



Shelburne Primrose Pastoral Charge

Spring
Newsletter
2023



Shelburne Primrose Pastoral Charge News

Pastoral Care Report

Dear Friends,

This is the first newsletter of the year! Does anyone have Spring Fever? It's almost time to start the seedlings for the garden.

Special thank you to all our Pastoral Care Group. If you have forgotten who your group members are or if you have added someone, who needs some extra care please let me know.

We are also in need of volunteers for the Trinity United Church Committees.

If you are interested please let us know.

There are a number of Fundraisers coming up in the future, please watch for them.

The next Fundraiser is for the Toronto Welsh Male Voice Choir, on Sunday, April 23, at 2:30 p.m., the ticket price is \$30.00. Please bring some extra funds that day, you will have the opportunity to participate in a draw and enjoy some refreshments. Please call 519 925 0905 or purchase online at www.shelburneprimrose.com. Do you have any ideas for fundraisers? Do you like playing cards, how about a euchre tournament?

Happy Spring, Happy Easter!
Chair, Pastoral Charge Committee
Geraldine Sherritt
519-943-5612

The Old Rugged Cross

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross
The emblem of suffering and shame
And I love that old cross where the dearest and
best
For a world of lost sinners was slain

So, I'll cherish the old rugged cross (rugged
cross)
Till my trophies at last I lay down
I will cling to the old rugged cross
And exchange it some day for a crown.

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true
It's shame and reproach gladly bear
Then he'll call me some day to my home far
away
Where his glory forever I'll share

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Author George Bennard (1913)



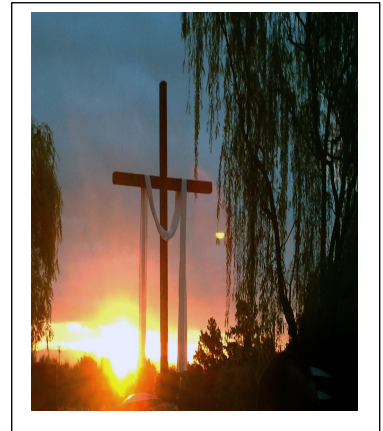
Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023: Services 9:15 Primrose and 11 a.m. Trinity

Maundy Thursday, April 6: Service at 7:30 p.m. at Trinity

Good Friday, April 7: Service at 7:30 p.m. at Trinity

Easter Sunday, April 9: Sunrise Service 7 a.m. at Jeff and Sabine
Rohner-Tensee and 11 a.m. at Trinity



Trinity United Church News

PANCAKE SUPPER

A big thank you to Grant and Faye Ferguson for their donation of maple syrup for the pancake supper.

Thank you to all the people who helped in the kitchen cooking and cleaning up.

A special thanks to Ardith & Geoff Dunlop and Debbie & Wayne Ferrier for organizing this wonderful dinner.



Trustees Report

Good News from the Trustees

The Trustees have received the final instalment from the Estate of Dorothy Ann Smith in the amount of \$38390.00, bringing the total amount received to \$73390.00.

From the bequest, \$20000.00 was given to Trinity to help with the bathroom renovation project. The remainder of the funds have been invested for future projects.

Dorothy attended Trinity between 1995 and 2000, she was very involved in the Church Nursery, the Christian Education Committee and played a large role in our Autumnfest fundraisers. We are very grateful to Dorothy for remembering Trinity in such a generous manner.

Submitted by Wendy Crewson, Trustee Chair

UCW

The UCW group is having our monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of the month. We currently are bringing a brown bag lunch to eat at 12:30 before our meeting. There will be a regional AGM held at forest Hill UC, Kitchener on April 22 from 11 to 3pm. We are looking forward to an in person gathering.

The National United Church Women have taken on a new five-year project in supporting the work of the Healing Fund. The General Council staff identify some national or global projects from which the NUCW executive select a project. In the recent past, the UCW supported Morogoro Women's Health Training Centre and Women for Change – Zambia. In September 2022, the executive selected The Healing Fund as our next project. On February 11th, UCW WOW hosted a virtual gathering for our members with guest speaker, Joni Shawana, Healing Fund coordinator. The gathering was promoted in other regions as well so representatives from across Canada joined us to hear Joni speak of the work of the Healing Fund and how the financial support the UCW will be designated for programs for women and/or children. The video of this gathering can be found on the regional Youtube channel.

Submitted by Mary Hawthorne



WOWRC
Western Ontario
Waterways
Regional Council

WOW - Western Ontario Waterways

WOW, Region 8, is planning an in person gathering May 26-27 in Port Elgin. Hopefully this meeting is possible. The Discipleship and Justice Commission, (formerly Mission & Discipleship Commission), is now holding our meetings on Thursday evening to facilitate attendance by more commission members. Any member of the United Church can serve on a commission. Commission work is rewarding and offers a deeper insight into how the United Church operates.

