

# The Messenger

June 22, 2022

## The

**Volunteer Driver Program'** operates under the umbrella of the Armstrong-Spallumcheen Senior Centre.

The program has 8-10 drivers (both female & male) who can provide rides for medical or dental appointments.

Pre-booking is necessary. Please share this info with any community members who may benefit from this excellent service:)

Wilma

### Volunteer Driver Program

(for Armstrong-Spallumcheen seniors requiring rides for medical or dental appointments)

Call 250-546-0999; 48h in advance of appointment so driver can be arranged.

#### Costs (return) (June 16, 2022)

- Within Armstrong **\$5.00**
- Enderby **\$10.00**
- Vernon **\$15.00**
- Salmon Arm **\$25.00**
- Kelowna **\$50.00**

### National Indigenous Peoples Day



National Indigenous Peoples Day was June 21 and coincides with the

summer solstice and the beginning of a season of berry picking and fishing, powwows, and gatherings for the diverse Indigenous peoples in Canada.

## Zion United Church

Sunday worship — 11:00 am

## St Andrews United Church

Sunday worship — 9:30 am

If you have announcements to be included here please email them to: [ckooyman@shaw.ca](mailto:ckooyman@shaw.ca)

It would be helpful if announcements for The Messenger are sent to the above address before Wednesday.

**Next Messenger will be  
June 29, 2022**



Suzanne and Wilma at FoodSafe1 course on June 15th in Vernon.

Instructor Jennifer Pont was a great facilitator for the course!

Next Zion  
Pastoral  
Care  
meeting  
will be on  
June 29,  
2022 at 10  
am.



## Pastoral Care Team (PCT)

With our ZUC family, we recognize that all members are participants in our Pastoral Care ministry. This occurs in numerous ways such as phone calls, visits, rides, greetings or sharing a celebration or concern with us. We are reliant on the congregation to inform us if someone is going through a challenging time. Please communicate with the PCT by calling the church office (250-546-9384), [armstrongzionofficet@gmail.com](mailto:armstrongzionofficet@gmail.com), or contacting a PCT member (Mona Ball, Louise Burton, Pauline Curtis,

Leona Harrison, Isobel Kay, Wilma Koersen, Pam Krazanowski, Catherine MacAskill, Rev. Hati Mvundura, Suzanne Skinner). (As a PCT we will endeavour to provide spiritual, emotional or social support:)

Mona Ball had offered to continue to serve as our teams 'Sunshine Lady'. On 'Behalf of ZUC Congregation', Mona will send out cards for various reasons, as appropriate.

Currently the PCT is working on updating the church directory list and photo bank. To date, 43 photos have been submitted. Before our next meeting of June 29th, ZUC members may receive a phone call, or email, from a PCT member to check in, and update info, if needed.

On behalf of the PCT,

Wilma J Koersen



### THE FUNERAL TEA FOR VAL JOHNSTONE'S MOTHER

THE FUNERAL TEA FOR VAL JOHN-  
STONE'S MOTHER WILL BE CATERED BY THE LE-  
GION LADIES.

Bea was an active member of the Legion for many years and the ladies wanted to do this.....Zion's UCW will not be required !

**For anyone wishing to attend the funeral:** It will be held at the funeral home 11:00 am, Sat. July 2. Rev. Lorraine Powell will be doing the service.

Suzanne



**Askew's cards are available at Church  
each Sunday.**

If you need to get them during the week you can give Eleanor a call at 250-546-8195 and place your order.

Thanks for continuing to support this successful venture.

Eleanor

## Foodsafe Level 1 Course

I just saw this post on face book.

Being local, folks might be able to attend.

Maureen

### What To Expect

St Joseph's Church in Armstrong will be hosting a Foodsafe Level 1 Course on July 9th.

Location: St Joseph's Hall, 3335 Patterson Ave, Armstrong

Date: Saturday July 9th

Time: 9 am – 4 pm

Pre-registration required: Please contact Carol at 250 546 6215 or email [hillonergan@yahoo.ca](mailto:hillonergan@yahoo.ca)

Registration Deadline: July 5th

Cost: \$75 per person

Course is valid for 5 years.

There will be a half hour break for lunch. Please bring your lunch to eat on site to ensure we can stick to the schedule!



### The need for blood is IMMEDIATE

Armstrong Donation Event St. Josephs Church 3335 Patterson Street Hall Gym

Monday June 27, 2022 from 1pm-545 pm and again Tuesday June 28, 2022 from 1pm-545pm.

