



*Shelburne Primrose Pastoral Charge*

Fall  
Newsletter  
2022

Greetings!

As we approach Thanksgiving, I want to take just a moment to encourage you to pause and consider just how good God has been to you over this past year. God provides us with true blessings in abundance. We have joy and laughter; we have courage in the face of fear, hope where there is doubt, comfort when we have tears and sadness. God is with us in all things.

While there have been many challenges for us, as well as the entire world over the past many months, God is still good! Once again, we are reminded of the fragility of life and that we should do our best to value our loved ones.

Thank you for being such a great example of living a life of faith. Each of you is a blessing to our Trinity and Primrose churches. Thanks for all the ways you make a difference in our churches and community. Thanks for all you do to make our church the encouraging and faith-building place it is!

Happy Thanksgiving,

Rev. Valerie



# Shelburne Primrose Pastoral Charge News

**Our Prayers Go Out to Our Neighbours Both Near and Far.  
The world is very chaotic now with extreme weather issues  
from Global Warming and so much political unrest!  
Sunday's Hymn, said it clearly for all of us!**

## **Hymn # 307 – God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale**

God of the sparrow  
God of the whale  
God of the swirling stars  
How does the creature say Awe  
How does the creature say Praise

God of the Earthquake  
God of the storm  
God of the trumpet blast  
How does the creature cry Woe  
How does the creature cry Save

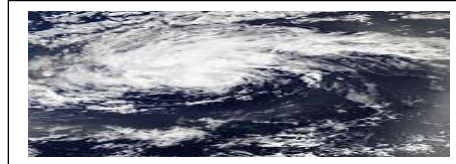
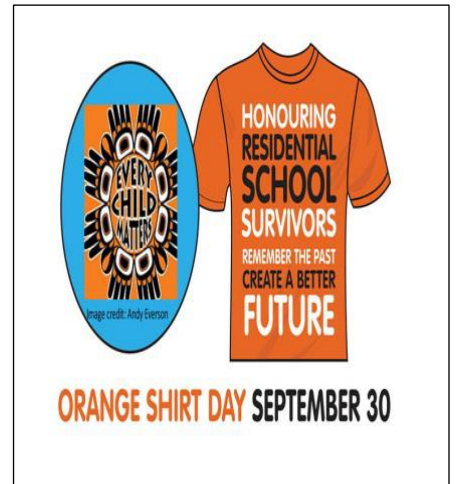
God of the rainbow  
God of the cross  
God of the empty grave  
How does the creature say Grace  
How does the creature say Thanks

God of the hungry  
God of the sick  
God of the prodigal  
How does the creature say Care  
How does the creature say Life

God of the neighbour  
God of the foe  
God of the pruning hook  
How does the creature say Love  
How does the creature say Peace

God of the ages  
God near at hand  
God of the loving heart  
How do your children say Joy  
How do your children say Home

*By Jaroslav J. Vajda 1983*



Our thoughts and prayers go out to our family and friends in the Atlantic Provinces who are dealing with the devastating after effects of *Hurricane Fiona*.

God Bless!



Please keep the Ukrainian people in your prayers as they continue to deal daily with the war with Russia. May the end come soon and Peace once again be in their countries!



As I am preparing this newsletter I am watching the scenes of *Hurricane Ian* and the damaging effects from it!

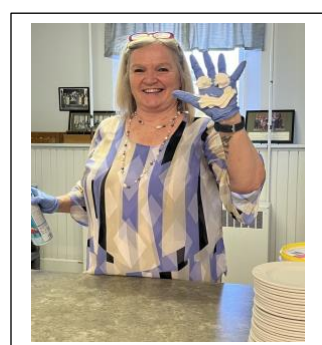
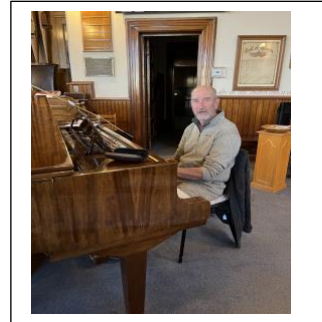
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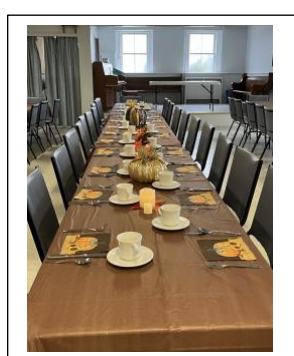
# Trinity United Church News

