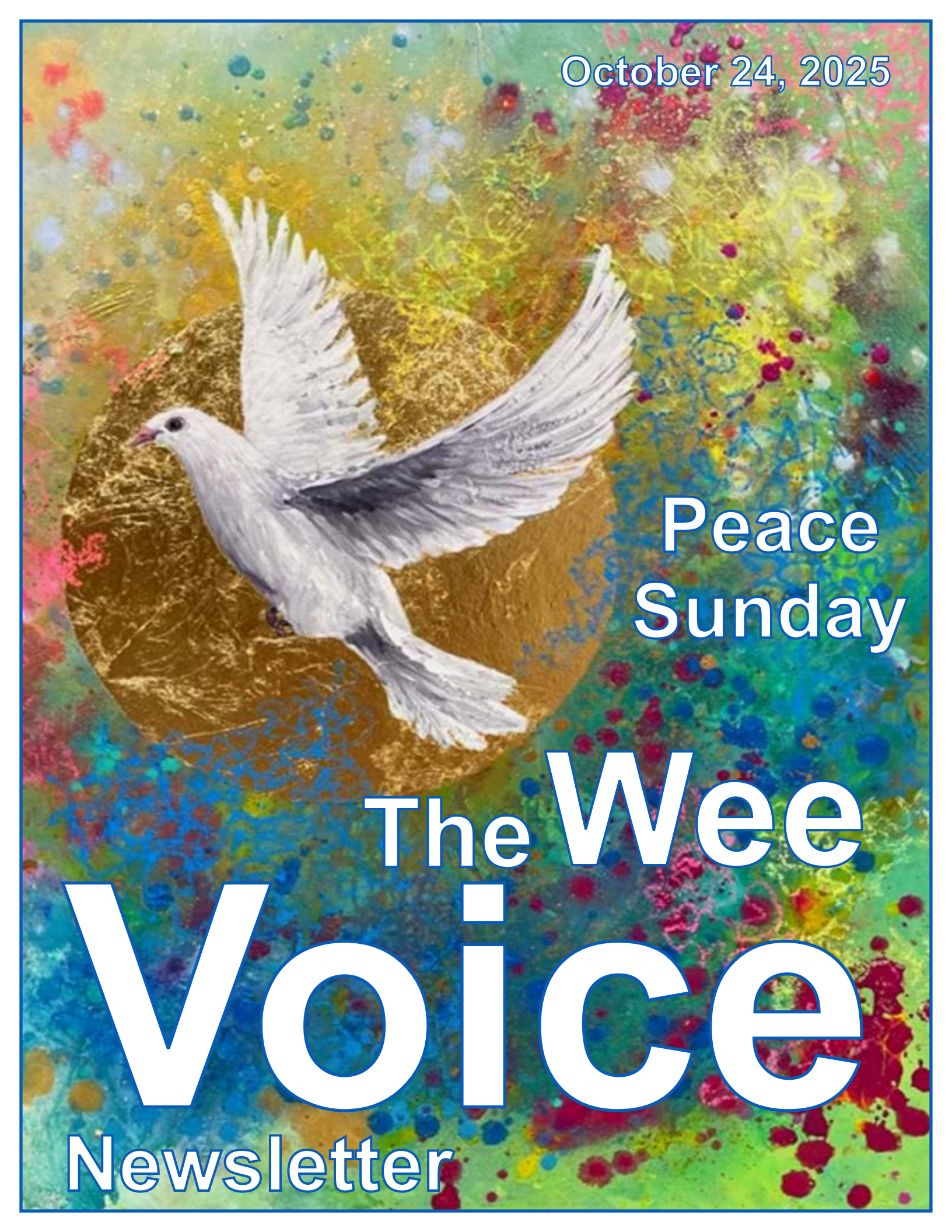


A white dove is depicted in flight, facing left, with its wings spread wide. It is positioned in the center-left of the frame. The background is a vibrant, abstract composition of splattered colors including green, yellow, blue, red, and gold. A large, textured gold circle is behind the dove. The entire image is enclosed in a thin blue border.

October 24, 2025

Peace
Sunday

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The Donway Covenant United Church



Our Mission

"To follow Jesus by sharing God's unconditional love as the Spirit empowers us."

Our Vision

We will follow Jesus...

