

# FRIDAY FILE

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## ~ New Office Hours ~

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri

Hours: 9:00am – 1:00pm

**Rev. Dan Leaver**

**Administrator: Michelle Ertl**

Please note if no one in office leave message at  
above phone number or email

March 6, 2026

## Diaconal Dan's Deliberation



Friends,

The Revised Common Lectionary—the selected scripture readings for each week of worship throughout the year—has us journey through the season of Lent with the Gospel of John.

I have a complicated relationship with John's Gospel. I often say it is my least favourite for a number of reasons: it is non-synoptic, heavy with gnostic-sounding themes, and marked by a high Christology. However, the Gospel of John also contains many memorable stories, powerful quotes, and profound invitations that we continue to hold close. There is something unique about John's ordering and presentation of Jesus that is worth listening to, which leaves me both cautious and quietly excited for this Lent.

“Come and see,” or similar invitations to witness, appear throughout John's Gospel. These are open invitations for people to encounter the works of Jesus firsthand. Philip invites Nathanael to “come and see” after Nathanael questions whether anything good can come from Nazareth. The Samaritan woman at the well invites her community to “come and see” Jesus, who told her everything she had ever done.

As we prepare for the Annual Congregational Meeting later this month, our reports reflect this theme: “Come and see.” Come and see what we have been part of this past year, and what lies ahead in our ministry as a congregation seeking to be a caring Christian community of faith—growing, living, and sharing God's love.

Come and see how we might be transformed by the love and light of Christ in our lives.  
Peace be with you,  
Rev. Dan

## HOW TO CONTRIBUTE

**Financial Gifts can be made through cash or cheques on the offering plates during worship.**

**Envelopes are available and tax receipts issued.**

**Please include how you would like to portion your donation between local giving and contributions to the Mission and Service Fund.**

**Donations Cheques can be mailed to:**

**Box 486, Port Elgin, ON NOH 2C0**

**Donations can also be made through:**

**Automatic bank withdrawals (through PAR)**

**E-Transfer: [peucfinance@bmts.com](mailto:peucfinance@bmts.com)**

**Online on PEUC Website – By Credit Card – Canada Helps**

<b>Worship Schedule</b>	<b>March 8 10:00am</b>	<b>March 15 10:00am</b>	<b>March 22 10:00am</b>
	Third Sunday in Lent	Fourth Sunday in Lent	Fifth Sunday in Lent <b>Congregational Meeting</b>
<i>Worship Leader</i>	<b>Rev Dan Leaver</b>	<b>Rev Dan Leaver</b>	<b>Rev Dan Leaver</b>
<i>Music</i>	Leanne Tees	Leanne Tees	Leanne Tees
<i>Lay Reader</i>	Grace Reany	Louise Jack	Tanya Wolfe
<i>AV Booth Team</i>	TBD	TBD	TBD
<i>Fellowship</i>	Best of Friends	Men's Breakfast (Pies for Anne Marie Ruxton)	TBD
<i>Counters</i>	Dianne Lawrie & Bill Reany	Helen Cumming	Pat Chesterman & Brian Schnittker

# Inside PEUC



Keeping our church family in the loop.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Week of March 8 - March 14

<b>March 8</b>	Worship Service 10am (Don't forget Daylight Savings time change)
<b>March 9</b>	Walking Group 2-3pm
<b>March 10</b>	Hug a Bears 8:30-11:30am Men's Study Group 2-4pm
<b>March 11</b>	WOW Bible Study 9:30-11:30am PE Playgroup 10:30-12:00pm Walking Group 2-3pm Council Meeting 7-9pm
<b>March 12</b>	Walking Group 2-3pm Pastoral Care Meeting 10:30-12pm United Housing for All Mtg 6:30-10:30
<b>March 13</b>	Good Food Box 9-5pm Youth Group 7-9pm
<b>March 14</b>	Choir Practice with Leanne 10am

# ARE YOU ENJOYING OUR SUNDAY SERVICES ONLINE?

Would you consider donating to our Church?

You Can Donate:  
On Line on our Web Site

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/port-elgin-pastoral-charge/>

by E-Transfer

[peucfinance@bmts.com](mailto:peucfinance@bmts.com)

