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As we get back into the swing of things this fall season, it might feel like a "new year". School goes back, summer vacations have subsided, committees reconvene, and our events calendar begins to fill up again. But how do we make space for God? Do we realize that perhaps over the summer, or over time in general, we have become a little "distant" or "disconnected" with God?

Relationships are like water. They must be cared for and nourished. If we do not water a plant, it dies. Likewise, if we do not nurture our relationship with God, its fire begins to dull. Reigniting our relationship with God takes work. It also takes time, effort and diligence. Once we reach out, however, God is always willing to reach back. Therefore, the work is always worth the effort.

I'm offering some suggestions on how to reignite your relationship with God. This is not an exhaustive list of possibilities and perhaps by trying some, or all, of the steps listed, you will also learn of other areas in your life that might be tweaked and adjusted to improve your relationship with God.

How to Reignite Your Relationship with God:

Step 1

Define in your own words the word "relationship." Your relationship with God dampened for a reason. Perhaps you did not work on your relationship with God as much as you did with others. Begin writing and don't stop until you have fully articulated what the word relationship means to you.

Step 2

List your three closest relationships. Write down who the relationship is with and what makes the relationship special. Do you spend time with these individuals? How much time? What sort of activities do you do with these three people?

Step 3

Write down what you enjoy the most about these relationships. What gives you the most pleasure, fulfillment and joy? You don't have to be lengthy in your responses. Just write from your heart. You can write on the same page of your journal, or use the next page.

Step 4

Think about how writing about these relationships makes you feel. Do you feel satisfaction? Inspiration? Joy? Gratitude? Write down a few words on

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the same page that you used to list the people with whom you have these relationships.

Step 5

Write down the word "God" at the top of a new page. Look at the word for a moment and close your eyes. Open your eyes, then write down what would make your relationship with God more special. Would you like to spend more time with God? Do you need to talk to God more often?

Step 6

Plan five steps that you can take within the next week to rekindle your relationship with God. For ideas, you can refer to the things that you do within your three closest relationships. Plan a "conversation" time (prayer). Schedule time to "get to know" God (by reading the Bible or praying). Plan an activity with God.

Step 7

Next to your five steps, write down the specific date that you will take that step. You should also write down what time you will take that step at. Do you schedule to meet your friend at the movies at 7:00 p.m. on a Friday night? You can plan to spend time with God at 7:00 p.m. on a certain day as well.

I hope these steps don't feel arduous, but rather hopeful as you reconnect with God in a deeper, more committed fashion. Perhaps you already are deeply connected, then I invite you to testify to others (share your experience) at how your relationship with God deepens your faith, your life, and your relationship with yourself and others. We need to do that more, to put our faith experiences into words and share them with others. Yes, faith can be personal, but it doesn't need to be confidential; there is a difference. So try these steps out, amazing things can happen; you might be changed!!

Blessings,

Rev. Tracy Fairfield



By Kim Moon. Submitted by Rev Tracy,

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The little boy walked dejectedly down the cracked sidewalk. His backpack was heavy and his feet were slow. He stayed to his path, pausing every now and then only to pick out a new can or wad of paper to kick as he went along his way. His heart felt as heavy as his backpack as he opened the door to his house and went inside.

His mother was in the kitchen, taking brownies out of the oven. She smiled as she turned around but stopped when she saw his face. "Connor, what happened? Is everything okay?" "Nothing is okay, mom. Nothing will ever be okay again." He stood in the middle of the kitchen as his mother came over to the kitchen table. "Sounds like you had a rough day, Connor. Is there anything I can do to help?" "That's just the thing, Mom. We can't help. There's nothing we can do." He sat down at the table and put his head in his hands. His mother sat down and waited a moment until Connor began to speak again.

"Today, in science, the teacher was talking about Earth Day and the environment. Earth Day is supposed to be a day when every person promises to do something to help take care of our world. Mrs. Green was telling us how many companies are not careful about how they get rid of their industrial waste. She said that our world is getting dirtier and that many animals and plants are dying. She wants us to think of something we can do to help and I thought all the way home and there is nothing I can do. I can't stop the companies from polluting our air and water and I can't save all of the animals! There is not anything that I can do to make a difference."

His mother sat for a minute, thinking. "You sound like this really concerns you and that you have put a lot of thought into it, Connor." Connor nodded. "Let me tell you a story that your grandfather told me. I don't know where he heard it, but I think that it might help you think about your problem in a different way." She began, "one morning a man was walking down a beach that was covered in dying starfish. The tide the night before had been especially strong and thousands of starfish had been washed up on shore, too far up for them to make it back into the water by themselves. The man shook his head as he trudged along thinking what a shame it was that all of those starfish would die on the beach.

