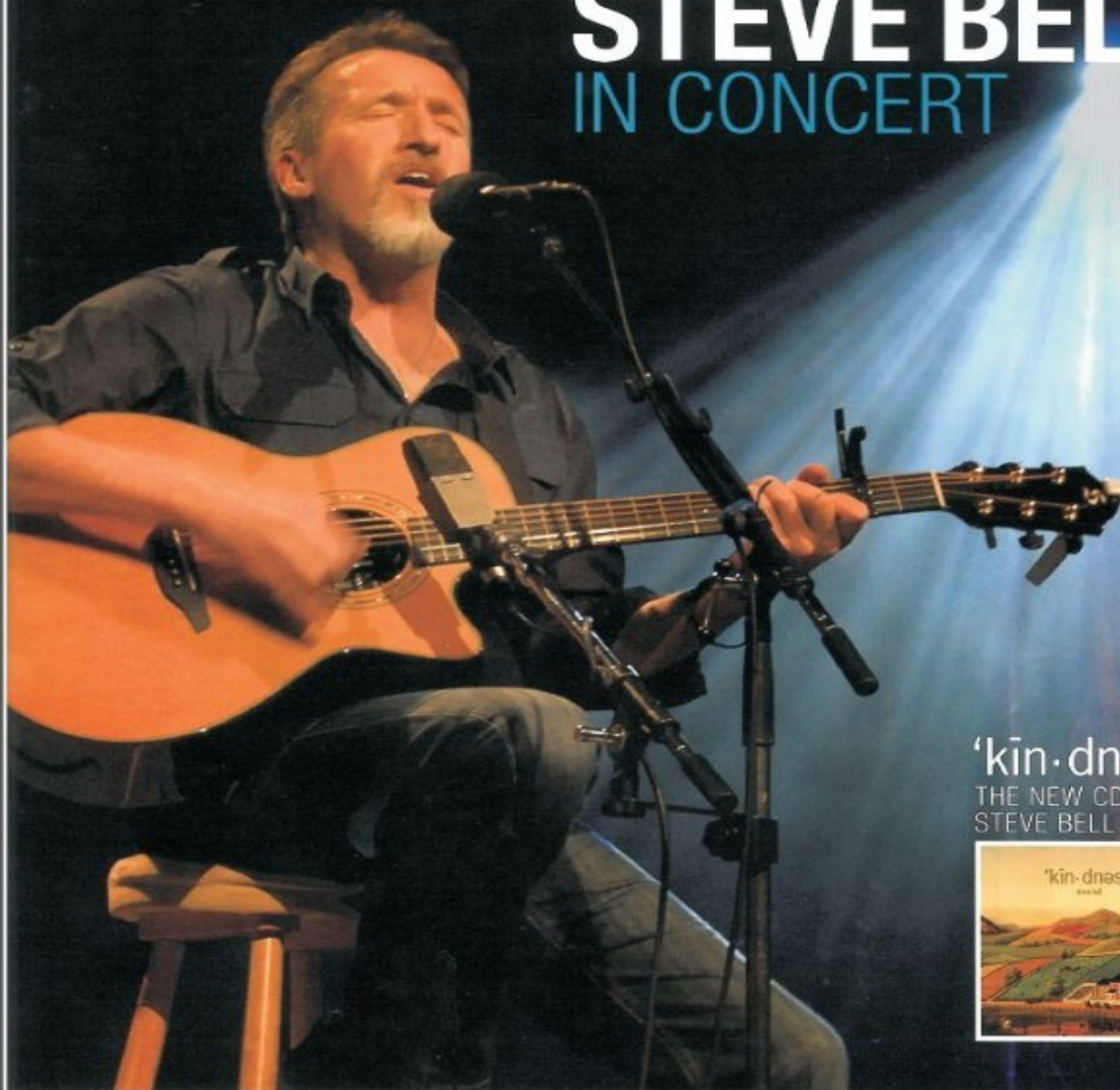
ANDY TELLS ME I AM HIS OWN.'

St. Peter opened the Pearly Gates, and said: 'Run Forrest, run!'



