

FRIDAY FILE

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peunitedchurch@bmts.com



~ 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 9, 2026

Diaconal Dan's Deliberation



Friends,

Waubgeshig Rice is an Anishinaabe author and journalist from Wasauksing First Nation, near Parry Sound, Ontario. Near the beginning of his novel *Moon of the Crusted Snow*, the main character, Evan Whitesky, pauses to give thanks after successfully hunting a moose.

Evan offers a prayer, giving thanks to the Creator for his family, his community, their health, and for the life of the moose that will provide food for his family. He then offers tobacco to the earth as an expression of gratitude. Rice summarizes the moment simply: "As he took from the earth, he gave back."

There is something beautiful in that understanding of thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is more than being grateful for what we have. It is recognizing that what sustains us comes to us as gift: the food on our tables, the land that produces it, the people who grow and prepare it, the communities that surround us, and the creation of which we are a part.

In Leviticus, the people are told not to harvest every last corner of their fields. Some is to remain for the poor and the stranger. Even in abundance, they are reminded that the harvest is not theirs alone. As we celebrate Thanksgiving, may our gratitude lead us toward generosity and responsibility.

We receive. We give thanks. And because we have received, we also give back.

May that gratitude shape how we live with our neighbours, with creation, and with all that has been entrusted to our care.

Peace and grace,
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 11 10:00am	October 18 10:00am	October 25 10:00am
	20 th After Pentecost	21 st After Pentecost	22 nd 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>	Louise Jack	Tanya Wolfe	Doreen Wark
<i>AV Booth Team</i>	TBD	TBD	TBD
<i>Fellowship</i>	Best of Friends	Men's Breakfast	Stewardship
<i>Counters</i>	Dianne Lawrie & Bill Reany	Helen Cumming	Pat Chesterman & Brian Schnittker

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



PEUC20261004

Click on Image to view last Sunday's Worship

Inside PEUC



Keeping our church family in the loop.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week of October 11 - October 17

Sunday October 11	Worship Service – 10am Fellowship –
Monday October 12	
Tuesday October 13	Men's Study Group - 2-4pm
Wednesday October 14	WOW Bible Study – 9am – 12pm PE Playgroup – 10:30am-12pm Council Meeting – 7-9pm
Thursday October 15	Blood Donor Clinic
Friday October 16	PA Day Camp 8am-5pm Youth Group – 7 -9pm
Saturday October 17	

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

CONCERT AT PEUC

OCTOBER 18TH 3:00PM



CANCELLED

Contact Church office for refund

OCTOBER 18TH
MATINEE
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 n Treasures
683 Goderich St., Port Elgin*

