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~ Office Hours ~

Both Rev. Jeffrey & Florance Abidi

Tues, Wed, Thur & Fri 10am-12pm & 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Minister's Message

This week's worship service is inspired from the resource, 'Praying with James Baldwin: in the age of Black Lives Matter.' James Baldwin was born in New York City's Harlem Hospital. The stepson of Rev. David Baldwin, he was well known for his fiction, essays, plays, public speaking, and poetry. Baldwin, a prominent black writer of the midtwentieth century called the society around him to account, and often engaged said society through Biblical and spiritual imagery. The quote for this Sunday's sermon title, 'Get off their knees and organize,' comes from Baldwin's book 'The Fire Next Time,' which is a collection of two essays, the latter, 'Down at the Cross: Letter from a Region in My Mind,' is the quote's originator.

Baldwin exemplifies the reality that faith truly is a journey. When one reads his work they might begin to understand what the Psalmist is saying in the line 'God will come and will not enter in a whisper.' He is powerful, strong, and truthful in his writing.

The combination of the Psalmist's words, the continuation of our exploration of the Prophet Isaiah and the hymondy for this Sunday reminds us of the call that we, as Christians in this world, are to be so connected in love that we may, as Baldwin writes, allow "Love to take off the masks that we fear we cannot live without and know we cannot live within." Let us love so deeply and so ardently that we too will be free in God's grace and presence.

Much Peace and Respect,

Rev. Jeffrey Dale

2023 TAX RECEIPTS ARE HERE

Please note that 2023 Tax receipts are here, and you can pick them up on Sundays after Service, the box is located by the Office, envelopes are categorized alphabetically. Please keep them In order after you have found yours.

Thank you, PEUC Finance Dept.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Join Us	Feb 11 th	Feb 18 th	Feb 25 th
For Worship	6 th Sunday Of Epiphany	7 th Sunday Of Epiphany	8 th Sunday Of Epiphany
Worship Leader	Rev. Jeffrey Dale	Rev. Jeffrey Dale	Rev. Jeffrey Dale
Music	Worship Team	Jenny Robinson	Worship Team
Lay Reader	Patti Byers	Bill Reany	Helen Cumming
Counters	Roma Rolfe Bill Reany	Marion Kelly Helene Buchanan	Pat Chesterman Brian Schnittker

Walking Group Cancelled Feb 19

Please note that Walking group is cancelled for Feb 19 2024 due to Family Day. But will be up and running the following days.

Church Notice:

Important Note Regarding Annual Report:

Do you have any pictures from our Church Service or Event that you would like to share on our Annual Report? If so, please send the photos to peunitedchurch@bmts.com We are looking forward to receiving the moments you have captured during 2023.

Ash Wednesday February 14th 2024

This year, for Ash Wednesday we will offer three different times (10 am -12 pm, 1 pm - 3 pm, 6 pm - 8 pm) where people may come by the church, participate in a short meditative worship time with Rev. Jeffrey and receive the sign of the ashes. During this time we will pray, listen to scripture, and hear the words of Brian Wren, which call us to be taken by the hand and led out through desert sands to the living waters of the Holy Spirit.

Rev. Jeffrey Dale

Funeral Service for Karen McIntosh

Dear Port Elgin United Church Members and Adherents,

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Karen McIntosh. A funeral and luncheon will be held at Port Elgin United Church on Feb 10 2024 at 11AM. The funeral and funeral luncheon will be both held at the Church.

If you would like to donate baking or other supplies, or are available to help, please click the link below and sign up in the attached Google Doc. It autosaves so no extra steps are required.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ycH5td7_c4xCobr7lT5v0CWTBAVBS_uH1jYW4HuDHuY/edit?usp=sharing

If you have trouble with the on-line sign-up but would like to help, please contact Florance in the Church Office at 519-832-9540 between 10:00AM-12:00PM and1:00PM-3:00PM on Tuesdays, Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays.

