

ERAMOSA PASTORAL CHARGE

**Barrie Hill & Speedside
United Churches**

**Fall 2024
NEWSLETTER**



Eramosa Pastoral Charge



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Mission Statement

Arising from a deeply rooted faith in God, known to us through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, we, the people of Eramosa Pastoral Charge, celebrate that we are a Christian community striving to share our faith, friendship, fun, music and other talents. We do this through our unique rural approach to worship, Christian education, stewardship and pastoral care.



Eramosa Pastoral Charge

COME
Worship
WITH US

Speedside 9:30 a.m.

Barrie Hill 11:00 a.m.

The services will be recorded and posted on Sunday afternoons for those who wish to watch the service from the comfort of your home. Watch the services on our facebook page www.facebook.com/barriehillunited or our website: www.erasosapc.com



Join us for Thanksgiving Service on Sun. Oct. 13th.
Paul Knierim will be officiating at both churches.



Your EPC Minister Search Committee members (Glenn Boles, Paul Knierim, Lynn Parkinson, Wale Shamonda Gordon and Britney Weir) have met on a regular basis since April of this year. To this date, we contacted or were in contact with 64 candidates, and conducted first or second interviews with 7 of them. At this time, we have not yet found a suitable candidate to bring forward to the Official Board. Our committee will continue to work hard to find a suitable minister for both of our congregations.

Please feel free to contact Lynn Parkinson or Wale Shamonda Gordon (co-chairs) with any questions or concerns



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Thank you to Martha Amidon who has agreed to secure ministers and prepare Sunday services for the Pastoral Charge until a permanent minister has been hired.

Fall Ministerial Schedule:

Oct. 13	Paul Knierim
Oct 20	Susan Dunlop guest speaker – manse open house one service at BH 10:00 a.m.
Oct 27	Farmer Tim guest speaker – Anniversary one service BH 10:00 a.m.
Nov 3	Rev Tom Watson
Nov 10	Rev Willy van Arragon – Remembrance Services
Nov 17	Paul Knierim
Nov 24	Rev Anne Gajerski-Cauley
Dec 1	Rev Tom Watson – Communion-1 st Sunday of Advent
Dec 8	Paul Knierim
Dec 15	Rev Anne Gajerski-Cauley
Dec 22	Rev Willy van Arragon



Farewell Sunday for Rev Lena Medeiros was held at Speedside United Church on Sunday, July 28. We enjoyed having Rev Lena with us as our short term minister for 6 months.



Eramosa Pastoral Charge



Bless This House

Please Join Eramosa Pastoral Charge
(Speedside and Barrie Hill United Churches)

Sunday, October 20th

10:00 a.m. Joint Service

at Barrie Hill United Church

5702 Wellington Road 29

Guest Speaker Susan Dunlop: Growing Up at the Manse

and **Open House**

at the newly renovated Manse

11a.m.- noon

light refreshments

Come Celebrate With Us!





Eramosa Pastoral Charge

Thanks for supporting VBS camp. The campers had a fantastic time. We had 82 campers, 33 youth volunteers and a whole community of adult volunteers.

During the week they learned the Lord's prayer in both a Bible Story station and a Science station. They also visited games, crafts and music stations.

Thanks to Eramosa Pastoral Charge, Speedside and Barrie Hill UCWs for supporting this camp.

The campers enjoyed visits from a magician, Little Rays Reptiles and Mad Science.

We visited Country Heritage Park in Milton. (formerly the Agricultural Museum). We visited the barn full of farm animals, learned about apple products, dairy farms, bees, and pioneer life.

The food this week was fantastic. I hear that it is one of the favourite parts of camp.

One of the excitements of the week was watching some baby chickens hatch and petting a goat and baby pig.

The big tent was wonderful. It was easy to clean up after we ate and had a good breeze going through it.

