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July 24, 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,

This week I was out and about in southern Ontario assisting the Regional Council in Camp Accreditations, making sure the United Church Camps comply with United Church Camping Standards. It was delightful to sit with camp staff and Board Members and hear about the amazing ministry they offer, and to also see it in action.

This Sunday, we will be worshipping outside (weather permitting) and it will be a fitting place given I was outside most of this week. We will also be finishing up the Parable Discourse from the Gospel of Matthew and enjoying a BBQ lunch together afterwards.

The connection I see in all of this is how the parables give us a lens through which to see the Kingdom of God. Our time together in worship and fellowship—and the ministry of our Outdoor Ministries—offer glimpses of that Kingdom: places where people are welcomed, fed, known, and cared for.

One of the images Jesus offers of God's Kingdom is to a mustard seed. Though it begins small, it grows into a great tree where the birds of the air come and find shelter. It is an image of welcome and refuge.

That is the invitation Jesus offers us. Not to decide who belongs, but to make room. To welcome others as Christ has welcomed us. Sometimes it happens around picnic tables after worship. Sometimes it happens in small groups or volunteering. And sometimes it happens in the quiet ways our building serves the community throughout the week. Whenever we choose compassion over judgment and hospitality over hesitation, the Kingdom grows.

I look forward to worshipping with you outdoors this Sunday, sharing a meal together, and discovering once again what the Kingdom of Heaven is like.

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	July 26 10:00am	August 2 10:00am	August 9 10:00am
	9 th After Pentecost Outdoor Service	10 th After Pentecost	11 th After Pentecost
<i>Worship Leader</i>	Rev Dan Leaver	Elizabeth Mooney	Elizabeth Mooney
<i>Music</i>	Nancy Kline	Nancy Kline	Leanne Tees
<i>Lay Reader</i>	Marcia Masuda	Bill Reany	Grace Reany
<i>AV Booth Team</i>	George Brown	George Brown	George Brown
<i>Fellowship</i>	BBQ	VBS Brunch	Best of Friends
<i>Counters</i>	Pat Chesterman & Brian Schnittker	Adele & Keith Greig	Dianne Lawrie & Bill Reany

Inside PEUC



Keeping our church family in the loop.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week of July 26 - August 1

Sunday July 26	Outdoor Worship Service – 10am Fellowship –Outdoor BBQ
Monday July 27	
Tuesday July 28	Comfort Quilters – 9:15-3:45pm Men's Study Group 2:00 – 4:00pm
Wednesday July 29	
Thursday July 30	
Friday July 31	
Saturday August 1	

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



PEUC20260719worship

Click on Image to view all our Sunday services

Outdoor Service and BBQ:

Sunday July 26th

On July 26th, we will have worship outside in the field off the parking lot.

Please bring your own lawn chairs and comfy outdoor clothes.

There will be some chairs available for those who forget their chairs or if they bring guests.

For the BBQ after church, you are invited to bring a salad or dessert to share, as well as your own plate and cutlery.

Please sign up on the sheet provided on the desk outside the sanctuary on

Sunday July 19th, 2026.

The rain plan will be to have worship and the BBQ inside.

Thank you, UCN and Worship Committee

EMERGENCY PASTORAL CARE

Rev. Dan Leaver will not be available for Pastoral Care during the weeks of July 27th to August 9th, while on vacation.

If you need emergency pastoral care, please contact Michelle at the church office during office hours.

If urgent care is needed outside of office hours you can reach

Rev Gerry Hofstetter directly at
hofstetter@bmts.com or 519-797-3495

VBS BRUNCH

SUNDAY AUGUST 2ND AFTER SERVICE



Join us for brunch after church on
Sunday August 2nd.

This by donation event will help us fund
VBS decorating and curriculum costs.



Brunch will include scrambled eggs,
breakfast sausage, bacon, hash browns,
pancakes, grilled cheese sandwiches,
muffins, scones, yogurt parfaits, fresh fruit
cups, tea, coffee, juice and other items.
Gluten free options will be available.



WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

IT'S SUMMERTIME!



There are no weekly rehearsals for
The Worship Team or The Spirit Singers.
However, we still need some singers to help out on Sunday
mornings.

If you are a singer, and are available on any given Sunday,
please join Nancy or Leanne, at 9:00 am on that day,
and we will run through all the hymns before the service.

Thanks for your musical support!!

VACATION BIBLE CAMP 2026



WHAT: VACATION BIBLE CAMP RAINFOREST FALLS 2026

WHERE: PORT ELGIN UNITED CHURCH

WHEN: AUGUST 10TH - 14TH, 2026

TIME: 9AM - NOON

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.