Food can be dropped off in the church kitchen on Friday 09 2024 from 1pm, onwards till evening. Or on Saturday Feb 10 2024 From 8:30-9:00AM. If the food requires refrigeration, please place it in the large refrigerator in the kitchen.

HOUSE KEEPING RULES USING THE GYM FOR SPORTS AND EVENTS

"Please help us keep our gym safe and accessible

Many people and groups, including toddlers use the gym.

Our Custodians are on limited hours and have limited availability

We ask that you be considerate to the next group and leave a

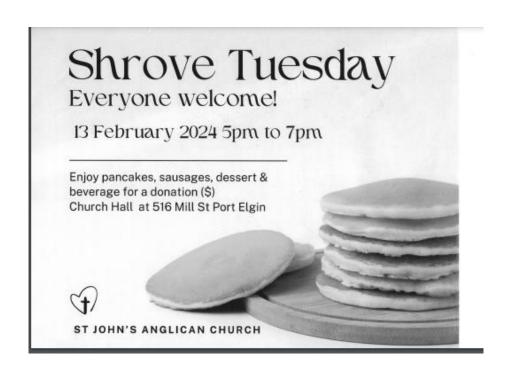
clean floor.

The mop, the broom and the dust pan are in the kitchen alley way.

After your use we ask that you do a quick dry mop of the gym floor, putting all of the accumulated materials in one spot. Then please use the broom and dust mop to put the material in a waste bin.

Thank you very much for your co-operation.

Port Elgin United Church"



Orange Ginger cookies

½ cup butter

½ cup brown sugar

1/2 cup white sugar + 1/4 cup for rolling

1/4 cup molasses

1 egg

Grated rind of one orange (a large one is good)

- 2 1/4 cup flour
- 2 tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp ginger
- 2 tsp cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp ground cloves

Pinch of salt

Cream butter, brown sugar, white sugar
Beat in molasses, 1 egg, then orange rind
Sift dry ingredients, stir into wet, don't over mix.
Shape into balls and roll in white sugar

Bake at 350 for 8-10 minutes, cool on racks

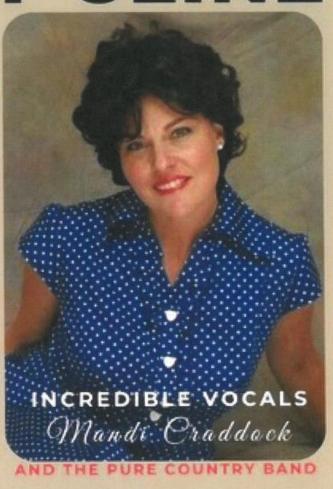
Thanks to Christine Wood for sharing her delicious recipe for Orange Ginger Cookies.

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Tribute

SUNDAY MARCH 24 2PM

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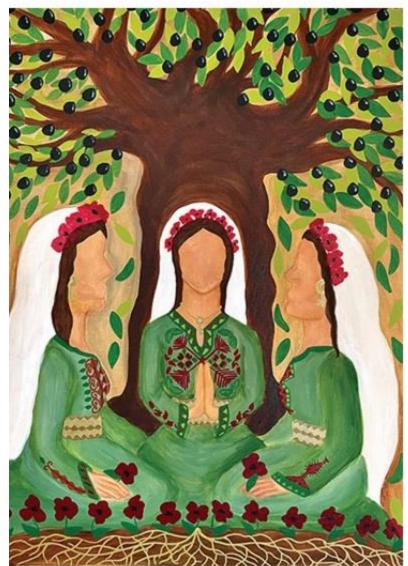
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Date: March 1ST 2024 2PM

Location: St. Paul's Anglican Church, Southampton

Guest Speaker: Rev. Jeffrey Dale

"I Beg you... Bear with one another in Love"



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Port Elgin 4:30pm





The United Way Bruce Grey is holding a family-friendly walk on February 24 in Saugeen Shores to help support people experiencing hurt, hunger and homelessness. Please join our United Housing For All team and/or donate towards our team goal of \$3000 goal.

FRIDAY COMICS

