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*A message from Rev. Elizabeth*



*Hello friends,  
 I hope this edition of "Safe In The Harbour" finds you well.  
 Happy Easter! Happy Spring!  
 I share with you words to the Easter hymn "The Spring Has Come" found in the Voices  
 United hymnbook #187.  
 The spring has come, let all the church be part of it!  
 The world has changed, and God is at the heart of it!  
 New light, new day, new colour after winter grey.  
 New light, new day, the spring has come, let all the church be part of it!  
 The sun is warm, let all God's children play in it!  
 The world expands, let's spread the Gospel way in it!  
 New leaf, new thrust, new greening for the love of Christ.  
 New leaf, new thrust, the sun is warm, let all God's children play in it!  
 The spring has come, new people are the flowers of it.  
 Through wind and rain, new life is in the showers of it.  
 New bud, new shoot, new hope will bear the Spirit's fruit.  
 New bud, new shoot, the spring has come, new people are the flowers of it!  
 Many blessing to you and your loved ones this season*

*Rev. Elizabeth*

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**EVENTS**

- Friday April 3 - Good Friday Service at PSUC at 10:30 AM*
- Sunday April 5 - Sunrise Service at Little Beach*
- Sunday, April 12 - Unified Board Meeting (following Service)*
- Thursday, April 16 - Lunch and Learn*
- Sunday, April 19 - Outreach Team Meets*
- Sunday, April 26 - Worship/Design Team Meets*

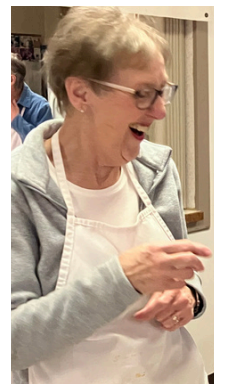




## PANCAKE SUPPER

FEB. 17, 2026

*A very successful Pancake Supper!  
Approx. 165 people attended.  
Thank you to Doug Harrison who was  
our Convenor this year! And to all our  
volunteers who showed up to help...  
thank you for stepping up!  
The net revenue is \$2,115.*



*So many smiley faces!!!!*



*I am sorry if I missed you in my  
photos.....Doug and Loren, Bob N.,  
Don.B.,Alan W.,Marv N. ????*

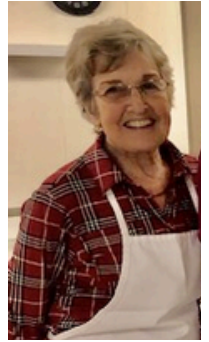




# IN MEMORIAM



*On March 18, 2026, we lost a wonderful Member of our Church and a great friend, Cathy Graham. We will miss her beautiful smile! She always had time to talk to you and share some laughter. She was one of our hardest workers over the years. Always ready to volunteer to help in the kitchen, whether a Lions Supper, Pancake suppers, Strawberry and Peach suppers, Lunch and Learn.*



*She loved to sing! A choir member for as long as I can remember. Even when she was waiting for hip surgery, she would still stand with her cane for support to be able to join with the choir. She was a wonderful gardener and always ready to give away some her Rhubarb or tomatoes to many of us. You could always depend on Cathy to set up our tables for dinners, serve where needed and make sure the kitchen was clean when we left. She faithfully sent out cards to our members and adherents for special Birthdays, Anniversaries and Special Occasions.*

*(Even when she, herself, was battling her cancer she still had time to send out a Thinking of You card to my sister who was also battling cancer.)*

*She will be sorely missed!*

*May she Rest in Peace*



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*Lynda ( Farr) McDowell. Sister of Sue Nemett, passed away in Waterloo on Jan. 15, 2026 after a courageous battle with Cancer. Lynda often visited our Church here in Port. She was a lifelong United Church Member. She attended First United Church in Waterloo.*

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## MISSION AND SERVICE

### **Partnership in Bloom**

*Spring doesn't arrive quietly. It pushes. It breaks through frozen ground, insisting on life. That same insistence is at work through Mission and Service partners around the world. And when we give to Mission and Service, we're not simply supporting good intentions. We're strengthening this steady, rooted, courageous work that is already underway.*

*Our generosity supports partners as they show up, day in and day out, wherever there is need.*

*When wildfires displace families: they're there to open their doors in welcome.*

*When food prices rise beyond reach: they're organizing food distribution before cupboards are bare.*

*When storms wash away infrastructure: they're planting crops in soil made fragile by climate change.*

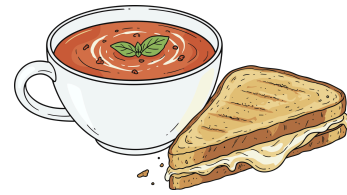
*When isolation presses in on communities: they're creating safe spaces for learning, healing, and belonging.*

*Every gift we give through Mission and Service is fuel for this response. Our collective generosity becomes groceries on a table, a workshop that shifts harmful beliefs, seeds planted in changing climates, and training for leaders.*

*This work is not theoretical. It's daily, practical, and faithful. And it grows because, together, we continue to help it grow.*

*Spring is coming. Let's make sure hope grows everywhere it's needed.*

# Lunch and Learn



On Thursday, Feb.12, we held our first Lunch and Learn of this year. Our guest speaker was OPP Constable Jeffery Beaumaster .