He came upon a boy who was throwing starfish back into the ocean as fast as he could. He was out of breath and it was obvious that he had been at this task for a while. "Son," the man said, "you might as well quit. There are thousands of them. They are washed up all over the beach as far as you can see. There is no way you can make any sort of a difference." The boy did not even pause in what he was doing. He kept bending and throwing but as he did, he spoke to the man, "I can make a difference to this one, and this one, and this one." And the man thought, and he knew the boy was right. He began to help return the animals to their home, smiling at how life's biggest lessons sometimes came from the smallest people."

Connor stared intently at his mother. "But he did make a difference, didn't he? To every starfish that he threw back in?" His mother

nodded, smiling. He sat for a moment, thinking about what his mother had said. "So, what it means is that even though I can't change everything, I can make a big difference by doing the little things that matter?" "That," she said, sliding him the plate of brownies, "is exactly what I am saying." Connor grinned and took a brownie from the plate. "That gives me an idea." His mother smiled even bigger and said, "I kind of thought that it might."

The next morning on the way to school, his feet hardly touched the ground. He told his teacher the story of the starfish and his idea. Mrs. Green thought it was a great idea, and decided to let Connor share the story and his idea with the class. Everyone got to work immediately, cutting out the large green leaves.



On Earth Day, there was an assembly and everyone in the community was invited. Many of those gathered were startled to see the large brown tree trunk affixed to the auditorium wall. They sat, puzzled, and waited for the program to begin. A boy, dressed up to look like a man, walked across a stage filled with starfish. The play went on as Connor and his class told the story taking place. When it was over the audience applauded as Connor stood at the podium.

"We were all thinking, and it was frustrating because we didn't think that we could do anything. The problems seemed too big for us to do anything about them. But we decided that together, even the little things we do could add up to mean a lot to our world." The kids began passing out the green leaves and pens to the audience. "We want every person to think of one thing they can do that could make a difference to our world. Even if it seems like something small, it will matter."

The audience began writing, and soon the tree was covered with the green leaves. Connor and his class read many of them as they attached them to the tree. "I will walk to work." "I will use both sides of my paper to save trees." "I will have my pet neutered so there won't be any puppies born that won't have a home." "I will plant a tree every year." "I will start recycling my newspapers." Connor thought, and bent to write his promise on the leaf. Soon, the tree was beautiful and green and covered with the Earth Day promises. People were laughing and talking as they left, thinking of what they had promised to do.

When the dismissal bell rang, Connor got his backpack and began the short walk home. As he reached the sidewalk, he pulled an old grocery bag from his backpack. He began picking up the trash as he made his way home, instead of kicking it. He smiled all the way, thinking of the difference they would make.

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Naramata Centre – A Legacy Worth Saving

By Ellen J

Naramata Centre was originally built in 1947 by members of the United Church of Canada to provide Christian leadership training to youth and young adults. Covering 23 acres on the Eastern Shore of Lake Okanogan the Centre thrived, earning a respected reputation as a place of learning, fellowship and retreat. Since its inception it has not only served members of the United Church but has also embraced and offered programming to members of varied religions, cultures and beliefs as well as provided corporate retreat facilities throughout the year.

Approximately ten years ago a robust Capital Funding Campaign to address deferred maintenance and infrastructure upgrades to the Centre began to renew not only the physical facility, but also the mission it was originally built to serve. Deer Lake United Church joined congregations from all over BC and Alberta raising hundreds of thousands of dollars through fundraising to care for this precious asset. The atmosphere was optimistic and the sense (and documentation) that these contributions were being used responsibly and prudently created a sense of collaboration and trust amongst staff, Board and attendees.

Approximately eight years ago the Centre experienced a change of staff and with it a change in business model. Although the Centre had always operated on a bare bones budget it began to flounder financially to such an extent that fundraising and requests of donations became a regular part of the programming. The transparency of the original Capital Campaign dimmed and attendees and supporters found themselves with little clarity regarding finances, spending and rumoured challenges facing the Centre. At the same time a labour dispute placed the Centre behind picket lines and prevented operation for many months. In January 2015 the Board of Directors made the difficult decision to permanently close The Centre at Naramata.