- By being a local Christian church within the United Church of Canada; a community anchor for spiritual exploration and growth where life, worship, knowledge, service and song all contribute to our larger story.
- By welcoming and involving people of diverse faith, ethnicities, abilities, ages and stages of life, economic situations, sexual orientation and gender identities.
- By caring for all members with compassion, empathy and joy.
- By acts of service, reaching out to engage and support our community, the country and the world.
- By building bridges within our community, as a congregation recognizing the variety of religions and spiritualities in the most diverse city in the world.
- By using our facilities for religious, social, cultural, educational, or other programs that reflect our values.

We are an AFFIRMING Congregation



Blowin' In The Wind

Bob Dylan

How many roads
must a man walk down
Before you call him a man?
How many seas
must a white dove sail
Before she sleeps in the sand?
Yes, and how many times
must the cannonballs fly
Before they're forever banned?

The answer, my friend,
is blowin' in the wind
The answer
is blowin' in the wind

Yes, and how many years
must a mountain exist
Before it is washed to the sea?
Yes, and how many years
can some people exist
Before they're allowed to be free?
Yes, and how many times
can a man turn his head
And pretend that he
just doesn't see?

The answer, my friend,
is blowin' in the wind
The answer
is blowin' in the wind

Yes, and how many times
must a man look up
Before he can see the sky?
Yes, and how many ears
must one man have
Before he can hear people cry?
Yes, and how many deaths
will it take 'til he knows
That too many people have died?

The answer, my friend,
is blowin' in the wind
The answer
is blowin' in the wind



"Peace on Earth"
card art by Greer Tapert



Thinking About Making Our Church Your Home?

We welcome you to become part of our church family!

If you've been attending worship and feel ready to take the next step in your faith journey, we'd love to officially welcome you as a member.

*Becoming a member is a way of saying "Yes!" - **Yes** to belonging, **Yes** to growing in faith, and **Yes** to sharing God's love together.*

If you'd like to learn more or are interested in joining, please speak with Rev. Lorrie or contact the church office.

All are welcome - always!



DCUC Knitting Group



Our meetings are on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. Our next meeting will be October 27th. Beginners or accomplished knitters, we would love to have you join us!

Andrea Sloan



JOIN US THIS SUNDAY

Joel chapter 2: verses 23 ~ 32

Luke chapter 18: verses 9 ~ 14

"God, You There?"

The passage from Luke for this Sunday features a story that Jesus told about a Pharisee and a Tax Collector who went to the Temple to pray. Two characters that are polar opposites.



The Pharisee was religiously righteous, the tax man extorted revenue for the Roman oppressors. The religious expert was smug and confident, the outsider was anxious and insecure. The Pharisee paraded around telling God how good he was and how valuable he was to God. The Tax Collector hung his head standing at a distance and begged God for forgiveness. He could not even look up when he considered what a sinner he was.

The parable punch line announces a reversal in the end. The respectable, reputable Pharisee, so competent and accomplished, the one who had done everything right was rejected. Whereas the disreputable, inadequate Tax Collector went away "justified" because of his humility.

Rev Lorrie Daly-Price

The Church Office

(regular hours)

is open four days a week

**Monday to Thursday,
9:00 am to 4:00 pm.**

Closed Fridays

If you plan on visiting it is best to 'phone ahead so Emily knows you are coming. If you leave a voice message Emily will get back to you as soon as she is free. **(416) 444 - 8444**



My Door Is Always Open

**Drop by anytime
during the day,
Monday to Thursday**

**You should be able to catch me
every morning and some afternoons.
Call ahead to ensure I am at the
church.**

Lorrie Daly-Price

Ladies' Fellowship

Our *Ladies' Fellowship* will meet on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at 10:30 am on ZOOM under the leadership of Maureen Smith.

Our November meetings will be on **Thursday the 13th**, and **Thursday the 27th**.

You are certainly welcome to attend. Ask Emily (church office) for the Zoom link.

Did you miss a Sunday Worship service? Go to our website and you can view the entire Sunday service. Updated every Monday morning.

WANT TO STAY UP TO DATE?

Follow us and Like us on

Facebook

Donway Covenant United Church



SERVICES for OCTOBER and NOVEMBER



Oct 26 10:30 am **"God You There?"
Peace Sunday**

Nov 2 10:30 am **"To Be Seen"**

Nov 9 10:30 am **"Let Us Remember"
Remembrance Sunday**

Nov 16 10:30 am **"Do Not Be Weary"**

Nov 23 10:30 am **"It's Not Too Late...
There's Always Hope"
Reign of Christ Sunday**

**Join us for Worship
in our Sanctuary**

The Worship Committee

Join Us

"FRIDAY COFFEE DROP BY"



**Bring a friend ~ Meet a friend!
Have a coffee! (or tea, or juice!)**

EVERY FRIDAY

**Between 1:00 pm & 3:00 pm
in the Living Room**



**Want to know what's going on?
What's coming up?**

Go to our web site and find out!!!

