

Shelburne Primrose Pastoral Charge

Fall Newsletter

October 2018

Fall Services

September 30th — 4th Sunday of Creation Season
'Choosing Life and Fidelity'

October 7th — Thanksgiving Sunday at Trinity
Anniversary Sunday for Primrose United Church

October 14th — Communion
World Communion Day Belated Celebration

October 21 — Abundance, and Lack
International Eradication of Poverty Day

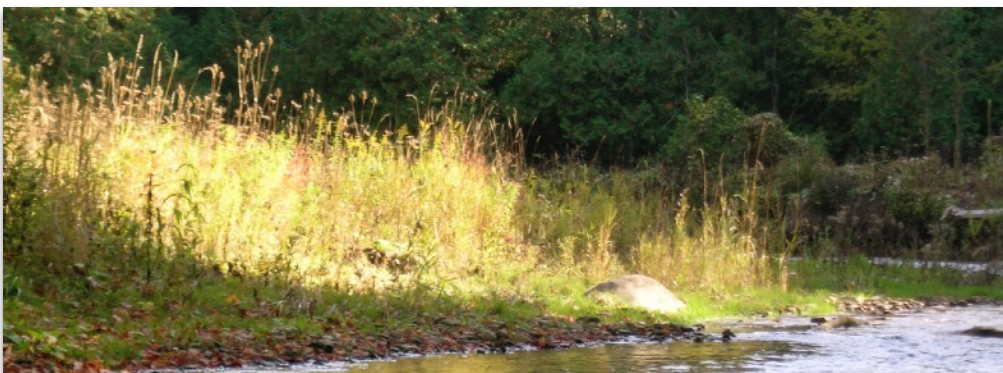
October 28th — Reformation Sunday
What Was Martin Luther Thinking of?

November 4th — Remembrance Day Service at Trinity and Primrose

November 11th — Regular church cancelled to attend the
Community Remembrance Day Service at the Shelburne Legion
Bruce to offer a contemplative space at Trinity at 11am for prayers
for peace. All are welcome.

November 18th — Baptism at Trinity

November 25th — Reign of Christ
The final day in the liturgical year



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MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTER

In this season of thanksgiving we have been gifted a beautiful fall, reminding us, if we need reminding, that our world is an astonishment of riches. Those of us who gather together at Primrose United Church and Trinity United Church have also the gift of a strong, vibrant church body that is holding steady in this time of transition, reminding us of the wonderful work that has been done within it, and the extraordinary work still to be done. Be attentive. And walk forward. We know what God has done in the past. We cannot imagine what God will do in the future. But you can be sure it will be original.

Rev. Dr. Candice Bist

Behind these doors are Canadians working for social change.

The people of the United Church:

- Open their hearts and wallets in emergencies
- Work to build right relations with Aboriginal Canadians
- Support coalitions campaigning for social justice
- Foster multifaith dialogue on controversial global issues
- Fund mental health services
- Promote food security through the Canadian Foodgrains Bank
- Work to recognize the rights of people of all sexual orientations
- Fight climate change by reducing their carbon footprint
- Promote compassion in the criminal justice system
- Encourage Canadians to sign organ-donor cards
- Organize peaceful responses to energy megaprojects
- Urge more research into the safety of genetically modified foods
- Promote corporate responsibility
- Support alternative justice models for Aboriginal Canadians
- Campaign to protect and improve universal health care
- Participate in anti-poverty initiatives
- Encourage conversations about doctor-assisted dying and euthanasia
- Organize to end violence against women
- Oppose online and casino gambling
- Urge a ban on harmful pesticides
- Support labour justice
- Advocate on behalf of murdered and missing Aboriginal women
- Oppose nuclear proliferation
- Promote responsible activity of Canadian mining companies abroad



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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR OF THE WORSHIP GROUP

What Is Worship?

Do you ever wonder why you come to church? What is Worship?

Do you wonder why you can't get to church or if it's 'worth it' and doesn't fit into your crazy schedule?

What should the church sanctuary look like? Do you wonder what the Worship Committee does?

Why are there changes?

Let me attempt to help provide an explanation.