STUFFING WANTED FOR VBS



**If you have any empty fabric stuffing
Vacation Bible School needs them for Craft Projects!**

Please drop off to Church Office or give them to Joan Kazimer

COMMUNITY EVENTS/SUPPORTS



Summer Concert Series

Sunday July 26th

7:00-
8:30 PM

Southampton Concert Band

Fairy Lake Pavilion (260 High street Southampton)

Sponsored by:



7:00-
8:30 PM

The AB3

Emmett McGrath Pavilion (100 Harbour Street, Port Elgin)

www.saugeenshores.ca/SummerConcerts



**Community Outreach
and Support Team
COAST**

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Media Release

Bruce County launches Community Outreach And Support Team (COAST)



**SOUTHAMPTON
FIRE ASSOCIATION**

**★ ANNUAL ★
FISH FRY**

\$25 PER PLATE
TWO PIECES OF FISH
- OR -

\$20 PER PLATE
ONE PIECE OF FISH

EACH PLATE INCLUDES:
FISH, FRENCH FRIES, COLESLAW,
TARTAR SAUCE &
WATERMELON

**CASH ONLY
EVENT
THANK YOU!**

**SOUTHAMPTON FIRE ASSOCIATION
STATION 50**

★ PIONEER PARK ★

**SATURDAY
JULY
25TH**



**FISH
FRY
4:00 PM
TO 7:00 PM**

**BAR
OPEN
12:00 PM
TO 7:00 PM**



★ COME OUT AND HAVE FUN! ★



**Marine Heritage
FESTIVAL**
SOUTHAMPTON • ONTARIO

JULY 24 TO 26, 2026

*Three Days of
FUN, FOOD
& MUSIC
for All Ages in
Southampton!*



COMMUNITY EVENTS/SUPPORTS

Sauble Beach

Mark Your Calendars
**SATURDAY
AUGUST 8TH**

SandFest 2026

SATURDAY AUGUST 8TH
Sandcastle Registration & Build 8:00am
Family & Pro ft. Sharon Nesbitt 8:30am
Bubbles with Angela 1:30-3:30pm
DJ Dance Party- 1:30-3:30pm
Sandcastle Awards 3:00pm

CONCERTS AT TOWN SQUARE
Lighthouse Band- 1-2:30pm
Grey Road 1-4pm-6pm
Fat Tony Band- 7-9pm

Thank You to Our Sponsors

PRETZ'S **dh** **MILLERS Home** **GIGI'S** **WOODLAND PARK** **Stan Wright Well Drillers** 519.378.8023

CHANTRY ISLAND CHAM-BETTES

PROCEEDS SUPPORTING BREAST CANCER SURVIVORS
IN BRUCE AND GREY COUNTY

**50/50
DRAW**

\$10.00 per ticket
Draw Date: November 3, 2026

**Chantry Island
CHAM-BETTES**

BERNIE'S BOAT

25

Community Fireworks

AUGUST 1, 2026
KINCARDINE & PORT ELGIN

**2ND ANNUAL
SOUTHAMPTON
ARTS
FESTIVAL**

July 31 to August 2, 2026

- 50 Little Masterpieces event – plus two Guest Artist feature exhibits – and Chair Affair, a silent auction of painted chairs – at Southampton Arts Centre.
- Alleyway Art Walk – exhibit of G.C. Huston student art, presented by Southampton Business Improvement Area.
- Art on the Fence – outdoor exhibit and sale, by Shoreline Artists.
- Art on the Street – live demonstrations on High Street of artists at work.
- ARTtube – moving mobile station with live crafts for children.
- Artisans & Tastes Market – presented by Marine Heritage Society.
- Artisans Market – Saugeen First Nation Independent Business Association.
- Bell Mural Unveiling – art by Kennedy Cameron of Saugeen First Nation.
- "Murder at Ackerton Manor," by Stephen Gallagher – live comedy theatre at Bruce County Playhouse.
- Sidewalk Chalk Art – participation event – sponsored by Shoreline Artists.
- Summer Concert Series – music presented by the Town of Saugeen Shores.
- Traditional Crafts – Historic Saugeen Mills.
- Woodlands People, Artist Cameron Taylor – plus Pop-Up Summer Crafting – and Fabric of Our Being, Quilt Unveiling – at Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre. Special free admission on Sunday, Aug. 2.
- Festival is proudly supported by the Saugeen Shores Chamber of Commerce.

Free Concerts Outdoor Markets Art Exhibits Live Theatre

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



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COMMUNITY SERVICES / FOOD BANK

Saugeen Shores

614 Barnes Ave, Saugeen Shores, ON

Living Hope

Chunky Soup
Canned Fruit
Chicken Flakes
Chef Boyardee with meat

Salvation Army

Bottled Water
Canned Fruit
Paper Towels
Kleenex
Dish Detergent
Laundry Detergent

egg cartons always needed

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

