

**AFFIRMING STATEMENT**

Port Nelson is an Affirming Ministry of The United Church of Canada. We affirm, include, and celebrate people of every age, race, belief, culture, ability, income level, family configuration, gender, gender identity, and sexual orientation in our life and ministry.



**RECOGNITION OF TERRITORY AND TREATY**

We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and the Anishnaabe first peoples, covered by the Fort Albany Treaty in 1701. With respect for their history, their spirituality and their culture, we give thanks for God's gift of gathering in this space on this land.

**PORT NELSON NOTEBOOK**  
**Sunday, February 10, 2019**

**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*

**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.**

**DURING TODAY'S SERVICE**

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

**OFFERING ENVELOPES** are available in the seats; if you would like your own envelopes, or if you would like to begin pre-authorized remittance (PAR), contact the church office. **The 2019 offering envelopes are available for pick-up in the Gathering Place this morning.**

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

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

**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](mailto:sharonholmes@portnelsonunitedchurch.com)

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

**Sundays at 10.30am**

Contact: Jay Poitras |

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**Annual Meeting – Sunday, February 24**

If you haven't sent in your annual report please do so **ASAP**. The Annual Report will be available on **Sunday, February 17** prior to the **Sunday, February 24** Annual Meeting of the congregation.

**ASSISTING TODAY**

- Ushers** Joan Thompson; Murray Thompson  
Carol Inkster; Pat Gilmore
- Greeters** Nancy McKenzie; David Bagshaw
- Flowers** Karen Pettit
- Coffee** Don McMillan & Sylvia Johnston  
Kerry McCarten; Susan Hill
- Sound System** John Zinkie

**Access to Main Church Office**

On Sunday mornings the Church Office will be open prior to services until 10.20am. It will normally NOT be open after services. We encourage you to access the office Monday to Friday during office hours if possible.

**BIRTHDAYS IN FEBRUARY:**



1	Marlene Hall	16	Sharon Holmes
4	Diane Handcock	22	Darryl Mitchell
6	Janine Tripp	26	Lucy Liddle
11	Richard Hensen	28	Marguerite Smith
11	Grant Sweeny	28	Jack Heeney
12	Ken Posgate	29	Carolyn Whiskin
12	Margaret Rivett	29	Jen Newton

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.

**The Staff of Port Nelson United Church**

- Michael Brooks, Minister**
- Martha Reynolds, 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**
- Kelly Rogers, Nursery Coordinator**
- Rebecca Murphy, Church Administrator**
- Rick Tucker, Church Custodian**
- Tina Depko & Riley Denver, Communications**
- Andrea Stevens, Event Coordinator**
- Sue Reed, Bookkeeper**

## UPCOMING SERVICES - SUNDAYS AT 10.30AM

Are there moments or occasions in your life you consider to be turning points? Did a certain event significantly change your path?

During the season of Epiphany, we will consider various "turning points" in the lives of biblical people.

- February 10** At 7.30pm Prayer with the Songs of Taize  
All are welcome!
- February 17** The Crowd: Blessings and Woes  
(Luke 6: 17-26)
- February 24** Joseph: Family Reconciliation  
(Genesis 45: 3-11, 15)
- March 3** Moses: Veiled Commands  
(Exodus 34: 29-35)  
*Communion will be served in the pews*

## SMALL GROUPS

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

### Tuesday Evening Study Group - February 12

*Tattoos on the Heart, The Power of Boundless Compassion* by Gregory Boyle, *provides* an insider's look at the inner workings of the largest gang intervention program anywhere in the world. The book is a captivating, easy read which we gather to discuss on Tuesday evenings, 7:00 – 9:00. We watch videos and discuss a chapter or two each week over the five week period. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board. Pat Gilmore has the books for sale on Sunday mornings. David Bagshaw is our discussion leader.

Contact: Ann Fleming | [eann.fleming@sympatico.ca](mailto:eann.fleming@sympatico.ca)  
**905 319 1064**

### Sunday Seminar Series – February 24

The Affirm Committee is sponsoring a **Sunday Seminar Series from 9:15-10am** beginning **Sunday, February 24**. We will be looking at books written by Indigenous authors and listening to indigenous voices through their written stories. Coffee, juice and muffins will be available.