The dictionary lends a little help. Worship is an act of religious devotion. It is an expression or feeling of reverence, the worship of God. It may occur privately, individually or in a group. It may take place in a formal or informal setting and is usually led by a designated leader, such as a Minister.

The Worship Committee is a joint Committee comprised from membership in our Shelburne Primrose Pastoral Church. We meet once a month and often email and phone call, even daily! We are the 'behind the scenes' team who prepare the church space so it is ready for Sunday worship. We get it ready physically so that it feels comfortable and ready for you. We try to eliminate the distractions from worship so that all who enter may find peace and quiet.

You'll understand when I say that we don't ever get it perfect! We continue to work on better sound projection, improved power point projection, and establishing one edition of the Voices United Hymn Book so that less confusion occurs during worship.

Our Sunday morning service is a precious small part of the week in our church life. During the Sunday morning message, Rev. Candice prepares and offers engaging teachings to help us better understand how to worship together in this chaotic world. This helps us to care deeply for one another. This prepares us to 'hold steady' as we care for and help one another in our own church and can be extended to the whole Shelburne community, especially during difficult times.

Finding Sanctuary on Sunday mornings is the core of what we do. This prepares and energizes us for how we are expected to behave both inside and outside the church space. The Worship committee attempts to offer a calm place. The message is offered with grace, given and received in safety; it's full of love.

Worship isn't about the Worship Committee or the people setting the scene. Worship is what feeds you, finding and feeling that 'Sanctuary', so that you are able to grow in your faith. Sometimes it feels easy and other times it's full of questions and turmoil. But, this is all part of a process as we change, improve and grow, living together as Christians. Let us continue to seek to live the life Jesus demonstrated and always be mindful of our actions and practises.

The Fall is in full swing with many wonderful opportunities that lie ahead.

Also, we have a new Photo Directory on the go, so be sure you get your time booked in with the photographer on one of the four days : Oct. 15, 16, 17, or 18. Please call the church office for more information. I welcome you to church and encourage you to find the Sanctuary you seek in our Trinity or Primrose Sanctuaries. Come and find one hour of peace and quiet with God - on Sunday mornings.

With prayerful love and thanks,

Ann McAlpine, Chair of Worship Committee



A BEAUTIFUL ALTER SET

Earlier in the summer, I had the pleasure of meeting Diane Martin at Trinity. She brought her Uncle Jack & Aunt Maryon Hunter and cousin Karon. Diane generously offered to donate a lovely Altar Set to Trinity which was purchased with donations in memory of her father Walter Hunter who passed away many years ago in 1983.

Here's the background history. Walter Hunter was born in 1925 and grew up in Melancthon township near Horning's Mills on a farm. He was one of 6 children and Jack Hunter is one of his younger brothers. Jack and a sister in Brampton are still living. Walter married his beloved Margaret in 1953. They settled in Melancthon township on another farm also near Horning's Mills. Walter and Margaret had 3 children –Tom, Alan & Diane. Walter & Margaret were very active in the Wesley United Church in Horning's Mills. Margaret played the organ at the church for 30 years.

With the sudden passing of Walter, donations were given to the Wesley United Church and Margaret being active in the UCW played a big part in requesting that a memorial gift (altar set) be purchased with this money.

When Wesley United was closed, all the memorial gifts were transferred to Honeywood United Church because they belonged to the same pastoral charge. Now since the church in Honeywood has closed, Diane gifted the Altar Set to Trinity United church in Shelburne as she felt this is the appropriate resting place.

Margaret Hunter remarried in 1989 to Bill Ferguson, hence the name-Margaret Ferguson. When Bill died in 2008, Margaret moved from the country into town. She immediately started going to Trinity as she always went to church & she just loved the music!!

On behalf of the Worship Committee and Trinity Council, we gratefully accept this lovely gift. It will be kept and displayed with many other historical and memorial donations that tell our story and recognize people who comprise a valuable part of our church history. These gifts are used for special days of remembrance and services.

Thank you to Diane Martin for making this all possible.

