

MAY GREETINGS

The spring flowers are looking beautiful and filling our landscape with vibrant yellows, pinks, mauves, reds and everything in between. April blessed us with a few days of summertime temperatures and a few keen gardeners were able to start their planting. Just enough to give us a taste of days to come! Hopefully by the next newsletter, the farmers are in high gear and we have a handle on our outdoor "To Do" lists.

Email Barb Ross at barbross1961@gmail.com or call (519)878-9736 if there is something you would like to see included in our newsletter or if you would like to join the team! Please share our news with neighbours and friends.

WANT TO GET IN TOUCH WITH US?

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Check the church website for additional updates at <https://pccweb.ca/duffchurch/>

We also have a Facebook page!



<https://www.facebook.com/people/Duff-Presbyterian-Church-Largie/100070608482586/>

MAY HAPPENINGS

1-Happy Birthday, Tyler Ross

3-Happy Birthday, David Reid

5- Quiz Night, Crinan Community Centre @ 7 pm

6-Coronation of King Charles III

7-Congregational Meeting @9:15

7-Bobler Villa Tea Room @ 2 pm

10-WMS Meeting @ 7 pm

12-Largie Playgroup

12-Happy birthday, Ken McArthur

14-Happy Mother's Day

17-WI Cardparty @ Crinan Community Centre

22-Victoria Day

26-Largie Playgroup

26-Card Making with Lin @6:30

28-Coffee Hour after church

31-Happy Birthday, Herman Minnema



TIME FOR A CHUCKLE

As Proverbs 17:22 declares, “a joyful heart is good medicine....God has made us in such a way that joy and humor are meant to be vital parts of our lives.”

Q. What's the difference between a poorly dressed man on a tricycle and a well-dressed man on a bicycle?

A. Attire.

Q. What did the drummer name her twin daughters?

A. Anna 1, Anna 2.

DRUMROLL PLEASE.....

I worked in the woods as a lumberjack, but I just couldn't hack it, so they gave me the axe.

WMS RECIPES

CINNAMON BUNS

Lin McCann

Melt 3-4 tablespoons butter or margarine in a pie plate.

Cut 1 roll Pillsbury biscuits in quarters, put in pie plate.

Mix together 1/4 cup white sugar, 1 teaspoon cinnamon.

Sprinkle over biscuits.

Bake 350 degrees F for 15-17 minutes.

Mix together 1/2 cup icing sugar, 2 teaspoons milk, drop of vanilla.

Drizzle over buns.

Serve warm.



Dessert Tea & Card Party

Presented by the Crinan Women's Institute

Wednesday May 17, 2023 at 1:30 pm

\$5 Admission

Crinan Community Centre 13568 Dunborough Line, Dutton

Call Jackie @ (519) 762-5294 if interested in attending



Colton is feeling very comfortable with Pastor Wilma!

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL



We begin upstairs in the sanctuary for a short time.

Then we come downstairs, after Wilma's Children's Story for a Bible story, craft, songs, and play time.

Join us for some fun!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Palm Sunday service was planned together with Pastor Wilma Boyce. We were happy to have Crinan join us too! We had a terrific crowd and are happy to say that we had 10 children present, ages 4 and under! It was wonderful to see some new faces as well as faces of those we hadn't seen in a while. As our teachers were involved in the service, we did not have Sunday School for our children. However, we did have lots of music which provided the opportunity to stand up and get the wiggles out! It was easy to form a Palm Sunday parade with our children waving their palm branches and singing Hallelujah! The Palm Sunday story was presented in the form of a skit and Pastor Wilma's introduction to and wrap up after tied it nicely to the scripture. After the service, we enjoyed a potluck lunch and time of fellowship.

Our next special service, will be our outdoor service and potluck lunch on June 4 at 9:30. We look forward to seeing you. Bring your lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, we will move the service indoors. All are welcome, so bring your friends!

JUNE 4





MISSION MOMENT – SUNDAY, MAY 14

One of the pressing problems in Malawi is the lack of health-care workers. With only 600 doctors to look after a population of 19 million, Presbyterians Sharing is doing what it can to help fill this sizable gap by supporting Moses Silungwe as he pursues a Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery at Levy Mwanawasa Medical University in Zambia, which is a six-year program. His dream of becoming a general surgeon began when he was working as a senior clinician at the David Gordon Memorial Hospital, where he was later appointed acting head of the hospital's clinical department. Moses is grateful and excited to pursue his dream of becoming a doctor and serving the people of Malawi.

Sunday, May 14 We pray for Moses Silungwe as he pursues a Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery at Levy Mwanawasa Medical University in Zambia with support from the PCC through Presbyterians Sharing.

Monday, May 15 We pray that the records held by The Presbyterian Church in Canada Archives will be useful to ongoing efforts of healing and reconciliation.

Tuesday, May 16 We pray for people participating in the 2023 Encouragement Conference at The Presbyterian College in Montreal, Quebec (May 16–18). May all the participants experience God's blessing.

Wednesday, May 17 (International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia) We pray for an end to all forms of hatred and discrimination that target LGBTQI2+ people. We commit to working for the collective safety and flourishing of all people.

Thursday, May 18 (Ascension Day) Almighty God, before Christ ascended into heaven, he told the apostles to be his witnesses "to the ends of the earth" when they received the Spirit (Acts 1:8). May we also be inspired to spread the good news of Christ in word and action, and to do so wisely, joyfully, graciously and with God's guidance.

Friday, May 19 We pray for the members and ministry of the National Indigenous Ministries Council.

