

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.

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"My refuge and my fortress, my God in whom I trust" Psalm 91:2

Christmas Eve Service @ 7PM...in person or

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

Holiday Worship

Sunday, December 24th

No 9am service

Sunday, December 24th

7pm Christmas Eve service

Sunday, December 31st

No 9am service

See you on Sunday, January 7th, for regular 9am service! Happy Holidays



Leader: Nancy Knowles

Theme: Twas The Night Before Christmas

Scripture Readings THIS SUNDAY
Luke 2

Rev. Nancy will be on Study Leave from Dec 25th to Jan 1st 2024

Please contact Deb Gill regarding any emergencies.

john.deb.gill@gmail.com

519-701-6676

The office will be closed Dec 21st to Jan 1st.

Email may not be answered until January 2nd. We will be checking the church phone periodically, but if there is an urgent matter, please call or text Christine at 519-933-9453. Thank you and Merry Christmas! Christine



This is Shorelines final issue for the 2023 season!!

We will resume in 2024 with the next Shorelines arriving January 5th, 2024.



CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

7 PM
SUNDAY
DECEMBER 24TH

Join Us

No Morning Service Dec 24th or Dec 31st

Merry
Christmas
Everyone



I have so many wishes I could make for you this Christmas...a true sense of peace in your lives, joy beyond anything you've known, a real understanding of how loved you are, and how precious in God's sight....and an unshakable hope that God completely holds your future, and your today.

Of course, that begs the question...do wishes come true? Absolutely!

Because we know that those things..peace, joy, love and hope...were given to us as a gift, in the form of a baby who grew to be a man. A man who gave everything for us, who became poor so that we might become rich in the things that matter.

This Christmas, invite the Prince of Peace, the Source of love, the Fountain of Joy, and the Hope of the World to have a place in your celebrations. And more importantly, to have center stage in your heart.

with love,
Rev. Nancy



CALENDAR

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KEEP UP TO DATE WITH OUR EVENTS ON OUR WEBSITE

[CALENDAR LINK HERE](#)

22	DEC, FRI	● All day	Office Closed until January 2 (Day 2/12)
		● 8 – 9am	Workout For Your Life The Fellowship Hall Downstairs
		● 10am – 12pm	Friday Coffee Group (Kitty Illman) The Greenway Chapel Upstairs
23	DEC, SAT	● All day	Office Closed until January 2 (Day 3/12)
24	DEC, SUN	● All day	Office Closed until January 2 (Day 4/12)
		● All day	No Morning Worship
		● 7 – 8:30pm	Christmas Eve Worship https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83887699257
25	DEC, MON	● All day	Office Closed until January 2 (Day 5/12)
		● All day	Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

GRAND BEND PLACE with their program "HELP THE HUNGRY"



received the GRAND WOMEN FUND Grant of \$8,300 at the GGBF Grant Awards on November 29th. Lois Gill, Deb Proctor, Christine Wilde (Community Wellness Program Coordinator of Grand Bend Place), Charlene Masschelein (SCF Board Chair) and Debbie Schram (Grand Women Fund Representative)

Today's picture from a Daily Minute reader



I don't often use pictures of people but this one really touched me. Martina O'Neill, from Ottawa, lives with dementia. Her daughter, Maureen O'Halloran sent this pic of her mom wrapped up in a shawl made by the Huron Shores United and Immaculate Heart of Mary "Prayer shawl ministry". Such an important ministry, in so many communities, providing warmth, comfort and rest to so many.

My Daily Minute

60 second inspiration from Norval United Church
December 14, 2023

WARM UP GRAND BEND

*Christmas is a time to believe in the magic of love
and the power of giving*

*Heartfelt thanks for your generous gifts of time
and so many items to make the winter
just a little warmer for so many!*



MERRY
Christmas

AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

To all of our incredible partners and your amazing volunteers, you made magic this past week! You came together in an unprecedented way so **Warm Up Grand Bend** could be the best it could be! Most importantly, you touched so many lives in our community with your wonderful generosity! Every last donation is now in the hands of those who need them! Thank you, thank you! - Christine

From Ark Aid Street Mission: "We offer our thanks for the car loads of donations from the Grand Bend Cares Community Group. It truly takes a village." Pictures taken at Ark Aid Mission and at Hillside Elementary School in Kettle Point with Principal, Bob Bressett.



Thank you



A huge thank you to Janna Oud for donating the leftovers from Karlie's school (Grand Bend Public School) luncheon last week. And thank you to donors Hayters, Sobeys, The Legion, Lakehound, and many others for this amazing feast, **Lois has created a new batch of Caring Casseroles** from this generous gift! - Christine

Wow, you have done it again! You have answered every Christmas wish from the **Social Work Team at Grand Bend and Area Community Health Centre.**

You truly know and show the true meaning of Christmas. *Thank you and Merry Christmas from the Christian Development Committee and the Community Wellness Program Coordinator*



UPCOMING EVENTS



Tijuana 2 Night
featuring songs made famous by Herb Alpert and the Tijuana Brass
Friday, February 16, 2024 - 7:00pm | Doors Open @ 6



TAKE 3 & COMPANY
Celebrating the music of:
JONI MITCHELL,
JAMES TAYLOR,
& CAROLE KING
Friday, April 26, 2024 - 7:00pm | Doors Open @ 6



Tribute to Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons & More!
JERSEY NIGHTS
Friday, May 24, 2024 - 7:00pm | Doors Open @ 6



GRAND BEND PLACE
Centre for the Living Arts
25 Main St. Grand Bend, ON

TICKETWINDOW
your event starts here



Grand Bend Place is a community outreach program of Huron Shores United Church



NEXT CARING CASSEROLES Meal Making Session is...

Friday, January 12th
at 10 am.

Volunteers Needed. If you
would be interested in
helping, please contact Lois
Gill 519-238-2402

Thank you
FOR YOUR SUPPORT



Lois Gill presenting a donation from
HSUC to Marg at the Huron County
Food Bank Distribution Centre. Thank
you to everyone who contributes to
support our local food banks!

Christine and Lois



Wishing you a season that
is merry and bright with
The light of God's love,
and a blessed New Year!

from your HSUC Council

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



Lynne Desjardine
519-238-5220

Peter Challen
519-238-5508

Joanne Barry
226-456-8134

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**



COMMUNITY
SUPPORT



Thank You for your ongoing financial support through

- Signing up for Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR): Any amount, large or small, can be designated and allocated to Operations, Mission & Services, or Debt Retirement Fund.
- Donate Button on website at: huronshoresunitedchurch.com/giving.
- Donate by E-transfer to: huronshoresunitedchurch@gmail.com
- Drop Off: Use the mailbox to the left of the Queen St. Entrance
- Mail In Offering: (cheques only) c/o Rhonda Manore,
- 148 Ontario St. S., Grand Bend, ON N0M 1T0
- ‘Leave A Legacy’ Bequest to Huron Shores United Church in your Will.

To sign up for PAR or for information contact:

Rhonda Manore, Finance Administrator at 519-238-2432 or email: manore@ezlink.ca



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IMAGE OF THE WEEK

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