With Thanks,
Ann McAlpine





MESSAGE FROM THE CLERK OF SESSION AT PRIMROSE UNITED CHURCH

After a wonderful summer filled with sun and warmth, we enter the fall season with anticipation of what is ahead. We look forward to spending time with those who will travel south during the colder months of the year, and welcome back those who have been away during the warmer months.

At this time of year, we have much to be thankful for— family, friends, crops being harvested from the fields, the beauty of the changing leaves. Look around you and see all that we have been given. Things that are most important to us are very close at hand, but can be missed being seen in the business of daily life. At our little white church in Primrose, Thanksgiving will be celebrated with the coming together of friends and families, from far and wide, as we celebrate our 143rd anniversary. Please come and join us for a day of thanksgiving and reunion on Sun., Oct. 7th, 9:10 am.

Although we never know what may lie ahead for us, we do know that we can be thankful for the time we have now, and for those around us.

May you enjoy the beauty and bounty of the fall season.

Gail Brown



**Friends and Family are Invited to
Celebrate with Story and Song
Our Beloved Little United Church
in Primrose on Thanksgiving
Sunday October 7th, 2018
at 9:10 AM**

**“Still Filled with Love and Life
All These Years Later”**

**Nathan Smith, Fiddle Player and
Country Singer, will join us for a
country flavoured service**

**Please stay and visit with us for a
Thanksgiving morning Tea**

Past Summer Events

PRIMROSE QUIET GARDEN DAY

As our North American culture continues to escalate in noise levels and the frantic pursuit of ‘more’, there is simultaneously a counter movement towards silence and contemplative practices. In the medical field, we are learning how important it is for our health to spend time in quietness and rejuvenation. Neuroscientists are encouraging us to spend deliberate time nurturing our para sympathetic nervous system – the ‘rest and digest’ system that should be our resting place, but so often is not. And the perennial philosophies have long exhorted us to spend time developing our reflective nature so we may live from a more grounded place in service to others.



As part of this mindfulness movement, last spring Primrose United Church offered a quiet day of reflective practices. Alex Leikermoser led everyone in the spiritual practice of yoga. (See her new classes at Trinity.) Rev. LeeAnn McKenna taught meditative walking and Kerstin Stinson led a session of creative flower arranging. It was a cool June afternoon, but much warmed by the joyful presence of our participants.



The Primrose Meditation Garden continues throughout the year to offer a quiet presence for reflection - open to all people, year round.

The Primrose United Church’s Meditation Garden and serenity circle are part of the Quiet Garden International Movement. Gardens all over the world set time and space aside to provide venues for contemplation. and we are delighted to be part of this world-wide collection of ‘quiet gardens.’ <http://quietgarden.org/gardens/>



TRINITY STRAWBERRY SUPPER IN JUNE

The best jellied salads yet - and new healthy salads too - were served at the annual Strawberry Supper. Delicious ham, a warm welcome and someone else making the supper and doing the clean up - you can't beat that for a lovely summer evening.



PARTERA BARN DANCE

Lots of fun, food, and visiting to raise money for Partera International. Over \$5000 raised to further this pastoral charge peacekeeping initiative.



WALKING FOR A CURE

Our girl Bev Parker, with lots of supporters behind her from the pastoral charge and the Mulmur community, walked 26 km. in the The Rexall® OneWalk to Conquer Cancer benefitting the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre. Well done, Bev!



What's Going On This Fall



SHELBURNE/PRIMROSE PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

BOOK YOUR PHOTO SESSION! OCTOBER 15, 16, 17, or 18

We are creating a pictorial directory that will include everyone from both our churches. IPC Canada Photo services will be taking the professional pictures and helping us assemble it. Please see Merv Parker at Primrose and Ann or Jamie McAlpine at Trinity to book your session.

It is so important for everyone to participate.

The dates are: October 15 (Primrose) 16,17,18 from 2:30 - 8:30. Location: Trinity United Church.

You will receive a free 8 by 10 of your chosen picture as well as the photo directory. If you wish other pictures with family or friends, you can do this at the same time and purchase those pictures separately. The pictures will be available for Christmas giving. The photo directory will be available in the new year.



