

# 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

**June 5, 2026**

## Diaconal Dan's Deliberation



Friends,

Lately, I have noticed a rise in calls for donations to food security programs in our area. Shelves are more bare than they have been in some time, and the need continues to grow. This is not unique to Saugeen Shores; communities everywhere are feeling the strain. I recently came across a post from The Inn of the Good Shepherd in Sarnia, a community organization offering supports including a food bank. They shared that they are now limiting how many people they can serve each day in order to “continue supporting those who rely on [the program],” as donations decline.

In October 2024, Grey Bruce Public Health released a report on food affordability in our region. It shows that many households are no longer able to meet basic needs as the cost of living rises faster than incomes. Their data shows that a family of four now spends about \$1,250 a month on groceries, while a single adult needs around \$434. These are not just numbers. They represent real choices people are being forced to make between food, rent, heat, transportation, and other essentials. Nearly one in five households in Grey-Bruce is food insecure. GBPH names this clearly as a crisis driven not only by food prices, but by inadequate income.

As a United Church community, we understand that caring for one another is not simply charity, but an expression of justice and shared dignity. When neighbours struggle to meet basic needs, we are called to respond—not only with compassion, but with courage and commitment to the common good.

Food insecurity is not an issue “out there.” It is here among us. It invites us to open our hearts, and also to open our eyes. I encourage us to consider how we might respond: through giving where we can and volunteering time — supporting these local programs.

May we continue to be a community shaped by generosity, attentiveness, and hope.

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>June 7 10:00am</b>	<b>June 14 10:00am</b>	<b>June 21 10:00am</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup> After Pentecost	3 <sup>rd</sup> After Pentecost	4 <sup>th</sup> After Pentecost
<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>	Bill Reany	Grace Reany	June VanBastelaar
<i>AV Booth Team</i>	TBD	George Brown	George Brown
<i>Fellowship</i>	Best of Friends	TBD	Men's Breakfast
<i>Counters</i>	Adele & Keith Greig	Dianne Lawrie & Bill Reany	Helen Cumming

# Inside PEUC



Keeping our church family in the loop.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Week of June 7 - June 13

<b>Sunday</b> June 7	<b>Worship Service – 10am</b> <b>Fellowship – Best of Friends</b>
<b>Monday</b> June 8	
<b>Tuesday</b> June 9	<b>Men's Study Group 2:00 – 4:00pm</b> <b>Facility Use Meeting 7:00 – 9:00pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b> June 10	<b>WOW Bible Study 9:30-11:30am</b> <b>PE Playgroup 10:30 – 12:00pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b> June 11	<b>Pastoral Care Meeting 10am</b>
<b>Friday</b> June 12	<b>Good Food Box</b> <b>Youth Group 7-9pm</b>
<b>Saturday</b> June 13	

# **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**



PEUC20260531 Worship Service

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

**WOMEN OF THE CONGREGATION  
ARE INVITED  
TO JOIN LEANNE IN CHOIR FOR FATHER'S DAY**



**PRACTISE WILL BE  
THURSDAY NIGHTS AT 7PM FOR 3 WEEKS,  
FOLLOWING WORSHIP TEAM PRACTISE**

## **TIES WANTED FOR VBS**



**If you have any old ties lying around,  
Vacation Bible School needs them for a Craft Project!  
Please drop off to Church Office  
or give them to Joan Kazimer**

# 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://vbapro.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.



## SILVER LAKE CAMP

Silver Lake Camp still has spots open this summer for campers ages 6 to 18.

Visit <https://silverlakecamp.ca> for more information,  
and use the discount code CPD2026 to save \$50 with online registration.

Campers can choose between the main site and wilderness camps. Camp is a place to unplug, experience community, enjoy the outdoors, take on new adventures and renew faith.

If you have any questions, you're welcome to reach out to Lance Wright:  
[silver.lake.promotion@gmail.com](mailto:silver.lake.promotion@gmail.com).