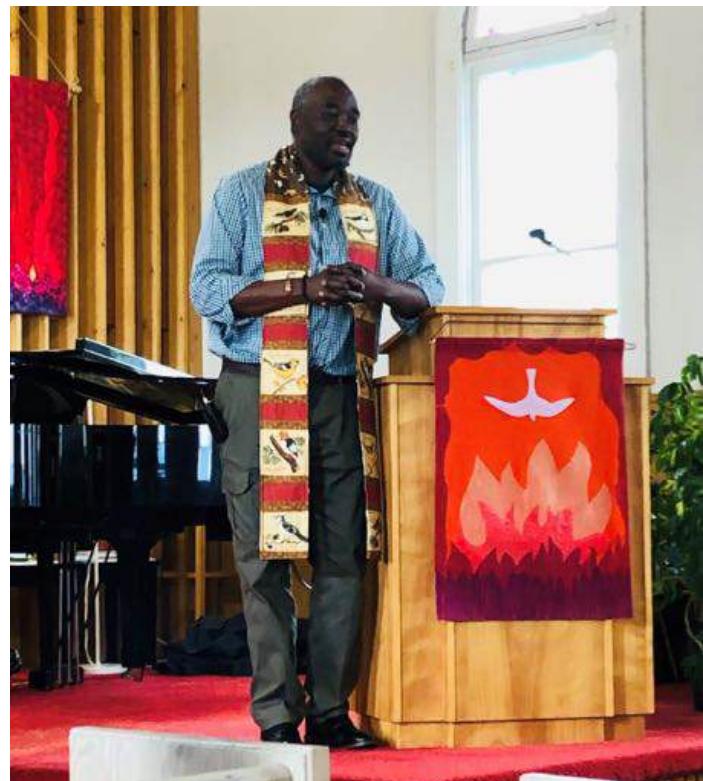
## Our 15th Annual Womens Retreat



Our 15th Annual Women's Retreat will be from **September 9-11, 2022**

Come join for a weekend of Sharing, Fun and Fellowship.

For more information contact Lorraine 250 838 7908



Rev. Hati's main message on Reconciliation Sunday was to 'Do Something'.

I have registered for the 2022 Cultural Competency Course at Trinity United Church that will happen in September and October of this year. It is expected that I share some of what I learn to the congregations of Zion and St. Andrews. What better way then via The Messenger. Here is my **third info** on the topic **Doctrine of Discovery**. It is my hope that it will help to give more people some kind of insight in the struggles of Indigenous people in our country and what they are up against.

Hanny

## DOCTRINE OF DISCOVERY

### What is the Doctrine of Discovery?

- Has its roots in a series of Papal Bulls (special edicts from the Pope) dating to the 15<sup>th</sup> century
- A legal framework that justified European invasion and confiscation of lands and the genocide of the original inhabitants of those lands who did not declare themselves to be Christian
- Became the basis of colonization by Spain, Portugal and England of many lands, including North America

### Why is it still relevant?

- Based on the belief that “colonizers were bringing civilization to savage people who would never civilize themselves” (*Canada’s Residential Schools: The History, Part I: Origins to 1939*, p. 18)
- Affected the way Indigenous peoples have been perceived by non-Indigenous peoples, culminating in the establishment of residential schools and their ongoing legacy today
- The Doctrine of Discovery has been cited in decisions of the Supreme Court of Canada as recently as the 1990’s
- A key Truth and Reconciliation Commission Call to Action is the repudiation of the Doctrine of Discovery (Call to Action 49)

### Relevance to Christianity

- The Doctrine was based on the very notion of who God is, how mission is to be carried out and the exercise of power and control over others
- Christian mission in the New World came to be based on the occupation of “empty lands” and extension of the gospel to peoples considered pagans or infidels (i.e. inferior). Believed Christianity was a superior and/or the only legitimate religion
- This notion of superiority led to the subjugation of Indigenous peoples spiritually, culturally, militarily and economically

### Response of the United Church

- March 2012: The United Church of Canada General Council Executive approved the motion that “The United Church join the World Council of Churches in denouncing the Doctrine of Discovery as fundamentally opposed to the gospel of Jesus Christ and a violation of the inherent rights that all individuals and peoples have received from God”
- The motion also committed the United Church to urge “the government of Canada and governments around the world to dismantle legal structures and policies that are based on the Doctrine of Discovery to enable Indigenous Peoples to determine their own aspirations and issues of concern”
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### Sources:

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<https://www.oikoumene.org/resources/documents/statement-on-the-doctrine-of-discovery-and-its-enduring-impact-on-indigenous-peoples>