## SAVE THE DATE

- Tuesday, March 5** **Pancake Supper** – Stay tuned for more details
- Saturday, May 4** **"Second Night on the Bayou" Dinner**  
*The Hot Five Jazzmakers return for another fun night of music, dancing and dinner in the NEW Roseland Room!*
- Saturday, March 30** *Listening to Indigenous Voices*  
Your Affirm United group is planning an exciting day on Indigenous stories in collaboration with the Indigenous Knowledge Centre of Six Nations. There will be speakers, music and dancing, and lunch catered by an Indigenous café. Stay tuned for more details.

## LIBRARY

Now that our library is up and running, please have a look around your house to see if you have any library books to return. Thank you

## PHOTO BOOKINGS

**FEBRUARY 17! NEXT WEEK!** Great excitement! Before and after the church service, look for Nancy Leithead, Jim and Joan Thomblison in the Gathering Place to assist you in making your photography appointment **for APRIL 1 TO 6 or APRIL 23 TO APRIL 27**. Be sure to be a part of PORT NELSON'S HISTORY, FUTURE and NOW! **ONLINE BOOKINGS will start FEBRUARY 25 through the Port Nelson website!** Come by yourself, with family, friends or pets! Every participant will receive a free 8 x 10 picture, a directory and the opportunity to buy more pictures.

## SUMMER GLEE CAMP

### GLEE Camp Dates and Registration



Summer GLEE day camps are for children in Sr. Kindergarten (Yr. 2 FDK) to grade 5, with a young leaders' program (GLEEders) for grades 6 & 7. The dates for the 2019 camps are: **July 15 to July 19; July 29 to August 2; August 12 to August 16**.

Cost is \$100 per child per week – same as last year! Registration for all camps is now open. Registration information is on the church website:

[www.portnelsonunitedchurch.com](http://www.portnelsonunitedchurch.com). Let us help spread the GLEE again this summer in the newly renovated space!  
[www.portnelsonunitedchurch.com](http://www.portnelsonunitedchurch.com)

### GLEE Camp Staff Openings



There are currently **openings** for three senior staff positions: **Camp Director, Assistant Director and Program Director**. Information is posted on the church website. These positions will be of particular interest to senior high school, college and university students. Deadline for applications is **Sunday, February 24th**.

## 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.

Something new has been added to the Gift Card Programme....Now you will not have to wait for your order of some gift cards on the following Sunday. Joan and Carol have purchased a number of often requested cards so that you can obtain them immediately. Check with them to see what is now available.

### Caring Connection – Valentine's Day Cookies

If you're not a baker but enjoy visiting, we will need friendly visitors today, Sunday, **Feb. 10** to pick up and deliver the cookies in the following week, bringing cheer to about sixty-five special Port Nelson folks. Thank you for helping with this caring ministry.

Contact: Marg Woodruff | **905 631 1421**  
[margaretwoodruff565@gmail.com](mailto:margaretwoodruff565@gmail.com)

## CANCELLATION OF SERVICES/EVENTS

If, for any reason (e.g. weather), a service or event with more than 50 people needs to be cancelled, notice will be posted on the church website, on our Facebook Page, and communicated by email news no later than 90 minutes before the scheduled service/event. The decision to cancel smaller group gatherings and meetings lies with the group's leadership.

## FIRE SAFETY

Fire safety means – not blocking aisles or exits with equipment or stored items; pulling a fire alarm box and calling 911 if a fire is detected; exiting the building in an orderly manner if the alarm sounds.



**The response to the Food Handlers Certification Course has been exceptional and we thank those who are participating. We understand there are many more in our church family that are interested in obtaining Certification but whose time is restrictive. We are pleased to provide you with the information to pursue the program on your own and of the various ways the course can be taken.**

**Full Day Course ~ Is offered at the Halton Regional Administration Building, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville. Online registration is required at [www.halton.ca](http://www.halton.ca) at the cost of \$55.00 which is payable upon registration.**

**Online Study ~Has a free download of the study guide and the cost is \$10.00 to write the examination. One will need to check with Halton Region at [www.halton.ca](http://www.halton.ca) for examination dates of times.**

**Home Study Program ~This method includes the Food Handler Certification Study Guide. The cost is \$27.00 and the guide is to be purchased and exam registration is at the Halton Regional Administration Building, 1151 Bronte Oakville, Ontario, Canada. Payment is required at the time of registration.**

**We hope this information is useful and we will join us for some cooking in the kitchen.**