Submitted by Mary Hawthorne



Some Trinity
History

A UCW Meeting
at
Pearl Hume's
(Mid to late 70's?)

Do you recognize anyone?

Toronto Welsh Male Voice Choir Fundraising Concert

The Toronto Welsh Male Voice Choir (TWMVC) has been thrilling concert audiences since 1995. Over its history, the Toronto Welsh Male Voice Choir has performed some 300 concerts in churches, cathedrals, and concert halls across Canada, and in both the USA and the UK. Beyond engagements in every corner of Ontario, the choir has twice toured Wales in performance, journeyed in concert to the Maritimes, plus, enjoyed an unforgettable four-concert tour of Newfoundland. TWMVC joined a massed Welsh choir at New York City's prestigious Carnegie Hall in 2008, then circled the Canadian Rockies on a 2010 tour.

The Choir has flourished under William Woloschuk's brilliant and durable artistic direction. TWMVC revels in the achingly beautiful Welsh choral tradition, born of the Welsh mountains and valleys. Going beyond, the singers present a varied repertoire, one which includes African American spirituals, operatic arias, Canadian folk songs, plus Broadway show tunes and pop. This beguiling blend of music, traditional and contemporary, all sung of book in four-part harmony, gives rise to TWMVC's wide appeal and renown. On stage, the singers interpret each piece with spirit and nuance, eyes to the audience.

Their concert repertoire ever resonates with all audiences. Perhaps this is so because the music evokes so simple a message: the things we share in common far outweigh our differences. They gladly convey this message, vitally important today, by promoting choral traditions that have enriched the human experience for centuries. Don't miss out on this wonderful musical afternoon at Trinity United Church.

At the time of writing, we give a hearty thanks to our sponsors: Crewson Insurance, Shelburne Golf & Country Club, Marg McCarthy Realtor, Mrs. Mitchell's Restaurant, Patton's Construction, Brian and Deb Besley, Jeff Holmes, Rita McComb, McDonald's Restaurant Shelburne, and Taray Farms.

With thanks,
Ann McAlpine

Trinity United Church Hosts Toronto Welsh Male Voice Choir



Sunday, April 23rd, 2023, at 2:30 pm

Tickets \$30 - Advance Sales ONLY

Call – TUC (519)-925-0905 or purchase online at
www.shelburneprimrose.com

Primrose United Church News

Chair report for Primrose Church, SPRING Newsletter.

Our little church has managed to keep going through the winter-months- with very few cancellations due to weather. We also have had our Annual General meeting on Sunday, February 26th. It was a combined Zoom/in person meeting.

Much was achieved at this meeting; a new council was approved, and new committees confirmed. We have a new member on the council, in that Jeff Rohner-Tensee now represent M & P. Also, we now have a new worship committee with Sabine and Karin serving. Many thanks go out to Faye Allen for all the work she has done for us over the years, in this regard.

We now have an affirming and welcoming committee at Primrose. Trish heads up this initiative and gave us a comprehensive run-down regarding what this process will entail. Karin and Trish would welcome new members to join us in preparing our congregation for this important process. A unanimous vote was held in favor of Primrose starting to do this work.

We also discussed "A way forward" for our little country church. Many ideas for events were presented, which will hopefully help our little church grow, by reaching out to our local community and addressing various issues of pressing needs, by tackling the food security problem, doing garden initiatives, supporting Shelburne's Food Bank, keeping up the First Line for Syria work and interfaith programs, etc. We need to bring more people to our doors to attend our events and find out what we are doing and who we are. The affirming process will also possibly help attract new people.

Fundraising ideas were also brought forward at the meeting. We will try to do a few things on a larger scale and hoping to partner with various groups in the area to achieve this. The Mother's Day "plant and bake sale" will continue, with possibly a new name and new venue, with details to be determined shortly. Also coming up is the Easter Flower drive, and a Euchre-games night at the New Horizon's Room on Sat April 15th, also a variety show for June is in the planning stages. If you want to take part in organizing fundraising events, please contact Gail Brown at gailbrown.pharm@yahoo.ca. We do need more help from volunteers to reach our fundraising goal for this year.

As far as special services this spring/summer, beyond the Easter services, we are hoping to have a covenanting service for Rev Valerie in the Primrose Garden this year - with a BBQ to follow! A hymn- sing service in the garden is also being planned for this summer. Stay tuned for more updates!

