#### **NOVEMBER GREETINGS**

As we turn the calendar page to shorter days, longer nights and cooler temperatures, it feels fitting to guote The Mamas and the Papas' song California Dreamin, "All the leaves are brown and the sky is grey"! We have enjoyed the autumn colours and hope that before month's end, harvest will be complete. No matter the temperature or the weather, we are fortunate and blessed to have one another and to enjoy each day as it comes. We are thankful to live in a country that is free from war and as we approach November 11, we thank those who volunteered, served, fought and died for our freedom. Let's remember them not only on November 11, but everyday and be humbled by the price that was paid for our freedom.

Email Barb Ross at <a href="mailto:barbross1961@gmail.com">barbross1961@gmail.com</a> or call (519)878-9736 if there is something you would like to see included in our newsletter or if you have something to contribute. 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/

### **NOVEMBER HAPPENINGS**

**Worship Service time is 9:30** 

**3-Happy Birthday Matt Woods** 

**4-Happy Birthday Nicole Huckle** 

**5-Daylight Savings Time ends** 

6-Scam Alert Presentation at Dutton United Church @ 1:30

**6-Happy Birthday Steven Minnema** 

8-WMS Meeting @ 1:30 pm

**10-Happy Birthday Jackson Woods** 

10-Playgroup @ 10 am

**11-Remembrance Day** 

11-Crinan Drive Thru Dinner. Pick up at Largie Church

12-Coffee Hour after 9:30 worship

15-WI Euchre Party at Crinan Community Centre @ 1:30 pm

**16-Haypy Birthday Ian McCallum** 

**18-Happy Birthday Isabel Reid** 

24-Playgroup @ 10 am

**27-Happy Birthday Gina Harris** 

26-Communion and Baptism @ 9:30

**28-Happy Bithday Carrie Woods** 

# **SESSION UPDATE - Submitted by Paul McWilliam**

There will be communion November 26, 2023. There will also be Baptisms. Karlye and Dan Alderton will be having their children Baptised on November 26, 2023. Session is looking for feed back from the congregation on a couple of items. The first is if anyone is interested in having their Church givings done monthly on a preauthorized payment plan. Also, it was brought up about having joint communion services with Crinan. Session is looking for feed back on both these items. Please give it consideration and let a session member know your thoughts. As we approach the Christmas Season, there will be regular services on December 24 and a Christmas Eve Service in Crinan at 7pm on the 24th as well

## FROM THE BOARD OF MANAGERS – Submitted by Ron Ross

As mentioned in the October Newsletter, the exterior doors are being refurbished. Here's the progress on the front doors.



# LADIES AID AND BURNING BUSH GROUP NEWS Submitted by Lynda Drummelsmith

The Ladies group met on Oct. 11, 2023 @ 1:30 p.m. in the church classroom. Our Ladies Group will run the Tea Room at the Bobier Villa on November 5. Marguerite Boyd and Jackie Leitch volunteered to work at the Tea Room. Kathy Minnema and Lin McCann will purchase the cookies.

Barb Ross and Lin McCann hosted the coffee hour after church on Oct. 15. Future coffee hours were discussed and it was decided that we would try to have one after the service on the second Sunday of most months. Members of the congregation will be invited to help host one of the coffee hours and a sign up sheet will be posted in the lower hall for those willing to help.

Kathy Minnema and Barb Ross had a very interesting program. Kathy shared an interesting reading "Some things that gets better with Age" -such as good relationships, (with parents, siblings, teacher, co-workers, spouse, children, neighbours). Barb read a very touching story about a child, raised by his grandmother, and one Sunday after church asked the preacher if he might have the rose that was on the Preacher's lapel. When he was asked who it was for, the boy told it was for his Granny, for everything she does for him. The preacher, told him to take the bouquet of flowers from the front of the church. The child's response was "What a Beautiful day! I asked for a flower and I got a beautiful bouquet. We are to remember all that God has done for us.

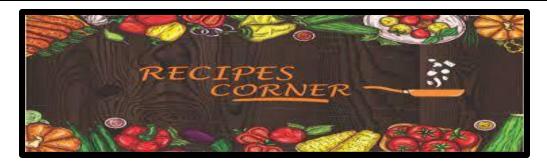
Marguerite Boyd and Jackie Leitch served a delicious lunch and a social time was enjoyed.

Reminder our next meeting is on November 8 at 1:30.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR.....



