

**RECOGNITION OF TERRITORY AND TREATY**  
We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and the Anishinaabe first peoples, covered by the Fort Albany Treaty in 1701. With respect for their history, their spirituality, and their culture, we give thanks for God's gift of gathering in this space on this land.



configuration, gender, gender identity, and sexual orientation in our life and ministry.

## PORT NELSON NOTEBOOK July, 2024



### OUR VALUES

*Affirming—Caring—Growing Spiritually—Reaching Out*



#### CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAMS

**Two children's hosts** will be available every Sunday at 10:15am for any infant toddler and children who come to service. Contact [jocelyn@portnelson.ca](mailto:jocelyn@portnelson.ca) for any inquiries

The following children and youth programs **resume September 8, 2024:**

**Nursery** with staff located on the lower level for infants and toddlers.

**Godly Play** is for children SK to Grade 6 to make meaning through story, wonder, and play. Children begin in the worship space with their family and then head out to Godly Play at the "Sharing of the Peace".

**Pinnacle Young Leaders** is for youth in Grades 7-12 to build leadership skills and to explore current issues from a faith perspective. The youth join their family in the worship space at the beginning of worship and then head out to the Youth Room at the "Sharing of the Peace".

#### The Staff of Port Nelson United Church

Rev. Dr. Michael Brooks, Lead Minister  
Rev. Louise Hart, Pastoral Care Minister  
Rev. Karen Eade, Volunteer Associate Minister  
Rev. Candy Harvey, Volunteer Associate Minister  
Christine Chesebrough, Operations Manager  
Shazia Montgomery, Administrative Assistant  
Dr. Mark W. Ruhnke, Director of Music  
Jocelyn Birkes, Developer of Children/Youth Ministry  
Eliza Kurth, Nursery Coordinator  
Riley Denver, Communications  
Roy Campbell, AV Technician  
Douglas Fraser, Custodian  
Charles Donaldson, Bookkeeper  
Carson Ife, Security/Lock-up

#### FINANCIAL SUPPORT

**E-transfer**—[office@portnelson.ca](mailto:office@portnelson.ca)  
**Online giving**—[www.portnelson.ca](http://www.portnelson.ca)  
**Credit/Debit**—accepted at office & after worship  
**Cheques**—may be mailed or brought to the church. Please make all cheques payable to Port Nelson United Church  
**Cash**—accepted at office. Offering envelopes are in

#### TODAY

Service is in person at 10.30 a.m. and livestreamed on our Port Nelson YouTube channel at:

[www.youtube.com/c/portnelsonunitedchurch](http://www.youtube.com/c/portnelsonunitedchurch)

**Everyone is invited to remain at the church following the service for lemonade and a time of conversation.**

#### UPCOMING SUNDAYS AT 10:30 AM

July 7 to Aug 25

Then Sings My Soul:

*A Summer of Favourite Hymns*

#### JULY BIRTHDAYS

July 1	Dorothy Birkes	July 20	Jamie Thomblison
July 4	Jocelyn Birkes	July 21	Candy Harvey
July 4	Larry Ridge	July 22	Austin Beattie
July 9	Shane O'Reilly	July 23	Julie Denver
July 11	Tim Laurie	July 24	Dan Emery
July 12	Darby Wilkes	July 24	Ron Gardner
July 14	Ellen Snell	July 30	Zilla Myers
July 17	Tim Rayner		



#### OUR LEGACY, OUR FUTURE

"Congregations and Christians everywhere are discovering that the best giving flows not from heads informed about the budget, but from hearts that are tuned to the will of God." (Thomas C. Reike) Thank you for remembering Port Nelson Church with a gift in your estate plans. For help in determining a gift that is right for you, please contact Tod Wright at [905-639-8268](tel:905-639-8268) or [tod.wright@sympatico.ca](mailto:tod.wright@sympatico.ca) or contact Marty Wamsley at [905-681-6216](tel:905-681-6216) or email [martyjwamsley@gmail.com](mailto:martyjwamsley@gmail.com).

*An enduring gift — it's ours to leave.*

#### PRAYER TEAM REQUESTS?

Offers prayers, in confidence. Contact Mary Carey at [careymb75@gmail.com](mailto:careymb75@gmail.com) or 905-634-3898.

#### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday 9am to 1pm, 2pm to 4pm  
Friday 9am to 1pm

## Meditation Mondays—Mondays

Will return in September

## Tuesday Zoom Café

Will return in September

## DO YOU LOVE READING BOOKS?—JULY 31

Do you love reading books? Would you like to share what you've read with others? Join us for an informal afternoon in the Library, once a month on Wednesdays; the next meeting is July 31, 2 – 3:30 pm. Bring a book that you've enjoyed and would like to discuss with others. Any genre is welcome! For more information contact Sandra Coppola, [lucasbaby2428@gmail.com](mailto:lucasbaby2428@gmail.com) or Jean MacBride, [jmacb4canus@hotmail.com](mailto:jmacb4canus@hotmail.com).

## PORT NELSON'S 9-HOLE GOLF TOURNAMENT—SEPT. 15



SIGN UP IS OPEN! Port Nelson's 9-hole GOLF tournament...for FUN!

JOIN US for golf and/or dinner at ANGEL'S VIEW (Oakville Executive Golf Course, 4414 Fourth Line, Oakville) after church on September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Green fees are \$45.00 for adults/seniors and \$37.00 for juniors. Dinner is \$22.00. Taxes/tips included. (Carts to be looked after directly with the golf club by participants.)

PLEASE PAY IN ADVANCE, through Port Nelson United Church (online, e-transfer, or bring to the office) and indicate it's for golf. In the event of heavy rain, dinner will still take place, but green fees will be reimbursed.

CONTACT SUSAN REDGRAVE ([905-802-7447](tel:905-802-7447), [susaneredgrave@gmail.com](mailto:susaneredgrave@gmail.com)) to let me know you're coming! Have a wonderful summer!

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

### SUNDAY LEMONADE TIME



We need volunteers to assist with serving Lemonade after Sunday services. Please fill out the sign up sheet on the bulletin by the washrooms board to join.

## BURLINGTON FOOD BANK



The need for food assistance in Burlington continues. Bring non-perishable food donations to the church, or monetary contributions, the 3rd Sunday of the month.

Dr Mark Ruhnke, Music Director, is on vacation from July 8 until July 28 inclusive.

## EMERGENCY PASTORAL CARE COVERAGE

For emergency pastoral care needs (funerals, palliative care, etc.) in July, please contact **Rev. Louise Hart: 905 971 6414.**

## SUMMER NOTEBOOK ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will be printing one Notebook for August. If you have notices for August, please send them to Shazia in the office ([assistant@portnelson.ca](mailto:assistant@portnelson.ca)) by Wednesday, July 31 at 9am.

## STAINED GLASS WINDOWS



We are attempting to locate as many family members of those remembered in our stained glass windows as possible. If you are aware of any surviving family members whose loved ones are remembered in the windows, please send an email to Michael Brooks: [michael@portnelson.ca](mailto:michael@portnelson.ca).

## GREENING TIP



Our beautiful Water Wall in the lower narthex provides a calming sound, healthy negative ions and humidity throughout the year. It uses distilled water. If you have a dehumidifier removing humidity in your home, please consider filling jugs with that distilled water rather than putting it down the drain and bringing them in to Port Nelson. Empty jugs are also appreciated. Thank you.

## GLEE CAMPS AND CONCERTS



We look forward to welcoming 240 children to the church this coming summer for four weeks of summer GLEE Camp. Zach Geddes, Raine Montgomery and a team of counsellors will offer leadership. All are welcome to attend the GLEE Concerts on **Thursdays from 3pm to 3.30pm, July 11, July 25, August 1, August 15** in the sanctuary. Please hold the camps in your prayers.

## THEN SINGS MY SOUL Sundays, July 7 to August 25

### A Summer of Favourite Hymns

*"Be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts." (Ephesians 5: 18-19)*

Summer Sundays at Port Nelson:

- Casual relaxed air-conditioned comfort

### Sundays at 10:30am:

July 7	Jesus Loves Me
July 14	Let Us Build a House
July 21	Lord of the Dance
July 28	Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness
August 4	In the Bleak Midwinter