Blessings and Peace to all,
Karin Klouman, Co-Chair of Primrose United Church Council

Planning is underway for an entertaining event as we showcase our wonderful local talent in a Variety Show, hosted by Primrose UC, being held the second weekend of June! More details to follow! Keep an eye out and mark your calendar for this amazing show!



Stay Tuned for a

Variety Show

at Primrose UC in June!

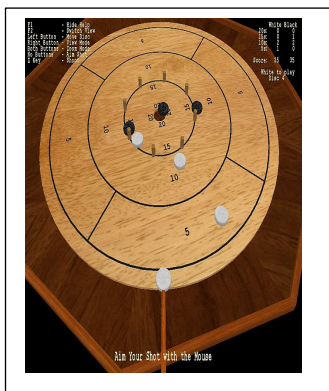
MOMS THE WORD at our Mother's Day SPRING EXTRAVAGANZA!
Sat., May 13th, 2023

Details are underway for our annual fundraiser, bigger and better than ever, with many of our usual activities, including the pre-ordered planters, hanging baskets, herbs, vegetables, strawberries, but with new products and new colours of old favourites, as well as some new events this year. We are hoping to have more local vendors and artisans join us with all types of crafts, woodworking, jewellery, foods, and wares. There will also be a huge selection of perennials, garden/yard/garage sale items, live auction, kid's craft table...more details to follow! For more info, to book a vendors table, or for pre-orders of plants, call 519-925-2397, or email primroseuc@gmail.com. Reminder plant orders must be in by Sun., May 7th in order for them to arrive for pick up at the sale on May 13th. Free delivery available upon request. Watch the website for further details of this special event!

For Primrose members, we need all hands on deck for our Mother's Day Sale! If you are able to help in any way, please let us know! If you are digging up your gardens for spring, please save any perennials for the sale (call if you need a hand digging!) If you are doing your spring cleaning, keep an eye out for any items that you would like to donate to the garage/yard/garden sale, as well as larger items for the live auction. Also, let us know if you are willing and able to do any baking. We will need people to help set up and some to help at the sale itself. Most of all, spread the word to all your family, friends, and neighbours. Hand out plant order forms and flyers and bring anyone along who may be interested! Let's make this an exciting and fun time for all!



Saturday, May
13th, 2023
at Primrose
Elementary
School



Join us for a fun afternoon of
Euchre and Crokinole

Saturday, April 15th

2pm



New Horizon's Room

Mel Lloyd Centre



All welcome! Bring a friend!

Prizes and refreshments!

For more info call 519-925-2397
or email primroseuc@gmail.com

Hosted by Primrose United Church

Primrose is gearing up for some exciting events this spring. Mark your calendar for **Saturday, April 15th, at 2 pm.** for an afternoon of Euchre and Crokinole at the New Horizon's Room at the Mel Lloyd Centre. Bring a friend! All ages welcome! Prizes and refreshments will be provided!

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!

communications@shelburneprimrose.com

Thank you in advance!

Warmly, Linda

Congratulations to Team Zimmelink (skipped by Tori Zimmelink) recently went undefeated and won Gold at the Ontario U21 Women's Curling Provincials on March 12, 2023. Team Zimmelink will now be competing at the 2023 Canadian Junior Women's Championship in Rouyn-Noranda, Quebec March 26 – April 2, 2023.

Earlier this month, Tori along with her Mixed Doubles partner Kibo Mulima qualified to attend the 2023 Canada Winter Games in PEI. They brought home the Silver Medal going undefeated until the final game. *Tori is the daughter of John and Wanda (Braiden) Zimmelink and Granddaughter of Fran Braiden.*



Happy Birthday to

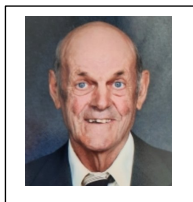
Evelyn Wallace – 94 years young



Our Prayers and Sympathies to the Families of

It is with great sadness that we learned of the death of
Milton Cullen.

Our thoughts and prayers accompany Yvonne and their family
throughout this time of mourning and sadness.

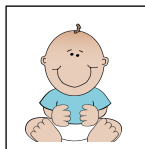


So
Sorry
for
Your
Loss

Birth Announcement

Ed and Wendy Crewson are excited to announce the birth of their newest grandson, Sunny James Edward, born February 16, 2023, weighing 8lbs., 6 ounces.

Congratulations to parents William Crewson and Olivia Lloyd, and to big sister Willow. We are very blessed!



Congratulations!

Prayers to Get Well Soon to

Bernice Cunningham
as she recovers at home.

