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Connection News

for the week of
October 9, 2026 – October 16, 2026

Following morning worship this Sunday, we invite everyone to come **to the auditorium** for social time, and **coffee.**

Upcoming Events

We are in need of volunteers to support our Sunday School classes. If you're able to help, please reach out to Tracy (youth@portperryunited.com).

The Heat & Light Campaign began Sept. 1st with the commencement of our two month long Pledge Campaign. Pledge packages that were not picked up over the last month, will now have been mailed out. You have until October 31st to return your pledges, in the provided return envelope, to the office marked Treasurer, or to the designated box in the sanctuary.

Stay tuned for updates on the work happening at the church and our progress toward our goal of $137,000!

Questions may be sent to carolynnmackinnon@hotmail.com or any member of your church Council.

Port Perry United Church

Annual

Rummage Sale

Family Clothing & Accessories • Footwear • Jewellery • Linens • Craft Supplies • Small Housewares and Decor • Seasonal Items and Holiday Decorations only • Children's Books, Only • Toys • Games • CDs & DVDs • Tools • Sports Equipment • and MORE!

*** THIS IS A CASH ONLY SALE ***

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16
9:00 AM – 7:00 PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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FALL Rummage Sale
Sale Days – October 16 & 17, 2026
Celebrating many Years of Reducing, Reusing and Recycling!

Fall is here! It's time to clean out our closets, nooks and crannies of the things we haven't used in the last (?) years. We welcome donations of clean family clothing, footwear, accessories, jewellery, small housewares and décor, linens, sports equipment, tools, toys, *children's books only*, seasonal items, CDs, DVDs, etc.
Please – No Electronics, TVs, furniture, used water bottles, helmets, golf clubs or car seats *When making donations, if possible, please put items in a box or tote for drop off to reduce the amount of plastic waste.*

Donations may be left on the downstairs storage room. Please contact Brenda Robinson if you need a pickup. 905-985-2903 or 905-259-1725.

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

Helpers are needed:

Wednesday, Oct 14: 10:00 am – to help set up tables (4 – 6 helpers)
7:15 pm - bring items from storage room. (10 Helpers)
Thursday, Oct 15: 8:30 am – 11:00 am; 11:00 – 1:00 pm; and 1:00 – 3:00 pm to unpack and set out donations. As many as possible for each shift
Friday, Oct. 16: 8:30 am – 12:00 noon and 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm; (6 helpers each shift)
4:00 pm – 7:00 pm 4 helpers to monitor the rooms.
Saturday, Oct. 17: 8:30 am – 12 noon 4 helpers to consolidate items
12 noon - 14 helpers to pack up items for Diabetes and take boxes to storage room
1:30 pm – 4-6 helpers to take down tables and/or put them back in their original room

Students, are you looking for volunteer hours? Consider volunteering!

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

Men's Coffee Group has resumed on Tuesday mornings @ 10 a.m. in the Lounge.

Women's Coffee Hour – Thursday mornings in Lounge from 9:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Quilters – Thursday, October 15th from 9 – Noon, in the auditorium

Grade 6-8 Youth Group will be held October 23, 2026 at 7pm in the auditorium

Worship Committee - November 3, 2026, 7pm, hybrid- in the Sunday School Room and on Zoom

Mark a Special Occasion: Sponsor a Sunday bulletin in honour of a birthday, anniversary, milestone, or other meaningful occasion. Contact the church office to find out more.

Curious about what teaching Sunday School is actually like?
If you have ever thought about volunteering, but you are not quite sure what's involved. We invite you to come down during Sunday School any time and see what we do. There's no commitment and you might be surprised at how simple—and how much fun—it can be!

URGENT: We are in need of a Grade 1-3 Sunday School teacher for October. Please connect with Tracy if you can help - a single Sunday or the whole month!

Upcoming Services

- **October 11** – Thanksgiving Sunday
- **October 25** – Baptism

Volunteer to Livestream

Our Livestream Team is a critical part of our ministry and serves those in our congregation who are not able attend our services in person on Sunday morning. The Team also manages the sound and cameras in the sanctuary for special events including concerts, weddings and funerals.