His topic was "Keeping Seniors Safe From Scams and Fraud." Staying up to date with the ever-changing methods of taking money from unsuspecting seniors is so important. We appreciate Constable Beaumaster taking time to share important tips for us,

Thank you 

Lunch and Learn March 19, 2026

Our guests for today were Nora Sanders and Dave Russell from Heritage Port. They are responsible for this very successful program that involved taping interviews of several long time residents of Port Stanley (and area) and hearing their recollections of life here in the village. Pictured are back row l-r Dave Russell, Nora Sanders, Jim Marr, Bob Nemett and Don Bell. Front row l-r Laurie (Plastow)Nagge, Sally ( Smith) Martyn, Sharon(Charlton) Larmour and John Moore.

What an Interesting program! We had a great turnout! Thank you to all who helped in the kitchen and made soup!

Heritage Port Interviews can be found on You Tube.

**SAVE THE DATE.....**  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4,

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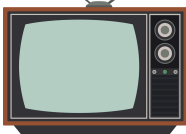
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'CHANNEL SURFING'



PORT STANLEY UNITED  
CHURCH



Lunch and Learn  
Thursday, April 16th  
Guest Speaker: Sara Sweeney  
Public Education Coordinator  
Southwest Alzheimer's Society

Your paragraph text **BAPTISM SUNDAY**

January 4, 2026

Paul Michael Milner  
and his children  
Nicholas and Aubrey  
were presented for  
Baptism and welcomed  
into the household of  
Faith on January 4,  
2026.



January 11, 2026



Leela Catherine Hunsinger and Marcus John Felix were presented for initiation into the body of Christ through Baptism. We were pleased to welcome Leela's parents Gregory Hunsinger and Mary Elizabeth Philbin and her Grandmother and Aunt. Marcus' parents Christopher Springer-Lockhart and Chantel Felix as well as sister Ocean and brother Ari were welcomed. Nora Sanders presented Certificates and Baptism candles to Leela and Marcus.



Sunday, Feb. 15, 2026

Reception of New Members

Chantel Felix, Chris Lockhart and Wendy Cowie

WELCOME!!!!



On Sunday, Feb. 22 Dave and Colleen McKee were welcomed into our Church. at our Annual meeting. So happy to have you join us !

# LET'S CELEBRATE!

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Bob and Sue Nemett

April 17th

61 yrs

Stan and Joy

Rodgers

April 27<sup>th</sup>



Susan Sinclair

and

Steve Schneider

May 22<sup>nd</sup>

6 yrs

Glenn and Colleen

Rodgers

June 20<sup>th</sup>

56 yrs



Glenn and Colleen Rodgers' granddaughter Isabel, with fellow Parkside swim team members made the finals at OFSAA (all-Ontario) meet in Windsor recently. Also she is their 4th grandchild to certify as a Lifesaving Swim Instructor/Lifeguard.



### April

- 8<sup>th</sup> - Trudy Graham
- 10<sup>th</sup> - MacKenzie Hyatt
- 13<sup>th</sup> - Glenn Rodgers
- Caroline Rodgers
- 18<sup>th</sup> - Lois Kruppe
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Marian Jones
- 25<sup>th</sup> - Sharon Larmour
- 29<sup>th</sup> Tara Lyn Davies

### May

- 26<sup>th</sup> - Sadie Smith

### June

- 5<sup>th</sup> - Larry Larmour
- 24<sup>th</sup> - Alan Wiggin
- 26<sup>th</sup> - Don Bell

**Kindness** is the warm meal you brought a homeless person on a cold day. It's the patience you had for the person in line in front of you who took a little longer than usual. It's the invitation you gave to the person who often feels left out. How beautiful a day can be when kindness touches it.

I hope you have found this newsletter informative. This past quarter has brought many happy times to our family, but also some times of sorrow. We are so grateful for the love and support of our Church family. Thank you for being there. Bob and I wish you all a wonderful Happy Easter with your families and friends. Hope to see you in Church!!!!  
SUE NEMETT, editor

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Happy Easter

The deadline for the next issue will be June 27<sup>th</sup>. Submissions can be sent to [suenemett@gmail.com](mailto:suenemett@gmail.com)

Just a reminder that I love to have your input. Please feel free to send along any info that you would like to share with our Church Friends and family.

