



The Staff of Port Nelson United Church

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Port Nelson Notebook

April 15, 2018

OUR MISSION

To reach out to one another and our world as we grow spiritually in a caring, inclusive, Christian community enriched by meaningful worship

OUR VALUES

A Sense of Community ~ Affirming ~ Caring ~ Growing Spiritually ~ Meaningful Worship ~ Reaching Out



Port Nelson is an Affirming Ministry of The United Church of Canada



DURING TODAY'S SERVICE

LARGE PRINT bulletins and music books, and assistive hearing devices for improved sound are available.

A STAFFED NURSERY for infants and toddlers is available with a pager system; speak to an usher for assistance.

A TEMPORARY LIBRARY is set up at the back of the sanctuary with "top books" available during renovations.

OFFERING ENVELOPES are available in the seats; if you would like your own set of envelopes, or if you would like to begin pre-authorized remittance (PAR), contact the church office.

HERE FOR THE FIRST TIME?

WELCOME! Please record your name in the **Guest Book** so that we may welcome you this coming week. We invite you to stay after worship for **coffee, tea, juice, cookies and conversation.**

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

ADVENTURE CREW is for children SK to Grade 5 to explore Christianity through stories, music, crafts and games.

Sundays at 10.30am

Contact: Sharon Holmes |

sharonholmes@portnelsonunitedchurch.com

PINNACLE YOUNG LEADERS is for youth in grades 6 to 12 to build leadership skills and explore current issues from a faith perspective.

Sundays at 10.30am

Contact: Jay Poitras |

jaypoitras@portnelsonunitedchurch.com

TODAY

Ushers George Leckie; Nancy McIlraith
 Ginny Swain; Alan Tompkins
Greeters Janet Hayes; Colleen Vali
Coffee Pat Gilmore; MargaretJane Wallace
 Steve Jones; Nancy McKenzie
Sound System John Zinkie
Flowers Diana & Mat Ardron

BIRTHDAYS IN APRIL:

3	Zoe Glenn	14	Scott Farrell
3	Claire Whiskin	15	Tammy White (50 th)
4	Megan Tripp	19	Alice Liddle
7	Brian Snell	20	Eliza Kurth
10	Kerry McCarten	21	Mark Rust
10	Jay Poitras	22	Beth Kuiper
11	Joan Thomblison	22	Andrea Whiskin
13	Amanda Tripp	28	John Zinkie



Would you like your **birthday recognized** in the weekly Notebook? Simply fill out one of the birthday slips at the entrances and place it in the offering plates.

Baptism Today

We are delighted to welcome into the family of faith this morning **Benjamin Thomas Murray Holmes**, child of Joshua and Marta Holmes. Ben's godparents are Blayne Sullivan and Michelle Johnston, and introducing him on behalf of the congregation is Brian Snell, Chairperson of Church Council.



Today – Staff Vacations

Rev. Martha Reynolds is off today. She returns this Tuesday, April 17

Stillman Matheson is off today. He returns this Tuesday, April 17

NEW MEMBERS

Have you been around Port Nelson for a while now and feeling comfortable enough to belong "officially?" We plan to receive new members on **Sunday, May 13**. Please let us know by contacting Michael Brooks: **905 637 5631 ext. 123**
michaelbrooks@portnelsonunitedchurch.com

PORT NELSON YOUTH AWARD

This \$1,000 award is available to a graduating high school student who has contributed to a more inclusive school/community, particularly pertaining to LGBTQ issues. Application forms are available this morning or on the church website. Deadline for applications is **May 1st**.

SUMMER JOB OPENING

The Ministry and Personnel Committee (M&P), in conjunction with the Property Management Ministry (PMM), is searching for an **Assistant Custodian** for July and August (full-time). Please see our website: portnelsonunitedchurch.com or the bulletin boards for details.

ADULT SMALL GROUPS

A **brochure** is available this morning outlining the various Adult Small Groups of the church.

This week, the following groups are meeting:

- Council – Wednesday at 7:30pm
- Prayer Group – Thursday at 9:30am
- Choir – Thursday at 7:30pm

Port Nelson's Men's Breakfast Saturday April 21, 2018 @ 9:00 am

Barra Fion Restaurant
1505 Guelph Line

"Living with Alzheimer's Disease"

Presented by:

Dr. Yvonne LeBlanc

Full buffet style breakfast for \$20

Women Are Welcome!

Contact: Ham Jukes | 905 639 3669

Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board

GLEE CAMP UPDATE



The 2018 GLEE Camps are filling up! Visit the church website if you still wish to register your child(ren) for one of the weeks of day camp. We look forward once again to

welcoming 250 children to the GLEE program this summer. The mission of GLEE is "to provide an affordable, quality summer day camp experience in a Christian setting."

Counsellor Positions Open!

Applications are now being received for Counsellor and Junior Counsellor positions. These will be of interest to high school and university youth. Visit the bulletin board today, or visit the church

website: www.portnelsonunitedchurch.com. Application deadline is **Monday, April 30 at 5pm** for all positions.

HANDBELLS

Coming soon to Port Nelson: HANDBELLS! Over the next few weeks you will be hearing more about an exciting new music program! People of all ages and musical abilities can be involved! Next week we will have a sign-up sheet available for an **information Session on Sunday, May 6 at 12.10pm**. And...on Sunday, April 29 during our service you will hear "Bellissima," a small group of handbell ringers from the London area. Stay tuned for more!

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

A **brochure** is available this morning outlining the various Reaching Out Ministries of the church.

A **brochure** is available this morning outlining the various Caring Ministries of the church.

Gift Card Program

Purchase shopping cards for restaurants, grocery stores, gas stations, and even big box stores. See the table in the Upper Gathering Place – each purchase helps our food voucher program and those in need. **NEW! Tim Horton's Cards now available!**

Youth Service Trip – Q & A session April 23

Jay Poitras, Michael Brooks and Cathy & John Greven are hosting an information night and Q & A for any youth and their families interested in the possible service trip to Guatemala next March 11-15, 2019 in Room 6. Monday, April 23 at 7.30pm. All high school and post-secondary youth and families welcome!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Save the Dates...Upcoming Events

Saturday, April 21 at 9am

Men's Breakfast at Barra Fion Restaurant

Friday, April 27 from 9am-3pm

PD Day for Children

Friday, April 27 at 6pm

Friday Family Fun Night Movie

Sunday, April 29 at 12noon

Blanket Exercise led by Pinnacle Youth and Affirm



Sunday, April 29 at 7.30pm

Taizé Prayer Service

Saturday, May 12 at 5:30pm

Caribbean Dinner Event

Sunday, May 27 at 7:30pm

Choir Spring Concert – Celebration of Healey Willan

Saturday, June 2 at 10am

Seeds of Life Farm Visit at Alberton

Saturday, June 9 at 6:30pm

A Night at the Races – Mohawk Raceway



Tickets now on sale at Sunday
Worship & Church Office Weekdays

Island Dreams Resort

Fundraising Dinner Sat. May 12

An evening of island music, dining and dancing!

Tickets \$95, Table of 8-\$665, for each ticket donate
a \$25 (Bottle of Wine or Gift Card)

COME FROM AWAY

Raffle Tickets Now on Sale \$5 ea. or 5 for \$20