

2014 Bazaar and Turkey Supper



Members of Lennoxville United Church's UCW welcomed guests to their 2014 Christmas Bazaar at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 15th. The Bazaar was officially opened with a prayer offered by Reverend Potter followed by Bazaar Convenor Kristan McKercher's warm words of welcome. From then until 7 pm guests generously patronized the many sales tables: Home-made Candy; a Fish Pond to delight the Bazaar's young guests, a Food Table laden with home baking, preserves, doughnuts, and fruit cakes, the ever-popular Wish Table, the tables of hand-made jewelry, scarves, Christmas Crafts & Decorations, the endless display of knitting (the cat toys were especially popular as were the woolen mittens) crocheting, and sewing such as aprons, placemats, etc. The center of the Upper Hall was home to a dazzling display of Silent Auction items and their anxious bidders while the Memorial Room was chock-a-block full of Attic Treasures waiting to find a new home. At still another table, Barbara Boire patiently received the last few (final) orders for MacMillan Cookie & Muffin Dough products which will be available for pick-up by their buyers from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, December 6th.



Meanwhile, in the Lower Hall the delightful odors of a turkey supper in progress encouraged those who had reserved for the 4:30 sitting to line up for the delicious meal awaiting them. Generous serving dishes of turkey, dressing and gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, peas and coleslaw joined baskets of homemade rolls, dishes of cranberry sauce and pickles on tables soon filled with hungry shoppers. Tea, coffee, juice or milk and a choice of an amazing variety of pies brought each meal to a satisfying close. Soon enough those who had reserved for the 5:30 and 6:30 sittings took their turns in the dining room while anyone who worked at the Bazaar or the supper was able to enjoy their meal, served buffet style, in the relaxing atmosphere of the "back room" aka the big Sunday School room.



Nineteen take-out meals were prepared for those unable to join us in the dining room but who had fond memories of the delicious turkey dinner we serve at Lennoxville United. This year, we even were able to give these patrons their choice of pies.



Before and after Church on Sunday, Silent Auction items were collected by their “winners” as were some items from the Wish Table. Reverend Potter invited those at Church to “exit through the gift shop” where members had a chance to do some shopping at the tables that were still open as well as to purchase the excess turkey, gravy, vegetables, rolls and pies.



Thanks to the immense efforts of organizers and an amazing number of volunteers, generous shoppers and hungry diners, the 2014 Bazaar and Turkey Supper realized a profit of just under \$15,000.00, money that will be used to help defray some of the costs of the day-to-day operation of our Church. A heartfelt “thank you” is extended to each and every one of you who made this possible.

Lennoxville United Church UCW (General)

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