



# Connections

*Humber Valley United*  
*the friendly community church*

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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

### September 13

Information evening for **Alpha Film Series**. Wednesday evenings through the end of November at Kingsway Lambton. Contact Carla Sandrin for more info.

### September 17

BBQ and Carnival

### October 1

World Wide Communion  
Dedication of Margo Watt's painting, *Ladies Enjoying Coffee*

### October 4

"*Water for Life*" presentation and dinner being held by the Global Aid Network at the Weston Golf and Country Club. CONTACT 604-514-1995

### October 8

Thanksgiving Sunday

### October 15

Thanksgiving 2  
Water Wells project guest speaker  
Fall Hike, rain date: Oct. 22

### October 22

Anniversary Sunday with special musical guests Linnea Good and David Johnson  
Dedication of Heather Cartwright's painting, *Boy at the Tree*  
Anniversary Tea

### Dear HVUC Congregation

I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer. I hope it has been one of joy and thanksgiving for each of you. However, as always, our prayers go out to all those struggling with illness or grief during this time. Thank you to everyone who participated in the interviews with Linda Anderson and thank you to all of you who sent her letters and emails. To those who did not directly participate, thank you for your prayers of support during this time.

As I noted in an earlier eblast to you, Linda will submit her reports (one regarding the pastoral charge and one regarding the ministry personnel) to Toronto Conference in early to mid-September. Conference will then send the report on the pastoral charge to me to share with the Leadership Council and congregation and the report on the ministry personnel will be sent to Rev. Mark. About two weeks later we will provide our responses to Conference at face-to-face meetings (two separate meetings). After considering our responses, a representative from Conference will come to meet with the congregation after a Sunday morning service to inform the congregation of its decisions and take questions.

No matter what the reports say, the review process has shown there is divisiveness in our congregation. To come together, we will need facilitated healing processes and I will work with Toronto Conference to implement these processes after the review reports have been considered. We are one

church family and it is time to eliminate the speculation and gossip that will only increase divisiveness. Each of you can begin this healing process within yourselves and also by reaching out to others whose views on the future of our church may be different from your own.

Please join me in praying for our church, our church family and our minister. Listen to each other and ask for forgiveness. It is time to show compassion, empathy and support for one another. I cannot do this alone and pray each of you will take ownership and champion the rebuilding of love and trust in our church community.

In the coming weeks, I will keep you informed of what is happening. If you have any questions concerning the reviews or thoughts on how you can contribute to the healing process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I also hope to call or have contact with each of you within the next few months as I begin my tenure as the new Chair of the Leadership Council to share my love for our church and congregation with you and to have you share your thoughts with me.

Blessings,  
*Deb Turnbull*



## From the Editor's Desk: Trees and baseball

### Getting a Ride to Church

A lot of Humber Valley people are providing rides to church for people who can't get there on their own. Perhaps there are some people being missed.

Do you miss Sunday services or church events like concerts and Daytimers because you have no transportation?

Do you know of someone else in this situation?

Are you able to provide someone with a ride?

Please call 416-357-4942 or email

[Susanne@hyneslegal.ca](mailto:Susanne@hyneslegal.ca)

to let us know if you need a ride or can provide a ride

Trees and baseball were the main themes for our summer services in Steed Hall. Rev. Mark's chosen images/metaphors are very powerful and appropriate: trees to provide strength and shelter; and a baseball year filled with ups and downs provides an opportunity for hope and renewal.

We've had a summer of uncertainty at HVUC and we hope faith and goodwill will sustain us all. We are very fortunate to have strong leadership and so many people who care.

Deborah has asked me to be sure to thank Peter Clemens (with assistance from Dragan) for trimming the trees on the church property; Zoran, Dragan, Murray and Peter for spending days cleaning out the church with the "junk" hauled away by "I Got Junk" (paid for by an anonymous donor); and Claire Drake, Barbara Clarke, Emily Laidlaw, Sylvia Cohen, Constance Crosbie, and Rev. Mark for making the summer hospitality

project such a success (more on this in future editions).

