Announcements September 29-October 5, 2025

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As you prepare for worship...Proper 26C

Amos 6:1a, 4-7: Like last Sunday's reading from Amos, in this reading God condemns those who revel in living lives of ease with no notice or care of those in desperate situations. In fact, we hear, they will be the first to be dragged into exile. Note: It is not their wealth that causes God's displeasure, but their utter lack of concern for the needy that results in God's displeasure.

1 Timothy 6:1-11: Paul urged Timothy as a "man of God" to shun the love of money and instead to "pursue" spiritual riches like goodness, love, gentleness, etc. This is certainly a fight in which we are all engaged, Paul wrote, but the victory has been won by God who called him (and you) to eternal life and by the Lord Christ who testified about God before Pontius Pilate. Finally, Paul addressed wealthy members of the Church to be "rich" in good deeds, being generous as God is generous, laying a good (and eternal) foundation for their lives.

Luke 16:19-31: The Pharisees were known to love money and to dress in finery. So Jesus told a parable that is a thinly veiled attack on their lifestyles, about an unnamed rich man and a poor one, named Lazarus (which means "God helps"). After their deaths there is a great reversal - Lazarus is in paradise with Abraham and the uncaring rich man is tormented in Hades. In this case, Jesus overturned conventional Jewish wisdom: it was said that wealth was a sign of being blessed by God; if one was poor, one must be ungodly. Instead, what matters to God is the attitude of our hearts and how we live our lives. how we care for one another.

Next weeks readings: Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14; Luke 17:5-10

Bazaar Baking Days will be every Saturday for the month of October. 9 am—12 noon. We will be baking cookies, loafs, meat pies etc. All supplies are provided and everyone is welcome.

Serving Schedule:

PA Monitor: Andi Beer

Greeters: Wendy Murphy & Gord Loeven

Activities this Week

Sep 29 Monday

1:00 pm—Smart phone meets, Parish Hall

7:00 pm—Group Meeting, Basement

Sep 30 Tuesday

7:00 pm—Mission & Outreach meet, Parish House

7:00 pm—Bluewater Chordsmen, Parish Hall

Wednesday

10:00 am & 7:00 pm—Bible Study, Rectory

Oct 2 Thursday

3:30 pm—Choir practice

Oct 3 Friday

8:00 pm—Group meeting Parish Hall

Saturday

9:00 am—Baking Day, Kitchen

Oct 5 Sunday

8:00 am—Holy Eucharist BCP 10:30 am—Holy Eucharist BCP

If you are a new member of the congregation please contact the office (519-344-5167) or one of the wardens with your contact information. Email, mailing address and phone number. Thank you and Welcome.

Readers and Greeters

We are always looking for more people to take part in reading the Readings, Prayers of the People and Greeters. If you are interested please contact the office (519-344-5167) or one of our Wardens.

2025 PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Warden: Heather Norwood

Gord Loeven

Deputy Warden: Carole James-Airey

Kathy Hungerford

Treasurer: Natalie Beer

Lay Delegates to Synod: Susan Memedovich Maurice Carson

Alternate Lay Delegates: Jim Hodgins

Barb Pajuk

Members at Large: Leigh Carson

Beverly Woods Kory Memedovich Glen Crawford Don Hunter

Clergy: Rev'd Karen Nelles, Priest-in-Charge

Rev'd Canon Steve Harnadek, Associate Priest

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday - Friday: 9am-1pm. Steve Harnadek - Tues - Fri: 10 am - 12 Noon (Day off: Mon) (These are estimated times and do fluctuate, depending on circumstances. It is best to call first!)

Naming our New Parish

The process of finding a name for our new parish is now underway. Do you have a name you wish to nominate? If so, a Suggestion Box has been made available. It will be in the church during services right up until Sunday 5 October and is also available during regular office hours in the office. If you would like to suggest a name for our new parish, please complete the half page form that is housed with the Suggestion Box, citing the reason(s) for your choice. Before completing the form, please read the instructions on its reverse side first. The name will be decided upon using a secret ballot at a special vestry meeting, hopefully to be held on Sunday, 23 November.

My Smartphone Hates Me!

John Airey is running a workshop entitled "My Smartphone Hates Me" for any and all who are interested in learning how to do more with their phones but do not know where or how to begin. Monday, Sept 29th, 1 pm.

Prayer List

"We hope to ensure that those currently in need of our prayers are remembered each Sunday in our bulletin. We are therefore going to start afresh on our prayer list and we are seeking your help. If there is someone whom you wish to include in our weekly prayers, please contact the office. Please give Valerie, our secretary, your name and the first name of the person whom you wish to include in our weekly prayers. If you call before September 3, we can ensure that the person in need will be included in our new prayer list, which will be announced on Sunday, September 7. As always, needs change and new requests are always welcome."



Food Bank Sunday

The first Sunday of each month will be food bank Sunday. All items collected will be donated to the St Andrew's Food Bank in Corunna.

Much needed items are canned fruit, snack crackers, cookies, manwich/stew, instant coffee/regular tea, 1 liter juice boxes, toilet paper, fruit / pudding cups, canned meats, deodorant, shampoo & conditioner. They do not take clothing or empty containers.



"From the Pantry"

Available now, homemade soup, \$6 and dinners \$12 each. Includes various soups, mac & cheese, dinners and more to come.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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(Every Tuesday, 11 am Walking Group meeting at the Animal Farm parking lot with a 12:15 pm Lunch. This week is TBA.

(**Every Wednesday**, 10 am & 7 pm - Bible Study at the Rectory.

Every Saturday in October, 9-12 noon, Bazaar Baking Days.

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7 pm—Mission & Outreach, Parish House
7 pm—Creative Word, TBA
1:30 pm—Bible Crossword, Rectory
5 pm—The Slice, TBA
6:30 pm—Hymn Sing

Merry Christmas??

Yes our Date is set for the 2025 Bazaar: Saturday November 1, 2025

We are already thinking ahead and asking for our congregation to start thinking ahead as well. As you clean out from Christmas or doing a general winter cleaning please think of the Bazaar!

- Looking for your Christmas items (decorations/ ornament etc) that you no longer "love"
- Any gift bags not necessarily Christmas decor any design/any size or grocery bags too
- -Any knitting or sewing projects that you would like to donate
- Small stuffed animals
- Your small "Gift Shop" Items that you would like to "Regift"
- Think about baking early but <u>watch for the "Baking Bees"</u>
- -Jewellery you no longer wear, but not broken!
- Attic Treasures—Interesting baskets new or old, Throws or vintage quilts, white or cream tablecloths or napkins, small area rugs, medium or small paintings, pyrex from the 50's, mixing bowls or casseroles, pottery, pitchers, crocks etc., anything copper or brass, interesting pitchers (large or small, white or patterned) plates or platters for serving (white or patterned) small vintage or newer tables, scarves and good quality jewellery, candlesticks (china, brass, glass) and old wooden snow skis.
- We are adding a new item this year: so if you are canning or doing some jams or pickles please think of us with a few jars. (See Jane Hunter for more details).

Please bring your "contributions" to the lower door of the church or to church on Sunday and leave a message for Barb Pajuk your 2025 Bazaar Convenor!