



Thornhill United Church

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*Our faith in God's love moves us to celebrate spirituality,
to care with compassion, and to welcome all warmly*

Update from Council

September 2025

Council met on Tuesday September 9th; here are some of the topics we discussed at that meeting:

1. We've made some significant and costly improvements to our property recently and this has reduced the balance in our Capital Fund to next to nothing. At our September meeting, on the recommendation of our Treasurer, Council voted to transfer the remaining balance in the Capital Fund (\$162) to the Visionary Fund, and to have future contributions to the Capital Fund be allocated to the Visionary Fund instead. This gives us better access to our money over the long term and is something that Rev. Henry Poutiainen recommended during his ministry with us.
2. At our September Council meeting, we voted to digitize our archives. We have some materials that date back to the 1800s and it's important that we not lose them (or our more recent materials). A team of volunteers from TUC will work with an archivist from the United Church of Canada to get our archives digitized.
3. As many of you might know, we have a community garden at the east end of our parking lot. It has been in operation for a number of years and is wrapping up another successful growing season. We would like to thank all of those who have plots in the garden for beautifying our premises, along with a special thanks to Nobue Khan who organizes our community garden and gardeners.
4. Todd McDonald, a beloved minister at our church from 1999 to 2007, is retiring. Most recently, Todd served as Pastoral Relations Minister with Shining Waters Regional Council. His retirement service is being held on Sunday September 14 at Burton Avenue United Church, and Linda Mather will be one of the speakers at that service. We wish Todd well as he enters this new phase of his life.

Please reach out to anyone on Council if you have questions about any of the above items, or anything else related to the day-to-day running of our church.

Cathy Farrant
Secretary of Council