Silver Lake would like to express its thanks to Port Elgin United Church for the wonderful camp lunch and for its support of the camp. Silver Lake also wants to thank the youth group of Port Elgin United Church for their impressive fundraising efforts and donation. The contributions from the church and youth group go a long way toward helping Silver Lake continue investing in forever memories and life-changing experiences at camp.

Thanks,

Lance

# Thank You

A special thank you to  
all who came out to  
help plant and  
continue to care for  
the vegetable gardens.  
Let's hope for a  
bountiful harvest!



SAVE THE DATE:  
**SAT. JUNE 13, 3 PM**  
GREY BRUCE - OWEN SOUND  
**PRIDE PARADE & BLOCK PARTY**

Join United Church Friends & Allies in  
Our 'United In Love Kazoo Band' as we  
**STRUT.WALK.ROLL.SASHAY**

**CALLING ALL HUMMERS-NOVICE OR PRO:**  
**IF YOU CAN HUM A TUNE,**  
**YOU CAN PLAY THE KAZOO!**  
**WE NEED YOU IN OUR MARCHING BAND**  
**~INSTRUMENTS PROVIDED~**

# COMMUNITY EVENTS/SUPPORTS



**Big Brothers Big Sisters**  
OF GREY, BRUCE AND WEST SIMCOE



**TAYLORED PICKLEBALL ACADEMY LAKESHORE**  
TAKE YOUR LEVELS

## BIGGER TOGETHER

### CHARITY PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT

In memory of Pam Rowcliffe



**SATURDAY, JUNE 20<sup>TH</sup>**  
MENS/WOMENS DIVISIONS

**SUNDAY, JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup>**  
MIXED DIVISIONS

**\$130/TEAM PER DIVISION**  
**\$65 PER PERSON**

**EXCITING RAFFLE PRIZES!**

**REGISTER NOW AT**  
[WWW.TAYLOREDPICKLEBALLACADEMY.CA](http://WWW.TAYLOREDPICKLEBALLACADEMY.CA)



**Rotary** Club of Port Elgin  

# SUNSET PIPER



**WALKER HOUSE**  
THE ARTS

**SALGEEEN SHORES**  
**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

## OPENING NIGHT!

### JUNE 12

**SPONSORED BY**  
**Rotary**  
Club of Southampton 

**NEW LOCATION FOR JUNE 12, 19 AND 26 DUE TO HIGH ST CONSTRUCTION**  
**PIONEER PARK, SOUTHAMPTON - THE CANNONS BY THE RIVER**



**WESTLINKS**

**Rotary** Club of Port Elgin 

### 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC & POKER RUN! \$560/TEAM

**FRIDAY, JULY 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2026**

**SCHEDULE:** 11:30 am: Registration  
12:30 pm: Shotgun Start  
5:30 pm: Dinner, Speeches, Prizes

**FORMAT:** 12 Holes of Golf with Power Cart  
4-Person Team Scramble Format  
Lunch & Dinner Included



**SIGN UP TODAY:** portelginrotary@gmail.com  
1 poker entry per team - \$60  
Email: portelginrotary@gmail.com  
Westlinks is located at 2089 Bruce Rd 17

In support of local youth causes!  
Thank you to our sponsors:




## ART UNVEILING & A PATIO PARTY!

**3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL**

# ART in the ALLEY

**June 26, 6-9pm**

- Live Music with Nuclear Vibes
- Artists' Showcase
- FEATURED UNVEILING with local artist Rowan Stephenson

**Brought to you by Ristorante Rosina & DOWNTOWN PORT ELGIN**

# COMMUNITY EVENTS/SUPPORTS

## PORT ELGIN & SOUTHAMPTON

*— Your Dance Week Starts Here! —*  
TWO NIGHTS. TWO EXPERIENCES. ONE DANCE FAMILY.  
*Learn it Tuesday. Dance it Thursday.* ♥

