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June 12, 2026

~ 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

Diaconal Dan's Deliberation



Friends,

The way we speak about God shapes more than our theology, it shapes our imagination, our relationships, and our sense of belonging in the life of faith.

In the United Church of Canada, there has been a long-standing movement toward inclusive and expansive language in worship and theology. As early as the 1980s, General Council studies and reports called the church to pay attention to how our words form faith. This was not only about vocabulary, but about how language shapes relationship: it can open space for belonging, or quietly narrow it.

One concern is what happens when our language for God becomes too limited. When we consistently use only masculine terms or pronouns for God, our imagination of God can shrink without us noticing. God can become confined to a single human image rather than the living mystery who always exceeds what we say.

Scripture itself resists this narrowing. Alongside traditional language, we are given a wide range of images for God: God as a mother who comforts and nourishes (Isaiah 49:15), rock and refuge, light, shepherd, fire, and sheltering presence; God as an eagle who carries and teaches her young (Deuteronomy 32; Exodus 19); and as wind or breath that moves freely and cannot be contained (John 3:8; Acts 2). These are expansive images that remind us no single human category can hold God.

At its heart, inclusive and expansive language is about relationship. When we allow Scripture's full range of imagery to shape our prayer and worship, we make space for a wider experience of God—and a wider welcome for those who come seeking.

God is never contained by our language. The gift is discovering again and again the Holy Mystery that is always greater than our understanding. As theologian and author Philip Yancey observes, our language for God is always limited; every image and pronoun points beyond itself to a reality far greater than words can express.

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	June 14 10:00am	June 21 10:00am	June 28 10:00am
	3 rd After Pentecost	4 th After Pentecost	5 th After Pentecost
<i>Worship Leader</i>	Rev Dan Leaver	Rev Dan Leaver	Rev Dan Leaver
<i>Music</i>	Leanne Tees	Leanne Tees	Nancy Kline
<i>Lay Reader</i>	Grace Reany	June VanBastelaar	Helen Cumming
<i>AV Booth Team</i>	George Brown	George Brown	George Brown
<i>Fellowship</i>	TBD	Men's Breakfast	TBD
<i>Counters</i>	Dianne Lawrie & Bill Reany	Helen Cumming	Pat Chesterman & Brian Schnitker

Inside PEUC



Keeping our church family in the loop.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week of June 14 - June 20

Sunday June 14	Worship Service – 10am Fellowship
Monday June 15	Fire Inspection 9am
Tuesday June 16	Men's Study Group 2:00 – 4:00pm
Wednesday June 17	WOW Bible Study 9:30-11:30am PE Playgroup 10:30 – 12:00pm
Thursday June 18	
Friday June 19	Youth Group 7-9pm
Saturday June 20	

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



PEUC20260607Worship

Click on Image to view all our Sunday services

D i s c o v e r y C o v e

is challenging the Congregation to bring
Canned Fruit or Applesauce
for the children to collect during
the Children's Hymn
for the next 2 weeks

All proceeds will be split between
Living Hope Food Basket
&
The Salvation Army Food Bank



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://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.



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.

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

SAVE THE DATE



Coming to
Port Elgin United Church
Sunday October 18th @ 2pm

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

Updated November 13/24



Giving
Hope
Today

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COMMUNITY SERVICES / FOOD BANK
Saugeen Shores

614 Barnes Ave, Saugeen Shores, ON

Living Hope

canned fruit
applesauce
(for the Discovery Cove Challenge)
Mr Noodles
pudding cups
canned veggies
Personal hygiene products.

Salvation Army

canned fruit
applesauce
(for the Discovery Cove Challenge)
Zoodles
Canned tomatoes
side dishes
Kraft Dinner
Feminine Hygiene Products
Personal Hygiene Products

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

COMMUNITY EVENTS/SUPPORTS

SHOW 'N GO
CLASSIC CAR TOURS & SHOWS

Tour Start 11:00 AM Show Starts 12:00 PM

2026



IN SUPPORT OF
CRIME STOPPERS OF GREY BRUCE
1-800-222TIPS - CSTIP.CA

Bruce County Tour



Saturday
June 27, 2026
11:00 A.M. Tour Start

YOUR START LOCATIONS

- Sauble Beach**
Community Centre
- Saugeen Shores**
The Plex Community Centre
- Mincardine**
Cornmought Park
- Owen Sound**
Staples Parking Lot

Enjoy a scenic backroads tour through the rural heart of South Bruce County, culminating in a lively afternoon car show at Paoley's Palace Park.