Sunday services in the Sanctuary resume on September 10 and it will be wonderful to worship together in our splendid space.

This is a brief issue of *Connections* with an important message from Deborah featured on the cover and a request from the office to provide some important information per the forms on pages 5 to 7.

As always, HVUC is a busy place. See you Sundays and at lots of the up-coming events. I love to hear from you. Please send me your comments and suggestions. [Susanne@hyneslegal.ca](mailto:Susanne@hyneslegal.ca)

*Susanne Hynes*

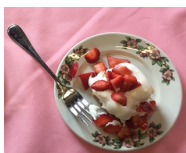
### Honorary Elder Breakfast May 28.

Congratulations to **David Dallimore** who was made an Honorary Elder



### Musical Theatre and Strawberry Social

On June 1 about 300 people from the community enjoyed 'toe-tapping' show tunes performed by our Chancel Choir and soloists -- and fellowship over strawberry shortcake and lemonade prepared under the guidance of Carolyn Whiteside. We had many visitors. Thank you to everyone who made this possible. A picture book commemorating the concert is available for viewing or purchase in the church office.



## Daytimers

Daytimer gatherings resume on Monday September 25th at 11.30 in the Hearth Room. Lunch will be served at noon and the cost is still \$8. If you need a ride, I will be happy to arrange one for you. We have a wonderful team of people who will all work towards making your Daytimer visits a pleasurable experience. You can reach me by email or at 416 803 8204. The fall program schedule is as follows:

September 25 - The World of Free with Jane Blackwood;

October 30 - 150 years of Game Changing Canadian Women with Susanne Hynes and friends;

November 27 - Spiritual Care at the Dorothy Lay Hospice with Anita Csapo;

December 18 - Santa and friends.

*Judith Dallimore*, coordinator

## Carillon Canada Day

Mom, Dad and I attended Allan Jones' wonderful carillon performance at the church on Canada Day. Thanks to Allan for all his work to choose the songs, find the music, convert them to Carillon music, then practise and perform them. It was a special event for us to mark Canada's 150th. Thanks to Deb for her part in making it happen as always.

*Nancy Roper*



### Saying Grace — A gentle reminder for ALL of Us

A visiting Pastor was attending a men's breakfast in SW Ontario Farm County. He asked one of the respected older farmers in attendance to say grace that morning. After all were seated, the older farmer began:

"Lord, I hate buttermilk."

The Pastor opened one eye and wondered to himself where this was going. Then the farmer loudly proclaimed, "Lord, I hate lard."

Now the Pastor was overly worried. However without missing a beat, the farmer prayed on,

"And Lord, you know I don't care much for raw white flour."

Just as the Pastor was ready to intervene the farmer continued:

"But Lord, when you mix 'em all together and bake 'em up, I do love fresh biscuits."

So Lord, when things come up we don't like, when life gets hard, when we just don't understand what you are saying to us, we just need to relax and wait 'till You are done mixing, and probably it will be something even better than biscuits. Amen."

Contributed by *Cathy Wilkes*

## Exploring the World Through Postcards!

This year my special education class decided to do something different for Social Studies. We are going to learn about the world and use postcards to spark our interest. We are asking for people to mail us postcards. Once we have received the postcard we will locate the city on our world map and then proceed to learn more about the city and country!

We need your help! If you are travelling please consider sending us a postcard! You can include a note about the place you are visiting or talk about your favourite thing that you've seen while travelling. In return my class will make you a postcard!

This project will help my class in a few ways: it will spark interest in the world around us; it will serve as a creative way to learn about social studies; we will be creating our own postcards in art class; and, it will create a class job for students (checking our mailbox daily).

Our address is:

Hatje's Hurricanes  
C/O Harold Brathwaite Secondary  
School  
415 Great Lakes Dr, Brampton, ON  
L6R 2Z4,  
Canada

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to send me an e-mail at [Claire\\_drake@hotmail.com](mailto:Claire_drake@hotmail.com) or see me at church. \*If you would prefer not to mail your postcard, you can also put them in my church mailbox and I will deliver them to my school.

Thank you!