SOUP HAUS CELEBRATING ONE YEAR NOVEMBER 6TH

Soup Haus heads into its second year of serving the community collectively with delicious, complimentary dinners every Tuesday from 6 - 8 pm downstairs at Trinity United Church. [http://
souphaus.ca/](http://souphaus.ca/)

Sohayla Smith and Josh Oatman from Troupe-Adore will continue - along with their many volunteers - to offer this delightful evening out to all who wish to spend an evening with others and eat a delicious home cooked dinner.

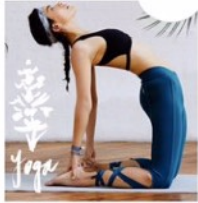
YOGA AS SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

Alex Leikermoser, who so beautifully led our yoga classes at the Primrose Quiet Garden Day, has brought her unique gifts to Shelburne this fall. Trinity United Church is delighted to partner with Alex, as she teaches yoga as a mindful practice, enlarging our hearts and sense of community as we stretch our bodies. We are experimenting with classes on Monday and Wednesday evenings. (See details below.) Whether you are an experienced practitioner or a novice, you will find Alex's warmth and gentleness a balm for the soul.



7 Week Yoga Wellness Series

Monday Sept 17 - Monday Oct 29, 2018



Join Wellness Guide Alex Leikermoser of yogagurl on a 7 week Journey. Alex has been spearheading the eco & wellness movement for over 2 decades. Her passion for wellness is contagious. Her clients include professionals & anyone desiring to operate at their optimum and create a dynamic shift in their health: Body, Mind, Spirit. Beginners, etc. all are welcome to join in this unique community class offering...

Stretch & Breathe Your Way To Better Health

- Session I - Breathing for Health, Improved Posture
- Session II - Stress Reduction & Better Sleep
- Session III - Better Flexibility & less stiffness through movement
- Session IV - Core Strength for Better Back Health
- Session V - Positive Mindset {Anxiety & Depression}
- Session VI - Nutrition & Hydration for better Digestion...Superfood
- Session VII - Daily Routine & Rituals for Vitality & Increased Energy

6:30-7:30pm - Hatha Yoga & Wellness Session
7:30-8pm - Tea & Inspired Conversation (optional)

Message or Email to
click@yogagurl.com for
details



Classes will be held at:
The Trinity United Church,
Shelburne, Lower Level
www.yogagurl.com (416)818-9642

It's not too late! There are a few spots remaining in the Monday 6:30pm Yoga Wellness series, come try the class and join in for the rest of the Series to experience the benefits of weekly breathing & yoga practice.

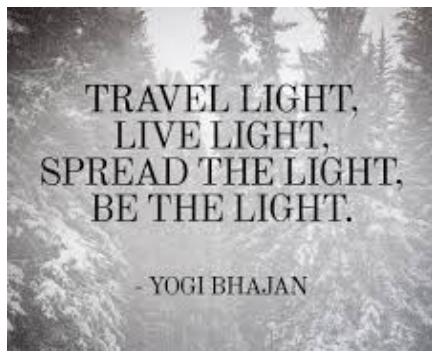
Contact Alex for details.



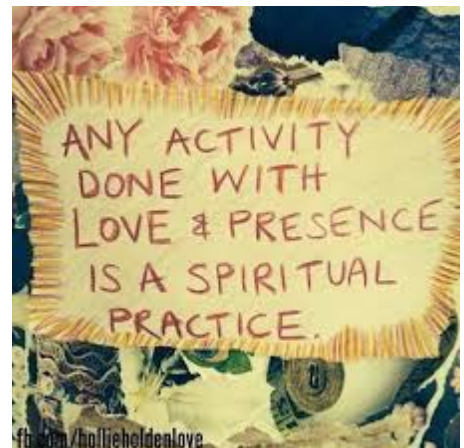
NEW WEDNESDAY CLASS

Join us for for a 6 week Beginner & Refresher Hatha Yoga Series. Focus on breathing, alignment, and giving our bodies stretch, great for those who never had a chance to try yoga. Taught in a very accessible way that is inclusive. You will leave, de-stressed, peaceful and with deeper awareness of your breath.

