

OUR VALUES

Faith/Love of God = BELIEVING

Community/Inclusion = BELONGING

Compassion/Compromise = INVITING

“Our relationship with God and each other strengthens us and helps make the world a better place.”

We welcome and include everyone into our community of faith.

Morning Worship Service @ 10 am



Join Us On YouTube for the Live Stream
of Our Worship Service

<https://www.youtube.com/@huronshores4>

Immediately After the Service, Join Us On Our Zoom Chat Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83887699257> Meeting ID: 838 8769 9257

Sermon

*Shout With
Thanksgiving!*



Old Testament Readings:

Psalm 91:2, Psalm 50:14, Psalm 100

October 11: Thanksgiving Sunday

Everyone is invited to bring in food items for the **Food Pantry** as we mark the 2nd year of the Pantry in Grand Bend!

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This is the second Sunday that our growing **display of memorabilia** will be out for you to peruse!

This is the second Sunday that our **POSSIBILITIES & DREAMS** board will be out – so please write down your dream for what you want to see happening at HSUC, and post it on the board!

TOP FOODS TO DONATE

Thank you for supporting your neighbours. Your contributions are filling the stomachs & hearts of children, adults and seniors.

Canned Fish & meats- tuna, salmon, ham, chicken
Peanut butter
Soup and Crackers
Pudding cups + kids snack items
Canned fruit and veggies
Cereal, cereal bars, oatmeal
Canned chili
Juice boxes
Kraft Dinner, zoodles
Pasta Sauce + pasta
Feminine Hygiene Products



SONG: Britt Nicole- Hallelujah

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yh8F9A7B6FY>

MEDITATION: Every sunrise is more than just the start of another 24 hours—it's a divine invitation to begin again. Scripture reminds us that *"God's mercies are new every morning"* (Lamentations 3:23). That means no matter what happened yesterday—whether it was filled with victories or weighed down by mistakes—we are not bound by it today.



God's grace wipes the slate clean and offers us a fresh page to write on.

A new day is a gift, not to be rushed past, but to be received with gratitude. When you open your eyes, take a moment to breathe deeply and acknowledge the One who gave you life and breath. Thank God for the opportunities ahead, even if you can't yet see them. And ask for help to release yesterday's difficulties and to fill your heart with hope for what's to come.

Challenges may still arise, but we don't face them with yesterday's strength—we face them with today's renewed strength from the Lord. God's love is constant, with guidance that is steady, and a presence that is unshakable. Each morning is a reminder that we are not alone, and that God is still writing our stories with care and purpose.

May we have the courage to embrace the opportunities placed before us and the peace to trust God in every moment.



**Please note that the office will be closed
on Monday, October 12th, for the
Thanksgiving holiday.**

MY CHALLENGE TO YOU...from Pastor Nancy

If you weren't in church on August 30 (*or even if you were and need a reminder!*) you missed my "homework assignment" for the month of September.



I want each member of our faith family to start to dream – to think about what might be possible in, and through, Huron Shores United Church. It might be a small goal, or a huge vision. It might involve the entire congregation and major resources, or it might be something just one person (*hopefully you!*) can do. Because we all need to commit to making our goals come to pass.

NOW.... write it down. Big, bold, block letters on a page. Or as a poem, or as a drawing....it doesn't matter how you display it. *Just write it down.*

And then, let's share our dreams, our visions and hopes for HSUC. Put them on a big display board, so that we can look and laugh and hope and plan together. *No, you don't need to put your name to it* – but you do need to put your heart and prayers into it.

As we celebrate our 100th Anniversary this October – and celebrate it every Sunday in October – please bring in and add your dream to the Visioning Board. Then on the final Anniversary Sunday of October 25th, we'll prayerfully offer all our hopes and dreams and plans to God together.

There's a scripture that says, "Where there is no vision, the people perish."

We don't want to be perishing people. *It's time to dream!*



"How Can I Donate?"