### Tuesday WE LEARN

★ LAKESHORE RECREATION CENTRE ★  
— Port Elgin —

**7:00 – 8:00 PM**  
BEGINNER LESSON  
*Perfect for first-timers!*

**8:00 – 9:00 PM**  
IMPROVER/INTERMEDIATE  
*Build on your skills!*

*This is where we break down the dances, build confidence, and help you become comfortable on the dance floor. All levels welcome!*

**\$15**  
Cash At The Door

### Thursday WE DANCE

★ OUTLAW BREWERY CO. ★  
— Southampton —

COMPLIMENTARY LINE DANCING  
**7:00 – 9:00 PM**

*Join us for a fun, relaxed night of dancing, great food, cold drinks, and awesome company. We'll keep it beginner-friendly with the dances you love!*

*Learn it Tuesday. Dance it Thursday.* ♥

*Grab a drink. Buy a few. Hit the dance floor!* ♥

**CLASSES TEACH THE DANCES. SOCIALS BRING THE DANCES TO LIFE.**  
*Build your skills in class, then come show off your moves!*

**FUN**  
*Good times at around*

**FRIENDS**  
*A community that feels like family.*

**FITNESS**  
*Stay on top without even realizing it.*

**EXERCISE IN DISGUISE**  
*You'll be smiling too much to notice.*

*LINE DANCING WITH Rhonda Laws & THE ROWDY OUTLAWS*

**CHECK US OUT ONLINE!**  
Line Dancing with Rhonda Laws & The Rowdy Outlaws  
[www.rhondalawsanddances.com](http://www.rhondalawsanddances.com)

**WE'RE NOT JUST COUNTRY... We're a little bit of EVERYTHING!**

# JUNE

## 5th-6th

## PAISLEY VOLKSWAGEN RIVERFEST

**SATURDAY, JUNE 6th**  
10AM - 4PM AT PAISLEY ROTARY PARK

MUSIC, KIDS ENTERTAINMENT, FOOD TRUCKS, DRINKS & MORE!

### Tell It To Sweeney

Bonecat • The Vaudevillia  
Big Dan Blues Band  
Alfie Smith • Erin McCallu  
Otis Wonder & The Hustl!

Dan Walsh • Rod Jewell Band  
Gail Gunnis & The Dirty Roosters  
Elliott & Audio Kings  
Eryn Simoes • Settle the Ghost

*Interactive Workshops with Nicole Christian & The Vaudevillians*

June 5th 4PM - 12AM  
June 6th 1PM - 10P

# 2026 PAISLEY BLUES FEST

[www.paisleybluesfest.com](http://www.paisleybluesfest.com) @paisleybluesfest

International Brotherhood of BOILERMAKERS • 128 GEORGIAN BAY MOTORS

**Rotary**

## HURON SHORE Run

**SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2026**  
5K • 10K • 15K • KIDS FUN RUN

# Cruisers CRUISE NITE

**EVERY THURSDAY THIS SUMMER**  
**5PM – 9PM**

**CLASSIC CARS. COOL PEOPLE. GREAT NIGHTS BY THE LAKE.**

# FOOD BANK NEEDS

## LIVING HOPE - PROGRAMMING

If you are needing support, or would like to drop off donations, please visit us during our hours of operation. If these hours do not work for you, it is possible for us to arrange an appointment at another time, please email us.

**FOOD BASKET** - Tuesdays/Thursdays 12-3pm

**CLOTHING/HOUSEHOLD ITEMS** - Thursdays 12-2pm

**CHURCH PROGRAMMING** - Please contact Trish

If you have any questions or would like to connect with Trish, our Director/Pastor, please send an email to [livinghope@bmts.com](mailto:livinghope@bmts.com)

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COMMUNITY SERVICES / FOOD BANK  
Saugeen Shores

## Living Hope

cereal  
canned fruit  
corn  
canned vegetables  
chunky soups  
Mr. Noodle Soups  
Toilet paper

## Salvation Army

feminine hygiene products  
toilet paper  
side dishes  
canned items  
cookies  
kraft dinner

**DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE CHURCH  
OR DIRECTLY TO THE FOOD BANKS ABOVE**