



SEPTEMBER 2026 NEWSLETTER



NOT-THE-PARK SERVICE

The rain might have kept us from gathering in the park, but there was still a lawn chair in sight, some "park- style music" with the Morvay family, and some great hot dogs for lunch.



UPCOMING BIBLE STUDY

We are planning a Bible Study for the fall.

We'll read the gospel of Mark as a handbook for discipleship using "Say to This Mountain" by Ched Myers (link below). This study of Mark's story of Jesus and how it speaks to our world will be longer than past Bible studies. Please let Rev. George know if you're interested, and once we have a group together, we can determine our meeting times and duration. At that time, we'll also see if we can order the books in bulk at a lower cost.

<https://bcmonline.org/1996/01/01/say-to-this-mountain-marks-story-of-discipleship/>

RALLY SUNDAY

September means it is time to get young people involved in Sunday School again and welcome volunteers to help with the Sunday School program. Supplies, curriculum and support are provided. It's a great way to get to know the wonderful young people in our church.

Rally Sunday will be September 13th - the start of a new Sunday School year and hotdogs and ice cream on the lawn.

Contact Sarah Morvay or Peggy for more information.

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PRIDE PARADE



AFFIRMING CHURCHES

Once again, we celebrated our Affirming United Churches with Tecumseh United at the Pride Parade in August. A special feature was the roller skating Ministers!

FINANCE COMMITTEE

As at the end of July, our financial reports show that our revenues were \$14,822. Expenses were \$15,224, leaving a small deficit of \$402. There has been a cumulative 3-month shortfall of \$6,771. This is somewhat normal for slower months, and hopefully these deficits turn into surpluses as the fall approaches. On July 15th your finance committee had a financial review of its records and internal controls for Emmanuel United. Walter Pizzolitto and Al Parnell of Roseland-Trinity United Church's finance committee conducted the review, and the results of their scrutiny can be summed up in their letter: "Your records are maintained with diligence, accuracy and transparency, reflecting the faithful stewardship entrusted by this congregation."

Congratulations to Linda Parks (Past Treasurer), Scott Harrop, Melissa Yau, Heather Davidson, and Bill Totten (Past Chair), and the Executive Council, not to mention Rev. George, for their dedication and efforts on our behalf.

Congrats to Michele McGregor and her crew of volunteers for funds raised at the Lincoln Road Block Sale.

Our finance committee will be hosting the after-service coffee hour for the month of September -- which we can all enjoy
Thank you all for your faithful giving.



THE BLOCK SALE TEAM IN ACTION!

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OUTREACH

It's back to school time and both the Windsor Youth Centre and DTM Food Bank could use non-perishable snacks for kids, such as granola bars, fruit cups, juice boxes, snack sized cookies and crackers, etc. Thanks for your continued support to those in need.

UPCOMING HOUSING EVENT



Making a Difference: Alternatives to Market Housing
Exploring Possibilities for Developing Supportive and/or Affordable Housing in Our Community.

Speakers with local examples and discussion

Moderator: Fabio Costante CEO, Windsor Essex Community Housing Corp.
September 17@ 7 p.m. - Emmanuel United Church, 1728 Lincoln Rd.

Speakers:

- Angela Yakonich from Windsor Family Homes Coalition
- Krista Rempel from the Bridge Youth Resource Centre (Leamington)
- Jason Weinberg from Windsor Residence for Young Men
- Larry McKenzie from St. Vincent's on Huron in London

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Bring your friends and neighbours for this important conversation

AFFIRMING CORNER

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Lately, an awful lot is being said about transgender people, most particularly trans girls and women. A lot of fear, misinformation and noise. Recently, anonymous fliers have been left on windshields in Windsor, stoking fears about trans girls in local public schools using female washrooms, change rooms and participating in girls' sports. These views are all around us, and as allies, we need to understand and be able to articulate the facts, while supporting and protecting our trans community members. So, we on the Affirming Committee want to take a little time here to address some of these issues. Please take time to read this:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kxWMBcsycTSBX9V8_xCiOM_JVJFB1DypSiD4-Hcycdo/edit?usp=sharing

FUTURE COMMITTEE

This summer the Future Committee has continued learning a lot about effective, positive ways of working towards a clear plan for our church's future. We worked with the EUC Trustees to address a proposal from the City of Windsor, stating that Emmanuel United was scheduled to be officially designated a heritage building. Together, we succeeded in requesting a deferral of that proposal. We also met with Kendra Fry, who is an expert on church transformation and 'social purpose real estate.' We are excited about what we are learning, and we look forward to sharing what we have learned with you, our congregation, this fall. We're eager to hear your thoughts and dreams for our church. Stay tuned!

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750 FOR PEACE

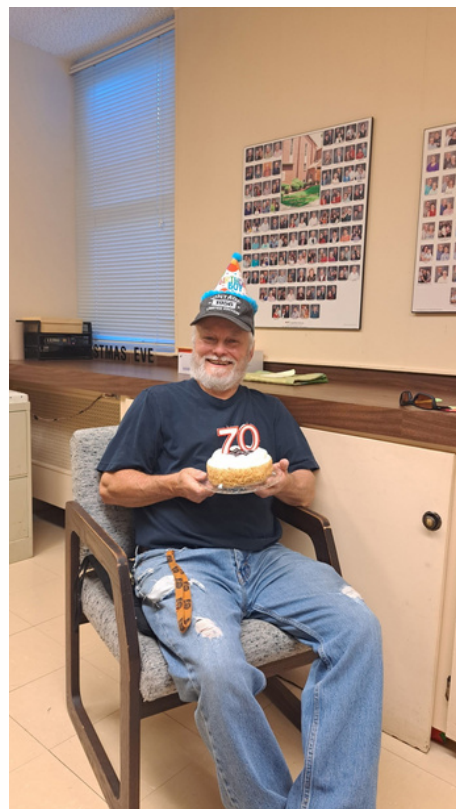


WELCOME BACK TEAJAI!

How wonderful it was to welcome Teajai (and his support team of Ninia and Menko) back from their 750+ km. walk in support of local youth organizations in our community. Teajai is clear that the journey is not over, and encourages everyone to consider if they are able to give time or financial support to the Windsor Youth Centre or the Sandwich Teen Action Centre.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY DAN!



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