

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
November 2026

Council met on Tuesday November 3rd; here are some highlights from that meeting:

1. The Needs Assessment Committee met with Council to review their findings from both the survey that took place in the spring and the interviews they conducted over the last few months. Once Council has had some time to review the report from the NAC, the recommendations for the future needs of the church will be shared with the congregation. We'd like to thank the members of the NAC – Kate Dewhurst, Amir Javadi, David Rawcliffe, Dawn Sancho, and Katherine Sheridan – for the time they spent creating the survey, conducting interviews, and documenting the results. It was a significant effort, and we are grateful for their commitment to our church.

2. The Friendship Club is a gathering for developmentally and physically challenged adults from group homes and support programs and their families and caregivers. They met in October, with six clients and two caregivers participating. Meetings are planned for November and December.

3. An intercultural worship service and potluck lunch will take place on Sunday November 15. A potluck is an event where participants contribute a homemade or store-bought dish (like a casserole, salad, or dessert) that serves multiple people. Please bring a dish that represents your culture, and be sure to complete the sign-up sheet in the narthex, so we know how many people are attending and what everyone is planning on bringing to the lunch.

4. You'll have the opportunity to participate in an easy TUC fundraiser over the next few weeks. When you order gift cards through the church, a percentage of each gift card is allocated to the church. We will be collecting orders over the next few weeks, and order deadlines are November 29 and December 6. Please consider buying your gift cards through our FundScrip program as every gift card purchased helps our church.

5. Preparation for the Christmas Assistance Program (CAP) is underway. Families in need in Thornhill will receive gift cards to assist them with purchasing items for their family for the holiday season. In order to give the organizers time to purchase the gift cards, we ask that you submit your CAP donation to the church by November 29. Thank you for your ongoing support of this program.

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