

## While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

While shepherds watched their  
flocks by night,  
All seated on the  
ground,  
The angel of the  
Lord came down,  
And glory shone  
around.

“Fear not!” said  
he, for mighty  
dread  
Had seized their  
troubled mind;  
“Glad tidings of  
great joy I bring  
To you and all  
mankind.

“To you, in David’s town, this day  
Is born of David’s line  
A Savior, who is Christ the Lord,  
And this shall be the sign:

“The heav’nly Babe you there shall find  
To human view displayed,  
All meanly wrapped in swathing bands,  
And in a manger laid.”



Thus spake the seraph and forthwith  
Appeared a shining throng  
Of angels praising God on high,  
Who thus addressed their song:

“All glory be to God on high,  
And to the Earth be peace;  
Good will henceforth from heav’n to men  
Begin and never cease!”

- Nahum Tate

## UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

### Sunday, December 3, 2023 – Advent I

#### **International Day of Persons with Disabilities**

10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday School/Youth Group  
Holy Communion

### Sunday, December 10, 2023 – Advent II

#### **Human Rights Day**

10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday School/Youth Group  
White Gift Sunday

### Sunday, December 17, 2023 – Advent III

10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday School/Youth Group

### Sunday, December 24, 2023 – Advent IV

10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday School/Youth Group

### Sunday, December 24, 2023 – Advent IV

#### **Christmas Eve Night Service**

7:00 PM Lessons and Carols

### Sunday, December 31, 2023 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday After Christmas

#### **New Year's Eve**

10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday School/Youth Group

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### Sunday January 7, 2024 – The Baptism of the Lord

10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday School/Youth Group

### Sunday January 14, 2024 - 2<sup>nd</sup> After Epiphany

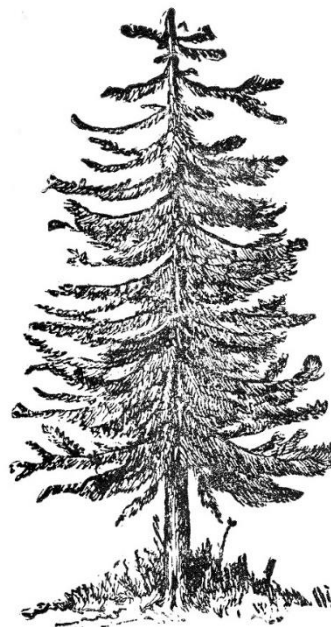
10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday School/Youth Group

### Sunday January 21, 2024 – 3<sup>rd</sup> After Epiphany

10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday School/Youth Group

### Sunday January 28, 2024 – 4<sup>th</sup> After Epiphany

10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday School/Youth Group



## UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

Tuesday Morning Fellowship Group – every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. –  
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Last gathering for the season is Dec. 12/23. Group will  
resume on Tuesday Jan. 9/24.

Exercise with Christine – Tuesday Dec. 12/23 at 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 pm  
in the Chapel. \$5 Weekly Fee.

Last class for the season is Dec. 12/23.

Group will resume on Tuesday Jan. 9/24.

UCW Christmas Candlelight Service - Wednesday Dec.  
6/23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Sanctuary.

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## **Worship News - Doreen Halle (Chair, Worship Committee)**

Here is what is planned for Advent and the Christmas season.

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|----------------------|------------------------------|---|
| <b>Advent 1</b>      | <b>Sunday, December 3rd</b>  | Holy Communion<br>Rev. Sue Genge will be our guest worship leader.                    |
| <b>Advent 2</b>      | <b>Sunday, December 10th</b> | White Gift Sunday*<br>Susan Pleasance will be leading us for the remainder of Advent. |
| <b>Advent 3</b>      | <b>Sunday, December 17th</b> |   |
| <b>Advent 4</b>      | <b>Sunday, December 24th</b> | regular service at 10:30 a.m.   |
| <b>Christmas Eve</b> | <b>Sunday, December 24th</b> | service at 7:00 p.m.-- Lessons and Carols   |
| <b>New Years Eve</b> | <b>Sunday, December 31st</b> | Susan Reed will be our guest worship leader.  |

\* Gifts will be brought forward and placed under the tree during offering time.