Constable Brett Phair, OPP, will make a presentation at Dutton United Church on how to avoid being scammed on Monday, November 6 at 1:30. RSVP to 519-762-3821 or email <a href="mailto:dunwich.pastoral@gmail.com">dunwich.pastoral@gmail.com</a> if you plan to attend.



This month's recipe comes from Marguerite Boyd. I know there are LOTS of good cooks out there, male and female. We would all love for you to share your favourite recipe with us. Email me a copy or hand me a print copy.

# Roasted Root Vegetable - Marguerite Boyd

Wash, peel and cut up veggies into bite size pieces:

- 1 ½ cups beets
- 2 cups potatoes
- 2 cups sweet potatoes
- 2 cups onions
- 2 cups carrots
- 2 cups parsnips
- 2-4 cloves garlic, chopped

Sprinkle on:

- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1 tbsp. balsamic vinegar
- 1 tbsp. soy sauce (optional)

**Season with:** 

Salt, pepper and  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp of spices like rosemary, thyme, basil or oregano. Spread in a 9x13 pan or cookie sheet. Bake 400° F oven for 45 minutes. Stir often. Serves 12.





# WHAT AM I?

- 1. I am the beginning of the end, and the end of time and space.

  What am I?
- 2. When I'm used, I'm useless. When I'm offered, I'm usually rejected. What am I?

Answers are on the last page

# **Two Cowboys Bragging**

There were two cowboys trying to out-brag each other regarding how big their property is. One cowboy puffed out his chest and said, "I guess I have about a thousand acres of land. How big is your spread?"

The other cowboy stated, "I rightly don't know. I get up in my pickup in the morning and travel until evening and I am still on my property."

The first cowboys stated, "Yelp, I once had a pickup like that!"



Source: https://presbyterian.ca/resources/

**MISSION MOMENT: Sunday, November 5** 

In Guatemala, Leslie—a mother to four—takes great pride in the small home, built atop a former landfill site, she has owned for 15 years. To make ends meet, she sorts plastic bottles from the landfill, with her five-year-old daughter Kaitlin often accompanying her. Leslie's other daughter, Naomi, attends the PWS&D-supported Francisco Coll School. At this school, she has developed essential reading and writing skills. Leslie also participates in parenting classes, noting, "[It's] very helpful because I've changed the way I parent. I shout less. I used to come home from work and start shouting at the kids, but I've learned differently. The classes are very beneficial."

#### **DAILY PRAYERS**

Sunday, November 5 November is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. We pray for those facing violence in their families or relationships. We pray that decision makers enact desperately-needed housing and support for people trying to leave violence in their home.

Monday, November 6 We pray for the members of the Women's Missionary Society, past and present, and give thanks for their faithful ministry over the past 110 years.

Tuesday, November 7 We pray for young Palestinian and Syrian refugees learning marketable skills through the Electronics and Computer program of the Joint Christian Committee for Social Service in Lebanon.

Wednesday, November 8 We pray for congregations worried about finances, that God will provide the resources they need to do the ministry they are called to do.

Thursday, November 9 We pray for human rights educators and advocates that seek to protect human dignity and work for the flourishing of all people.

Friday, November 10 We pray for the ministry of chaplains serving in the Canadian Armed Forces.

### **LARGIE PLAYGROUP**

Our first time together this month had a "bus" theme so we read about the school bus, sang "Wheels on the Bus" and even had a pop up school bus that the children could climb in and out of. That was a hit for sure! We had a Hallowe'en Party on October 27 and all of the children dressed up in their favourite costume. We had guest appearances from a lion, pumpkin, pig, Spider Man, a construction worker, Super Mario and Princess Peach. What an assortment! Thanks to Candace for leading the craft, to Charlie and Olivia for the treat bags, and to Colton and Blake for the cookies. Remember, Playgroup is the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month beginning at 10 am. See you there! Here's some Hallowe'en photos.













SEE EVERYONE ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10 @ 10 AM.

ALL PRESCHOOLERS AND THEIR CAREGIVER WELCOME!

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS SERVICE AND POTLOCK



Join us on December 10 at 9:30 for our Sunday School Christmas service. We will have lots of music, interaction, and lessons celebrating the season! Let's fill the pews! Bring your favourite food for the potluck after.

### **ANSWERS TO WHAT AM I?**

- 1. Answer: The letter e. End, timE, space
- 2. Answer: An excuse



**DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 29 FOR THE DECEMBER ISSUE**