*Claire Hatje (Drake)*

Classroom Teacher, H.B.S. S. Room 213, Parkholme School



# Stewardship Update

The following report shows the financial results to the end of July 2017. Results for the same year-to-date period in 2016 are also included below for comparison purposes.

## HUMBER VALLEY UNITED CHURCH

### January – July

2017 2016

#### Sources of Funds

PAR,Envelope, Stock Givings	\$170,037	\$183,961
Use of Church	\$97,776	\$82,381
Trustees	\$11,582	\$13,300
Other (Loose Givings, Solar, etc)	\$11,146	\$18,453
Outreach, Capital Givings	\$21,080	
<b>Total Sources of Funds</b>	<b>\$311,621</b>	<b>\$298,095</b>

Payroll	\$244,905	\$215,720
Building Expenses	\$37,938	\$41,224
Office	\$11,817	\$13,883
Presbytery Assessment	\$8,415	\$8,465
Music	\$17,613	\$14,051

Other Committees	\$18,212	\$22,194
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$338,900</b>	<b>\$315,537</b>

Transfers to Outreach and Capital HF's	\$21,080	
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<b>Operating Deficit</b>	<b>\$48,359</b>	<b>\$17,442</b>
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As shown above, as of the end of the July programming and operating expenditures were more than revenue amounts from various sources, resulting in an operating deficit of \$48,359. Revenue amounts from various sources are less than amounts budgeted on a year-to-date basis, by approximately \$25K, primarily due to giving amounts being less than planned.

As shown above, the 2017 statement of sources of funds, includes givings received for Outreach and Capital and transferred to the Holding Fund accounts that are used to administer these funds. Such amounts weren't previously reported in the income statement, and as a result there aren't corresponding balances in the 2016 results shown above.

Thank you for your ongoing financial support of Humber Valley United Church that includes your support to current year programming and church operations, to capital funds and special

outreach projects.

Please continue to share your generosity in support of good stewardship. God gives it all and then calls us to share. Please also remember to continue your envelope givings if you're not attending church. Stewardship for the Church is managing its resources and stewardship individually for congregants is fulfilling our responsibilities to the Church to the best of our abilities.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Moilliet

## Dominion Day — Canada Day

What we call *Canada Day* was originally called *Dominion Day*.

Sir Samuel Leonard Tilley was a Father of Confederation and a faithful Christian who read his bible and prayed upon waking each morning.

On the day the 33 Fathers of Confederation met to discuss what to name this new united Canada Tilley had read Psalm 72:8: "May He have dominion from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth!" and adamantly pushed for the Bible-inspired name *Dominion of Canada*. Sir John A. Macdonald's choice was *Kingdom of Canada*.

The other Fathers agreed to the term *Dominion* and to this day these words hang near the Confederation Chamber in Province House. In the hearts of the delegates that assembled in this room on Sept 1, 1864 was born *The Dominion of Canada*.

Upon Tilley's death in 1896, he wished to have these simple words inscribed on his tombstone: "*His Trust was in Jesus*".

Our country's name also reflects our native heritage. The word Canada is thought to be derived from the Saint-Lawrence Iroquoian word kanata for "settlement", "village", or "land". In choosing to name the country *Dominion of Canada*, the Fathers of Confederation drew upon their Christian heritage and combined it with the heritage of the people who already inhabited this land.

**Source:** The Cross Current radio program. AM Joy 1250.  
Host: Cory McKenna. June 9, 2017

Andrea Ostvik-  
Van der Vliet



Below and on the following two pages are information forms dealing with emergencies and funeral arrangements.

The office would like every member, who hasn't already done so, to complete these forms so they can be kept on file. This practice was initiated a number of years ago but our files are incomplete.

These forms are kept in the church office for emergencies and also contact information following a death.

Your Ministers will find this very beneficial, as does the office, in being able to contact next of kin. If an illness should occur, while you are in the church building, the office would have the information at hand to contact someone of your choice that could respond.

