

Kimberley United Church

Food for the Soul - Friends for the Journey

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Dates to Remember

October 2:

World Communion Sunday at 10:00

Blessing of the Animals at 2:00

October 9: Thanksgiving Sunday

October 16: World Food Sunday

Covenanting Service at 2:30

October 26: Halloween Hootenanny

October 29: United 4 Kids Pumpkin
Carving

October 30: All Saints Sunday

November 6: Remembrance Sunday

KUC Council Report

The fall session at Kimberley United has begun. We welcome back each member of our congregation from a summer of what we hope provided relaxation and peacefulness, beautiful weather, quiet moments in nature, visiting with family and friends and time to enjoy God's bountiful blessings. Whatever your summer activity we are grateful for your renewed energy and commitment to making KUC a place where all are welcome and all are invited to participate in our many activities and programs.

Rev. Christine Dudley joined us as our new minister on Aug 1. We are blessed to have her gentle spirit and generous way guide us as we at Kimberley United continue along the path that is our faith journey. Her experience, commitment and dedication will enable and inspire this community of faith. (continued on page 2)

This Thanksgiving let us be especially aware of and thankful for our blessings and gifts, which God has bestowed upon each of us for the benefit and good of all. By appreciating and sharing what we have, and what we can offer, not only the church but the community of Kimberley and indeed the world will be lasting beneficiaries.

Happy Thanksgiving
Diana Semenchuk

Rev. Christine Dudley

*“We are autumn people. We are always called to be in the process
of growing and changing. May our minds and hearts
be open to this inner season which is part of us.
May we trust you, Autumn God, who calls us to grow.”*

Joyce Rupp

Autumn is my favourite season of the year. There is something special about the crisp sunny days and the colourful foliage that brightens my life and enlivens my imagination. At this time of the year, Summer is giving way to Autumn and Creation reminds us that change is a natural part of life.

In this time of change and transition there is so much for which I am grateful. I am grateful for: the beauty of the mountains and bright blue sky days; the warmth of welcoming arms; walks along woodland paths with new friends; the love of family and friends; a caring community of faith; new challenges and beloved rituals in worship and in everyday living. In the nearly two months that Jody and I have lived in Kimberley we have begun to get to know our church community and are enjoying settling into our new home. We are grateful for your patience as we learn your names and for your gracious assistance as we learn the customs and history of our new church family.

We have much to look forward to this Fall: Worldwide Communion Sunday (Oct. 2nd); Blessing of the Animals (Oct. 2nd, 2:00) Thanksgiving Sunday (Oct. 9th); Covenanting Service that will celebrate the new pastoral relationship that I have with the staff and congregation of Kimberley United Church (Oct. 16th, 2:30); All Saints’ Sunday (Oct. 30); a book study featuring Desmond Tutu’s book, *God Has a Dream: A Vision of Hope for our Time*; lectionary Bible Study at Garden View; Hallowe’en Tea (Oct. 26th); *United 4 Kids* Pumpkin Carving Event (Oct. 29th) just to name a few.

I look forward to visiting and getting to know everyone very well. I give thanks for this vibrant community of faith and for the many opportunities for spiritual nurture, learning and service that we will share in our time together. (continued on page 3)

At this time of the year, when we recognize the abundance of our life together, we give thanks to God the source and sustainer of life:

*“May thanksgiving overflow in our hearts
and often be proclaimed in our prayers.
May we gather around the table
with ardent faithfulness, kindness, and thanksgiving
for each person who is dear to us.
...May we always be open, willing,
and ready to share our blessings with others.
And, may we never forget the Generous One
who loves us lavishly and unconditionally.”
Joyce Rupp, p. 207, Out of the Ordinary; adapted*

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Committee members: Rev. Christine Dudley, Carol Andrews, Terry Macham, Michael Jones, Joan Giesbrecht, Pauline Bethune, Esther Jacobson chair.

I hope everyone had a good summer it was one of change for our church family, as we said goodbye to Jeff and Don Seaton at the end of June and welcomed Christine and Jody Dudley in August.

Many thanks to the people who led worship on the 5 Sundays in July having such gifted and willing folks is a true blessing.

Nov. 27th is the 1st Sunday of Advent. On Sat. Nov. 12th, there will be an Advent planning workshop---9:30 A.M. to 1 P.M. in the upper hall. Anyone interested in helping to plan for this special time is most welcome to attend.

COMMUNION : We will continue to celebrate Communion on the 1st Sunday of each month, alternating between seated and ‘stations’. Any changes are announced in the bulletin.

Next Communion: October 2rd.

PINES SERVICES: Once per month, (usually on the 1st Monday) @ 10:30 A.M. Any changes are announced in the bulletin. Thanks to Myra for leading the services when called upon, and to the folks who come to join the residents in worship Joyce, Donna, Pat, Elsie.

CHOIR: Rehearsals take place every Thursday @ 6 P.M., beginning Sept 22nd.

New members are always welcome.

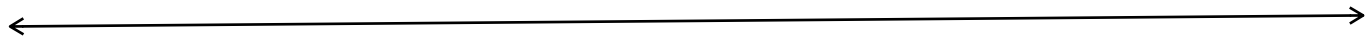
Blessings,
Esther Jacobson.

Trustee's Report

The Trustees have been busy getting information on the United Church of Canada Foundation for investing funds. Various churches have invested through this fund and we have been asking questions of these churches on their investments. We are hoping to make a decision in the near future on whether to invest our trust funds with The United Church of Canada Foundation.

Meanwhile all of our trust funds are now in 2 GIC's with the Royal Bank. The Organ Fund amount of \$9,324.01 was invested in a GIC and The Legacy Fund amount of \$77,778.73 was invested in a GIC. Before these GIC's were purchased, \$3700 was transferred to the church account.

Submitted by Linda Johnson on behalf of the Trustees - Bill Bale, Scott Owen, Graham Mann, Louise Welsh, and Linda Johnson



Gallery

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Rev. Christine Dudley became our minister on August 1.



Baptism of Yvette and Broden



Garage Sale at the church was huge success.



United 4 Kids day camp at Camp Stone

HALLOWEEN HOOTENANNY

Wednesday, October 26th

1 PM - 3 PM

UPPER HALL ... WHEELCHAIR ACCESS

There will be:

Goodies Galore

Music by Tuck's Troubadours

Hugs, Smiles, FUN!!!

Costumes welcome, too!

Annual Fellowship Tea (It's free)