Starting in September, we will need more members for this Team to assist by participating approximately once a month. These same volunteers may be occasionally asked to help with other church events.

The skills necessary are not complicated or complex, but you do need attention to detail and a commitment to the program. We try to keep it simple and nobody is perfect - but we want to do a good job.

If you are interested please contact Carolynn MacKinnon at carolynnmackinnon@hotmail.com to speak about participating. All ages are welcome! And, we like to have fun!

Scripture READERS and opening welcome/announcement READERS are needed!

Our congregation is fortunate to have so many people contribute to the life and work of our church. Thank you! Reading scripture during our services and reading the welcome/announcements at the beginning of the service are two such ways to contribute. So, if you are someone who would like to do a little reading, we need you! We have a list of people but it needs a bit of updating so please let Rusty Hick know via call, text, or email: **416 356-3975** or **rustyjulie@outlook.com**
(*If you think you're on the list but are unsure or haven't been contacted in a while please contact Rusty.) **THANK YOU!!**

It's that time of year again! Your Hospitality Committee is preparing letters to be mailed to students from our congregation who are studying at College or University (either away or at home). These letters will be mailed out in mid November. If your family has a student who would appreciate a letter, please let the church office know. We will need the student's mailing address and their area of study. Many thanks.

Ladies, we are exploring something new at PPUC! We are thinking of a new group for women focused on those among us who, for various reasons, feel they are at a crossroads in life. It is a time to laugh, relax and, connect with others facing similar challenges. There is no agenda, executive, commitment, or additional responsibilities. It is an hour to share a cup of coffee with church family. The hope is it will provide an opportunity to make closer friendships, act as a sounding board for solutions to everyday problems, discover mutual interests and share lots of laughter. If this meets a need you have and you want to join us on this new path, we will gather in the lounge every **Thursday morning between, 10:00 and 11:00 a.m.** Come once. Come occasionally. Come every week. Come and enjoy time with friends. Contact Bronwen Quirk at 905 440 6195 for more information.

Prince Albert United Church Commemorative Banners, (Hanging on the sanctuary's south wall)

In 1991 the UCW of PAUC decided to create banners to commemorate the 125th Anniversary of the building. Nancy-Lou Patterson of Kitchener who was a Canadian artist, known for her liturgical design, was asked to create the design for the banners. She chose the theme of Seedtime and Harvest.
The quilters at Prince Albert United spent many hours piecing, sewing and quilting the banners. On September 22, 1991 the banners were hung at the front of the sanctuary and dedicated to the Glory of God.

"Getting A Grip on The Bible"
A Bible Study - Wednesdays at 1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Bible Study

Join us as we look again at the Bible.
If you would like to prepare for next week,
please read The Book of Exodus chapter 20 and chapter 21.

The church would like to thank the UCW for very generously paying for a new podium microphone. The new microphone, which is longer and more modern, should allow us to hear speakers more clearly and eliminate any feedback. We are very grateful.

There will not be a Friday message next week, as I will be on vacation. The next Friday message will be on Friday, October 23, 2026.

Save Saturday, November 7th, for our Fall Fun and Fundraising Auction!

This is a wonderful opportunity to come together to support our busy and vibrant Church.
Many exciting and creative Silent and Live auction items will be on offer.
We always appreciate the wonderful donations of popular items such as:

- **Handcrafted items**: woodworking, quilting, knitting, artwork
- **Homemade foods**: preserves, treats, dinners, tea-times, baked goods
- **Themed gift baskets**: cozy winter kits, reading baskets, family movie night, spa baskets, games/puzzles
- **Services**: car detailing, local deliveries, babysitting, tutoring, minor household repairs
- **Unique experiences**: nature walks, live music performances, personal chef for a day

- **Gift cards**: gift cards from local merchants – perfect for supporting our community
- **Events**: sports, theatre

Plenty of possibilities!

And, to keep things hopping, auctioneer Neil Bacon will be on hand! Auction donation forms are available on the Church website and in the Church office.

Contact Jennifer Shields at jshields3450@hotmail.com or Brenda Robinson at bandprobinson@gmail.com for more information and auction donation ideas.

Get your thinking caps on! We are eager to hear from you!

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Happy
Thanksgiving