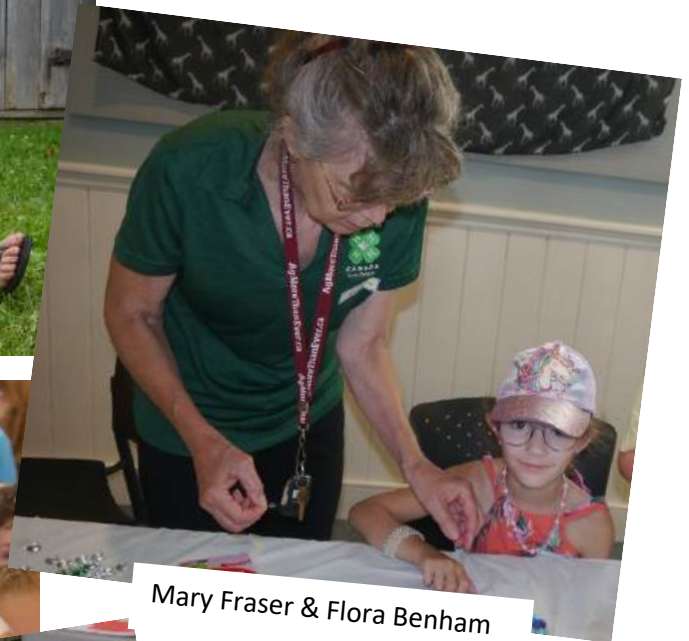
We really appreciate the grant that we received from the Eden Mills Up Fund to fund the tent.



Thank you to lead organizer Theresa Knierim (pictured 3rd from left) and to all the many volunteers who freely gave their time to help at VBS.

Autumn Kent
Gabbie Sharpe

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Mary Fraser & Flora Benham



Carol Card & Ellis Hearn

Country Heritage Park,
Milton



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Merv Auger and Bill Somerville working on renovations at the manse.



Our sympathies to the family of **Millie Smith**. Millie passed away on August 8th at the age of 91. Family and friends celebrated her long and rich life on Sunday, August 18th at The Gathering House at Thatcher Farms. Millie was the organist at Speedside Church and played at Barrie Hill on a number of occasions as well. She enjoyed her time with the Eramosa Pastoral Charge community.

CONNECT29 will be hosting euchre games at Barrie Hill Church on the first Monday of every month from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. and also on the 3rd Tuesday of every month from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

All are welcome to join in the fun and fellowship.



News from *Speedside*.....

In October **the Pletsch family** will travel to Powel River, BC, to attend the wedding of Paul & Faye's daughter. Mikayla Pletsch will marry Ashtn Mewport.

Mikayla is an RN & also acts as the mentor to all new nurses working at the hospital.
Ashtn is an electrician.



On September 13, Ontario Senator Rob Black announced his nominations for the honour of receiving the King Charles 111 Coronation Medals which commemorates the coronation of Charles 111. To be eligible, candidates must have made a significant contribution to Canada or to a particular province, territory, region or community of Canada, or must have made an outstanding achievement abroad that brings credit to Canada.

Congratulations to **Wendy Whittaker** who is nominated for her contributions in agriculture. Wendy has been involved in the Fergus Fall Fair for close to 40 years and also with 4-H. Wendy will be travelling to Ottawa on November 22nd, to receive this honor in the Senate of Canada building.



Speedside United Church held their 179th Anniversary service on Sunday, Sept. 29, 2024 with guest speaker, Wale Shamonda Gordon.

Refreshments, cake and fellowship followed the service in the church hall.



Speedside news...



Asa Gordons prize winning art work at the Fergus Fall Fair. *Congratulations Asa!*

SMILE



Smiling is infectious
You catch it like the flu,
When someone smiled at me today,
I started smiling too.

I passed around the corner,
And someone saw me grin,
When he smiled I realised,
I'd passed it on to him.

I thought about that smile,
Then realised it's worth,
A single smile just like mine,
Could travel round the earth.