- ❖ PAR
- ❖ Cash or Cheque in Person
- ❖ Cheque By Mail
- ❖ Bank E-transfer to hsuc.donation@gmail.com



"This month we're celebrating our 100th Anniversary! *That's SO exciting...*not only to look back at all that's been accomplished and done here, but to look ahead and envision what God might have coming for us!!" ~ Rev Nancy



Recipe For Success

Begin with one strong Fund Development team of 6 to create the recipe.

Take a group of 12 talented actors, including several chickens, along with 2 techies to market the recipe on FB and stand in front of grocery stores.

Find 18 athletic and creative people to decorate and set up the Legion.

Solicit 12 fabulous pie bakers to deliver 4 pies each to a crew of 5 expert cutters and packers.

Add 14 efficient and highly organized members of a team to deliver 100 takeout meals.

Gather 13 expert shoppers, cooks and servers to create, purchase and serve a beautiful BBQ chicken dinner for 232 people.

Stir in 7 people to create and produce a highly exciting silent auction entertainment opportunity.

Toss with 13 clean up crew who bussed, washed, and packaged leftover food.

Serve with lots of HSUC love!

This recipe will yield immeasurable community connections and in excess of \$7,500.00 in much needed funds for our operating budget!

Well done everyone! ~Deb Gill



Two Years of Neighbours Helping Neighbours

Two years ago, a small group of caring people at **Huron Shores United Church** saw a need in our community and decided to do something about it.

They planted a seed.

That seed became the **Grand Bend Community Food Pantry**, and over the past two years it has grown into something none of us could have accomplished alone.

What began within the church has been nourished by an extraordinary community — volunteers who give their time week after week, local businesses and organizations that provide food and financial support, community partners who work alongside us, and neighbours who simply want to help other neighbours.

At the heart of this work is a very simple principle:

“Love your neighbour as yourself.” — Mark 12:31

Those words continue to describe what happens at the Pantry every day.

Today, the Pantry is about more than food. It is about dignity, connection and community. It is about recognizing when someone needs a little help and making sure they know they are not alone.

As we celebrate our second anniversary, we especially want to recognize **Huron Shores United Church and the people who had the vision to begin this work two years ago**. Their compassion created the foundation upon which so many others have continued to build.

There is much more ahead for the Pantry, but this anniversary gives us an opportunity to stop for a moment and remember where it began.

Huron Shores United Church planted the seed. Our community helped nourish it. And together, we continue to help it grow. Neighbours helping neighbours.





FALL FREE STORE

October 16th & 17th - We are pleased to offer the Fall Free Store to our community again. In the past we have had huge support from our Community of Faith with their generous donations of clothing and small household items. Because this is our Fall Free Store we ask only for fall and winter donations. We would appreciate it if you would save any spring and summer donations for the Spring Free Store in May 2027.

Anyone donating items for the Free Store is asked to please drop off items in the Fellowship Hall at the given times only as there is no storage available at the church.

DROP OFF TIME SCHEDULE: Thurs. Oct 15, from 1:00 p.m.- 4:00 or 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
and Fri, Oct.16, from 9:00 a.m. - NOON ONLY

With an increase in the need within our community we greatly appreciate the support of our Community of Faith with their donations and time. If you are interested, we are still in need of volunteers.

**Please contact Ruth Ann Eagleson 1-519-318-6599
or Joanne Barry 226-456-8134**



Huron Shores
United Church

100th
ANNIVERSARY

Time Capsule for 2026



As we celebrate the **100th anniversary** of Huron Shores United Church throughout the month of **October**, we would like to create a **2026 Time Capsule** for future generations to discover.

We are hoping for lots of contributions, so please consider adding a small item that represents you, your family, our church, or life in 2026.

Please keep items small —
nothing larger than a ball cap. 

Here are a few ideas to get you started:



A business card



A note about a special memory or meaningful moment



A family photo



An everyday object that captures life at HSUC in 2026



A short story about yourself, your family, or the church



Anything else you think would help future generations understand what our church and community are like today.



Ginger and Bill will be collecting your items, or you can leave them in the time capsule chest at the church.

Thank you for helping us create a special piece of history for the future!