Trinity held a delicious **Ham and Scalloped Potato Dinner** on Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Our dynamic duo of Ardith Dunlop and Debbie McComb-Ferrier, and of course Geoff and Wayne, organized this wonderful sit down dinner with a musical digestif in the sanctuary for our after dinner pleasure. Special thanks to all who helped cook, bake, set up, serve, sell tickets, do dishes and clean up! We are truly blessed with a very caring group of people at our church!

Thank you to Downey Potatoes for their generous donation!  
Thank you to Bruce Ley for his many talents on the piano!



And then there were leftovers after church on Sunday!





Please consider donating a homemade pair of socks or a purchased pair to our [Gospel Socks Tree](#). Socks are the most wanted item for the mens' shelter which will be opening soon! Thank you in advance!



Our Trinity Sunday School is up and running once again. The children will start worship upstairs and leave to go downstairs after the children's time. This fall's curriculum will focus around the Parables, The 10 Commandments, and the Beatitudes. Thank you to Mary H, Linda M, Ann M, Shelley D-S, Debbie M-F, Susan B, and Maryam for leading the classes.



[Ladies' Breakfast](#) is held the last Saturday of the month at 9:10 am at the Main Street Café! All are welcome! Next Breakfast will be Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

[Men' Breakfast](#) is held the first Saturday of the month at 8 am at the Country Cabin! All are welcome! Next Breakfast will be Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.

[UCW Luncheons](#) are held the second Tuesday of the month in the Church basement! Next luncheon will be Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 12 pm.



# Primrose United Church News

Fall is upon us, and summer has disappeared. We did enjoy a joint outdoor service with Trinity in July. There was lots of music and a delightful potluck lunch. Primrose has had scanty attendance over the summer. Covid and summer vacation has done a real number on us. We are hoping folks will get back to church this fall. We have a couple of fall fundraisers planned, a Euchre Party on October 15th at 2pm and a concert with Dan Needles on October 23rd at 2 pm. Posters are in this newsletter.

Blessings to all!

Shirley Farnell

Co-chair of Primrose Council



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# DAN NEEDLES

## A Guide to Rural Living

*Enjoy an afternoon of great humour with award-winning playwright and journalist Dan Needles!*

**Sunday, October 23, 2022**

2:00 p.m.  
Grace Tipling Hall, Main Street  
Shelburne, Ontario

### Tickets \$25

Available in-person at Caravaggio IDA  
Or call: 519-925-2397  
Email: [primroseuc@gmail.com](mailto:primroseuc@gmail.com)

Author of the popular series "Letters from Wingfield Farm" Series, featured on BRAVO, CBC and PBS television, Dan is well-known for making us laugh about the old rural community and the way it meets the modern world.

Refreshments are included

Rides to the venue are available upon request

*Event sponsored by Primrose United Church*



Join us for a fun afternoon of

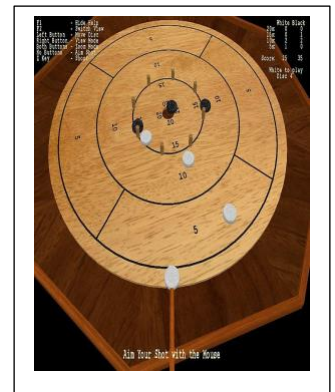
## Euchre and Crokinole

Sat., Oct. 15th      2pm      New Horizons Room at Mel Lloyd Centre

Everyone welcome!  
\$10 per person, prizes, refreshments  
Rides available upon request.  
For more info call 519-925-2397 or email [primroseuc@gmail.com](mailto:primroseuc@gmail.com).  
We look forward to seeing you there!

Masks are required due to pandemic protocols of Mel Lloyd Centre.

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# News About the People in Our Congregations!

