

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, November 11, 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

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.

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 envelopes, or if you would like to begin pre-authorized remittance (PAR), contact the church office.

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

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 | jaypoitras@portnelsonunitedchurch.com

FRIDAY FAMILY FUN NIGHTS

Presents



HOME ALONE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD

6:00pm – 8:30pm

Port Nelson United Church

Room 5

R.S.V.P. to Sharon

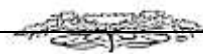
sharonholmes@portnelsonunitedchurch.com

ASSISTING TODAY

Ushers Joan Thompson; Murray Thompson
Carol Inkster; Pat Gilmore
Greeters Libby Abbott; Kevin & Carly Lowry
Coffee Mary Carey; Pat Moy
Susan Redgrave; Margaret Toni
Flowers Zilla Myers
Sound System John Zinkie

The flowers this morning are placed to honour the sacrifice the members of our armed forces make every day, and for those who fought, who were wounded in mind or in body, and who died on our behalf. We will remember them.

The Barnshaw-Ellison Family.



BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER:

1	Donna Duncombe	11	Gail Kiefhaber
4	Alyson Wall	21	Joanne LeBlanc
8	Brian Duncombe	22	Bren Thomblison
9	Claire Sweeny	28	June Wright
11	Winona Barron	29	Jacki Kingston
11	Yvonne LeBlanc	30	Charlotte Tays

Port Nelson storyBOOK

Our Port Nelson storyBOOK is now available. Visit www.portnelsonunitedchurch.com to view the fall issue.

A limited number of paper copies are also available today. Many thanks to Editor Lorraine MacMaster and Publisher Tim Rayner for their work.

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
Rebecca Murphy, Church Administrator
Rick Tucker, Church Custodian
Tina Depko & Riley Denver, Communications
Sue Reed, Bookkeeper
David Hebb, Security Lock-up

SMALL GROUPS

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

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Meets the 4th Friday of each month from 10am to 11.30am to knit or crochet Prayer Shawls and baptismal blankets.

New members welcome.

Contacts: Marg Toni | [289 259 0260](tel:2892590260)

Susanne Zinkie | [905 331 7154](tel:9053317154)

Port Nelson's Men's Breakfast

Saturday Nov. 17, 2018 @ 9:00 am

Barra Fion Restaurant

1505 Guelph Line, Unit 10

Men & Women of Port Nelson Welcome

Speaker: Brock Godfrey

Topic: "Mass Marketing Fraud and Cybercrime Awareness"

A Fraud Awareness Presentation aimed at seniors, covering Mass Marketing Fraud, Identity Theft, Romance and other scams – and how to avoid them.

BIO: BROCK GODFREY- The Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre, North Bay. Brock took early retirement in 1993 from the Ontario Ministry of Education, after 30 years in education. He joined PhoneBusters in 1997 as a Volunteer SeniorBuster. He has been instrumental in educating the public and raising awareness of illegal mass marketing fraud and ID theft: which is clearly the most successful and effective long-term strategy in reducing the number of fraud victims.

Full buffet style breakfast for \$20

All Are Welcome!

Contact: Ham Jukes | 905 639 3669

Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board

TAIZE PRAYER – November 18

Taize Prayer – November 18 at Port Nelson

A service of Prayer with the Songs of Taize will be held at **7.30pm** at Port Nelson. This is a shared service between Appleby and Port Nelson.

NEW MEMBERS - NOVEMBER 25

We plan to receive new members on **Sunday, November 25** during the 10.30am service. Interested? We are also holding a **New Members Evening on Monday, November 17th at 7.30pm** here at the church. Come if you would like to know more about our church family. RSVP to: michaelbrooks@portnelsonunitedchurch.com

UPCOMING EVENTS – SAVE THE DATES!

Sunday, December 9th at 10.30am – Dedication Service

Wednesday, December 12th at 7pm – Women's Dessert and Communion

Sunday, December 16th at 4.30pm – Festival of Lessons and Carols

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.

The Food Voucher Program, on Thursday Mornings, requires scarfs/mitts/hats for the upcoming Winter Season. Toiletries are also a necessary item.

Hungry, Stressed Students

They fly from our nests to attend Post -Secondary Education! Let them know we continue to care for them by donating funds to purchase a \$25.00 gift card to *Subway* or *Tim Horton's*. We will send each student a card just in time for final exams, so the deadline to donate is **Sunday Nov. 25th**. Please make your cheque payable to 'Port Nelson United Church' and label it 'Student Gift Cards'. THANK YOU!! Our more than 40 recipients will love you for it. If you know a student who is attending Post Secondary education and you have not been contacted about their current address can you please contact Margaret at margaretwoodruff565@gmail.com Thank you. We want to ensure we don't miss any of our students!

ELAINE'S VISION FUNDRAISER

Elaine's Vision is holding a fundraiser in support of the food voucher program. We will be selling frozen bakery products including pies (fruit, meat, chicken), cookie dough, cinnamon buns and 'world famous' butter tarts. The products all come from Don's Bakery, a Muskoka tradition since 1947. The bakery is family owned and operated and uses the finest ingredients in their products. As noted, all the goods come frozen and will be perfect for the holiday season.