# SEEN AROUND PVUC



Lisa Norman, (LLWL) was our guest speaker on PVUC Anniversary Sunday, October 29, 2023.



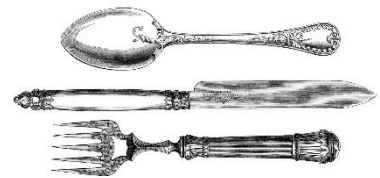
PVUC CE Fellowship Luncheon held on Sunday, October 29, 2023 - The CE Fellowship Luncheon Team!



(left-rt) Sharon Magnaye, Shirley Whitely, Sharon Hull, Ana Ocampo at the PVUC CE Fellowship Luncheon



Alexandre Wagner at the CE Fellowship Luncheon with our gourmet hot dogs





**PVUC Remembrance Day Service, Sunday, November 05, 2023 - David and Chris MacCutchan with our memorial wreaths.**



**Rev. David Jones distributing candies at the end of the PVUC service - Sunday, November 12, 2023. The candies are intended to spread goodwill to someone who needs a smile.**



**Marla Walters, (on the right) Director of CFC (Christian Faith Outreach Centre) was a guest speaker at the UCW meeting held on Tuesday, November 14, 2023. This organization is responsible for Shelters and Community Outreach Programs in Durham.**



Photos taken by Chris MacCutchan and Dianne Catchpole



## Financial Report - PVUC Financial Picture - from the Treasurer - Bill Fox

When you read this, the Christmas Season will officially be here. As of November 24<sup>th</sup>, our bank account is at a healthy \$24,072.00. We still have some expenses to pay out of this, in particular the Nov 30<sup>th</sup> payroll which is \$2058.00 and the final balance of the Annual Assessment approx. \$5150.00, but still, it is nice to have these funds in hand. The month of November was helped greatly by receipt from UCW of \$3000.00, this was from the Christmas Market. By the looks of this the market was a great success and from Sean and I, a great big thank you.

	September	October	November
<b><u>Givings</u></b>			
PAR	8,431.82	8,416.32	8,416.32
E-Transfers	1,903.00	838.00	275.00
Envelopes	2,870.00	4,284.00	2,105.00
Rental	2,550.00	4,960.00	2,225.00
UCW			3,000.00
HST Refund			
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,754.82</b>	<b>18,498.32</b>	<b>16,021.32</b>
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>			
Payroll	4317.21	4316.36	4116.36
Operating	7,576.33	5,910.89	6,187.14
Utilities	779.41	931.44	1,024.56
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,672.95</b>	<b>11,158.69</b>	<b>11,328.06</b>
Revenues over Expenses	\$3,081.87	\$7,339.63	\$4,693.26

The giving's are down from prior months, but there is still one Sunday left in November. Also, of note now that the year is almost over, there has been no requirement from the Trustees to assist the General Fund this year.

I would like to thank the congregation for their continued support of the General Fund.

From Sean and I, thank you and we wish you a Joyous and Merry Christmas.