Before you read any further, I am begging forgiveness for any special occasions or people that I may have missed compiling these lists. For our next newsletter, please let Reverend Valerie, your Care Group Leader, or Irene in the church office know the details of your special day or event!

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Thank you in advance!

Warmly, Linda



**Congratulations to  
Brigadier General J.D. Hawthorne  
Appointed Deputy Director of Strategy,  
Policy and Plans NORAD**

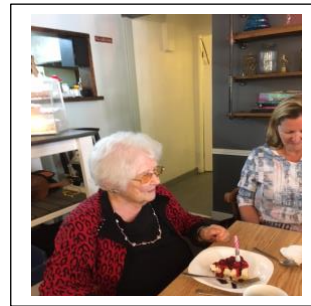
in Colorado Springs, CO.

The picture is taken while Prince Charles & Camilla were visiting at Canada House In London, England about 4 months ago.

Jamie is the son of David and Mary Hawthorne!

## Happy 99<sup>th</sup> Birthday to

Helen Lyon seen here celebrating with her Daughter, Janet Pendleton, with Trinity Ladies on Sept 13th.



## Our Prayers and Sympathies to the Families of

**Margaret Reckin**

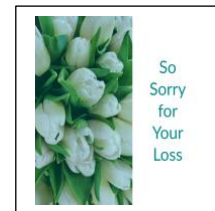
**Margaret Lyon**

**Joan Vrooman**

**Ken Wells**

**Queen Elizabeth II**

**For Your Loss.**



Several of our members have moved to a new address since our last newsletter.

We wish them well and will do our best to keep in touch with you!

**Ron & Eleanor Clark** have moved to Riddell Road in Orangeville.

**Bruce & Jean Cameron** have moved to Riddell Road in Orangeville.

**Alice Porter** is now living in Apartment 1 in the Mill Street Apartments.

**Lois Allen** is now living in Room 114, in the Dufferin Oaks.

**Prayers to  
Get Well Soon to**

**Shirley Gade**



## First Line for Syria Update

Summer is over. First Line for Syria has been spending lots of time with our new family, doing various activities, while hoping for more news about our next two families' arrivals. These two families are still languishing - for over 9 years- in terrible conditions in the Azraq Refugee camp, in cramped quarters in the desert Jordan. Once we know these families' arrival dates, we will ramp up our fund-raising drive again. We hope for some news in this regard soon!

This summer we arranged for 4 of the Al Diri children to receive private swimming lessons and they all mastered the art of swimming quickly! Some of the kids also were signed up for soccer and did marvelously well. Otherwise, we enjoyed the festivities of Canada day together and we also had a marvelous outing to Canada's Wonderland! Through the summer months, Ruwaida and some of her children, also took part in the "trust yourself to garden" program at "Am Braigh" farm in Mono. This opportunity was offered by Jamie Richards, and it brought together many of the recent newcomers to our area. They each got their own garden plot, where they grew a variety of vegetables. The season was finished off with a celebratory international meal.

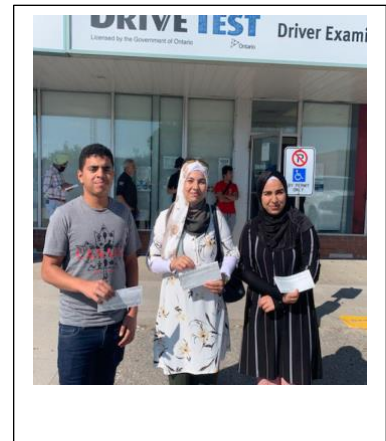
In August, Karin and Wally, on behalf of FLFS, hosted a large gathering for our local community, some members of our congregations, and many newcomers. We had lots of fun, plus ate marvelous food from the many corners of the world for our potluck meal. We played soccer and had a variety of other games. The children also flew kites, cuddled with puppies, and enjoyed the trampoline. Well over 75 people showed up for this day of fun and getting to know one another. We had newcomers from the Middle East, from Asia and Africa joyfully taking part in this multicultural gathering. Our first sponsored family: Khaleel, Sabah and Helin, also came for a four day visit from London (Ontario) and stayed with Karin and Wally. It was so wonderful to reconnect! Helin is now in her 3<sup>rd</sup> year of university, and she is doing very well.