Saturday, May 20 We pray for the people who gather and serve at the Anamiewigummig Fellowship Centre in Kenora, Ontario, and we give thanks for their ministry.

<https://presbyterian.ca/resources/mission-moments/>

Time to Test Your Brain

Submitted by Lin McCann

MOTHER'S DAY QUIZ



1. Who started Mothers Day and in what year?

- a) Doris Day in 1919**
- b) Mabel Smith in 1915**
- c) Anna Jarvis in 1908**
- d) Helen Brown in 1900**

2. What gifts are Mothers given?

- a) flowers, candy**
- b) cards**
- c) day off of cooking**
- d) all of the above**

3. True or False

More telephone calls are made on Mother's Day than any other day of the year

4. In 2022 how much was spent on Mothers Day?

- a) 10 million**
- b) 10 billion**
- c) 26 million**
- d) 31 billion**

5. What does a red and a white carnation symbolize?

- a) red-your mother is living, white-your mother has passed away**
- b) red-your mother has passed away, white-your mother is living**

Answers are found near the end of the newsletter.

A MOTHER'S DAY POEM

**My Mother kept a garden,
A garden of the heart.
She planted all the good things
That gave my life its start.
She turned me to the sunshine
And encouraged me to dream.
Fostering and nurturing
The seeds of self-esteem.
And when the winds and rain came,
She protected me enough.
But not too much because she knew
I'd need to stand up strong and tough.
Her constant good example
Always taught me right from wrong.
Markers for my pathway
That will last a lifetime long.
I am my Mother's garden.
I am her legacy.
And I hope today she feels the love
Reflected back from me.**

—Unknown

LADIES AID AND WMS NEWS

Submitted by Lynda Drummelsmith

LADIES AID AND BURNING BUSH GROUP NEWS

The Ladies group met on April 12, 2023 @ 1:30 p.m. in the church classroom.

President Lin reported that our group will be doing the Tea Room at the Bobier Villa on Sunday, May 7.

Upcoming coffee hour dates will be Sunday May 28, Sunday June 25 following the church services. A drive through supper is planned for Friday, June 16. Stay tuned for more information on the website. Advance tickets only. Marguerite Boyd and Jackie Leitch had a very interesting program on Easter and Spring. "The Legend of the Dogwood", a very interesting story was shared. Lin McCann and Lynda Drummelsmith served a "sweet snack" and a social hour was enjoyed by all. Reminder next meeting will be Wed. May 10 at 7:00 p.m.

Everyone welcome.

BEST WISHES FOR GOOD HEALTH AND HAPPINESS, MARILYN



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR YEARS OF SERVICE AS OUR TREASURER
COME BACK AND VISIT OFTEN**



TREASURER NEEDED FOR DUFF LARGIE AND ARGYLE CRINAN DUTIES TO COMMENCE IMMEDIATELY

For more information or to submit a resume, contact

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LARGIE PLAYGROUP

We only had one session together in April as the floor in the basement was replaced and we were “Under Construction” the last week of the month. However, we had a record attendance of 10 children join us and all had fun reading about “rain”. We chose this as our theme as the week before, it rained almost every day! We read about all the rain gear we need to put on before going out to play, sang the “Itsy Bitsy Spider”, “Rain, Rain, Go Away” and “Raindrops and Lemon Drops”. The children, with the aid of their caregiver, each made a rain stick. They kind of sound like a maraca! Maybe we have the beginnings of a band!

Our times together are filled with singing, a story, craft, and play time. We welcome preschoolers and their caregiver to come whenever you can. We meet the second and fourth Friday of each month at 10. See you soon!

Blake is our youngest attender and she gives it her all when she comes!

Here's a during and after photo of her!



Blake During Playgroup



Blake After Playgroup Zzzzzzz

ANSWERS TO TRIVIA

- 1. C-Anna Jarvis in 1908**
- 2. D-all of the above**
- 3. True- approximately 122 million calls made on Mothers Day**
- 4. D-31 billion**
- 5. A- red-your mother is living, white-your mother has passed away**

LOOKING FOR A MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND FAMILY ACTIVITY?

West Lorne Kiwanis Club
& West Elgin Secondary
School Key Club presents



KIWANIS KEY KITES

Build a kite... Fly a kite

MAY 13TH, 2023

- Family fun for all ages
- Tour Backus Page
- Walk the trails
- Eat at the food truck



FROM
10 AM - 3PM

29424 Lakeview line,
Wallacetown, ON

We had a request for a Jumble or Word Search in our Newsletter so here goes!

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles,
one letter to each square,
to form four ordinary words.

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



Now arrange the circled letters
to form the surprise answer, as
suggested by the above cartoon.

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<https://www.boomer magazine.com/free-jumble-puzzles-for-kids-and-adults/>

Answers are on the next page. Good luck!

Classic Jumble Answers

MINUS GOOSE CONCUR DREAMY

Surprise puzzle answer

The plant-nursery owners were competitors until they found some – COMMON GROUND

SESSION UPDATE

Submitted by Paul McWilliam

Session is continuing to work on getting internet access in the church. Session has submitted an expense quote for upgrading our sound system to London Presbytery for assistance from the Dayspring fund. At the annual meeting the congregation accepted an \$1,100 commitment to missions.

Marilyn Mitchell has submitted her resignation as treasurer. As a congregation we would like to thank Marilyn for her many years of dedicated service. IF anyone is interested in being treasurer for Largie and Crinan please submit an application to myself or Ron Ross, Board of Managers Chair.

FROM THE BOARD OF MANAGERS



MAY 28 FOR JUNE ISSUE PLEASE