Poem - BELIEVE, BEHAVE, BECOME

*“Faith by itself, if it is not accompanied
by action, is dead.”*

— James 2:17

Believe.

Belief is the first architecture of becoming—
a thought rehearsed into possibility,
a seed of faith leaning toward the light.

Behave.

For belief without action
is a candle never lit.

Every breath, every choice, every kindness
is a vote for the life we are becoming.

Become.

We are not nouns, fixed by yesterday,
but verbs—
rewiring, rising, unfolding.

Science calls it neuroplasticity.
Psychology calls it self-efficacy.
The mystics call it faith.
Scripture calls us to walk by faith.

Believe.

Behave.

Become.

And let your life
bend gently
toward the Light.

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CALENDAR

KEEP UP TO DATE WITH OUR EVENTS ON OUR WEBSITE

[CALENDAR LINK HERE](#)

5 8am Ageless Vitality Fitness 9am Food Pantry Shopper and R 10:15am Prayer Shawl Group 1pm FP: Food Donation Delivery 2pm Food Pantry Food Repacker	6 9am Polewalking Group 10am Coffee Club 10:30am Finance Team Meeting 1pm Food Pantry Thanksgiving gi 3 more	7 8am Ageless Vitality Fitness 9am Food Pantry Shoppers and f 9am Food Pantry Turkey Give Aw 10:30am Fund Development Mee 3 more	8 - Sunset Cinema at 7pm - "Invictus" 9:30am M&P Meeting 2pm Food Pantry Food Repacker 4pm Sunset Cinema Set Up	9 8am Ageless Vitality Fitness 9am Food Pantry Shoppers and f 2pm Food Pantry Food Repacker	10 9:30am Building Maintenance	11 - Happy Thanksgiving! 10am WORSHIP
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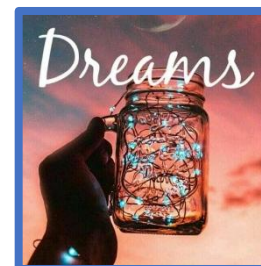
LET'S CELEBRATE!

Yes, the month of October is Celebration Month
at Huron Shores United Church, marking our 100th Birthday!
And you're not going to want to miss a single Sunday!

Next...October 18: Living Room Memories

Some of our oldest and most respected members will be sharing their past
church and community memories in a unique setting!
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And we'll be sharing a special
Anniversary Cake after church!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please let us know if you would like your name included in “Prayers of the People” for Sunday worship. If you have a prayer request that you wish to share with the congregation on Sundays, or just privately with Rev. Nancy Knowles, please send it to: hsucprayers@gmail.com



If you are ever in need of prayer, would like to chat to someone, or would like a visit, please reach out to any one of your **Congregational Visitors**.

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Joanne Barry
226-456-8134

GET IN TOUCH

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IMAGE OF THE WEEK

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Bernadette Landry

HSUC AND GBP EVENTS

FALL FREE STORE

Huron Shores United Church
25 Main Street, Grand Bend



Friday, October 16th, 2026

5:00pm-7:30pm

Saturday, October 17th

9:00am-2:00pm

EVERYONE is welcome to come, browse
and take away what you can use,
FREE of CHARGE!

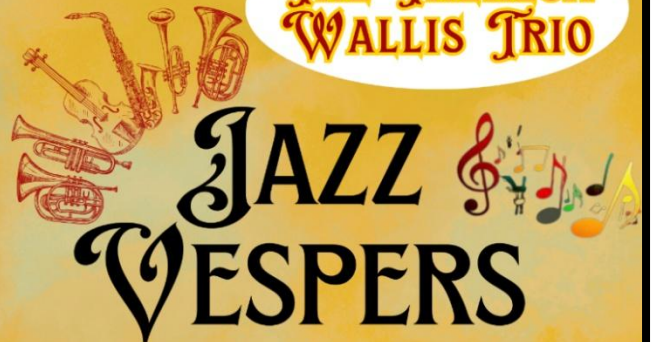
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For More Information
226-456-8134

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WALLIS TRIO



Tuesday, November 17th, 2026

7:00 PM

ALL AGES EVENT
25 Main Street, Grand Bend



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presents the film



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9 to 5
is Rated PG 13

A tribute to Dolly
Parton...this was her
film debut! Three female
office employees band
together to seek
revenge against their
sexist and autocratic
male boss.