<https://www.donwaycovenant.com/>



HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARGARET !!!

*A Very Special
Lunch with Lorrie*



thanks to all who sent photos



A VERY
HAPPY
110th !

Lunch and Film Event:

Saturday November 15th, 12 ~ 2 pm



Hosted by the Outreach Committee

In recent years, the **Outreach Committee** has focused on an annual theme for education and fundraising initiatives. Some of these have included climate change, refugees and newcomers to Canada.

This year, our focus will be on Indigenous peoples in Canada. Their challenges are many but we decided that we would zero in on **FOOD INSECURITY** and **FOOD SOVEREIGNTY**, because nutritious, affordable food, or the lack of it, affects physical and mental health, family and community relationships, education and so much more.

Learning about Indigenous culture, their challenges and their successes are an important step towards reconciliation.

Therefore, the **Outreach Committee** would like to invite you to join us for a learning event on Saturday November 15th, 12 ~ 2 pm in the **Living Room**, where together we will explore and learn about some of the challenges that Indigenous peoples face around **Food Insecurity** and **Food Sovereignty**.

We will also see video clips of two inspiring solutions that are already being practiced in their communities.

A Right to Eat will be shown as we eat lunch (sandwiches, an Indigenous salad, cookies, tea and coffee)



This event is free but please RSVP to the office by November 10th!



Principles of Peace

These **Principles of Peace** articulate the shared witness and testimony of **The Canadian Council of Churches**. Peace is core to the mission and identity of all member churches and the heart of ecumenism.

INNER PEACE

Jesus said: *Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you* (John 14:27). Inner peace is a state of tranquility or mental quietude and concentration, nourished and deepened by prayer and the guarding of the heart. This inner tranquility is not simply silence, but an attitude of listening and openness towards God.

PEACE IS THE MISSION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Doing justice, loving one another as Christ loves us, and working for peace are central to the mission of God's people in the world: What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? (Micah 6:8)

PEACE AND THE CHURCH

The church proclaims the presence of God's Kingdom to the World. The church sacramentally restores humanity's relationship with God, with each other, and with creation. The healing, restoration and salvation of God's creation is the church's first priority and obligation. Peacebuilding and justice making are necessary and indivisible imperatives that guide the church's thinking and action.

Excerpts taken from a **Consensus Principles of Peace** document adopted by the **Canadian Council of Churches** which can be found on the **United Church** web site. **CLICK HERE**, then on the "Related Material" for the full document.

<https://united-church.ca/worship-special-days/peace-sunday>

PEACE begins when the hungry are FED

Dorothy Day

OCTOBER IS ALMOST GONE, BUT THERE'S STILL TIME!! FOOD DRIVE IS RUNNING TO THE END OF OCTOBER THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE at The Donway Covenant United Church in support of the Community Share Food Bank

FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD!!!! As Thanksgiving approaches, we think of food and the bountiful harvest from our Canadian earth.....apples, potatoes, corn, brussel sprouts, squash, pumpkins,.....which will grace our Thanksgiving tables. Unfortunately, many families are challenged with food insecurity, made worse by recent economic factors. Some facts about the **Community Share Food Bank** from their website:



Community Share provides a three-day supply of food, twice per month, to individuals and families who live within our catchment area. We serve the area between Bayview Avenue east to Victoria Park and 401 south to Eglinton Avenue.



Participants can choose non-perishable items in a market-style model. Through the support of our donors, hampers always feature fresh produce, milk, eggs and bread.



They offer a delivery program to participants who are unable to come to the food bank in person; they may apply to have a hamper delivered right to their door.



Community Share currently offers a referral service for participants who would like to be connected to other social services within the GTA.



In 2013, **Community Share** and **Overland Learning Centre** partnered to create the **Overland Environmental Learning Garden (OELG)**, located next door to the food bank on **Toronto District School Board** property. The garden provides an outdoor educational space for adult **ESL** learners, as well as fresh produce for our food hampers and kitchen programs.