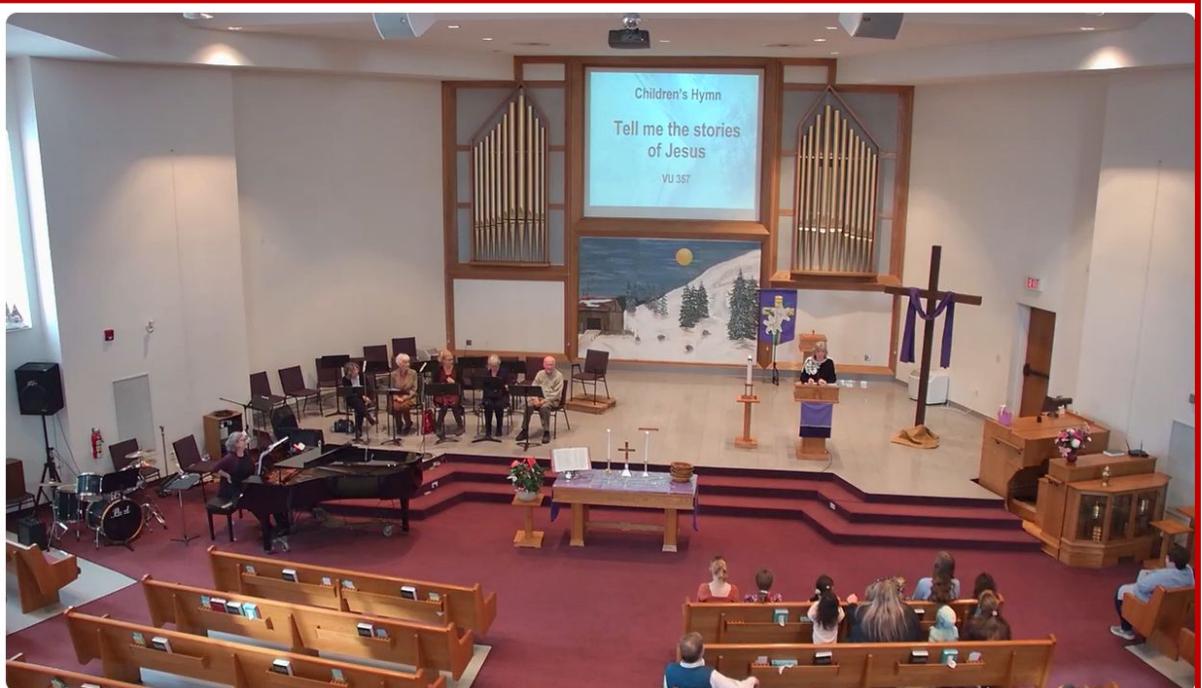
Or, You Can Sign up to do Automatic Monthly  
Withdrawals through the church "PAR" program.

Email [peucfinance@bmts.com](mailto:peucfinance@bmts.com) to get set up

**" Together We Can Make a Difference"**



**Can't make it in? Follow us on Youtube**



Port Elgin United Church Sunday Worship for March 01, 2026. Eileen Wolfe leading worship.

**Click on Image to view all our Sunday services**

**REMINDER!**

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME**

**MARCH 8, 2026**

**Spring Forward!**

*Clocks Move Forward One Hour*



**2:00 AM → 3:00 AM**

*Don't be late for church!*

**NOW EVERY  
OTHER MONTH**

## **HUG A BEARS SCHEDULE**

Bear Stuffing occurs on the 3rd Tuesday  
of the month.

Our next Bear Stuffing is on  
Tuesday March 10th  
from 9-11am  
in Classroom 6

Here are the rest of the dates of Bear  
Stuffing for 2025/2026:

2026

March 10  
May 19  
July 21  
September 15  
November 17

See you  
Tuesday March 10th!



# LOONIES FOR LENT



February 22 – March 22

*Turn Small Change into Real Change*

During the season of Lent,  
the children will be collecting *loose change*  
in support of

*Women's House Grey-Bruce*



**Check your couch cushions.  
Look under the driver's seat.  
Search coat and pant pockets.**

**Bring in your change to  
make a change in our community.**

**Happening here April 26th!**  
**Tickets on Sale**

★ **WILLIAMSON FAMILY** ★  
**POPULAR DEMAND**  
★ **OPRY** ★

**Mandi Craddock Tributes  
Anne Murray and Patsy Cline**

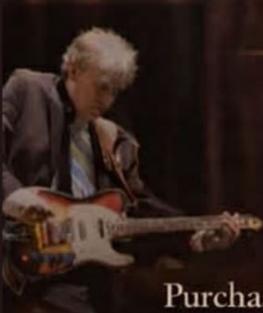


**Special guest, Leo Stock  
Canadian step dancing/fiddle**

**Fundraising Concert  
Portelgin United Church**

**April 26 • 2 PM • \$30 Tickets**

Purchase tickets online at [portelginunitedchurch.ca](http://portelginunitedchurch.ca) or church office  
or at the door



# COMMUNITY EVENTS/SUPPORTS

## CVITP

### Community Volunteer Income Tax Program

CVITP Volunteers will be helping with simple tax and benefit returns for free during March and April by appointment.

**Registration opens Wednesday, February 18**

Contact the Branch you would like to attend directly to book your appointment.

Walkerton Branch: 519-881-3240 or walb@brucecounty.on.ca

Port Elgin Branch: 519-832-2201 or pelb@brucecounty.on.ca

Chesley Branch: 519-363-2239 or chl@brucecounty.on.ca

Kincardine Branch: 519-396-3289 or kilb@brucecounty.on.ca

Lucknow Branch: 519-521-3011 or lulb@brucecounty.on.ca

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public library

[YouTube](https://www.youtube.com) [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com) [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com)  
library.brucecounty.on.ca

## Bruce County Playhouse



**TUNES FOR TOTS**  
Family  
sing-a-long!

WITH  
NYANNA

MUSIC  
APPRECIATION!

**This  
Saturday**  
11AM - Noon

## Jukebox JUBILEE



**A FIGURE SKATING SHOW**  
PRESENTED BY THE SSSC  
MARCH 27 • 6:00-7:30 PM

**The Plex**

## **FREE** Community Lunch

hosted by Knox Burgoyne & Tolmie Memorial Presbyterian Churches



**You are invited!! All are welcome!!**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the Month, 12-3 pm**

Tolmie Memorial Presbyterian Church

699 Goderich St., Port Elgin

Drop-in for a free lunch of soup and bread