Starts Oct 3 for 6 weeks. 6:30 pm-7:30pm \$99 each or \$95 each if you sign up with a friend (+ HST)



INHALE
EXHALE





**TRINITY HOUSE PARTY - COUNTRY MUSIC AT ITS BEST
FRIDAY OCTOBER 26TH, 7:30 PM**

Gary Heaslip and Kristen Scott are coming back this fall with their wonderful vocals, sweet back up band, and effortless entertainment. And if that isn't enough to bring you out on a frosty fall evening, we will have PIE! In true house party fashion there will be lots of it to try and trade, so put this date on your calendar and get your tickets before the house fills up!

**OCTOBER 4TH - THANKSGIVING THURSDAY AT THE
FARMERS MARKET - THE LAST ONE OF THE SEASON!**



SHELBURNE/PRIMROSE REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE NOVEMBER 4TH

Our two churches will have their Remembrance Day Services on November 4th this year. As November 11th falls on a Sunday, we will not have regular service in order to attend the community service at the legion. Trinity, however, will be open for prayer and contemplation from 11am - 12pm for those who wish to listen to quiet music and offer prayers for peace. When it comes time for the reading/reciting of 'In Flanders Fields', we will miss our dear David Barr.



**REACHING & PREACHING
FOR PEACE**
2018 TORONTO FESTIVAL OF PREACHING
NOVEMBER 11- NOVEMBER 13 | Yorkminster Park Baptist Church, Toronto

THE **LESTER
RANDALL
PREACHING
FELLOWSHIP**



REV. LEEANN MCKENNA INVITED TO TAKE PART IN PRESTIGIOUS LESTER RANDALL PREACHING FELLOWSHIP NOVEMBER 11 - 13

"November 11th has a particular significance this year because it marks 100 years since the signing of the armistice that brought an end to the bloodletting of the so-called-at -the-time, 'Great War' – the one to end all wars. It will be a solemn Sunday of Remembering as we contemplate all the errors and the carnage, the short-sightedness of the terms of both the Armistice (11 11 11) and the Treaty of Versailles (10 January 1920) that, together, ensured that another war would follow not long down the road.

Beginning that Sunday and for three days, a gathering in Toronto will take place for the purposes of strengthening our skills as teachers and preachers in the Christian Church on the topic of peace. The gathering will feature the former Archbishop of the Anglican Communion, Rowan Williams, as well as esteemed Old Testament scholar, Pat Dutcher-Walls, academic-activist Indigenous storyteller, Terry LeBlanc and preacher-comedian, Susan Sparks.

With such stellar company, I am pleased, as Founding Director of Partera International, to have been asked to join them in peace-storytelling and teaching. One of my presentations will help to answer the question that first rose up for me as unavoidable and indispensable in 2001: Our Violent Scriptures: What's a Peacemaker to do? What are the faithful alternatives to turning a blind eye to what we don't like while keeping those passages and stories we like? My workshop will suggest a novel lens for reading the Bible, the whole Bible. I am pleased that Candice will be attending this preaching fellowship".

Rev. LeeAnn McKenna, Partera International

UPDATE FROM *FIRST LINE FOR SYRIA*

Our sponsored family is continuing to adjust well to life in Canada. Helin is a shining star and received an Honour Roll award for grade 11. She furthermore works part time at a restaurant in Shelburne, while still maintaining her high marks at the academic level in high school. This fall she also took part in the national “Me To We” gathering in Toronto, which is an organization that inspires exceptional young leaders across Canada to be active within their communities and beyond .

This summer Sabah and Khaleel grew a vegetable garden with the help of Wally and Karin, at their property. They tended it well, right from planting onwards - and were able to harvest quite a few home-grown vegetables this year. Otherwise they took part in various community events, were invited to local BBQs and a pioneer picnic – plus went to Toronto Island on an excursion and Helin also joined the Barr-Kloumans for a fun day at Canada’s wonderland . Sabah and Khaleel also attended ESL through the summer months at the Shelburne Library.

