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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

October 2, 2026

Diaconal Dan's Deliberation



Friends,

This Sunday is World Communion Sunday, one of those Sundays in the church year that I have always appreciated.

There is something powerful about knowing that as we gather around the table at Port Elgin United Church, we are not gathering alone. Around the world, Christians will also gather around tables. The bread may look different, the words may be spoken in different languages, and worship may take forms very different from our own, but we gather around the same table, worshipping the same God and celebrating the same feast.

At the heart of our denomination is the prayer of Jesus, "that all may be one" words that are also on the United Church of Canada's crest. They are a prayer that, even in our differences, we may be one in Christ. We know that Christians do not always agree with one another. We have different traditions, understandings, cultures, and ways of expressing our faith. Yet at Christ's table, there is still room for us to gather together.

This Sunday also continues our Season of Creation as we turn our attention to the creatures with whom we share this world. At first, creatures and World Communion might seem like two rather different themes. Yet both remind us that our lives are shaped by relationship. We do not live alone or apart from one another. We belong within a wonderfully diverse and interwoven creation.

Communion gives us a simple expression of that belonging. We come to the table and receive. We receive bread and cup, grace and welcome. And we receive them alongside siblings in Christ whom we will never meet, but with whom we share this faith and this world.

One table. Many communities. One creation. One God.

That all may be one.

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	October 4 10:00am	October 11 10:00am	October 18 10:00am
	19 th After Pentecost	20 th After Pentecost	21 st After Pentecost
<i>Worship Leader</i>	Rev Dan Leaver	Rev Dan Leaver	Rev Dan Leaver
<i>Music</i>	Leanne Tees	Leanne Tees	Leanne Tees
<i>Lay Reader</i>	Helen Cumming	Louise Jack	Tanya Wolfe
<i>AV Booth Team</i>	John Van Berlo	TBD	TBD
<i>Fellowship</i>	Worship Committee	Best of Friends	Men's Breakfast
<i>Counters</i>	Adele & Keith Greig	Dianne Lawrie & Bill Reany	Helen Cumming

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



Click on Image to view last Sunday's Worship

Inside PEUC



Keeping our church family in the loop.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week of October 4 - October 10

Sunday October 4	Worship Service - 10am Fellowship - Worship Committee CE Cooking Class - 1:00-3:00pm
Monday October 5	
Tuesday October 6	Men's Study Group - 2-4pm
Wednesday October 7	WOW Bible Study - 9am - 12pm Pastoral Care Mtg - 10:15am PE Playgroup - 10:30am-12pm Best of Friends - 12:30-3:00pm
Thursday October 8	Bruce Power Pensioners AGM 9am - 5pm United Housing for All 6:30-10:30pm
Friday October 9	Youth Group - 7 -9pm
Saturday October 10	

OFFSITE WORSHIP SCHEDULE

ELGIN LODGE WORSHIPS - 2:15PM
(2ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH)

OCTOBER 11
NOVEMBER 8
DECEMBER 13

SOUTHAMPTON CARE CENTRE WORSHIPS - 3:00PM

NOVEMBER 15
JANUARY 3

CONGRATULATIONS ABBIE WALKER

Baillie Award Recipient

On Sunday September 26th, our Abbie received one of the 12 Ontario wide Baillie Volunteer Awards. An award for outstanding service to the church and community. Abbie has been a most important contributor to PEUC's youth work over the past 4 years.



Abbie Walker (centre) receiving the Baillie Volunteer Service Award from Joan Kazimer (left) and Shannon Potter (right) with TUCC.

In 1914 Mr James Elwood Baillie of Ottawa Ontario wanted to recognize United Church of Canada Young people's contributions to the world, donated funds and created the Baillie Award.

He recognized that often without acknowledgment or praise, many United Church young adults take seriously their Christian vocation to "care for the poor" and "visit the sick".

These young volunteers take the time to be with people in need, make the effort to be a blessing to their community and their world, and shape their busy schedules to include such worthwhile endeavours.