The tour kicks off at 11:00 A.M., departing from five locations across Bruce and Grey Counties. No matter where you start, every route leads to Paoley's Palace Park where participants can gather to celebrate classic cars and the open road.

Refreshments available on site.



214 Main St. Sauble Beach • JacknJillsBurlShop.com



CRIME STOPPERS OF GREY BRUCE
50/50 DRAW
4:00 PM



September 18-20, 2026



1088 1st Ave. W.
Owen Sound, ON
N4K 4K7
519-373-1110



GREY BRUCE PRIDE

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~

SAVE THE DATE!



SAUGEEN SHORES Tour of Gardens

SAT. JULY 11, 2026 • 9-3PM

HOSTED BY:



Southport Horticultural Society
www.southporthorticulturalsociety.com

Proceeds to



Huron Shores Hospice
huronshoreshospice.ca

FILL YOUR CAR WITH FRIENDS AND TOUR OUR LOCAL, FABULOUS GARDENS

These beautiful urban and rural gardens have been selected to **INSPIRE** and **EDUCATE** all those who wander through them.



CHECK OUT THE TOUR OF GARDENS WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION

COME TO A

Royal Princess AND Prince PARTY!

JUNE 14TH
ADMISSION TIMES:
1:00 PM  **2:30 PM**
AT THE
LAKESHORE RECREATION CENTER

TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE AFTER JUNE 1ST!

 **\$20 EACH**  **\$5.00 PER EACH ADDITIONAL BEING**  **BEVERAGES FREE**

SCAN TO GET YOUR TICKETS!



OR:

CLICK HERE

ENJOY A ROYAL DAY FILLED WITH:


FUN ACTIVITIES


ROYAL TREATS


CRAFTS


MUSIC


AND MORE!

A Cham-Bette Event

COMMUNITY EVENTS/SUPPORTS

TOLMIE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
699 Goderich Street, Port Elgin
Phone: 519-389-4818

INVITES YOU TO ENJOY

A STRAWBERRY SOCIAL



Date: Friday June 26th

Time: 2 - 4 pm

Cost: \$10 per person



We will be pleased to serve you:

*shortcake with lots of strawberries
smothered in real whipped cream or
ice cream served with tea, coffee or lemonade*

Looking forward to spending some time with you.



SUNSET PIPER

WALKER HOUSE
SAUGEEN 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

**2ND ANNUAL
PORT EGIN COED
SLOPITCH CLASSIC**
JUNE 26 TO 28 2026

**HELP US RAISE MONEY FOR THE
1ST PORT EGIN SCOUTING GROUP**
providing youth programming in our local community

LICENSED EVENT
RAFFLE DRAWS & 50/50 DRAW
CASH PRIZES FOR 1st PLACE IN
EACH DIVISION

LOCATION:
LAMONT SPORTS PARK
300 CONCESSION 6
PORT EGIN ON

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN! \$700 PER TEAM
SECURE YOUR SPOT TODAY WITH NON REFUNDABLE \$100 DEPOSIT
FULL PAYMENTS DUE BY MAY 15th, TEAMS MUST HAVE SPO FULL ACCESS PASS
FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR TO LEARN HOW TO MAKE A PAYMENT PLEASE CONTACT
AMY ELLIOTT
DIRECTOR OF SOFTBALL OPERATIONS
amy1010@lam@gmail.com

CANADA DAY Southampton
July 1

SAUGEEN SHORES
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Bands
4 - 10:00pm

Barbecue
Saugeen Shores Rotary

*Bucket Brigade
& Popcorn*
Southampton Rotary

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