



Port Nelson Notebook

October 15, 2017

The Staff of Port Nelson United Church

- Michael Brooks, Minister
- Martha Reynolds, Supply Minister of Pastoral Care
- Candy Harvey, Voluntary Associate Minister
- Stillman Matheson, Director of Music
- Sharon Holmes, Developer of Children’s Ministry
- Jay Poitras, Developer of Youth Ministry
- Rebecca Murphy, Church Administrator
- Rick Tucker, Church Custodian
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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.

TEMPORARY LIBRARY

At the back of the sanctuary is a temporary library of “top books” that will be 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 our **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

REGISTRATION FORMS for the 2017-2018 program year are available this morning or on the website.

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; Ginny Swain
Rod McGrath & Nancy McIlraith
- Greeters** Ann Fleming; Sue Auld
Brian & Donna Duncombe
- Coffee** Kerry McCarten; Susan Redgrave
John & Cathy Greven
- Sound System** Bill Leithead
- Flowers** Ellen Grote

Baptisms this Morning

We are delighted to welcome into the family of faith this morning **William Mark Hanley**, son of Glenn Hanley and Katherine Waddell (grandson of Jim & Audrey Waddell), and **Nash Hudson Heffernan**, son of Mike Heffernan and Tiffany Harvey. William’s godparents are Andrew and Sherry Waddell, and Nash’s godparents are Alex and Carrie Brooks Joiner, Bill Nesbitt and Kate Oxley. Introducing William and Nash on behalf of the Port Nelson Church family is **Brian Snell**, Chairperson of Church Council.

DIG IN!

Our Fall worship theme is “Digging In!” In today’s bulletin you will find this week’s reflections on “Digging in with our **Harvest.**” There are seven reflections – one for each day. Be sure to take a bucket home with you today if you did not get one last week.

Save the Dates...Fall Events



Sunday, October 29 at 10.30am

Special Celebration of “Reformation 500”

Drama: *Sola Fide!* Brass Ensemble

Saturday, November 11 at 9.00am

Mistletoe Mart, Church Bazaar



Sunday, November 19 at 7.30pm

Prayer with the Songs of Taize

ADULT SMALL GROUPS

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

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES

Port Nelson's Halloween Friday Family Fun Night

Friday, October 27th

6:00-8:30pm



Join us for family pumpkin carving.
Pizza, drinks and pumpkins will be provided
(Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult)
Youth Sleepover following

STAYING CONNECTED

Facebook

Port Nelson United Church has a Facebook Account. If you are currently on Facebook please look us up.

Weekly Email Newsletter

Did you know? Most weeks, an email newsletter is sent out to the church family. If you do not receive this and would like to, simply email the church office and ask to be added: office@portnelsonunitedchurch.com



“Reformation 500: This Changed Everything!”

On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses against Indulgences to the door of the University Church in Wittenberg. He wasn't trying to spark a revolution. He was simply calling for debate. However, Luther's arguments would change the world and how we know “church” today.

Let's mark and celebrate this 500th anniversary!

Monday, October 23, 7pm to 8.30pm

“Luther's Legacies”

DVD viewing and discussion led by Michael Brooks

Reformation Sunday, October 29 at 10.30am

Sola Fide!

A Dramatization of Luther's 500 Year Old Reformation

THE CAST

A contemporary Roman Catholic.....Pat Gilmore
A contemporary ProtestantCarolyn Whiskin
Johann Tetzel, 16th Century Catholic monk.....Al Kingston
Johann Eck, 16th Century Catholic theologian.....Grant Sweeny
Martin Luther.....Paul Sweeny

**Special music by Bach and Pachelbel
for brass ensemble, choir and organ**

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.

Mistletoe Mart Church Bazaar – Nov. 11! Port Nelson & Roseland Tennis Club

VOLUNTEER SHEETS are posted. How will you help?

SILENT AUCTION – watch for needed donations. Or be creative! Suggestions are welcome! Call Janet Hayes, 905 637 0596. **Bring in November 4 to November 9**

COLLECTIBLES – good quality items only, please, china, linens, silver, art, children's toys, Christmas decorations, **Nov. 4 to 9**

SEWING, KNITTING, CRAFTS - There is still time to make items for these tables. All donations are welcome. Extra wool? Please donate it.

JEWELLERY- please bring donations to the office as soon as possible. Jewellery boxes, particularly long ones are needed.

BAKING – Remember refrigeration is not available. Shortbread, tea loaves, cakes, cookies, preserved goods, pies are only a few suggestions. Do you have shelving you could loan for the day? Call Susan Redgrave 905 802 7447.

DINING ROOM – The dining room is at the Roseland Club. Your donation of a loaf of uncut sandwiches, cake, cupcakes or cookies is appreciated.

FLEXIBILITY is this year's motto! This fundraiser continues to be **very important** to our church family to continue with all of the community outreach projects.

PLEASE SIGN UP, HANG A POSTER and PUT UP A LAWN SIGN! Spread the word to everyone you know!

The **2017 MISTLETOE MART** will be a quality event!



WE'RE HIRING! STAFF VACANCY

Coordinator of Nursery Ministry

This paid position is for Sunday mornings (10:00 to 12:00) **Sept. to June**. Experience working with infants and toddlers and the ability to work with a team of volunteers is necessary. A police check is required. Please send your resume to Ann Fleming: eann.fleming@sympatico.ca

FIRE SAFETY

Thanks to the dedicated team of 29 Port Nelson Fire Wardens who have read the Fire Safety Plan that was approved by the Burlington Fire Department and stand ready to assist with an orderly evacuation if it is ever needed. Did you know that we also have 18 Fire Wardens who ensure the safety of mid-week groups?