**Thinking
of you**

First Line for Syria Update

Our Refugee family in Alliston is continuing to do well and we are blown away by their resilience. The Parents are in school full time, learning English and making steady gains. Ahmad now has his driver's license (passed on his first try!). First Line for Syria and his brother Mohammad helped our family buy a used van, which will hold them all. This is an important step towards our family having full independence.

Ahmad is planning to eventually find work as a welder, which is the trade he is fully trained in from Syria, and we are hoping he will eventually be able get his Canadian certification. Ruwaida is also taking formal Driver's Ed lessons and is hoping to get her license by this April. She is excited about having her own garden plot this summer to grow vegetables (sharing with Wally, at the Barr-Klouman homestead).

The younger children are doing exceptionally well in primary school and are now fluent in English. The high school children are making great strides as well. The oldest girl is hoping to start part-time work after school, at a local nursing home, while the eldest son is excited to start an electrician co-op high school program.

Although our formal sponsorship period has now formally ended First Line remains supportive and continue to help our family navigate Canadian society. In early January the family hosted a big gathering with delicious Syrian home-made food served, as a generous "thank you" to those in our community who have been of support to our family, in their daily lives.

Our first family are doing well in London, but unfortunately, they have family who were deeply affected by the earthquake in Northern Syria. Helin, on top of university studies and an after-school job, has been working incredibly hard at getting some much-needed funds to family members in the Aleppo area who have lost absolutely everything in the earthquake.

We have recently renewed – once again- all the paperwork for our next 2 families who are still languishing in horrendous conditions in the Azraq refugee camp in Jordan. They have now been stuck there for 10 long years. It is our hope that these two families will arrive this year for full family reunification. All bureaucratic hurdles seem to have been solved, so now all we do is 'wait'. Once we have the date of arrival nailed down, we will start a concerted fundraising effort.

We are immensely grateful for the continuing support of Shelburne Primrose Pastoral care. Without our engaged church-community we would not be able to do this incredibly important and most rewarding work. If anybody else wishes to join First Line for Syria we could use (and would warmly welcome) more bodies! The upcoming two years will be very busy with hopefully the arrival of our next two families.

Respectfully submitted by Karin Klouman



Pastoral Charge Upcoming Events

Saturday, April 1st, 8 am – *Men's Breakfast hosted by Trinity* – at Country Cabin.
All are welcome!

Sunday, April 2nd – Palm Sunday Services - 9:15 am – *at Primrose United Church*
11 am – *at Trinity United Church*

Thursday, April 6th - *orders arrive for Easter Flower Fundraiser at Primrose.*
5 – 7 pm - *Pick up your orders at Primrose UC*

Thursday, April 6th, 7:30 pm – *Maundy Thursday Service at Trinity*

Friday, April 7th – 7:30 pm – *Good Friday Service at Trinity UC*

Sunday, April 9th – Happy Easter – 7 am - *Sunrise Service – more details to come*

Sunday, April 9th – Happy Easter – 11 am – *Easter Service at Trinity UC*

Tuesday, April 11th, 12:30 pm – *UCW Women Fellowship at Trinity* – All ladies are welcome! Bring a brown bag lunch.

Tuesday, April 11th, 7:30 pm – *Trinity Church Council Meeting* –
Chairperson is Jennifer Crewson-Poynter.

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

Sunday, April 23rd, 2:30 pm – *Toronto Welsh Male Voice Choir Concert* –
At Trinity UC – *Advance Sales Only - \$30 / ticket*

Pastoral Charge Upcoming Events – Cont'd

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

Saturday, May 6th, 8 am – *Men's Breakfast hosted by Trinity* – at Country Cabin. All are welcome!

Sunday, May 7th - *Plant Orders are due for Primrose Mother's Day Plant Sale* – See Order Forms at end of newsletter for more info.

Tuesday, May 9th, 12:30 pm – *UCW Women Fellowship at Trinity* – All ladies are welcome! Bring a brown bag lunch.

Saturday, May 13th – 8 – 11 am. – *Mother's Day Extravaganza* – Venue will be at Primrose Elementary School

Sunday, May 14th – *Happy Mother's Day*

Saturday, May 27th, 9:10 am - *Ladies Breakfast hosted by Trinity* – at Main Street Café. All are welcome!

Saturday, June 3rd, 8 am – *Men's Breakfast hosted by Trinity* – at Country Cabin. All are welcome!

Save the Dates – *Primrose Talent Show* – Second Weekend in June - More Information to come!

Sunday, June 18th – *Happy Father's Day*



Wishing you blessings this Easter Time!
From Shelburne Primrose Pastoral Charge!

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