The Baillie Volunteer Service Award is a way to thank volunteers for commitment and dedicated service to a ministry endeavour of a United Church community of faith. Young adult volunteers are recognized for continuous weekly or monthly commitment to a ministry endeavour or for an extraordinary commitment to a major one-time project.

Each year the Toronto United Church Council (TUCC) receives nominations for the award. They review and select the most deserving.

In 2026 Joan Kazimer applied for the \$1000 award from the Baillie Foundation on Abbie's behalf. Abbie has been a tireless helper and volunteers with almost all of the Youth programs carried out by Port Elgin United Church.

Joan has experienced first hand all of the good works Abbie has completed.

Some of the highlights were:

Organizing and directing children at the Vacation Bible Camp

Team leader for the Port Elgin Youth Group

Her natural ability to detect people's emotional issues and maintain the peace

Her ability to find the peaceful answer to problems

Her intuition dealing with emotions in children

As Joan has said, Abbie displays very Christlike behaviour.

She is humble, kind, caring, patient, loving, generous, non-judging and accepting.

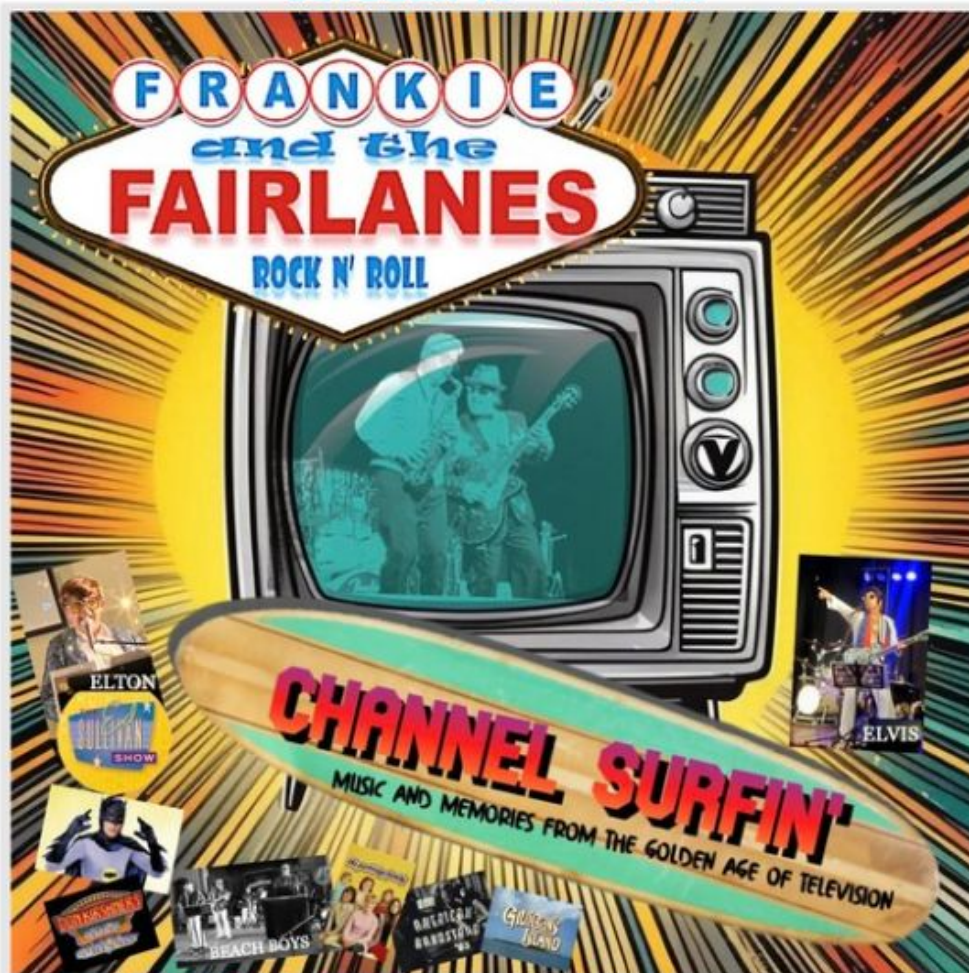
We are proud to have Abbie as a star in our church. We wish her well in the next phase of her life at University and we hope she achieves her goal to be a teacher in the future.