This was heart breaking news and created dismay and confusion among supporters. Questions were asked, ideas were given, "what if we..." and "how did this happen..." were heard loud and clear with few answers or clear explanation.

In the spring of 2015 the plans of many to attend the Society's AGM in August and requests for voting rights reached the Board of Directors who facilitated Society membership for the first time and voting rights to those who joined. The AGM was held in Penticton in June 2015. Representatives of Deer Lake joined over two hundred interested parties to ask questions and fully understand the process followed in making the decision to close the Centre. Sincere thanks were given to the old Board with a recognition of the extremely difficult job they had been faced with and a new Board of Directors was elected. With this new Board a new hope for a continued (if slightly different) mission for the Centre has taken root.

The Naramata Centre Society is now in a stage of discernment. The Board is welcoming any and all input regarding possible future use of the Centre, programming, methods to ensure financial stability, income generating proposals. The Board has pledged to be fully transparent and has committed to involving the Society Members in all major decisions regarding the land, buildings, and assets. The future of Naramata Centre continues to look dire but with vision, tenacity, expertise and prayer there is a sense that the Centre can be reborn in some way to serve the community that has always sustained it.

Naramata has been a part of my life since I attended as a sixteen year old in 1984 (ok maybe not exactly 1984...). I was young, idealistic and I soaked up the remarkable leadership programming of the Centre. A group from Deer Lake United has attended programs at Naramata each summer for the past twenty years. In a time of hectic family life, plugged-in communication and overwhelming schedules Naramata has provided respite and refuge, grounded in Faith like a cool drink of water on a hot dusty journey. No one knows what the future holds but there is the opportunity, the privilege, to be part of this important discerning process. We'll see what happens.

To find out more please visit: <u>www.naramatacentresociety.org</u> and follow Naramata's Society facebook page under the same name.

Opportunities to support the Centre and participate during this time of transition include:

- Become a member of the Society
- Donate to the Centre: During this time of purposeful dormancy, your donation will not be used to restart operations, or as seed money for future operations. Instead, it will be strictly used to help ensure the Centre at Naramata remains cared for as this visioning process unfolds.
- Volunteer: Opportunities for work weekends in October are available. Please see the Bulletin Board in the Fellowship Hall for more information, or visit <u>http://www.naramatacentresociety.org/october-2015-</u>

engagement-weekends/

- Ideas, thoughts, suggestions: Send them all to the Board. They want to hear from you. Email -<u>naramatacentresociety@gmail.com</u>
- Say a prayer: of thanks for the wonderful legacy of Naramata



Young Demmery and Myrtle enjoying a Naramata moment



Creation Season Banners

By Sharon A

These banners, or quilts (since a quilt is two layers of fabric sandwiched to a middle layer), were inspired in part by a creation diagram of a tree, which I found on the United Church website. The tree is often used to symbolize life and its cycles; in this banner it is that and more. The four tree branches represent the four seasons as well as the climate, and the importance of the seasonal changes to our environment. Temperature extremes, too much or too little sun, rain or snow, can affect the food supply and thus our existence. At the same time, these seasons bring us joy, renewal and hope, and a beautiful variety of weather to enjoy.

The other important symbols in this quilt are the three vital elements that create and sustain life: earth, air and water. The white strip down the side represents the air, and the earth and water are under the tree to provide a solid foundation and to give it life. God created these elements in balance and purity. In more and more places worldwide, the health of these primary elements of life is threatened. Sometimes it is too many things added, sometimes too much taken away. The elements are symbolized on the quilt to remind us that we have been given these to enjoy, but that we must take care to sustain our creation for ourselves and for the future. When we enjoy nature's beauty we feel closer to God and creation.

The embroidered symbols on either side of the quilt are more reminders of our stewardship. You may have to look closely to see these.

The 3 R symbol is on the quilt on the right side, and represents reduce, reuse and recycle. This is likely already familiar to most of us, but compliance varies, both in our country and certainly

worldwide. The younger generations are teaching the older ones how to do this - it is their earth to inherit. The rules apply to all our consumer goods, food, clothing, household goods, furniture, flooring and more. Thinking about the 3 R's can and should influence our purchasing decisions.

The quilt on the left side is embroidered with the Eco logo, three doves entwined to form the shape of the maple leaf. It symbolizes the plant and animal life that can be harmed by the chemicals that we put into the earth, air and water. The logo is used to identify products with minimal impact on air, earth or water and these should be our products of choice as responsible stewards. This does not mean they are harmless, but used in small quantities will help to minimize our harmful impact on our earth. Biodegradable means the compound breaks down, it does not necessarily mean that those end products are harmless. There is no Eco logo on a box of baking soda or a bottle of vinegar, but these two inexpensive products can replace a cupboard full of cleaning products!

