



**PORT
PERRY**
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Connection News

for the week of
April 12th to April 19th

There is still time to book your professional photo session for our upcoming church photo directory!! You can reach out to **Leanne Ashbridge** on Saturday, April 13th, before 1:00 p.m., for assistance by telephone at 905-985-9520.



The **church band** will be tuning up for Heritage Sunday on May 5th, under the leadership of Charles White. Rehearsals will continue today and Sunday, April 21st and 28th, after morning worship.



The Christian Education Committee is hosting a **pot-luck supper and family games night** on **Saturday, April 27th**, gathering at 5:30 p.m. Bring your favourite board game or a deck of cards; from bridge or euchre to Catan, Clue, or Go Fish. This is a night for all ages and interests. Come and have fun with your church family! If you would like to stay afterward to help clean up, please contact the office and let us know. Thanks!

Campers, mark your calendar! This year's **church camping weekend** is Friday, June 21st, to Sunday, June 23rd, at Riverwood Campground in Lindsay. For more information and to let him know that you are interested, please email Tim Chasse (timchasse39@gmail.com). **The deposit to hold your site is due by April 28th.**

Our next Souper Sunday is April 28th!! Please plan to stay after morning worship and enjoy a delicious soup lunch, mac and cheese, and ice cream sundaes! There is no charge for the lunch; donations are gratefully received. All proceeds will go to local charities. Thank you so much for all your support of this yummy project!!



The **sacrament of infant baptism** will be celebrated on Sunday, May 12th. Please contact the church office, by Sunday, May 5th, if you have an infant or child whom you wish to have baptized. A baptism preparation session will be held on Wednesday, May 8th, at 7:00 p.m., in the resource room at Port Perry United Church.



The Stewardship Committee is hosting a **heritage dinner on Saturday, May 4th, at 5:30 p.m. Come and enjoy black forest ham with delicious scalloped potatoes and all the fixings!** Tickets are \$20 per person. Tickets will be on sale Sunday April 21st and Sunday April 28th, in the church auditorium following morning worship, or in the church office during the week.

Our Church Council has approved the **hiring of two contract positions in the church**. One is a **Children's Program Director** (8 to 10 hours a week, \$20 per hour) and the other is a **Technical Lead** (5 hours a week, \$20 per hour). **Full training is provided for both positions.** Copies of the position descriptions are available in the mail slot outside the office door. Resumes may be submitted to the church administrator, or left in the envelopes by the church office door.

The reUnion Choir, directed by Eleanor Bailey, will be presenting an afternoon of Broadway & Canadian choral works on **Sunday, May 5th, at 2:30 pm, at Sunderland United Church** in support of North House. Come & enjoy this wonderful Community Choir. A freewill offering will be accepted by members of Sunland Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star with all proceeds going to North House.

Mark Friday, May 17th, to Sunday, May 26th, on your calendars! **These are the dates for our Stewardship Committee's spring on-line auction.** Please start thinking about what you might like to donate.

Plans for Vacation Bible Camp are underway! The dates for the camp this summer are July 8th to 12th, 9:00 a.m. to noon. There are many ways to help contribute to the success of the camp. Most importantly, we need adults to help prepare and serve snack each day of camp, adults to help with the closing hotdog lunch, and adults or older teens to help with supervising and supporting campers as they move from one activity to the next. **Please let the church office know if you are able to lend a hand for one or more days of Vacation Bible Camp.** Thanks in advance!

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The **Men's Fellowship group** meets every Tuesday, at 10:00 a.m., in the lounge.

The **UCW Matha Unit** meets on Tuesday, April 16th, at 12:30 p.m., in the lounge.

The **Church Council** meets on Tuesday, April 16th, at 7:00 p.m., in the lounge.

The **UCW Esther Unit** meets on Thursday, April 18th, at 1:00 p.m., in the lounge.



**Port Perry United Church
Spring Rummage Sale
Friday, April 19th, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
& Saturday, April 20th, 9:00 a.m.
to 3:00 p.m.**

Celebrate 48 Years of Reducing, Reusing & Recycling!

Spring is here! It's time to clean out our closets, nooks, and crannies of the things we haven't used in the last 5(?) years. We welcome **donations** of clean family clothing, footwear, accessories, jewellery, small housewares and décor, linens, sports equipment, tools, toys, children's books only, CDs, DVDs, seasonal items, and decorations. No electronics or TVs please. **Donations may be left in the downstairs storage room.** *When making donations, if possible, please put items in a box or a tote for drop off, to reduce the amount of plastic waste.* Please contact Brenda Robinson at 905-985-2903, if you need a pick-up.

The volunteers who make it happen are the heart of the sale!

Helpers are needed:

Wednesday, April 17th, 7:15 p.m.: to bring items from storage

Thursday, April 18th, 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.: to unpack and set out donations (as many as possible for each shift)

Friday, April 19th, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.: to monitor the rooms (6 helpers each shift); 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.: (4 helpers)

Saturday, April 20th, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.: to consolidate items (4 helpers)

1:00 p.m.: to pack up items for Diabetes (14 helpers)

1:30 p.m.: to take boxes and bags to storage room, take down tables and put them back where they belong (8 strong helpers)

Please contact Jill Bates, email jillybeanbates@hotmail.com or phone at 905-985-6014, if you can give the gift of time.