# OCTOBER 2023

#### **OCTOBER GREETINGS**

I don't know about you, but September has been a blur! Fall fairs, plowing matches, getting back into routine, canning, preserving, clearing out the garden and of course, still staying on top of the grass and, of course, trying not to be carried off by the mosquitos! That's a lot of action packed into 30 days! We welcome fall with crisp mornings and pleasantly warm afternoons. We are definitely noticing a difference in the length of the days. Enjoy the beautiful fall colours and we pray for a bountiful harvest.

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

#### **WANT TO GET IN TOUCH WITH US?**

Church contact information is as follows:

Interim Moderator-Rev. James Patterson (226)378-5692

Pastoral Visitor & Pulpit Supply-Wilma Boyce (226)504-3224

Clerk of Session - Paul McWilliam

(519)878-7224

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/

#### OCTOBER HAPPENINGS

- 5 Happy birthday, Sandy McLeod
- 8 Happy birthday, Kathy Minnema
- 9 Happy Thanksgiving
- 11 WMS meeting at 1:30
- 11 Happy birthday, Lin McCann
- 13 Largie Playgroup @ 10
- 15 Communion
- 17 Happy birthday, Amelia Veenema
- 18 WI Card Party @ Crinan Community Centre @ 1:30
- 21 Optimist Card Party at Natterjack's
- 23 Happy birthday, McKenna McArthur
- 27 Largie Playgroup @ 10
- 27 Happy birthday to the birthday twins, Carl McLeod and Ron Ross
- 29 Happy birthday, Wesley Veenema
- 31 Sunday School Hallowe'en Treat Event. Pick up treat bags in church parking lot 5-6:30 pm

## FROM THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

September has been a beehive of activity with the completion on window painting and caulking, siding on the Sunday School room, and the start of the exterior doors replacement. Thanks to Rev. Jim Patterson and his wife Brenda along with their daughter and son-in-law for removing the old siding and installing the new siding along with some exterior painting. If you recall, Labor Day weekend was a steamy weekend, The siding looks amazing. The eavestroughs are screaming, "what about us?" Maybe they can get a face lift too!

The exterior windows look great and hopefully having them caulked will help keep the elements out. The front doors have been removed and replaced with plywood for the time being. It was interesting to see the original colour of the doors when the escutcheon plate was removed.

All these renovations and improvements are exciting and help to give us new life! Come by and check them out if you haven't done so already.



Windows painted and caulked by ABM Contracting

# **SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOM RENOVATION**









Thanks to Brenda and Rev. Jim Patterson, and their daughter Elizabeth Patterson and son-in-law Chris Ford.

What an improvement! Now for the eavestroughs!

### **WORSHIP SERVICE UPDATE**

If you are unable to come to church but would like to view the service, we now are able to upload the service to a YouTube channel.



Right click this YouTube icon. Open the link to view the worship service. How cool is that?

## **ANNIVERSARY SERVICE**

The 168th anniversary service was held on Sunday, September 24 with Pastor Wilma Boyce. There was a nice turnout with regular members and guests. The virtual guest speaker was Rev. Darin MacKinnon of Spring Park United Church, Charlottetown, PEI. Paul McWilliam provided special music. A time of fellowship was enjoyed after the service. You can view the service on YouTube.

#### **CRINAN COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**DRIVE THRU ROAST BEEF DINNER** 

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11** 

Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Veggies, Coleslaw, Roll and Dessert

See Barb Ross for tickets (519)878-9736



### FROM OUR KITCHEN TO YOURS

With the cooler temperatures come the return to comfort foods and using recipes that require the oven. As these are two favourites at our house, Kayla thought she would share these recipes. Hope you enjoy them as much as we do!

#### HAMBURGER CASSEROLE

Kayla Ross

Saute: 2 small onions in 1 tsp. butter

Combine:

1 1/2 lb. ground beef

½ amount of cooked onion

½ tsp. salt

½ tsp. sage

Add:

34 can tomato soup

Mix well with fork until blended with meat mixture.

# Prepare:

3 c. bread cubes with rest of onion

½ tsp. salt

½ tsp. sage

1/8 tsp. pepper

Toss lightly. In a 6 qt. casserole place half of meat mixture. Cover with ½ of bread mixture & then layer of the rest of meat mixture. Combine last part of bread mixture with rest of tomato soup and spread on top. Top with cheese slices if desired. Bake at 350 for 40-45 minutes uncovered.



# **CHEESY, GOOEY POTATOES**

Kayla Ross

2 ½ pounds unpeeled thick skinned potatoes

1 c. chopped onion

1 tbsp. olive oil

1 tsp. minced garlic

½ tsp. each salt and dried thyme

1/4 tsp. pepper and paprika

1 can condensed cheddar soup

1/3 c. freshly grated parmesan cheese

2 tbsp. minced fresh dill or parsley

½ c. packed shredded old (sharp) cheese

1 green onion chopped

Preheat oven to 425. Cut potatoes into 1" chunks & place in a 9x13 baking dish that has been sprayed with cooking spray. Add onions, olive oil, garlic, salt, thyme, pepper & paprika. Mix well. Roast potatoes for 30 minutes, stirring once, halfway through. Remove from oven. Reduce oven temperature to 375.

In a medium bowl, mix together soup, parmesan cheese & dill. Pour over potatoes. Mix well. Sprinkle shredded cheddar on top, followed by green onion. Return to oven & bake uncovered for 25 minutes, until cheese is bubbly & potatoes are golden brown around edges. Let stand 5 minutes before serving.



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# **EXTERIOR DOOR PROJECT**









Top Left – shows original colour of the exterior front doors facing Largie Road. It is a burned yellow colour.

Bottom Left – front doors have been removed

Bottom Right – shows how the doors have weathered over the last number of years

Top Right – doors have been closed in with plywood.

Work being done by Upper Canada House Fitters.





LET US KNOW ABOUT YOUR BIG NEWS OR CONGRATULATIONS SO WE CAN ALL SHARE IN THE CELEBRATION!



**DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 31 FOR THE NOVEMBER ISSUE**