The reverse side of the quilts are off white silk with a gold cross, so can be used for Easter or funerals. A sheer overlay with a small cross and two rings appliqué can be used on the large banners and the flower tables for weddings.

For those interested in the technical details, the creation side of the banners is made of linen, with cotton fabric appliqués for the tree, earth and water. Various fabrics were used for leaves and blossoms, and polyester batting, fused angelina fibres and tulle make the 'snow'. The side border representing air is silk dupioni, which continues to the back of the quilt. The silk is backed with light fusible, and each piece is interfaced with heavy fusible so they will retain their shape and hang straight. I used shimmery organza for the overlays, and gold metallic for the appliqués on the white side.

Creating these banners offered me the opportunity to think about our creation and our environment, and how best to represent some of these thoughts. It was both a challenge and a pleasure to work on them, and required some heavensent inspiration at times! I hope that the congregation of Deer Lake will be similarly challenged and inspired, and that they help to get us thinking, talking and acting to enjoy and sustain our earth, and, where necessary, help it to recover.

Wishing peace and good health for us and our earth,









General Council 42 – The Work of your National Church

By Rev. Tracy Fairfield

The United Church of Canada's General Council is a denomination-wide gathering which meets every three years to elect a new Moderator and to approve new church policies. In addition to 356 delegates called commissioners, approximately 250 guests, observers, youth, children, staff, and volunteers are present for a week-long gathering. Commissioners are selected by the church's 13 regional Conferences and represent an equal number of lay people and ministry personnel. These commissioners gather to articulate our denominational voice and make decisions about how we do church mission and ministry. It's part festival, part worship, and part business. I had the pleasure and responsibility of attending General Council in 2006.

This year, the 42nd General Council of The United Church of Canada, also known as GC42, took place at Grenfell Campus of Memorial University, in Corner Brook, Newfoundland from August 8 to 15. The theme for the 42nd General Council came from the last few pages of the biblical story in Revelation 21:5. The text "Behold, I make all things new" reminds us that all creation is in a constant process of change; that the church is always being reformed, called into new ways of being; and that God is at the very heart of this transformation. We are not alone.

One thing you need to keep in mind about the decisions made at a General Council gathering, is that the proposals, as they are called, did not come from Toronto "head office" by people living in a vacuum. One needs to understand how proposals evolve into policy.

Typically, a congregation member takes an idea for change to the church board for consideration. If the board thinks the idea is worthy of consideration by the larger church, they craft a proposal and sent to Presbytery. Presbytery is a broader court or level of the United Church with representatives from the churches in a particular geographical area. Those representatives then review and discuss the proposal, amend it if necessary, and send it to BC Conference, another court in the United Church made up of several presbyteries. BC Conference similarly considers, and if necessary, amends the proposal and forwards it to General Council for consideration. "Head office" in Toronto receives all proposals for General Council (often close to 100 of them), groups similar ones together, and includes them in a reading package which is sent to the commissioners of the upcoming General Council. The commissioners then digest and discern the information in the reading package. At General Council they debate and discuss the various proposals. Ultimately, after appropriate amendment, some of the proposals are voted into policy.

That is how decisions and polity are crafted in our rich, diverse, discerning, wise, committed United Church of Canada. So please, let go of the perception that our policies are crafted by a bunch of people working in an office in Toronto. It is important to know that many hearts across Canada wrestle with tough subjects that call us, as Christians, to take action on. You, personally, can also raise your voice and be the catalyst for change. Now at this year's General Council in Corner Brook Newfoundland, many proposals came forward, but only a few may be of relevance to you. I have highlights on a few to share now.

We voted unanimously and joyfully to enter into full communion with the United Church of Christ, USA. We are not amalgamating, but strengthening the lives of the two churches while attending events together and opening up shared opportunities.

Commissioners of GC42 called on the United Church of Canada to sell their holdings in the 200 largest fossil fuel companies, and thus align their investments with the Christian imperative of seeking justice, resisting evil, and living with respect in Creation.

In another proposal we are asking the Government of Canada to conduct a full public inquiry into the more than 1,200 cases of missing or murdered Indigenous women and girls in Canada.