The Walker Family with the award:
Scott Walker, Mak, Abbie, Betty Albright-Walker.

CONCERT AT PEUC

OCTOBER 18TH 3:00PM



SUNDAY OCTOBER 18TH

3PM MATINEE

PORT ELGIN UNITED CHURCH

840 Bruce Street, Port Elgin

TICKETS: \$25 adults 12 and under \$10

Tickets - Church Office - 10am - 1pm - Tues - Fri.

on line sales: www.portelginunitedchurch.ca/ticket-purchases

*in person at: Cathy's Flowers & Treasures
683 Godrich St., Port Elgin*

Join us for this celebration of the music and memories from the golden age of television! From Elvis to Elton, from Jerry Lee to Jim Croce, Frankie and the Fairlanes have tuned in an amazing show with special guests, lots of laughs and some great TV theme songs guaranteed to have you singing along. It's no surprise that Frankie and the Fairlanes have been Ontario's premier Rock-N-Roll review for nearly 20 years!

frankieandthefairlanes.com

**GET YOUR TICKETS
ONLINE OR IN OFFICE!
ADULTS \$25/UNDER 12 \$10**



PEUC UCW INVITES YOU TO

A CONVERSATION WITH

Danielle Boif

Women's House Serving Bruce and Grey

Join us for an engaging session filled with fresh insights, practical ideas, and an opportunity to connect with others in our faith community.

Date	Time	Location
October 27, 2026	7:00 pm	Resource Centre

We will be collecting donations to provide to the Women's House. Current needs include:

Hair Conditioner	Women's Underwear (Size Small and Medium)
Face Wash	Dish Soap
Body Wash (No bars, as per our health and safety regulations)	Laundry Soap
Deodorant or Anti-Perspirant	Cutlery (fork, knife, spoon)
Toothpaste	Cooking Pots
Women's Pyjamas (all sizes)	Journals
	Adult Colouring Books and Art Supplies

We ask that all toiletries be unused, unopened, and not expired as per Health and Safety regulations. All items that do not meet this requirement will be disposed.

Please sign up on the table outside of the Sanctuary

Refreshments will be served

**WINTER
COAT DRIVE**

DONATE YOUR GENTLY USED COATS AND WINTER ACCESSORIES TO HELP OTHERS STAY WARM.



DROP OFF:
ANYTIME FROM
SEPTEMBER 14-
OCTOBER 22

DROP OFF LOCATION:
PORT ELGIN UNITED CHURCH
840 BRUCE STREET

DROP OFF BINS LOCATED:
OUTSIDE THE FRONT ENTRANCE

ITEMS NEEDED: ADULT AND CHILDREN'S COATS AND
SNOW PANTS, HATS, GLOVES, SCARVES AND BOOTS

COAT DRIVE EVENT DATE:
FRIDAY OCTOBER 23
FROM: 10AM-1PM AT PORT ELGIN UNITED CHURCH
840 BRUCE STREET, PORT ELGIN
519-832-9540 PEUNITEDCHURCH@BMTS.COM

**FRIDAY
OCT 23
10-1**

**FREE
COATS**

**BOOTS, HATS, &
GLOVES**

ADULT & KIDS

Pick up day
**Friday
OCT 23
10AM-1PM**

Location
Port Elgin United Church
840 BRUCE ST
519-832-9540
peunitedchurch@bmts.com

Directions:
At Goderich & Market Street intersection,
head towards the lake,
and turn right on Bruce Street.

