

Caring

Caring for one another is important and vital at Port Nelson. We seek to follow Jesus' encouragement to "Do to others as you would have them do to you." (Luke 6:31). We also follow the direction in 1 John 4:11 that, "Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another." The realization that we are loved inspires us to love one another. We are blessed. We share this blessing with others in the way we care.



CORE VALUES

A Sense of Community

Affirming

Caring

Growing Spiritually

Meaningful Worship

Reaching Out

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CARING MINISTRIES

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Card Group

Cards are sent to people in the church family who are celebrating significant milestones (e.g. birthdays, anniversaries, graduations), or who are experiencing challenging times (e.g. death of a loved one, illness).

Contact: Lorraine MacMaster |
lormacmaster@sympatico.ca

Caring Connection

Cookies and poinsettias are delivered at Christmastime to people who are unable to participate regularly in the life of the church.

Contact: Laurel Grace |
laurelg@cogeco.ca

Circle of Friends

Volunteers needed to drive older adults to Wednesday Lunch hosted once a week by Burlington Baptist Church at 11am. More information available on our bulletin board.
Contacts: Joan Thompson | **905 319 9202**
May Radford | **905 333 4065**

Flower Delivery

From time to time, flowers are placed in the worship space for Sunday services. Following the services, individuals deliver the flowers to people in hospital or otherwise experiencing difficulties as a way of caring.

Contact: Peggy Ellicott |
bpellicott@cogeco.ca

Hospital Visitation

The ministerial staff as well as individuals in the congregation provide weekly pastoral visits to area hospitals. These visits can include prayer.

Contact: Susanne Zinkie |
s.m.zinkie@gmail.com

Music in Hospital

A hospital stay can be a very challenging experience. We can provide recordings of your favourite music (on an i-pod or CD) to help make the stay more relaxing which contributes to healing.

Contact: Cathy Greven |
cathy@greven.ca

Pastoral Visitors

A team of individuals visit people in retirement and long-term care homes who are unable to participate regularly in the life of the church family.

Contact: Susanne Zinkie |
s.m.zinkie@gmail.com

Pew Greeters

A team of individuals watch for those who may be missing from the Sunday worship service, and also, for those who may be first-time worshippers.

Contact: Michael Brooks |
michaelbrooks@portnelsonunitedchurch.com

Post-Secondary Student Gifts

Twice a year at exam times, gift cards are lovingly sent to our young people studying at post-secondary schools on behalf of their church family.

Contact: Margaret Woodruff |
margaretwoodruff565@gmail.com

Prayer Group

We are a caring group that offers prayers for people who are experiencing health problems or personal crises.

Thursdays at 9:30am
Contact: Joan Milne | **905 637 6027**

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Prayer shawls can be given to anyone who could use a warm hug – those in hospital, ill, lonely, bereaved, as well as newly baptized children. Those making the prayer shawls pray for those who will receive them.

Contact: Margaret Toni | **289 259 0260**
mt3515@icloud.com

Rides to Worship Services

People are available to provide transportation to Sunday worship services and other events for those in need.

Contact: Dorothy McDonald | **905 637 1475**

Teleministry

Care of the church family through phone calls to touch base and to offer support and a listening ear. Everyone is called twice a year, with more frequent calls made as needed.

Contact: Sharon Ife |
life@cogeco.ca

Teleministry – Helping Hands

A team of people is on-call to provide a hot meal to individuals and families in times of crisis and need.

Contact: Ellen Snell |
ellensnell@cogeco.ca

Teleministry – Prayer Mates

A team of people hold the Teleministry program in prayer as phone calls are made.

Contact: Dorothy Birkes |
dbirkes2011@hotmail.com