



Wesley Ladies Fellowship Choir

The **Wesley Ladies Friendship Choir** was the brain child of Hazel Snow, who thought it would be good to have an informal ladies singing night when members of the congregation and others could get together and spend time singing hymns, etc. This came to fruition in the fall of 2006 when the response to Hazel's idea was amazing. Debra Sparkes-Mercer agreed to be the Director and Judy Evans the pianist. Hazel is the coordinator, Phoebe Sheppard is the treasurer and Mildred Cousens helps out with piano playing, when needed. The choir comes under the umbrella of the United Church Women. Right now the membership is over fifty.

Since then, the choir has participated in three of the Christmas "Tree of Memories" services (sponsored by the United Church Women), two Sunday Evening services with the Male Choir, visits to Bay Roberts, Blaketown and Greens Harbour United Churches, several special events at the Agnes Pratt Home and a visit to Glenbrook Lodge and this year, for the second time, led the music for the Good Friday evening service.

The original idea was to sing familiar hymns, songs, etc., however, Debra has given the choir some big challenges, which have been met and enjoyed. The ladies love to sing and are quite willing and happy to help out wherever needed. The regular practice time is 7:00 pm Wednesday evenings. All ages are welcome and no auditions necessary, just the love of singing and sharing fellowship. Come along and join in!

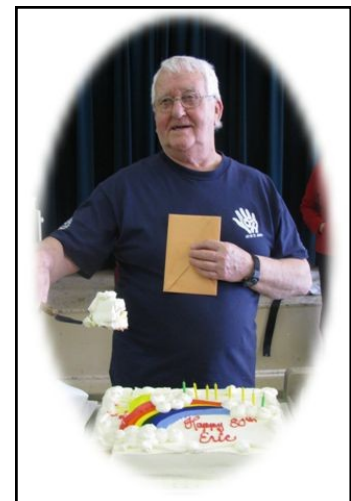
NAME THAT TUNE

Read the following lyrics from hit songs of the 50s and 60s and guess the names of the songs (see answers below)...

Oh please, say to me and let me be your man..
 Left my home in Georgia, headed for the Frisco Bay.
 Maybe you know some little places to go to where they never close..
 I'll take your part, oh when darkness comes..
 Lord we don't need another mountain, there are mountains and hill-sides enough to climb..
 We could float among the stars together you and I, for we can fly
 There's soda pop and the dancin's free, if you wanna have fun, come along with me..
 I play the game, but to my real shame, you've left me to live all alone..

ANSWERS

I Want To Hold Your Hand
 The Dock Of The Bay
 Downtown
 Bridge Over Troubled Water
 What The World Needs Now is Love
 Up, Up and Away
 Hey Good Lookin'
 The Great Pretender



Best Wishes to Eric Larkin, who celebrated his birthday recently. Eric is a very active member of Wesley and besides service to the Stewardship and Communications Teams, you can find him on Tuesday and Thursday mornings leading a group of about 50 men and women at the Healthy Lifestyles Fitness Class in the Lecture Hall.

"What I Like Most About Church Is..."

The Sunday School children in Hearts and Hands were asked to say what they liked most about Church, here is what they said:

"Story time with Rev. Mercer" - *Alexandria Janes*

"Talking with the Minister" - *Jake Wadland*

"Doing the art things downstairs" - *Shawn Drover*

"Lighting the Christ Candle" - *Hope Smallwood*

"Finding the numbers in the hymnbook" - *Madison Billard*

"Hearts and Hands" - *Katelyn Drover*

"Story time in Church and learning about Jesus in Sunday School" - *Kathleen Conran*

"Lighting the Christ candle" - *Brandon Janes*

"Hearts and Hands" - *John Conran*



How Children Inspire Us

When I look at a patch of dandelions, I see a bunch of weeds that are going to take over my yard.

My kids see flowers for Mom and blowing white stuff you can wish on...

When I hear music I love, I know I can't carry a tune and don't have much rhythm, so I sit self-consciously and listen.

My kids feel the beat and move to it. They sing out the words. If they don't know them, they make up their own.

When I see a mud puddle I step around it. I see muddy shoes and dirty carpets.

My kids sit in it. They see dams to build, rivers to cross, and worms to play with.

When I pray, I say "thee" and "thou", and "grant me this" and "give me that".

My kids say, Hi God! Thanks for my toys and my friends. Please keep the bad dreams away tonight. Sorry, I don't want to go to heaven yet. I'd miss my Mommy and Daddy".

Are we meant to teach our kids, or to learn from them? Enjoy the little things in life, for one day you may look back and realize they were the big things.