CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS
Sunday, November 8th, 2026

Please send your announcements to the church office by Wednesday.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Wednesday, November 11th: Choir practice at 6:30pm
- Tuesday, November 17th: Worship & Music Committee meeting at 10:30am
- Tuesday, November 17th: Board Meeting at 7pm in the Fellowship room
- Thursday, November 19th: Community drop-in/coffee hour 10am-12pm
- Thursday, November 19th: Harbourview Haven Service at 2:00pm
- Sunday, November 22nd: Anniversary Sunday & Blessing of the Blankets

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Let's Get Building & Crafting! - The Lunenburg Christmas Parade

Calling all carpenters, crafters and carollers! Central is putting together a float for this year's Lunenburg Christmas Parade (November 28; parade starts at 2pm) and we are ready to start building and crafting!
What we NEED to get started:

- One gallon of White Paint (to cover wood)
- Santa Hats
- Builders/Crafters: If you are interested in helping build and/or decorate the float please stop by 15 Kissing Bridge Road, Lunenburg on the following dates and stay as long as you can:
    - Today, November 8 - immediately following the service (Builders)
    - Monday November 16 - 6:30pm (Builders/Crafters)
    - Sunday November 22 - immediately following the anniversary celebrations. (Builders/Crafters)
- Carollers - Parade Participants (need to be in place by 1:30pm)
    - We are looking for a maximum of 6 children, or small adults, to sit on the float.
    - Want some exercise? Walk alongside the float, sing some songs and hand out some candy!

For other ways you can help, please see the sign-up sheet at the back and/or speak with Natasha, Meghan or Christy. Donations accepted until November 22.
A HUGE thank you to Miriam and Graham Pearson for their generosity with the use of their heated garage and workshop to build and store the float.

Thank you to everyone who donated items, money, and their time to another successful **Soup/Chowder Luncheon!** This month we raised $1853.00!! It was so nice to have the Veterans Unit present at our luncheon this month! They do enjoy the outing and fellowship time with their community! We have one more luncheon before Christmas on December 2nd! You will find the sign-up poster at the back of the sanctuary if you would like to help out.

Handbells: There will no handbell practice this week. See you all next week on Thursday the 19th!

2027 Calendars: Celebrate United Churches across Canada! Focusing on the theme of 65 years of United Church Women, this bilingual calendar features colourful photos from communities of faith across the country. Calendars are available for purchase at the back of the sanctuary for $10 each.

A Note to our Knitters/Crocheters: If you are looking for a project to keep your hands active, our friends at The Journey Room (Oncology Dept at SSRH) and Palliative Care Services are always looking for lap blankets. Remember, blanket sizes typically range from 32” to 48” (81-122 cm) wide by 35” to 40” (89-102 cm) in length. Please bring your blankets in by Wednesday, November 18th, in preparation for the Blessing of the Blankets on Sunday, November 22nd.

Anniversary Sunday - Nov. 22nd: Join us on November 22nd, as we celebrate the 212th anniversary of our community of faith! Thelma Blinn will be sharing her reflections on what this church has meant to her, and her hopes and dreams for its future. We will also be taking time during this service to bless all the blankets that have been knitted over the summer and fall, before they are sent to those in need in our community. Folks are invited to stay after worship for a time of refreshment, with cake and sandwiches at the back of the sanctuary. We hope to see you there!

Decorating the Sanctuary: Mark your calendar for Thursday, November 26th at 7:00pm. We will be gathering to decorate the church for Christmas. Come help if you can – the more elves the merrier!

In the community:

Today, Sunday, November 8th at 2:30pm: The Maritime Concert Opera presents ***An Afternoon of Song***, featuring Soprano Samantha Fullerton and local voice students, here at Central United. Tickets are $20 ($5 for children), available at the door.

On **Wednesday, December 2nd**, Trinity United Church in Mahone Bay is hosting the third annual **Youth Arts & Crafts Market from 4:30-7:00pm.** All ages are welcome to attend and admission is free. Vendors and musicians are in grades 6-12. Hot drinks and treats will be sold in support of the youth group program. Come support local young crafters and artists while you shop for the holidays! (Artists/crafters in grades 6-12 can book a free table by emailing mahonebayyouth@gmail.com)

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