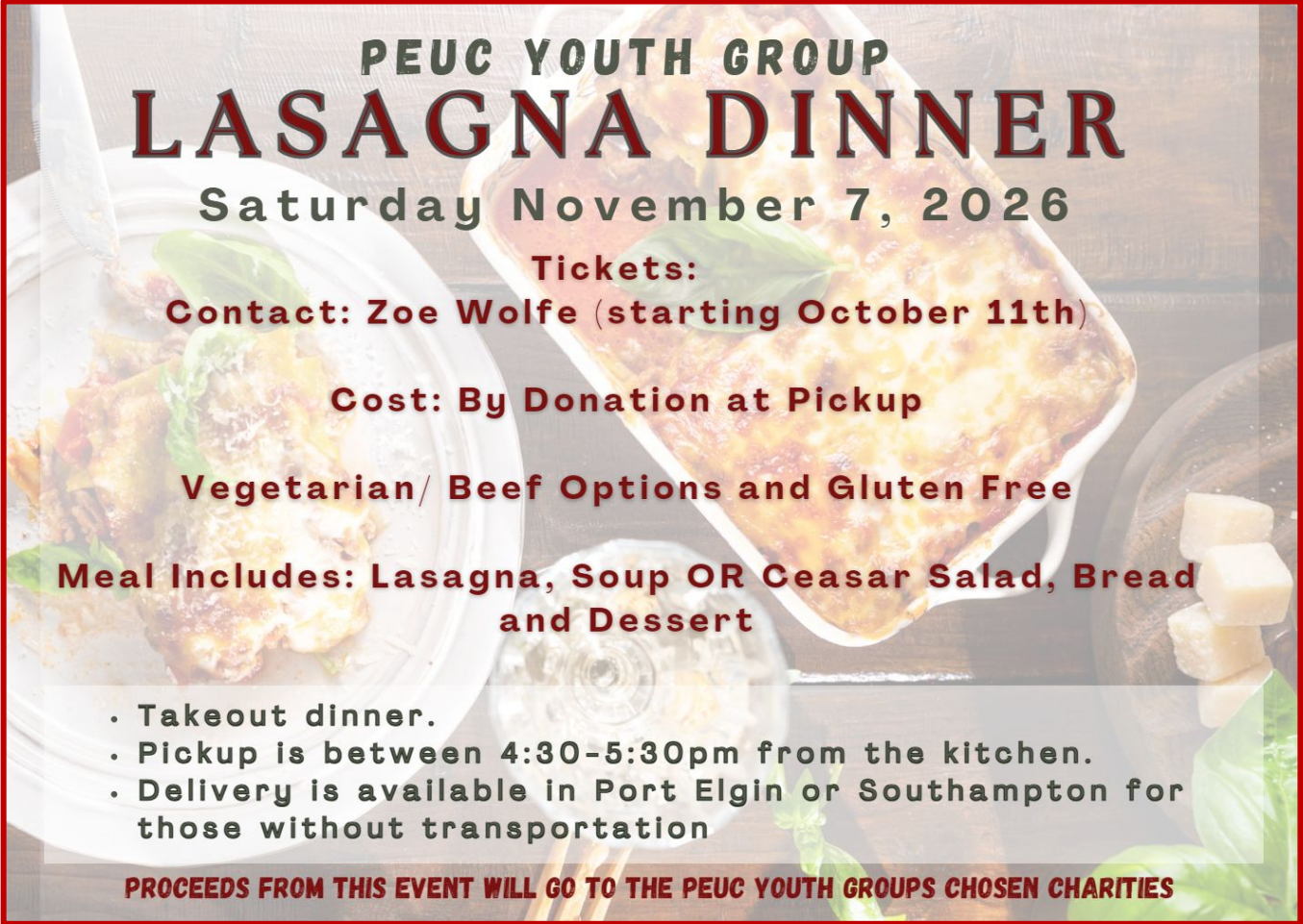
Join us for this celebration of the music and memories from the golden age of television! From Elvis to Elton, from Jerry Lee to Jim Croce, Frankie and the Fairlanes have tuned in an amazing show with special guests, lots of laughs and some great TV theme songs guaranteed to have you singing along. It's 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/IN OFFICE/CATHY'S FLOWERS

ADULTS \$25/UNDER 12 \$10



PEUC YOUTH GROUP LASAGNA DINNER

Saturday November 7, 2026

Tickets:

Contact: Zoe Wolfe (starting October 11th)

Cost: By Donation at Pickup

Vegetarian/ Beef Options and Gluten Free

Meal Includes: Lasagna, Soup OR Ceasar Salad, Bread and Dessert

- Takeout dinner.
- Pickup is between 4:30-5:30pm from the kitchen.
- Delivery is available in Port Elgin or Southampton for those without transportation

PROCEEDS FROM THIS EVENT WILL GO TO THE PEUC YOUTH GROUPS CHOSEN CHARITIES

**NOW EVERY
OTHER MONTH**

HUG A BEARS SCHEDULE

Bear Stuffing occurs on the 3rd Tuesday
of every other month.

**Our next Bear Stuffing is on
Tuesday November 17th
from 9-11am
In Classroom 6**

Here are the rest of the dates of Bear
Stuffing for 2025/2026:

**2026 Dates:
November 17**

**See you
Tuesday November 17th!**

WINTER COAT DRIVE

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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





Setting up for Bruce Power
Retirees AGM

*We have great
commitment behind
the scenes of all
Church Committees*

Frank Eagleson
Council Chair





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

Broadview Group Subscription

It's that time of the year again to renew our Broadview subscription. If you would like to be added to our group plan, please let Michelle know in the office and forward \$30 which is the group rate for 1 year of monthly issues sent to your address. Cut off to subscribe is October 23rd.



Broadview is an independent Canadian magazine featuring award-winning coverage of spirituality, justice and ethical living. As a registered charity, Broadview challenges and inspires readers seeking to live a purpose-filled life.

Our spirituality reporting features Christian perspectives on belief and faith, as well as points of view from other religions and philosophies.

We cover social justice from local, national and global contexts, drawing attention to contemporary issues and our response as people of faith and as caring citizens.

