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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

May 29, 2026

Diaconal Dan's Deliberation



Friends,

This Sunday is Trinity Sunday, a feast in the church's calendar that invites us into one of Christianity's deepest mysteries: the doctrine of the Trinity—God as Father Creator, Son Redeemer, and Holy Spirit Sustainer.

It is also a Sunday that reminds us how quickly we can turn mystery into explanation and explanation into confusion. For centuries, Christians have tried to find the right images and language, and often discovered that every analogy eventually breaks down. Whether we lean toward water, clover, or “three modes,” we end up bumping into the limits of human language when speaking about God.

That is why Trinity Sunday is less about solving God and more about confessing how God is known: as relationship, movement, and presence. At the heart of Christian faith is not a puzzle to be solved, but a life to be entered.

One of the classic humorous reminders of this comes in the church's own history of trying—and failing—to define the Trinity neatly. At its best, it ends where the Athanasian Creed does: with awe rather than clarity, insisting that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity. And then it stops, because that is about as far as words can go.

What remains is not a definition, but an invitation: to know God as Creator who forms us, Christ who redeems us, and Spirit who sustains and sends us into the very life and mission we hear echoed in Matthew's Great Commission: go, baptize, and teach.

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

Online on PEUC Website – By Credit Card – Canada Helps

Worship Schedule	May 31 10:00am	June 7 10:00am	June 14 10:00am
Worship Leader	Rev Dan Leaver	Rev Dan Leaver	Rev Dan Leaver
Music	Nancy Kline	Leanne Tees	Leanne Tees
Lay Reader	Marcia Masuda	Bill Reany	Grace Reany
AV Booth Team	TBD	TBD	George Brown
Fellowship	TBD	Best of Friends	TBD
Counters	Sue Miller & Lori Chesterman	Adele & Keith Greig	Dianne Lawrie & Bill Reany

Inside PEUC



Keeping our church family in the loop.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week of May 31 - June 6

Sunday May 31	Worship Service – 10am Fellowship 11am
Monday June 1	
Tuesday June 2	Men's Study Group 2:00 – 4:00pm
Wednesday June 3	WOW Bible Study 9:30-11:30am PE Playgroup 10:30 – 12:00pm
Thursday June 4	
Friday June 5	PA Day Camp 8am -5pm Youth Group 7-9pm
Saturday June 6	

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

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

Email peucfinance@bmts.com to get set up

" Together We Can Make a Difference"



Can't make it in? Follow us on Youtube



PEUC20260524worship

Click on Image to view all our Sunday services

CALLING ALL GREEN THUMBS

Please contact June Van Bastelaar if you could help tend to one of our flower or vegetable gardens this spring and fall.

If you are able to, purchase one extra tomato or pepper plant for our gardens and leave them in the cloak area at the back door.

DECORATORS NEEDED

DO YOU HAVE A FLAIR FOR DESIGN?
WE ARE ESTABLISHING A
DECORATING COMMITTEE AND NEED
YOUR HELP.

CONTACT JUNE VAN BASTELAAR
IF YOU ARE INTERESTED.



Join us This Sunday for
Workshop

Paul and Dorothy McLaren will be returning to worship this Sunday
and will be tickling the ivories!

Nancy Kline



BEAUTIFUL BLOSSOMS



Shared by Marion Kelly

LOST & FOUND

We have a large amount of Found Items here at the church.
If you have Lost anything , you might want to drop by and see if
we have it!

(all items are located in cloak room by back entrance)

We will be holding on to these items until May 30th at which
time we will be donating or disposing of any unclaimed items.

Please reach out to Michelle in the Church Office if you are
unable to come during office hours.

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VACATION BIBLE CAMP 2026



WHAT: VACATION BIBLE CAMP RAINFOREST FALLS 2026

WHERE: PORT ELGIN UNITED CHURCH

WHEN: AUGUST 10TH - 14TH, 2026

TIME: 9AM - NOON

OR

9AM - 4PM

(FULL DAY PROGRAM)

WHO CAN ATTEND: ENTERING JK TO GRADE 6 IN

SEPTEMBER 2026

COST: BY DONATION

WHY: TO HAVE FUN WHILE LEARNING ABOUT GOD-

INCLUDES CRAFTS, SINGING, GAMES, SNACKS,

BIBLE STORIES AND MISSIONS

<https://vbspro.events/p/98c8a2>

ADULTS CAN VOLUNTEER BY SIGNING UP UNDER THE
ABOVE LINK AS A VOLUNTEER TOO. YOU DON'T HAVE TO
BE THERE EVERY DAY OR EVEN THE FULL DAY.

ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE SEE JOAN KAZIMER.

Helen's Artwork in Region's Centennial Collage

In 2025, our Region, Western Ontario Waterways, celebrated the Centennial of the United Church of Canada by developing a collage of the about 170 churches in our region. Each church (pastoral charge) provided something to represent them. Some Churches provided photos of their church, original artwork or a theme.

Almost all churches contributed.



Collage of Western Ontario Waterways Church contributions.

In the Photo above you can see a wide variety of contributions. Each one unique in their own way. There is a string going through and around the collage. This is a symbol of the connectedness of the church. If we tug on the string, many hands are there to help us.

Helen Kononiuk provided PEUC's contribution. She went down to the Southampton beach park at the mouth of the Saugeen River and sketched out and then painted a sunset. If you look at the photo above you can see it in the lower right corner. Helen wanted to capture the peace and the stillness of a sunset with all of it's beautiful transitory colours. Chantry Island is to the right and the rocks of the shore are in the foreground.

We can see that the string crosses the picture to show how we are connected and everyone is connected to us.

We thank Helen for painting this picture on behalf of PEUC. If you were like us, and had difficulty finding the picture, we have expanded the picture so we can each see it. See below.



Close up of Helen's painting in the WOWRC collage.

COMMUNITY EVENTS/SUPPORTS



**Bruce County Playhouse Presents
SUMMER '26 PROFESSIONAL SEASON**

Halfway THERE
By Norm Foster

A heartwarming journey full of laughter, about finding your people and your place in this world.

June 25 to July 11

MURDER AT THE MANOR
by David Bellenger

A hilarious spoof of Agatha Christie, with actors and non-actors taking you on a roller coaster ride.

July 23 to Aug 8

Learn to Be CLEAVAGE
The Theatre of the Absurd
Diana Francis & Karen Parker

July 23 to Aug 22


TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Tickets available at brucecountyplyhouse.com
644-162 / Under 25, 10%

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SHRINERS PARADE

SATURDAY MAY 30, 2:00PM
DOWNTOWN PORT ELGIN
GODERICH St. - RIVER St. to EUGENIE St.





ALL PART OF MOCHA SHRINERS 2026 SPRING CEREMONIAL
HOSTED BY THE BRUCE SHRINE CLUB

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Join us for the Saugeen Shores

PRIDE FLAG RAISING

The Municipal Office
Monday, June 1, 2026 at 12pm

All are welcome as we celebrate
Pride Month in Saugeen Shores.

Junk in the TRUNK

YARD SALE



Main Street Market & Threads
• 5026 Ont-21 •

July 1st • 10am - 3pm
\$20 per spot

All proceeds will be going to

Adoptapet Petrescue
Lucknow, Ontario