Our application to bring in one brother and the family of Mohammed Aldiri appears to have stalled. They are all still lingering in a crowded Refugee camp in Jordan and we have been told that our application likely will not be considered until 2019 at the earliest. This poses a significant problem as Jordan now is getting ready to send their refugees back to their country of origin. Mohammed’s youngest brother was assassinated by the Assad regime and Mohammed himself was tortured – and any family members of theirs being sent back to Syria would be at an enormous risk. We are endeavouring to try to speed up the process of getting Mohammed’s family to Canada – if at all possible.

Meanwhile the Aldiri family is doing quite well. They have moved to Alliston, where Mohammed is now holding down 2 jobs and Rana is able to walk to ESL. The children are doing well in school, playing soccer - and all have achieved their swimming badges this summer.



This summer Sabah’s mother sadly passed away while living in Turkey - and so Sabah’s youngest sister who was the mother’s caretaker is now finding herself at a loss and homeless. Within their culture a woman in her early 30s is no longer of a marriageable status- being considered too old– nor can she work in Turkey- being a Syrian refugee. First Line is, therefore, beginning to explore whether we can sponsor her coming to Canada to join our family. We are hoping that bringing a single woman in her early 30s to Canada should not be as complicated as sponsoring a whole family. It would also be a great support for Sabah in the future to have her sister here.

Karin Barr-Klouman, First Line for Syria



WATCH FOR THESE TWO NEW PASTORAL CHARGE INITIATIVES COMING SOON

DONATE

By October 15th you will be able to donate money online on our website to either of the churches or various ministries within our pastoral charge.
<https://www.shelburneprimrose.com/>

Small Groups

In October we will be introducing smaller groups within each church so that ongoing, consistent pastoral care is in place for everyone in our church community. Love one another is a command. And this is a concrete response to that command.

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER PAUL MATHEW

Since November 2017, we have been enjoying the hospitality of Trinity United Church Shelburne. We have the Mass at 9 am and we are very happy with the United Church Congregation and Rev Candice Bist the Minister. We are grateful for your love and generosity as well as for accommodating us. We have renewed the contract for two more years. Hoping for many more years of collaboration and co-operation between us.

Fr Paul Mathew
St John's Catholic Parish Dundalk
Email: stjohndundalk@hamiltondiocese.com

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR AUNDREA THOMPSON

The Shelburne Adventist Church will be hosting a **10 part weekend Evangelistic Series under the theme THERE IS STILL HOPE for three consecutive weekends, Oct 20, 21 & Oct 26, 27, 28 & Nov 2, 3.** The series will begin with a Gospel Concert on the evening of October 20, and will continue with powerful gospel preaching presentations each weekend. We crave your support, presence and prayers in this worthy soul winning endeavour. Thank you.

Blessings

Pastor Aundrea Thompson
Ontario Conference of Seventh-day Adventist
Email: athompson@adventistontario.org

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESBYTERY REPRESENTATIVE



General Council of the United Church of Canada was held in July in Oshawa. All remits were passed so the restructuring of the United Church of Canada will move forward as of January 1, 2019.

Our new moderator is Rev. Dr. Richard Bott of Vancouver, BC. He was born in Marathon, Ontario, ordained in 1994 and has served in churches in Ontario and British Columbia.

Our presbytery meeting was on September 29, 2018 in Caledon. Our new region 8 (beginning January 2019) will be bordered by the waters of Georgian Bay and Lake Huron beginning in the Wasaga Beach area around to Grand Bend before turning inland to head eastly to Georgetown then angling northeast to encompass Alliston before heading north to Wasaga Beach. We are fortunate in new region 8 to have a forward looking group. Our new Executive Minister is Rev. Cheryl Ann Stadelbauer Sampa, who is based in London. She has been working with the restructuring unit. See details of our first gathering below. All are welcome to attend this historic event.

The presbyterial meeting for UCW ladies was September 26, 2018 in Schomberg. As Northern Waters UCW units will be divided between two regions, speakers from neighbouring presbyteries outlined projects that UCW supports in their areas.

Mary Hawthorne, Northern Waters Presbytery Representative

Region 8:

Connecting ... Supporting ... Transforming
Presents its First Official Gathering

Sing a New Song Unto the Lord!

