

OUR VALUES

Faith/Love of God = BELIEVING

Community/Inclusion = BELONGING

Compassion/Compromise = INVITING

"Our relationship with God and each other strengthens us, and helps make the world a better place.

We welcome and include everyone into congregational life."



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"My refuge and my fortress, my God in whom I trust" Psalm 91:2

Sunday Worship

Weekly at 10:00 AM

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j /83887699257

Meeting ID: 838 8769 9257



Or Join by Phone: 647 558 0588 Canada 647 374 4685 Canada



ZOOM Worship Calendar

Worship Through Lent - 2021

Lent 5 March 21 - The Gift

Lent 6 March 28 – The Heart

Good Friday – April 2 (with Moderator Richard Bott, link to be posted when available)

Easter – April 4 – Clowning Around -Communion and Lenten Garden Parade (bring bread, wine/juice and your garden)... watch for clowns!

THIS SUNDAY
Jeremiah 31:31–34
NEXT SUNDAY
Mark 11:1–11

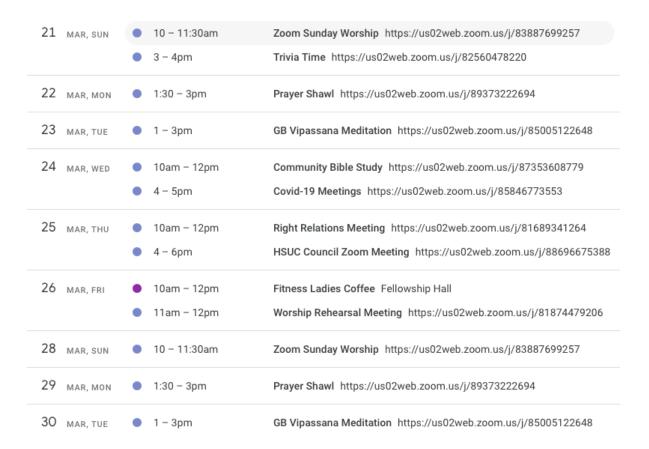
CALENDAR





Keep up to date with our zoom meetings on our website!

CALENDAR LINK HERE or click on the photo



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NEWS

SPRING FREE STORE UPDATE: with the continued covid situation and the practice of self-isolating and distancing, we will be cancelling the spring free store, originally scheduled for May 7th & 8th. If you have been cleaning cupboards/closets and have donations, hopefully you will be able to store these items until the fall. Our church community has always been very supportive and generous with their donations and we hope to be able to proceed with this well received and appreciated fellowship and outreach venture for the fall free store, scheduled for October 15th & 16th, 2021. Take care, stay safe and healthy ~ Ruth Ann Eagleson & Joanne Barry

PHONE TREE In December of 2020, several enthusiastic volunteers joined the Phone Tree ministry. They have been reaching out, by telephone, to everyone associated with our church community. So many people are grateful for these calls and appreciate the church "checking in". If you have not been receiving any phone call perhaps, we do not have your current contact information. Many folks have given up their landline and use the cell phone now. If you have received no call and would like to receive one, would you please contact Joanne Barry at 226-456-8134 or email at barryjoannee@gmail.com

YOUR TIME HAS COME If you have been holding back on joining Bible Study because the time just isn't right in your calendar, have we got news for you! The Community Bible Study will now be meeting from 10 AM to 11:30-ish on Wednesdays. Lots of room for you! You can find the Zoom link on the front page of the church website, OR in our newly updated website calendar, by hovering over the day and then clicking into the day/event.