There were many key decisions related to Palestine and Israel. After much deliberations the commissioners reaffirmed the right to self-determination for Palestinians and Israelis so that any choice regarding statehood must be made by the people in Palestine and Israel. They also encouraged all courts of the United Church, and members, to apply divestment strategies and sanctions, until such time as the occupation of the Palestinian territories end.

In another decision, the lengthy process for becoming a minister of the United Church of Canada, involving a discernment committee, was replaced by a new process, tested here in BC, called the Candidacy Pathway. This new process has been accepted for the whole church and will impact all new ministers entering the vocation in Canada

The biggest issue of the week, however, was the massive restructuring of how our denomination structure works. After 2 ^{1/2} years of study, called the "Comprehensive Review" the Task Group proposed 7 massive restructuring proposals. Those generated over 100 response proposals from churches, presbyteries, and conferences. How do 360 commissioners handle a complex conversation among so many divergent voices with so many proposals in play? They don't. Instead, they settle for a group of 17 people, a "Sessional Committee", to meet for four days PRIOR to the arrival of the commissioners, and wrestle the stuff to the ground to provide a second big document that offers what the original stuff would look like if the responses were heard.

In the end, behold, we make all things new! And it was more Revelation than Isaiah. GC42 approved the entire sessional document with minor revisions. But that was only achieved after days of slogging and wordsmithing, and procedural this and that's, and misunderstandings and all manner of challenges. But we got there. The commissioners collectively owned the idea of a 3 level structure instead of the current 4 (without a college of ministers), and the entire package was approved in one single vote at 95%. Continued on page 6

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The big burning questions that remained and were on everyone's minds were regarding implementation of this Comprehensive Review: how many regions, instead of presbyteries, would there be, and what would be the assessment percentage for congregations. The Sessional Committee said those questions were too big for them to answer, and then in a bold move, said it was too big for the commissioners to answer either, and it needed more work – and in the end they accepted that wisdom and agreed to it all. Those details will be shared in coming months. It gives me hope to see trust emerge.

However, changes this big need to also be agreed to by the whole church. As the details around assessments and numbers of regional councils, and other things get ironed out over time – in order for the Comprehensive Review to be implemented – there will be a process of Remits (votes), that will take place in congregations and presbyteries. There will be more information available soon, so we can have discussions. At that point, a majority of pastoral charges and presbyteries have to agree to get it passed. A monumental task awaits!

This year, General Council elected as new moderator. Rev. Jordan Cantwell, from Saskatchewan. To learn more about her and other aspects of the week I encourage you to visit GC42.ca and the United Church You Tube page.

I know that the goings on at the denominational level of the church sometimes feel so far removed that they're irrelevant. But one thing that the church said this year with a clear and strong voice is that being part of one another's lives – being interconnected with the wider church near and far to support and encourage our individual and collective mission and ministry is a fundamental core value for us.

We are NOT individual churches living in silos. We are part of a body – part of Christ's body. And from time to time it's important for the members of Christ's body to get together and hash things out, no matter how messy and disorganized it might seem at times. This church, and our whole church, is filled with passionate, faithful, inspiring, and inspired followers of the Way of Jesus; and that is evident in any General Council gathering. "Behold! I am making all things new!" May it be so! Amen.



More than fifty hungry Deer Lakers enjoyed a bountiful feast and good conversation at the annual Welcome Back BBQ on September 11th. The event was sponsored and catered by the Deer Lake Men's Group.

More on the Comprehensive Review

By Cathy M

The last newsletter contained an article on the recently released Comprehensive Review of the vision and circumstance of the United Church of Canada (<u>www.gc42.ca/comprehensive-reviewreport</u>). In a related article, the Minister's Musings described how DLUC's concerns with this report were taken to BC Conference by Tracy and Marie, with assistance from Dana. The DLUC congregation may be interested to know what these concerns were.

Your DLUC Board spent a great deal of time reading the 100+ pages of the Comprehensive Review. Several Board members expressed their concerns in great detail, and some good conversation was had.

While the United Church must re-invent itself, and structural and financial changes are critical for its long-term sustainability, many of the Board of DLUC felt the report missed the core issue – how to solve the demographic and financial challenges that threaten the survival of congregations across the country, who struggle to pay their bills while doing God's work in their communities. No depth of thought was put towards the daily challenges so many congregations face trying to keep their doors open.

Much of what was proposed focused on encouraging new ministries (including those that may meet in a yoga studio or a pub), changing governance structures, and continuing to build relationship with First Nations peoples. The most pressing issue, that of the National church spending within its means and getting its financial house in order, was given only cursory attention.