Our Annual Coat Drive is in full gear!
Thanks to all who have already dropped off their items.
We continue to accept donations until October 22nd



YOUTH GROUP @PEUC



FRIDAYS 7-9PM

All youth, grades 6-12, are welcome to check out Youth Group

Starts Friday, Sept 11th

Discussions, games and snacks!

DISCOVERY COVE BEGINS SEPT 13

Two Classrooms:
Room 3-6 for age 5-grade 3
Room 1-2 for pre-teen/teens

We are excited to get back to the swing of things this fall with two Sunday Morning programs for children and pre-teen/teens.

The pre-teen/teens group will meet with Shona in room 1-2 on Sept 20, Oct 4, 18, Nov 1, 15, 29, Dec 13.

The other Sundays will have a questionnaire to help engage with the worship service. Completed sheets will get a special treat.

PORT ELGIN PARENT & KIDS PLAYGROUP

Infant to age 4

Wednesday's 10:30am-12:00pm

Starting September 16th

For more info contact Port Elgin United Church
840 Bruce Street
peunitedchurch@bmmts.com
519-832-9540

SAUGEEN SHORES
UNITED HOUSING FOR ALL
(UHFA)

**ALL CANDIDATES MEETING
ON HOUSING**



**TUESDAY
OCTOBER 20**



7:00 P.M.
Doors open
at 6:30 p.m.



**PORT ELGIN
UNITED CHURCH**
840 Bruce Street
Port Elgin



**DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS
ABOUT HOUSING?**

Ask the candidates your questions about housing in Saugeen Shores.

We understand that some people may feel uncomfortable speaking publicly about a personal housing issue, may be unable to attend, or may prefer to submit their question in advance.



SEND YOUR HOUSING QUESTION TO:

uhfa2022@gmail.com

We will ask your question on your behalf.
Questions must relate to **HOUSING**.



QUESTIONS AT THE MEETING

You may also ask a housing question
in person from the floor on the night
of the meeting.



INDOOR

BADMINTON

TUESDAY

FRIDAY

1:00-3:00 PM

Starting October 6th

**PORT ELGIN UNITED CHURCH
840 BRUCE STREET**

**CONTACT MARG FOR DETAILS
AND TO SIGN UP
MARGJMAR@GMAIL.COM**



COMMUNITY EVENTS/SUPPORTS



SAUGEEN SHORES ROTARY

BBQ

ONE LAST BBQ OF THE SEASON!
Come out, grab a bite, and support
Saugeen Shores Rotary.

Saturday, October 3rd | Goderich St. & Emma St. | 9AM Onwards

Rotary
Saugeen Shores

Port Elgin's Award Winning
Pumpkinfest
IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAUGEEN SHORES



Tolmie Presbyterian Church
699 Goderich St
Port Elgin
is at the

Pumpkinfest

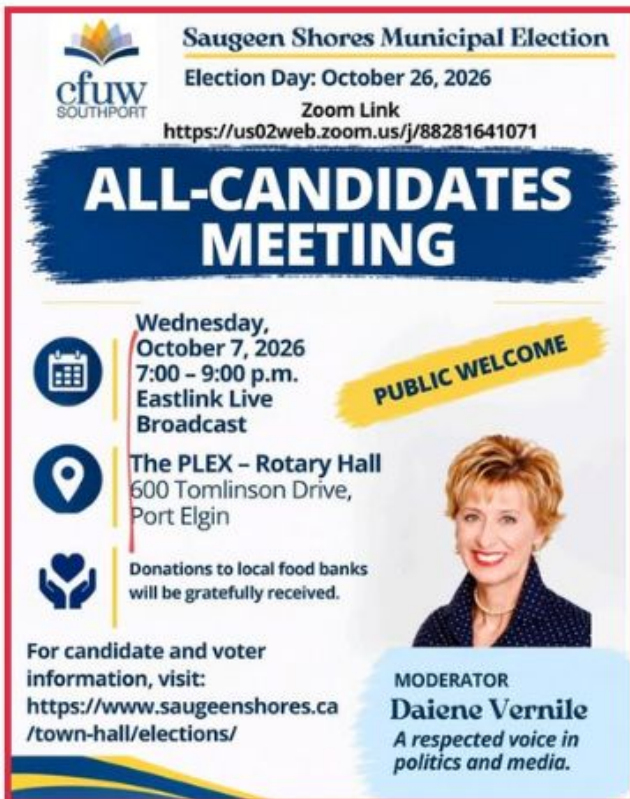
Come Stroll through "Cinderella Car Show"
and join us for a slice of Pumpkin pie with
a hot or cold beverage