NEW TIME BIBLE STUDY LINK HERE

CONGREGATIONAL VISITOR While Rev Kate is on Sabbatical and Roz MacDonald becomes our Lay Pastoral Minister, would you like to join Joanne Barry as one of our Congregational Visitors? Do you like to visit, listen, chat with caring and a compassionate heart by phone or in person when allowed to our Community of Faith? Or maybe you can tap a friend on the shoulder. If you are interested please contact Rev Dr Kate at 519-872-0654 or Rosalind MacDonald at 519-671-4651 or Joanne Barry at 226-456-8134

PRAYER SHAWL This group of ladies have been meeting each Monday on Zoom to continue knitting and creating items for our Ministry. Today I send out this photo and invited any of the Prayer Shawl group who might wish to join them whenever possible. We are still carrying on with our mission and keeping our members connected. PRAYER SHAWL ZOOM LINK HERE!



GRAND COVE LAWN BOWLING CLUB If you recall Huron Shores United Church provided our club with a Letter of Support to purchase Replacement Equipment dated September 17, 2020. We have just been advised that our Grant Application has been approved for the full amount \$18,555.00 to replace both pieces of equipment that are over 15 years old. We want to thank you for your support and believing in our organization that provides both mental well-being and physical fitness to our aging community. Andy Davis ~ GCLBC

LAY PASTORAL MINISTER APPOINTED Your Council is pleased to announce that Roz MacDonald has accepted the new temporary position of Lay Pastoral Minister, which will coincide with Rev. Kate's upcoming sabbatical (May-August). Her new role will be to provide a well-known and well-loved first-point-of contact for folks who are going through difficulties and are turning to the church for support. We will also be supported by neighbouring United Church clergy for funerals and emergencies, as well as our Congregational Visitor, Joanne Barry, and the volunteers in The Phone Tree. Roz is being hired to take the lead in providing consistent and trustworthy pastoral care for all. A formal job description is available from the Ministry and Personnel Team if you want to consult it. *Congratulations, Roz!* We will covenant with you in your new role in April, before Rev. Kate begins her leave.

HURON SHORES UNITED CHURCH WOULD LIKE TO BE YOUR CHARITY OF CHOICE.

'Celebration Gifts' contributed to our Operating Account are a wonderful way of honouring anniversaries, birthdays, a new grandchild, a graduation, or in memory of someone special. Acknowledgements of your gifts will include a card sent to the person or the family being honoured, and bulletin listings, if requested. Charitable receipts will be issued to you for your donations.



FINANCIAL UPDATE FROM HURON SHORES UNITED CHURCH FINANCE TEAM

As we move into 2021, certainly with many unknowns, financial and otherwise. Our church is still faced with ongoing costs to maintain personnel and to cover other operational disbursements. Debt Retirement is also a main concern. Our preliminary estimate is that we will require the same or higher level of the wonderful financial support that we received in 2020.

At this point, we are retaining all staff positions in order to keep contact with our congregation and others through various methods. We are unsure of the extent to which we may be entitled to Covid-19 subsidy related to payroll costs, as the Federal Government continues to modify the rules of qualification.

For the months of January and February, we are a bit behind where we were last year. Obviously, we are missing the weekly collections from conducting in-person services and we rely on those who provide financial support through PAR and other ways of contributing (by mail and alternate electronic methods such as PayPal on our web site).

We encourage you to remember our church when considering donations to worthy causes, and we know there are many seeking assistance during these times. It is important that we remain strong to be ready when circumstances allow us to return to a more normal operation.

With gratitude for your ongoing financial support, Huron Shores United Church 2021 Finance Team

FROM YOUR MUSIC DIRECTOR

It's never too late for St. Patrick's Day music. Anne Wilton has sent this to us from the Victoria Playhouse in Petrolia. Some of you may have already listened to this but I'm sure you'll enjoy it again.

Thank You Anne!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rwjcDXm-vfw



WHAT'S UP





TRIVIA TIME this Sunday (March 21st) join us from 3 -4 p.m. ZOOM LINK HERE: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82560478220

JOIN HURON SHORES AS A MEMBER As we say out loud every month, ALL are welcome at Huron Shores United Church! If this congregation feels like your church home, we invite you to become a member. Our next New Members' Sunday is April 11. Those who participate but have not officially joined are called "adherants", and are as treasured and important as members. But there is a power in witnessing to our faith, and publicly declaring our allegiance. Let Rev. Kate know if you are interested (or if you are not sure whether you are a member).