Thursday, Nov. 5th, at 7:00 pm
Free Admission Free Popcorn



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Centre for the Living Arts
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Grand Bend



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tickets & info
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Grand Bend Place
25 Main Street
Grand Bend, ON

GRAND BEND PLACE

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THE BEATLES
REVISITED

John Mellor as JOHN
Todd LaFrance as RINGO
Darryl Sincay as PAUL
Aaron MacDonald as GEORGE

...and Steve Holowitz as the 5th Beatle, Billy Preston

THE BEATLES REVISITED

13 NOVEMBER 2026
7pm

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WARM UP GRAND BEND

WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

Help families in need with **NEW or GENTLY USED** coats, boots, socks, scarves, hats, pajamas, gloves, mittens, sweaters....

Donation Days:
Thursday & Friday, November 19 & 20, 2026 9 am to 5 pm

Drop Off Location: Grand Bend Legion, 20 Municipal Drive

Saturday, November 21st, 2026 9 am to 4 pm

FREE Shopping at the Legion to Find What You and Your Family Need to Keep Warm This Winter

Legion
Veterans Memorial Branch 488
GRAND BEND

For More Information Contact Christine 519-238-2402 OR Contact Any of These Grand Bend Cares Community Group Partners!

Grand Bend Legion Branch 498
Huron Shores United Church
Men's Probus
Immaculate Heart of Mary Roman Catholic Church
Women's Probus
Grand Bend & Area Community Health Centre
Rotary Club of Grand Bend
Grand Bend & Area Horticultural Society
St. John's By The Lake Anglican Church
West Coast Lions Club
Jingle Bells Group
Grand Bend Pickleball Club
Huron Country Playhouse Guild
Grand Bend Art Centre
Sunset Community Foundation

HURON SHORES UNITED CHURCH

The tradition of adorning a tree for Christmas is a beautiful way to celebrate the colour of the season and cherished memories.

3rd Annual

FESTIVAL OF TREES

Celebrate the love and connection we all share during this magical season, by taking home a completely decorated Christmas tree and helping families in need!

Thank You!
HSUC supporters and volunteers for donating trees and swags decorated with your personal flair.

Friday
November 13th
2026
5pm to 7pm
&
Saturday
November 14th
2026
11am to 7pm

Huron Shores United Church
25 Main Street
Grand Bend

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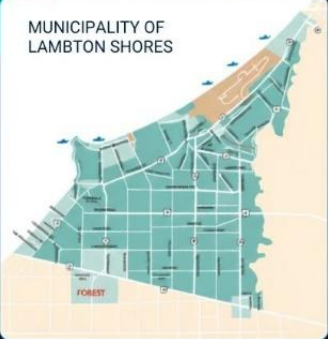
Information or To Donate a Decorated Tree:
519-238-2402
huronshoresunitedchurch@gmail.com

Silent Tree Auction

Handcrafted Swags (\$25) & Holiday Cookies (\$10) for Purchase

FREE ADMISSION

COMMUNITY EVENTS AROUND TOWN



MUNICIPALITY OF LAMBTON SHORES

**LAMBTON SHORES
MUNICIPAL ELECTION
ALL CANDIDATES MEETING
OCTOBER 14 7 P.M.
GRAND BEND LEGION**

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YOUR POWER**

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**GET YOUR HANDS DIRTY –
IN A GOOD WAY!**

Lakeshore Eco-Network has three public plantings planned as part of our Tree People project:

- Saturday, October 3, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Lambton Heritage Museum, at our fall tree and plant sale
- Thursday, October 22, Coultis Park, Forest, 12 noon to 2 p.m.
- Friday October 23, Relouw Park (the subdivision behind Sobeys), 9:30 to 11 a.m., 12 noon to 1:30 p.m.

Equipment and training provided
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