Saturday, October 3rd 2026

9:00am

menu

*Pumpkin pie, Cookies, Muffins
Hot Apple Cider, Coffee, Tea,
Hot Chocolate & Water*



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SOUTHPORT

Saugeen Shores Municipal Election
Election Day: October 26, 2026
Zoom Link
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88281641071>

ALL-CANDIDATES MEETING

Wednesday,
October 7, 2026
7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Eastlink Live
Broadcast

PUBLIC WELCOME

The PLEX – Rotary Hall
600 Tomlinson Drive,
Port Elgin

Donations to local food banks
will be gratefully received.

For candidate and voter
information, visit:
<https://www.saugeenshores.ca/town-hall/elections/>

MODERATOR
Daiene Vernile
*A respected voice in
politics and media.*



WANT TO DONATE?

We are looking donations of paper
napkins!

Donations can be dropped off at
our location Tuesdays from
noon-2:45pm

WANT TO DONATE?

We are looking for donations of Vitamin
Water / Gatorade/ Poweraid etc.

Donations can be dropped off at
our location Tuesdays from
noon-2:45pm

LIVING HOPE FOOD BASKET

COMMUNITY EVENTS/SUPPORTS

THINK *SeCoND* FIRST LICENSED EVENT

Thrifty Fashion Show & Silent Auction
Benefiting Local Food Banks

PLUS LOCAL VENDORS & THRIFTED PIECES FOR SALE!

SCAN ME FOR TICKETS! **\$20**



Lakeshore Recreation, Port Elgin
November 13th
7:00-9:30 PM

Featuring:



Your voter information letter should arrive soon!



2026 Municipal and School Board Elections

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Electoral District: 100001
Ward: 1
School Support: English-Separate
Qualifying Address: 5150 Decarie Boulevard

Voting Period
Start: Monday, October 19, 2026 10:00 AM
End: Monday, October 26, 2026 8:00 PM

Your PIN
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How Can I Vote?
Using your PIN and date of birth you can vote by Internet or Phone.

Vote by Internet
Visit the website below or the address bar at the top of your web browser (such as Chrome, Safari, Edge, etc.) and follow the instructions.
<https://saugeshores.simplyvoting.com>

Vote by Phone
Call and follow the instructions.
Toll-Free: 1-844-499-0013

Your Town. Your Vote.

SaugeenShores

H&H TRIO & H&S PIANO DUO

Fall-la-la

2PM SUNDAY THE 18TH OF OCTOBER
AT TOLMIE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

VOCAL AND PIANO ENSEMBLES OF FOLK, CLASSICAL, AND POPULAR MUSIC FOR YOUR LISTENING PLEASURE. ADMISSION BY DONATION.



Port Elgin's Award Winning **Pumpkinfest**

OCTOBER 3 & 4, 2026



WELCOME TO THE Pumpkinfest

VENDOR FOOD & MORE

2026

Ontario, Bruce, Elgin, Middlesex, Huron, Perth, Dufferin, Wellington, York, Peel, Halton, Hamilton, Niagara, and others.

pumpkinfest.org

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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Hope
Today

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COMMUNITY SERVICES / FOOD BANK

Saugeen Shores

614 Barnes Ave, Saugeen Shores, ON

Living Hope

canned fruit
canned vegetables
chunky soups
chili or stews
cereal

Salvation Army

Kleenex
paper towels
laundry
dish soap
diapers
baby food
pork & beans

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



Port Elgin United Church