Saturday, October 20, 2018

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

9:15 a.m. Registration and Coffee

Mount Forest United Church, Mount Forest

There is no cost for this event - but you must register to be fed!

There is also a Travel Subsidy

This is an ***invitation*** for ***all presbyters*** to meet and gather for ***Fellowship, Lunch & Worship***. Please join us for this opportunity for ***new beginnings & fresh partnerships***. http://londonconference.formstack.com/forms/region8_event

We look forward to gathering for our first inspirational event for

Region 8: Connecting ... Supporting ... Transforming ...

Registration and refreshments will be available at 9:15 a.m. at ***Mount Forest United***

Church, [175 Queen Street, E](#) in Mount Forest.

WE WELCOME THE NEW MODERATOR OF THE UCC

“The United Church of Canada has a wideness of its theologies and its practices of faith that’s enriched, not only as we learn our own stories, but as we listen carefully and celebrate and learn from each other’s understanding of Creator,” says the United Church’s 43rd Moderator, the Right Rev. Dr. Richard Bott.

Born in Marathon, ON, on the traditional and unceded territory of the Biigtigong Nishnaabeg, and ordained in 1994, the Rev. Bott has lived his life “as a beloved child of God” within the United Church. He has served communities of faith in Ontario and British Columbia, most recently Pacific Spirit United Church in Vancouver, and is well known for his skills as a leader, writer, and educator, and an active user of social media.

Elected at the 43rd General Council in Oshawa, ON, in July 2018, Bott spoke about the need for the church to build trust, and to not be afraid to talk about our collective purpose. He offered this as a starting point: “To help people to enter into and deepen their relationship with God ... through the stories and person of Jesus of Nazareth. How do we do that? With the most radical love that we know: a true love of Holy Mystery, a true love of ourselves, and a true love of all other parts and people in God’s creation.”



Moderator Bott is passionate about the possibilities that we have in front of us as a church, and encourages all of us to ask and attend to both the pain and the joy that is being expressed, and then to take action on what we’re told. Entering the role of Moderator at a time when significant changes to church structures are underway, he believes that the purpose of those structures is to help the wide diversity of communities of faith across the church live into their ministries. See our website for Rev. Bott’s address to the church, as well as a wonderful passage on loving our neighbours by outgoing moderator, Rev. Jordan Cantrell.

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My work is loving the world.
Here the sunflowers, there the hummingbird—
equal seekers of sweetness.
Here the quickening yeast; there the blue plums.
Here the clam deep in the speckled sand.

Are my boots old? Is my coat torn?
Am I no longer young, and still not half-perfect? Let me
keep my mind on what matters,
which is my work,

which is mostly standing still and learning to be
astonished.
The phoebe, the delphinium.
The sheep in the pasture, and the pasture.
Which is mostly rejoicing, since all the ingredients are here,

which is gratitude, to be given a mind and a heart
and these body-clothes,
a mouth with which to give shouts of joy
to the moth and the wren, to the sleepy dug-up clam,
telling them all, over and over, how it is
that we live forever.
The Messenger, by Mary Oliver

**Behind these doors,
people are making
a difference
in your community.**

Food Banks
Refugee Sponsorship
Out of the Cold
Summer Camps
After-School Programs
Child Advocacy
Affordable Housing
Community Gardens
Meals on Wheels
Seniors Services
Adult Drop-In
Community Transport
Adult Enrichment Programs
Clothing Depots
Community Meals
Anti-Poverty Advocacy
Crisis Intervention
Critical Housing Care
Family Support Programs
Homeless Shelters
Environmental Advocacy
Seniors Housing
University Chaplaincy

Community Kitchens
Healing Programs
Family Violence Prevention
Thrift Stores
Speakers Series
Before-School Breakfasts
Arts Centres
Refugee Sanctuary
Interfaith Dialogue
Addiction Recovery
Music and Worship
Wellness Programs
Parish Nursing
Hospital Chaplaincy
Community Choirs
Immigrant Outreach
LGBTQ Advocacy
Fair Trade Cafés
First Nations Reconciliation
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