

Sunday, Dec 24th, 2023



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.



SANCTUARY



"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.







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

KEEP UP TO DATE WITH OUR EVENTS ON OUR WEBSITE CALENDAR LINK HERE

22 DEC, FRI	All day8 - 9am10am - 12pm	Office Closed until January 2 (Day 2/12) Workout For Your Life The Fellowship Hall Downstairs 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 dayAll day7 – 8:30pm	Office Closed until January 2 (Day 4/12) No Morning Worship Christmas Eve Worship https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83887699257
25 DEC, MON	All day All day	Office Closed until January 2 (Day 5/12) 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



My Daily Minute
60 second inspiration from Norval United Church
December 14, 2023

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.





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.





thankyou



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

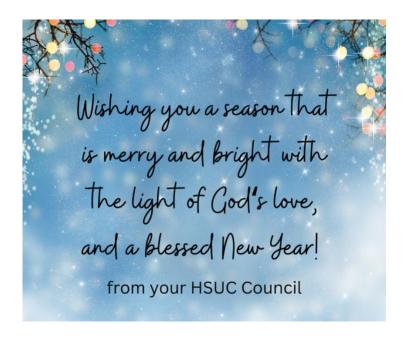








Grand Bend Place is a community outreach program of Huron Shores United Church





NEXT CARING CASSEROLES Meal

Making Session is...

Friday, January 12th at 10 am.

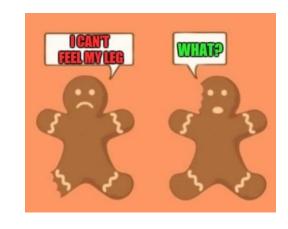
Volunteers Needed. If you would be interested in helping, please contact Lois Gill 519-238-2402





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



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

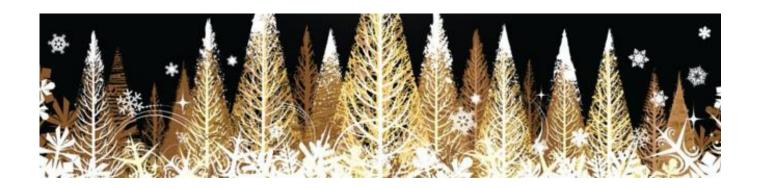


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- Signing up for Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR): Any amount, large or small, can be designated and allocated to Operations, Mission & Services, or Debt Retirement Fund.
- Donate Button on website at: huronshoresunitedchurch.com/giving.
- Donate by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

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IMAGE OF THE WEEK

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