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# Everything Christmas



## Everything Christmas Sale

at

**Chalmers Presbyterian Church**

(342 Pond Mills Road, London)

**Saturday, 17 November 2012**

**9:00 am – 12 noon**

Tea Room, used Christmas ornaments,  
re-gifted items, baked goods, candy, and meat  
pies

# November 2012 – Updated 26 October 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>This calendar is updated throughout the month as activities are added or change. Please check it out!</b> <a href="http://www.chalmerslondon.com/church_calendar.htm">http://www.chalmerslondon.com/church_calendar.htm</a>				<b>1</b> 6:25 pm Praise Team rehearsal 7:30 pm Senior Choir rehearsal	<b>2</b> 9am Srs' Fitness 1 pm Srs' Euchre 7pm Steve Bell Concert	<b>3</b> 9:30am - noon Orientation for new members
<b>4</b> 10 am Worship All Saints' Sunday 11:15 am Coffee Time 11:30 am Children's Choir	<b>5</b> 1:30 pm Walkfit 1:30 pm Faith & Fellowship 7 pm Faith & Fellowship 7:30 pm Worship Planning Team	<b>6</b> 9:30 am Pastoral Care 10:30 Session Exec. 1-2 pm Care & Share 1 pm Seniors' Fitness 7:30 pm CE & Faith Develop. 7:30pm Policy & Planning	<b>7</b> 2:15 pm Knitting group 7:30 pm Reach Out rehearsal	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 9am Seniors' Fitness 1 pm Seniors' Euchre 7-9pm Volleyball at White Oaks School	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> 10 am Worship Remembrance Day 11:15 am Coffee Time 11:30 am Children's Choir 3:30 pm Worship at Meadow Park with Marian Weldon	<b>12</b> 1:30 pm Walkfit 1:30 pm Faith & Fellowship 7 pm Faith & Fellowship 7 pm Stephen Ministry 7:30 pm Worship Committee	<b>13</b> 1-2pm Care & Share 1 pm Seniors' Fitness 7:30 pm Social & Communication	<b>14</b> 2:15 pm Knitting group 7:30 pm Reach Out rehearsal	<b>15</b> 6:25 pm Praise Team rehearsal 7:30 pm Senior Choir rehearsal	<b>16</b> 9am Seniors' Fitness (upstairs) 1 pm Seniors' Euchre (upstairs) Set-up for Everything Christmas	<b>17</b> 9am-noon Everything Christmas Sale Return Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes tomorrow!
<b>18</b> 8 am Congregational Breakfast 10 am Worship 11:15 am Coffee Time 11:30 am Children's Choir 12 pm Be Our Guest Luncheon	<b>19</b> 1:30 pm Walkfit 1:30 pm Faith & Fellowship 6:30 pm Evangelism 7 pm Faith & Fellowship	<b>20</b> 1-2pm Care & Share 1 pm Seniors' Fitness 7:30 pm Session	<b>21</b> 2:15 pm Knitting group 7:30 pm Reach Out rehearsal	<b>22</b> 6:25 pm Praise Team rehearsal 7:30 pm Senior Choir rehearsal 7:30pm Property Management	<b>23</b> 9am Seniors' Fitness 1 pm Seniors' Euchre Kick off for Salvation Army Kettle	<b>24</b> 9am Mary Moffat decorates church 6pm Congregational Potluck Dinner
<b>25</b> 10 am Worship - Holy Communion 10:30 am Reachout at Moint Zion Pres. in Ridgetown 11:15 am Coffee Time 11:30 am Children's Choir 2-3:30pm Book of the Month Gathering 7 pm Stephen Ministry	<b>26</b> 1:30 pm Walkfit 1:30 pm Faith & Fellowship 6:30 pm Mary Moffat Pot luck 7 pm Faith & Fellowship	<b>27</b> 10am Y4C sandwich prep. 1-2pm Care & Share 1 pm Seniors' Fitness	<b>28</b> 2:15 pm Knitting group 7 pm Reach Out at Royal Cliffe	<b>29</b> 6:25 pm Praise Team rehearsal 7:30 pm Senior Choir rehearsal	<b>30</b> 9am Seniors' Fitness 1 pm Seniors' Euchre	



**Last Laugh!**