FOR THE LOVE OF CREATION The United Church of Canada is encouraging its communities of faith to become a part of For the Love of Creation's new <u>faith-in-action campaign</u>, running now through October 4, 2021. Read the full news piece. For the Love of Creation is an ecumenical initiative of more than 30 national churches and faith-based organizations, including The United Church of Canada. You are invited to read more, involve your faith community, and take action for climate justice. To receive updates, sign up to the <u>Concerned for Climate Justice</u> email list. If you have questions, you can email <u>justice@united-church.ca</u>.

IN 2021 WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO JOIN THE **60** HOUSEHOLDS WHO ARE NOW CONTRIBUTING MONTHLY THROUGH PAR

PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) gives Huron Shores United Church the advantage of being able to budget our monthly expenses wisely.

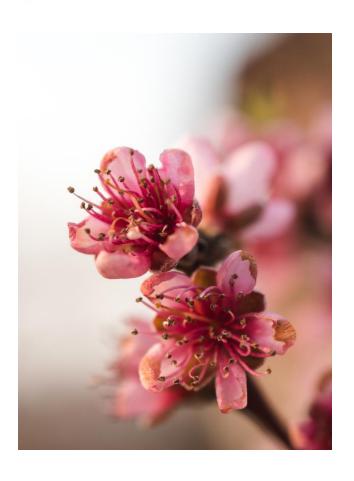
- When you sign up for PAR you have the option of having your monthly donation go completely to Operations, Debt Retirement or M&S or you can split your donation among the categories.
- You can choose any amount that you wish to donate every month.
- The cost to HSUC is very minimal....roughly 50 cents per month. The amount is only slightly higher if you choose to use your credit card.
- You will receive a full tax receipt for your donation. You can cancel, change your monthly amount or designation at any time.
- And it is a very simple process to sign up for PAR. All you have to do is call Carey Eddy 519-238-8566. Carey will be happy to walk you through the process and do the paperwork.

PAR is a win/win for everyone! If you are not currently on PAR please consider it.



IMAGE OF THE WEEK

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BUT....HSUC has the best images "OF THE WEEK"





















Ways You Can Continue Your Financial Support of Huron Shores United Church

- 1. Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR): Contact Carey Eddy 519-238-8566
- 2. **Donate Button** at: huronshoresunitedchurch.com/giving
- 3. Mail In Offering: (cheques only) c/o Carey Eddy, PO Box 306, Grand Bend, ON NOM 1TO
- 4. **Drop Off**: Use the mail box to the left of the Office Entrance on QUEENS AVE.
- 5. Cheque Pick Up: contact Charles MacDonald 519-854-6803 for porch pick up.

Thank You so much for your ongoing financial support. We hope and pray that you are all safe and that you will join us Sundays at 10 am for our special "Zoom" service.



COMMUNITY BOARD



Camp Bimini Newsletter (Bimini Beacon) HERE!

A DRIVE-THRU DINNER

Sunday, March 28th, 2021
St. Marys United Church parking lot!

DINNER MENU

Tomato & Mozzarella Salad, Roast Pork Loin, Wild Mushroom Sauce, Savoury Rice with a Vegetable Medley

Apple Pie from Brenda's Place and Bakery (Stratford)
ADVANCED TICKETS ONLY BY MARCH 21, 2021

for ticket purchase: http://campbimini.ca/event/drive-thru-dinner/

Call Susan 519-440-2908 with your questions.

ADULTS \$20, 12 YEARS AND YOUNGER \$10
PICK UP TIMES BETWEEN 4:30PM AND 5:30PM



GET IN TOUCH



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Office Hours are off site ~ If you need anything we are here.



IMAGE OF THE WEEK





I couldn't
choose just
one picture
for this
time of
year...I love
to see
spring pop
out of the
earth!