## JUST IN CASE FILE FOR HUMBER VALLEY'S CHURCH OFFICE

*Forms will be kept on file in the church office.*

*Information will be kept confidential and used only in case of emergency.*

**Your Name:**

**Address:**

**Telephones**

**Home:**

**Work:**

**Cell:**

## PERSONS TO BE CONTACTED

1. Name:  
Relationship:  
Address:

Home Telephone:  
Business Telephone:  
Cell Phone:

2. Name:  
Relationship:  
Address:

Home Telephone:  
Business Telephone:  
Cell Phone:



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## Funeral Arrangements and Special Wishes

(please complete information and tick-off appropriate boxes)

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of a Contact Person: (next of kin and/or emergency contact person) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Funeral pre-arrangements have been made with \_\_\_\_\_

No funeral arrangements made, but prefer \_\_\_\_\_ (Funeral Home)

I would like to have:

- ☐ Funeral Service in the Church
- ☐ Funeral Service in the Funeral Home
- ☐ Memorial Service in the Church
- ☐ Memorial Service in the Funeral Hom

In the Service I would like:

- ☐ Minister
- ☐ Organist:
- ☐ Soloist or other Musicians: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Eulogy to be delivered by: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Hymns Sung: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

☐ Other Musical Selections: \_\_\_\_\_

Scriptures I would like read: \_\_\_\_\_

please turn over . . . .

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Other organizations I would like to participate: \_\_\_\_\_

Pallbearers or Ushers: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Specific requests for the service: \_\_\_\_\_

My favourite flowers are: \_\_\_\_\_

After the service:

☐ I would like the Hearth Room or Arthur Steed Fellowship Hall to be used for the reception

☐ A reception elsewhere

If there are flowers, after the service I would like them to \_\_\_\_\_

Burial Information:

☐ I own a burial plot

☐ Cremation plot

Name and Location of the Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer Contributions

☐ to Humber Valley United Church Foundation

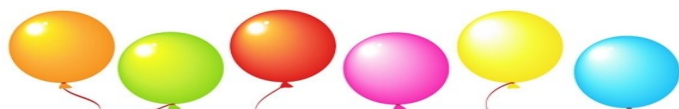
☐ Charity \_\_\_\_\_

Other details or specific wishes: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Your signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*This information will be kept strictly confidential in the church office. You may wish to give a copy to your next of kin. It will be released to the next of kin or executor at such time as deemed appropriate by the minister.*



Join us for Humber Valley United's  
free annual Community

## BBQ and Carnival

**Sunday, September 17, 2017**

**11:30 to 1:30**

**Games**

**Prizes**

**All are Welcome**

Donations are appreciated to support community projects



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## DINNER & TALENT SHOW

**NOVEMBER 18, 2017**

**DINNER AT 6:00PM**

**TALENT SHOW AT 7:00PM**

Come enjoy dinner together  
and watch or participate in our  
Talent Show.

**Dinner Tickets:**

**Adults: \$10**

**Children: \$5 (12 and Under)**

**Talent Show is free**

Sign up sheet is outside the church office.



## On Anniversary Sunday October 22 WE WELCOME Linnea Good and David Jonsson TO OUR SERVICE

Linnea Good and David Jonsson, who live in Summerland, B.C., have been a team in music-making for 2 decades, and each of them in a ministry with children for much longer than that.

Linnea's primary calling is to assist people in giving voice to their spirituality. She is one of Canada's best loved faith singer-songwriters for all-ages. She has a Master of Religious Education degree with a focus on music as tool in Christian Education. David's years of drumming with multi-award winning children's performers Charlotte Diamond and Fred Penner have given him an intuitive feel for song-leading with people of all ages and abilities. Together, David and Linnea gently turn listeners into singers, an audience into a sacred gathering.



**LADIES' NIGHT OUT** featuring a **FABULOUS FALL FASHION SHOW** by Zacks

**Wednesday, November 1st @ 6:00 pm**

**Tickets only \$25**

Light supper with wine, silent auction, bake table, sale of 'pre-loved' scarves and costume jewelry.  
Gather up your friends for a fun event. Clean out your closets and donate gently used scarves and jewelry.  
For tickets or to donate call 416-231-2263 ext. 39

*Proceeds benefit UCW charities*

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