CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS Sunday, October 19th, 2025

Please send your announcements to the church office by Wednesday.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Monday, October 20th: UCW Meeting at 1:30
- Tuesday, October 21st: Board Meeting in the Fellowship Room at 7pm
- Wednesday, October 22nd: Choir Practice at 6:30pm.
- Thursday,October 23rd: Handbell practice at 10am
- Saturday, November 1st: Men's Supper in the hall at 6pm

In keeping with our efforts to be "green", a reminder to bring your own mugs for Sunday morning tea/coffee, if possible.

<u>Study Leave:</u> Please note that Rev. Daniel will be away on study leave from Monday, October 27th until Monday, November 3rd. Thank you to the Worship and Music Committee, who will be leading worship on Sunday, November 2nd. In the case of a pastoral emergency, please contact the church office at (902)634-4035.

Summer Visitor Program: During the months of July and August Central United welcomed visitors from all over the world to come into our sanctuary and enjoy the beauty and history which we see every week. This year a total of 995 people came to see us and donated \$440 to the church while they were here. This is an increase of 30% above the number of visitors who came in 2024. This effort by dedicated members of the congregation is a good example of ways that we can be welcoming to our home community and beyond! Our Summer Visitor Guides this year were: Rachel Bailey, John Coonley, Carolyn Tanner, Shelley Mann, Graham Pearson, Donna Hartlen, Miriam Pearson, Ivan Carey, Sherrie Carey, Heather Marks, Thelma Blinn, Brian Jobb, Joan Jobb, Shelley Blinn, James Blinn, Iris Cosh, Carolyn Duff, and David Duff. Much thanks to them all for playing a part in this important facet of our outreach at Central. Being a Summer Visitor Guide is an enjoyable and rewarding experience and yet there are still time slots in the schedule which could not be covered. So, if you would like to be part of this and meet many interesting people from all over the world, keep it in mind and join us for the summer of 2026!

All Hallow's Eve! This Hallowe'en the Churches of Lunenburg invite you to join us for an evening of mulled cider, treats, spooky organ music and evening prayers, in the parade square in front of St. John's Anglican Church. All ghosts and ghoulies and ages welcome! Stop by while you're trick or treating, or plan to arrive by 7:30 for compline. We hope to see you there!

<u>The Committee of Stewards</u> are looking for one or two volunteers to be on the Property committee. Contact Earl Bachman at 634-8066 if interested.

Monthly Benevolent Fund Collection: On the *last Sunday* of every month, we invite folks to bring in donations for our Benevolent Fund, and place them in the red offering plate at the back of the sanctuary. This fund is used to support urgent and emerging needs in our community, such as assisting people with paying bills, buying groceries, and more. Donations of \$5 or more receive a tax receipt at the end of the year. Thank you to all who are able to support this important ministry!

A Note to all Knitters and Crocheters: If you are looking for a project this fall, why not consider making some lap blankets for cancer and palliative care patients in our community? Just like last year, we will be collecting lap blankets this fall to donate to the Journey Room and Palliative Care Services at South Shore Regional and Fisherman's Memorial hospitals. Completed blankets can be dropped off at the church office

throughout the fall. They will then be blessed in worship on Sunday, November 16th, before being delivered to their new homes! Thank you for being a part of this ministry of care in our community!

IN THE COMMUNITY -

<u>Today - Sunday, October 19th at 2pm:</u> St.Paul's United Church, serving Blue Rocks and Stonehurst, invites everyone to join them for a special service celebrating their 140th anniversary. Fellowship time and refreshments will follow in the hall. Located at 135 Stonehurst Rd.

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