Many people who used to donate to the food bank are now having to receive food from the food bank

This is our annual **THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE**, and so we are inviting **DCUC** to financially support our local **Community Share Food Bank**. We know many congregants give to the food bank throughout the year and we are so grateful for your ongoing support!

Cheques should be made payable to: "**The Donway Covenant United Church**", and can be placed on the Sunday offering plate, dropped off or mailed to the church to the end of October!



**community
share** FOOD BANK

www.communitysharefoodbank.ca

Thank you for your great generosity in the past. We hope you will make this year's **Thanksgiving Food Drive** a resounding success so that our neighbours will have food.

Vivian Yarwood,
Chair, Outreach Committee

Memorial Concert

HONOURING

Marla Miller

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19TH AT 3:30 PM
THE DONWAY COVENANT UNITED CHURCH



Andrew Miller



Norman and Joanna Miller



Choral Expressions



Justin Welsh, with Scott Pietrangelo



Daniel Rubinoff



Zoe Gotziaman, with Scott Pietrangelo



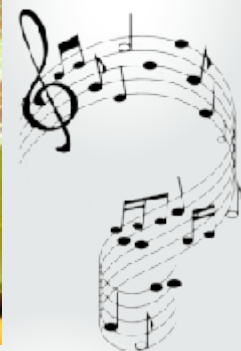
Donway Covenant United Church Choir



Sidecar78



Zoe Gotziaman, Bo Bardos,
Graziano Brescacin, with Scott Pietrangelo



*Thank you to the
Miller family for
arranging this
memorable event!*



Michele DeBoer, with Deborah MacCallum



Toronto Classical Singers Ensemble



Farmer Alister

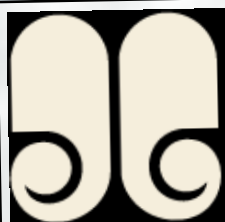
A while back we opened up a bin we had forgotten about under a counter in the kitchen. It contained two potatoes ready to be used ... to be baked.

Well...they had been there so long they were sprouting. Alister, (always a gardener) decided he would plant them in a pot on the balcony. To our surprise they started to grow and grow.

Today we dug them up and I got a photo of the results. I think there is enough for one meal.



Jean McGrady



Toronto Mendelssohn Choir

DCUC choir and **Toronto Mendelssohn** choir member, Annie Griffin, invites you to attend **Brahms' A German Requiem**, which is a deeply human reflection on love, loss, and the solace offered to those who grieve.

Led by Artistic Director Jean-Sébastien Vallée, the **TM Choir** brings their signature "*mix of subtlety, power, and precision*" (Ludwig van Toronto) to this masterpiece's soaring choral lines and rich orchestration. **ECHO**, a stunning new commission by Stephanie Martin, preludes Brahms' work, featuring the full power of the **TM Choir** and orchestra.

Annie says bring your tissues, and say hello to her in the lobby afterwards!



**Wednesday, November 5th
at 7:30 pm
George Weston Recital Hall
(beside Mel Lastman Square
North York)**

**and
Friday, November 7th
at 7:30 pm
Koerner Hall
(beside the Royal Ontario Museum)**

For more information, and to buy tickets, CLICK HERE

<https://www.tmchoir.org/event/brahms-german-requiem/>



Minutes for Mission



HEALING WITH HORSES: TRANSFORMING THROUGH TRUST



In **Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory**, (on Manitoulin Island) the **Healing with Horses** program brings people together to share, listen, and connect with each other, the land, and the gentle strength of the horses guiding the healing journey.

Among them are four Ojibwe Spirit Horses, a rare and sacred breed. At one point in history, they were stolen from the community, but in an act of resilience and reconciliation, they have been returned to the land and the people who have always known and cherished them. Their presence is a living reminder of survival, restoration, and hope.

Supported by your **Mission and Service** gifts, the program blends equine therapy with Anishinaabe ways of knowing, the Medicine Wheel, and traditional teachings to support emotional, spiritual, and cultural healing. Children learn emotional regulation, adults reconnect with their inner strength, and participants find the courage to speak and be heard.

Watch the video to see how these horses, and the people who work alongside them, are changing lives.

CLICK HERE to watch a short video

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Af4izKTpX_A

Thank you for supporting the **Healing Fund** through **Mission and Service**. Your generosity makes this life-changing work possible.

From the United Church of Canada website

<https://united-church.ca/stories/healing-horses-transforming-through-trust>

From “The Friendship Book” 2024

I wasn’t sure if I’d been insulted or not.