Our ethical living stories offer inspiration and ideas on how we can all make a positive difference with our lives.

Hello from Jean Meisenheimer



Teri and Brian Laehneman had a wonderful visit with Jean recently and shared this photo. Jean moved into a different suite at her retirement home.

Contact Michelle in the office if you require her mailing address or to update her suite number. Her daughter Karen recently sent an update and noted that mailing Jean is best now rather than emails or calls.

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@bmts.com
519-832-9540

COMMUNITY EVENTS/SUPPORTS

Call for 2028 Calendar Photos!

We're looking for quality images of United Churches across the country, in all seasons.

See your church in the calendar!

Visit united-church.ca and search "Submit Your Photos" for details.

Deadline: Jan 17, 2027



Photos from top: Claudia Kutchukian, B. Gillard, Gil Collicott.

Join the Green Boutique this Saturday!

We are in the Fall spirit with cozy finds to keep you warm and lots of seasonal decor to spice up your home!



Tara United Church Fall Supper

Thursday October 29, 2026

*Full Turkey dinner
with all the fixings*

\$28

per person

Sittings at 5:00 and 6:30 pm

*For eat in or take out
call ahead for tickets*

Mary Ruth 519-378-1421

June 519-934-0508



Rotary Southampton Southampton Rotary Dinner Auction & Dance

THIS YEAR'S THEME

A Mardi Gras MASKED BALL



SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 24TH, 2026



5:30 PM to 11:00 PM



LOFT TEN TWENTY
POWER LINK BUILDING
PORT ELGIN



TICKETS \$130

Available from any Rotarian
or call Henry on 519 797 1388



COMMUNITY EVENTS/SUPPORTS



Give Thanks,
GIVE BACK

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE
Port Elgin Walmart | Saturday, October 10

LAKESHORE RECREATION

CORNHOLE FALL SEASON

8 WEEKS OF FRIENDLY COMPETITION & COMMUNITY

SEASON RUNS
OCTOBER 18 - DECEMBER 6

PLAYOFF TOURNAMENT
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

ALL AGES WELCOME
Children, teens, adults and older adults! No age limit.

NO EQUIPMENT REQUIRED
Bags will be provided. Bring your own bags if you'd like (must be competition-style).

GUARANTEED MINIMUM OF 6 GAMES
each afternoon.

\$15 PER AFTERNOON

LICENSED EVENT
The Lakeshore bar will be open!

SPECTATORS WELCOME
Come watch, cheer and enjoy the action!

12:30 PM > **1:00 - 2:00 PM** > **2:00 - 6:00 PM**

CHECK-IN & REGISTRATION
Upstairs at Lakeshore Rec. (Bar area)

LEARN TO PLAY CORNHOLE CLINIC
Learn the rules, throws, strategy and scoring. Warm up and practice time. New players welcome!

BAGS FLY!
Games begin and players are guaranteed a minimum of 6 games each afternoon.

ORGANIZED AND RUN BY
LAUNA SMITH
6-TIME CANADA NATIONAL CHAMPION
Come learn from one of the best, whether you're brand new to the game or an experienced player looking to sharpen your skills.

Come Throw With Us!



GUEST SPEAKERS

Our Thursday Socials
Join us for interesting guest speakers, great company and good conversation!

THURSDAY COFFEE
at the Chantry Centre
10:00 am - Noon
All men are welcome!

THURSDAY GUEST SPEAKERS

OCT 15	10:00 - 10:15 am Emergency Services - Jennie Macintosh
OCT 29	10:00 - 10:15 am Indigenous Information amphitheater
NOV 5	10:00 - 10:15 am Who am I? Rob Paton
NOV 19	10:00 - 10:15 am PRANCE - Ann Marie Johnston
DEC 3	10:00 - 10:15 am Photography - Paul Dost / Jan Middelkoop
DEC 17	10:00 - 10:15 am Archiving - Deb Sturdevant

Somewhere to Go - Someone to Talk To - Something to Do

FREE Community Lunch

hosted by Knox Burgoyne & Tolmie Memorial Presbyterian Churches



You are invited!! All are welcome!!
3rd Tuesday of the Month, 12-2 pm
Tolmie Memorial Presbyterian Church
699 Goderich St., Port Elgin
Drop-in for a free lunch of soup and bread

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 18/24



Giving
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

peanut butter
mac and cheese
canned meat
rice

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

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.



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