Orders will be taken on **Sunday, November 18 and 25** (payment by cheque or cash only) and the pick-up date is **Sunday, December 9**.

Let's make this fundraiser a big success. As we buy quality food for our families, we will be able to provide food vouchers for those less fortunate

Brochures and order forms are available now. Please contact Anne Smith (905-639-1645) if you have any further questions.

AFFIRM COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Affirm Committee recommends the upcoming Massey Lectures with prize winning journalist Tanya Talaga (Seven Fallen Feathers) as she explores the legacy of cultural genocide against Indigenous peoples. The CBC Massey lecture series - All Our Relations: Finding the Path Forward can be found on CBC Radio IDEAS the week of **November 12, 2018**.



Preparing Room: The Blessings of Place

I go to prepare a place for you (John 14: 2)

In an increasingly transient culture, there remains value in “place” for many. We yearn to belong, to feel valued and to have experiences of places to which we can turn for grounding.

Our fall series explores the blessings of place. The phrase “preparing room” can mean physical room. It can also mean spiritual places: what occupies our time, our attention, our values? “Preparing” is our preparing room for place in our lives, but more importantly, it is God who prepares the physical, emotional and spiritual places we occupy every day.

Sundays at 10.30am:

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| October 7 | The Dining Room: Place of Abundance
Isaiah 25: 6-9; Matthew 6: 25-33
<i>Thanksgiving and World Communion</i> |
| October 14 | The Kitchen: Place of Preparing
Mark 10: 35-45
<i>Celebrating Refugee Sponsorship</i> |
| October 21 | The Garden Shed: Place of Tending
Genesis 2: 5-9; Mark 4: 1-9
<i>Celebrating Food Access Ministries on World Food Day</i> |
| October 28 | The Front Porch: Place of Beginnings
Revelation 3: 20-22; Matthew 7: 7-10
<i>Reformation Sunday</i> |
| November 4 | The Parlour: Place of Transition
Ruth 1: 1-18; Revelation 21: 1-6a
<i>All Saints Memorial Service with Communion</i> |
| November 11 | The Sitting Room: Place of Rest
John 14: 1-4, 25-27
<i>Remembrance Day Service with brass ensemble</i> |
| November 18 | The Temple: Place of Raising
1 st Kings 6 |
| November 25 | The Temple: Place of Razing
Mark 13: 1-8 |



UPDATES

November 11, 2018

MORE STEPS – CLOSER AND CLOSER!

In some ways it feels like “crunch time” with our major renovation project, but it is an exciting “crunch” – sort of like biting into a large chocolate bar and not knowing exactly what it will taste like! The project is moving closer and closer to completion every day. Here are some highlights, some updates and some ways YOU can be INVOLVED THIS WEEK:

Sanctuary Heating and Air Conditioning:

Yes, we know it’s been rather cold in the sanctuary the last few weeks. The new system is only partially complete and, therefore, working temporarily. Very shortly the system will be completed and issues with temperature, wind and noise should all be addressed. Thanks for your patience!

PARTIES GALORE!

Painting Parties Continue! – Wednesday

We’re now up to FOUR ROOMS painted already in the lower level! More than half way there! Thanks to the 40+ people who are helping with the job. **The next “Paint and Pizza Party”** is this coming **Wednesday, November 14th from 9am to 12noon (MORNING ONLY)**. Please **sign the list on the bulletin board today** or email michaelbrooks@portnelsonunitedchurch.com. Many brushes make quicker coverage!

A One-off Dusting Party! – Friday

We are in need of 8-10 people to help with **dusting** in the sanctuary this coming **Friday, November 16th at 1pm**. Please **sign the list today!**

Planting Parties Have Arrived! – Saturday

Perennial plants have arrived! We are looking for 8-10 people to help plant this coming **Saturday, November 17th from 9am to 12noon**. Please **sign the list on the bulletin board today** or email fjunewright@cogeco.ca.

A VERY SPECIAL INVITATION:

Dedication Service – Sunday, December 9 at 10.30am:

This is one of the most special invitations we will receive this year: An invitation to attend the **Rekindle Dedication Service on Sunday, December 9th at 10.30am**. We will dedicate the new space. Our choir will sing a new piece of music written for this occasion. Children and youth will participate. We will thank our Rekindle Team, our donors, and everyone who has been involved from start to finish. We will share a celebratory cake. And perhaps most significantly, we will catch our first glimpse of the newly renovated spaces! **MARK THE DATE IN YOUR CALENDAR! INVITE FAMILY AND FRIENDS!**

Time Capsule:

THANKS to everyone who made suggestions and submissions for the new time capsule. The Rekindle Communications Team is currently adjudicating the submissions with a view to reflecting the core values of Port Nelson.

Support & Prayer:

As always, please continue to hold the project and the people in prayer.

With much progress and busyness also comes extra work – particularly for our dedicated and devoted Project Management Team of Stan Harvey, Pat O’Neill and June Wright. Your ongoing support is greatly appreciated. We are oh, so very close! Thanks be!

One more step along the world I go,

one more step along the world I go,

from the old things to the new,

keep me travelling along with you:

And it's from the old I travel to the new;

keep me travelling along with you.

“For I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth,

do you not perceive it?” (Isaiah 43: 19)