He found me sitting on the low branch of a tree, gazing into the trees as a gentle drizzle fell. “A *nemophilist*, I see,” he said.

He, at least, had the excuse of a dog to walk, and we exchanged a few words about her before he went on his way.

Arriving home, I looked up his “insult”. It’s an archaic word, meaning a lover - or a “haunter” - of the woods.

Ladies’ Fellowship DEVOTIONAL



I suppose it was true enough. And why not? After all, the woods haunt me, too, in the most peaceful, soothing way imaginable.

After reading this to the group, I then recalled to them the many times Udo and I would drive to a certain road near our cottage in Perkinsfield. We drove there during summer and especially Autumn. Of course I took various photographs. To forever cherish in my memory.

Roberta Walker Ernst



670 Eglinton Avenue East
Church Office (416) 422 - 0510

*A friend of ours is organising this Christmas wreath making workshop at **Leaside Presbyterian Church**, and is inviting us to participate. She said it would be great if people would bring along a grandchild or other children in their lives.*

It sounds fun for those who are crafty and it is for a good cause.

Jane Field

LEASIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CHRISTMAS WREATH WORKSHOP



Saturday, November 8

Proceeds to our sponsored
child in Ethiopia, Tarikwa

\$25 includes:

Artificial Wreath. Decorations,
Instructions, Refreshments

Add to the fun and bring a child or
grandchild! (*only one per adult please!*)

Session 1: 10:00 - 11:30 am

Session 2: 1:00 - 2:30 pm

Please email your name, phone number,
and indicate am or pm session to:

admin@presbyterianchurch.ca

(Please indicate if you will need any accessibility assistance)

Once confirmed, an e-transfer of \$25.00
will be required to hold your spot.

We are limited to 12 wreaths per session.

Please confirm by November 1st.



Thursday, November 13th, 2025
12 to 2 pm

Lunch (noon) & Entertainment

\$20

“Timeless Hits”

including Wartime Remembrance Songs

Bring your Friends & Enjoy the Afternoon!

**Food, Fellowship
& Fun for Seniors!**

Featuring Singer

VIVIANNA

Reservations requested by noon
Tuesday, November 11th
Email cafe65connections@gmail.com
or call 416 - 444 - 8881

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Church of the Ascension
33 Overland Drive, Don Mills, ON, M3C 2C3
Wheelchair Access

YOU'RE WELCOME TO

join us!

Presentation: The Magnificent 7: Research-Backed Keys to Living Well Every Day, with Julie Guthrie

Wednesday October 29th at 2:15 pm
(In-person event)

Join Coach Julie for an engaging and practical presentation that explores the 7 Dimensions of Wellness, the history behind the model, and how small, simple changes can make a positive difference in everyday life. The educational session will also highlight current relevant research being conducted Worldwide across the holistic spectrum. Whether it's moving safely, connecting with friends, challenging the mind, finding purpose, or simply feeling more joyful, participants will learn how each dimension contributes to living a more empowered, informed and balanced life.

Presentation: Vimy Ridge: Canada's Baptism of Blood & Fire by Paul Dias

Tuesday November 4th at 2:15 pm
(In-person event)

Join us for a powerful presentation by Paul Dias on The Battle of Vimy Ridge. Canada was handed what many saw as a suicidal mission - to take Vimy Ridge. What unfolded would become a defining moment in our nation's history, etched into legend. This presentation honours the bravery, sacrifice, and resilience of the Canadian soldiers who fought for freedom and helped shape the identity of a nation.

Presentation: Cyber Security with TPS Officer Jonathan Little

Monday November 10th at 2:15 pm
(In-person event)

Join us for an important and informative session on personal cyber security with Crime Prevention Officer Jonathan Little. Officer Little will share practical tips on how to protect yourself from online threats such as scams, identity theft, phishing, and fraud. Learn how to stay safe on social media, recognize suspicious activity, and safeguard your digital information in everyday life. This presentation is ideal for anyone looking to strengthen their online safety and gain confidence navigating today's digital world.