Respectfully, William Fox



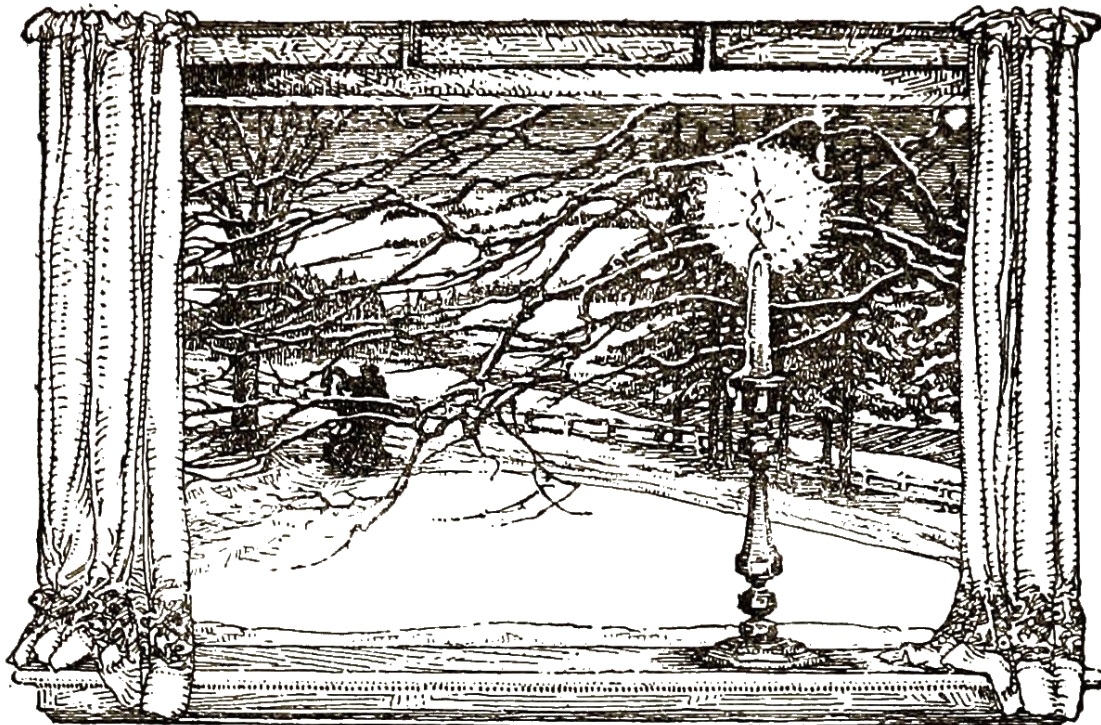
## Tuesday Morning Fellowship Group (TMFG) - Rowena Dunlop

As autumn slowly moves towards winter, TMFG members seem to be busier than ever! Preparations for the PVUC Christmas Market moved into full swing as everyone did their part – volunteering, baking, crafting, etc. After that, all hands were “on deck” for making care bags for the homeless. There was a great support from the church community through donated supplies, sewn bags, as well as money, which was used to purchase extra items which were needed. Packaging the items for the bags is now the next big job.

On Tuesday, November 14 the UCW and TMFG got together for a brown bag lunch (dessert & drinks supplied) and listened to a presentation by 2 members of the Christian Faith Outreach Centre (CFOC) for Durham. As they explained, with many services in one location, it can help people stay connected to available supports. In Ajax, the hubs and street outreach teams can provide these services and support to the unhoused members of our community. It was a moving as well as an educational presentation.

TMFG has decided to have its last 2023 meeting on Dec. 12 and resume on Jan. 9, 2024, with a regular get-together and a post-holiday potluck on January 16.

We wish everyone the best for Christmas and hope to see you at the TMFG meetings in 2024!



## CHANGES

### Our Sympathy

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Daisy Brimbecom. Daisy passed away on October 24, 2023 in Unionville. Please continue to keep her family in prayer.

For our church family and friends who recently lost loved ones, we send our deepest condolences and prayers of comfort to you during this difficult time.

*Remember days of gladness; Remember times of joy;*

*Remember all the moments that grief cannot destroy.*  
#494 Voices United

## NEWS FROM THE PEWS



**Dominic Baird was baptized at PVUC on Sunday, October 01, 2023. Seen here with his parents, Thomas Baird and Melissa Murray.**

### **CONTRIBUTIONS TO NEWS FROM THE PEWS**

Do you have an upcoming birthday or anniversary (or other good news to share)? Please send a brief description of your event/news to [pvuc@pvuc.ca](mailto:pvuc@pvuc.ca) or [brian.catchpole@sympatico.ca](mailto:brian.catchpole@sympatico.ca). and we will print your message in the next issue of PVUC Voice. Photos are welcome.

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