The cost-cutting planned at the National level will result in a downloading of expense onto individual congregations. For DLUC, the assessment we pay to the upper levels of the UCC will rise by about 25%, or about \$1,500 per year (based on 2015 figures). Alarmingly, additional assessments may be levied on congregations at any time, which means there is no real incentive for meaningful cost-cutting or for significant discipline to be exercised at the National level. And without healthy, solvent congregations there is no reason to have a national identity.

The General Council chose to adopt much of the report at their meeting this summer, and the work of implementation begins. But it is important for our members to know where DLUC's concerns lie. We are fortunate that DLUC is thriving in our activities and our fellowship, and has so far remained solvent, but many congregations are not as fortunate. Membership is declining for many reasons. Churches are amalgamating, or closing their doors because they cannot pay their bills. As General Council moves forward, focussing on change in the upper echelons of the United Church, we can only hope that individual congregations do not fall by the wayside as a result.

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An excerpt from the article of the same name by <u>Bill McKibben</u> in the August 13, 2015 issue of *The New York Review of Books*.

Submitted by Mary L

Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home - an encyclical letter by Pope Francis, Vatican Press, 184 pp., available at w2.vatican.va

On a sprawling, multicultural, fractious planet, no person can be heard by everyone. But Pope Francis comes closer than anyone else. He heads the world's largest religious denomination and so has 1.2 billion people in his flock, but even (maybe especially) outside the precincts of Catholicism his talent for the telling gesture has earned him the respect and affection of huge numbers of people. From his seat in Rome he addresses the developed world, much of which descended from the Christendom he represents; but from his Argentine roots he speaks to the developing world, and with firsthand knowledge of the poverty that is the fate of most on our planet.

So no one could have considered more usefully the first truly planetary question we've ever faced: the rapid heating of the earth from the consumption of fossil fuels. Scientists have done a remarkable job of getting the climate message out, reaching a workable consensus on the problem in relatively short order. But national political leaders, beholden to the fossil fuel industry, have been timid at best—Barack Obama, for instance, barely mentioned the question during the 2012 election campaign. Since Francis first announced plans for an encyclical on climate change, many have eagerly awaited his words.

Visit <u>http://www.dluc.ca</u> for a link to the full fascinating article.

Clean Water for Africa



Outreach by Deer Lake members often happens outside our church and sometimes has an impact far beyond our community. One example is Water School, which promotes and implements a low tech approach to providing clean water in Haiti, Kenya and Uganda. Tony W is the African Program Coordinator at Water School. He writes:

"2014 was another outstanding year of outreach and training at WaterSchool. We taught our program to 165,000 new individuals and 12 new primary schools in rural Uganda, and we continue to work with several thousand people in Mukuru, one of the most desperate slums in Nairobi.

"I am heading back to Kenya and Uganda in November, and will update you after that with current events."

Talk to Tony or visit <u>www.waterschool.com</u> for more information.





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www.stephenlewisfoundation.org



Upcoming Events At and Around Deer Lake United Church

Animate: Faith

Wednesdays, October 7 – November 25 (except November 11) @ 10:30am in the narthex. Resources have been distributed to those who have signed up

Gogo's Art Sale

Saturday, October 10 @ 10:00am - 3:00pm. See ad on page 7 for more details.

Fall Craft Sale

Saturday, October 24 @ 10:00am - 2:00pm. All ages welcome.

Halloween Dance

Friday, October 30 @ 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. All ages welcome.

Bowling Night

Friday, November 13 @ 7:00pm at Orchard Lanes (Kingsway & Willingdon). This is an all ages event.

Choir Christmas Fund Raiser

Friday, December 4 @ 7:00pm in the sanctuary. All ages welcome. Invite your family and friends! More details to follow.

Communion Set Up

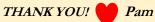
The Worship Committee is looking for a few people to take turns every couple of months to set up communion before church. The instructions are posted in the hall and the task is not difficult. Please speak with Rev. Tracy, Shirley M, or Mary C if you are able to assist

Bob Creates New Office Cubical For Don



A Note of Thanks from Pam

I just wanted to convey how touched and grateful I am for the outpouring of love, kindness, words of encouragement and support from my Deer Lake family after my Mom's passing in August. Just knowing that others understand such loss and are loving me through this grieving process means so much.





Chelsea and baby Denise



Deer Lake says thankyou to the Care Ringers

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