After 8 years of zero dental care while in a squalid refugee camp our Al Diri family has needed many visits to a local dentist. Some of these costs, for the younger children, have been covered by the Healthy Smiles program, while FLFS have covered all the dental costs for the adults. This is one of the things we had budgeted for and it was indeed much needed!

Through the summer we have continued making sure our Al Diri family has had private ESL lessons- and their English is now coming along nicely. They have now finally been enrolled in official community-run ESL lessons, which are held daily at the Focus Learning Center in Alliston. Four members of the Al Diri family also now have their G1 license, and they have been taking driving-lessons, given by Karin, and all are making good strides! The two adults are now also signed up for official lessons in Barrie, starting mid-October. We are certain they will get their driving licenses as soon as this course is finished.

As always, we thank the Shelburne Primrose Pastoral Charge for supporting our refugee work. Please know that, with your help, we are making a real difference in the lives of some wonderful people who already are valued members of our Canadian multicultural mosaic.

*Respectfully submitted by Karin Klouman.*





## News from the Foodbank:

As our town continues to experience growth, so does the foodbank. Numbers of families counting on the foodbank have continued to rise and there is rarely a shift that we are not welcoming several new faces to our services. The rise in numbers has had us meeting with town council to discuss the need for increased space and support and this will be an ongoing theme in the next months.

We continue to rely on the generosity of our community, where neighbours help neighbours, and this summer MANY supported the foodbank with fresh produce from their gardens which each week, clients could freely take.

We continue to host our seniors' market monthly, taking fresh produce and essentials to the seniors' homes in town.

With Rotary support, over 120 backpacks with lunch boxes and water bottles were given out.

However, in order to be able to continue to give out the food hampers, we have used a lot of our monetary reserves, constantly buying stock in greater numbers. Now we are approaching the time where we need to replenish both stock and accounts and we hope this Thanksgiving you will prayerfully consider how you can help your neighbour.

There are some Thanksgiving Food drives coming up and we are in great need of cooking oil, peanut butter, canned fruit, breakfast cereal, and kids' snacks. Or please consider adding a donation to your offering cheque where it can be included in your yearly tax receipt and will be put in the foodbank account. 100% of donations go directly to serving our clients.

Many thanks for the ongoing support that our partnership with Trinity United has given us!! May it be a Happy Thanksgiving for all the residents in Shelburne!

Respectfully Submitted by Ardith Dunlop



## Pastoral Charge Upcoming Events

**Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 8 am** – *Men's Breakfast hosted by Trinity* – at Country Cabin.  
All are welcome!

**Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 1 – 4 pm** – *Retirement of Ann Harbridge DLM* – Open House at  
Trinity Centennial United Church, Rosemont, Ontario. Presentations at 2 pm!

**Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 7pm** – *Primrose Council Meeting* at the church

**Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>** – *Happy Thanksgiving*

**Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 12 pm** – *UCW Fellowship Time at Trinity.*

**Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm** – *Trinity Council Meeting* – Chair – Paula Cameron

**Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm** – *Euchre and Crokinole* – At New Horizons Room at the  
Mel Lloyd Centre – Sponsored by Primrose United Church – Everyone welcome!

**Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2 pm** – *Dan Needles – A Guide to Rural Living* – At Grace Tipling Hall  
- Sponsored by Primrose United Church - All are welcome!

**Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 9:10 am** - *Ladies Breakfast hosted by Trinity* – at Main Street  
Café. All are welcome!

**Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 8 am** – *Men's Breakfast hosted by Trinity* – at Country Cabin.  
All are welcome!

**Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 am** – *UCW, WOW – 'One More Step Along the Way. . .'*  
– at Calvary United Church, St. Jacobs – Guest Speaker Ann Harbridge DLM

**Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 11 am** – *Covenanting Service for Rev. Valerie hosted at Trinity*

**Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, 9:10 am** - *Ladies Breakfast hosted by Trinity* – at Main Street  
Café. All are welcome!

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