RSVP REQUIRED FOR ALL EVENTS

Concert: The Nostalgics

Friday November 14th at 2:15 pm
(In-person event)

Join us for an afternoon of wonderful music performed by The Nostalgics, featuring Eddy Ottenbrite on bass, Dan Rafferty on keyboard, and Jason McConnie on guitar. Since 2013, they've been bringing joy to everyone across the Metro Toronto area with lively concerts filled with timeless tunes. From the 1920s through the 1970s, they play the classics you know and love - the music of your life. Get ready to clap your hands, tap your feet, and sing along as we take you on a nostalgic musical journey

Presentation: "Music That Went To WWII" by James Kekanovich

Tuesday November 18th at 2:15 pm
(In-person event)

Join James Kekanovich for a presentation touching on "Music That Went To WWII". James will discuss how music was a powerful force unifying people everywhere - on the land, on the sea, in the air, during WWII and onwards into history. James will discuss, interpret and evaluate some legendary music including: *Long Ago and Far Away*, *Pennsylvania 6-5000*, *Marie*, *Wish Me Luck as You Wave Me Goodbye*, *Comin' in on a Wing and a Prayer*, *We'll Meet Again* and many more!

Presentation: Women in Aviation by Lola Reid Allin

Tuesday November 25th at 2:30 pm
(In-person event)

We welcome back Lola Reid Allin, a former Commercial Airline Transport Pilot, flight instructor, and examiner, as well as an award-winning author and photographer whose work has appeared in National Geographic and other major publications. A passionate advocate for women in aviation, she's an active member of Women in Aviation International, The 99s, and the Northern Lights Aero Foundation, and co-creator of the New Track Scholarship for female pilots.

**These events are *FREE*.
Space is limited!**

**Please let us know
if you are coming.**

Programs you might find of interest!



How to Avoid Frauds and Scams for Older Adults

Friday October 24th
from 2:00 to 3:00 pm

Retired lawyer, Sheldon Parker, offers general information for older adults about identifying and avoiding frauds and scams. The presentation will cover a wide range of related topics including computer, phone, ATM and credit card security, and different types of frauds and scams like bank fraud, romance/dating scams, and more.



Understanding Behaviours of Dementia

Wednesday October 29th
from 7:00 to 8:30 pm

Led by the Alzheimer Society of Toronto, this presentation is designed help participants better understand why people living with dementia express changes in their behaviour. Tips for those supporting the individual experiencing them will be explored.



Wednesday Night Movie "Unsung Hero" 2024

Wednesday November 5th
from 6:00 to 8:00 pm

When David Smallbone's successful music company collapses, he moves his family from Down Under to the States, searching for a brighter future. With nothing more than their six children, suitcases, and their love of music, David and his pregnant wife Helen set out to rebuild their lives. Based on a true story.

Toronto Public Library is pleased to share that starting October 19, all 100 branches will open on Sundays year-round from 12-5 pm, except on holiday weekends. This will mean more access to library spaces, programs and services all year long.

**Please call 416-395-5710
for further details and
to reserve your spot!**



Finding Joy Through Photography for Older Adults

Friday November 7th
from 2:00 to 3:30 pm

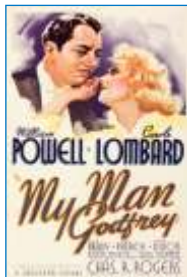
Discover the joy of photography in your golden years! This welcoming workshop invites participants to explore photography as a creative outlet and memory-keeping tool. With easy-to-follow guidance, they'll learn how to take better photos using smartphones or digital cameras whether capturing family moments, nature, or everyday beauty. No experience needed, just curiosity and a willingness to try something new. Please bring a charged smartphone (any model).



Newsgirls: Gutsy Pioneers in Canada's Newsrooms

Wednesday November 12th
from 6:30 to 7:30 pm

Toronto author Donna Jean MacKinnon documents the lives of leading female reporters who began their careers during newspapers' Golden Age (1920-1960). Her fascinating presentation recounts how these trailblazers covered every beat from art, fashion, and crime to social issues and politics.



Tea & Movies: "My Man Godfrey" 1936

Friday November 14th
from 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Fifth Avenue socialite Irene Bullock (Carole Lombard) needs a forgotten man to win a scavenger hunt, and no one fits that description more than Godfrey Park (William Powell), who resides in a dump by the East River. Irene hires Godfrey as a servant for her riotously unhinged family, to the chagrin of her spoiled sister, Cornelia, who tries her best to get Godfrey fired. As Irene falls for her new butler, Godfrey turns the tables and teaches the frivolous Bullocks a lesson or two.



The Donway Covenant United Church



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Call the church office and
Emily will direct your call.

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Custodian: Kim Morgan

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