So if you feel a smile begin,
Don't leave it undetected,
Let's start an epidemic quick,
And get the world infected.

Spike Mulligan



In loving memory of our father, father-in-law,
and grandpa, Walter Gordon.
May 23, 1943 - October 20, 2023



Speedside news...



Congratulations to **Ron Martin** on his milestone birthday. Ron celebrated with family and friends at an Open House held at Speedside United Church on Sun. Oct. 6, 2024



Speedside Members:



We thank you for your continued monetary contributions. You may want to consider PAR (pre-authorized remittance) –if you are interested, email Glenda Rose at gdrose0550@gmail.com or phone at 519-843-3425

News from *Barrie Hill*...



Tent Service Sunday July 8.

Barrie Hill made use of the VBS tent in the church parking lot one last time before it went down.

Lay reader Tim Card and pianist Brad Halls.



Rev. Lena Medeiros

Barrie Hill news...



After the service in the tent, we enjoyed ice cream made by 2 Farmers And A Cow, a mother/daughter team that use the Barrie Hill Kitchen to make their ice cream. Individual vanilla ice creams were topped with fresh strawberries and served with lemonade.



The choir sang a medley of old gospel hymns during the tent service.

Choir: front row: Susan Dunlop, Martha Amidon, Shirley McFarlane, Victoria McFarlane, Jean Kent, Raina Wright, Judy Parker.

Back row: Jean Van Wyck, Sandra Howatt, Pat Weir, Alex Lush, Ted Kent.



Barrie Hill news...

Ross Ealey, Susan Dunlop and Lynn Parkinson attended music band camp in July, along with Ross' brother Dave from Edmonton. He plays trumpet in a band similar to what they play in in Guelph. They haven't seen him in many years (pandemic etc) so they were very happy to have him there and at their home. Every evening they had line dancing and a singalong too. Lots of fun.



Jim and Shirley McFarlane are thrilled to announce the birth of their 1st Great Grandchild Paisley Brook McFarlane on June 10, 2024. First grandchild for Grandpa Jeff. Over the moon delighted parents are Will and Maddie.

♥ FEELING
blessed



Barrie Hill news...

News from the Parker Family...

It has been a busy, joyful summer for our family, with several exciting family events. Tracy and our son Steve were so happy celebrating the graduations of our two grandsons. Evan graduated in June from Sheridan college in Oakville and will soon be working in film and cinematography which he loves. Callum finished his studies and is now a real estate agent working in the Brantford area. Congratulations boys.

Our granddaughter Sarah and Dan welcomed a beautiful daughter, Kinsey Mae Scott into their family on Aug 13th. Jim and I were thrilled to meet our 4th great grandchild. The twins Aria and Paisley started Junior Kindergarten this month and Sarah and Dan celebrated their 1st wedding anniversary, a busy summer for the family.

Jim and I spent time at Laura's cottage in Quebec on beautiful Lake Kipawa. It is normally a 7 hour drive to Laniel Quebec where their boat is docked, but due to a major accident on hwy 400, it took us 9 hours to reach the dock. Following a 20 minute boat ride, we reached our destination. We spent 5 wonderful days with our family, living off grid in their cottage. It's amazing how well we can all survive using solar energy for all our needs, propane for some wonderful meals, and a beautiful Lake for supplying fresh fish and clean water for swimming. We watched movies and played board games, did puzzles, and had internet service. We take our hydro for granted, but yes, you can live off grid and enjoy the peace and beauty around us.



With all the rain this summer, the flowers were gorgeous, my Rose of Sharon bushes are still blooming. We have also enjoyed watching the wildlife in our own backyard including a mother deer with twin fawns and our flock of wild turkeys and their funny actions.

We thank God every day for all the blessings He sends us.



Barrie Hill news...

Parker family...



First
Day of
School



Barrie Hill news...

News from the Howatt Family.

Summer has slipped by quickly. Paul and I enjoyed our trailer up at Wiarton and we were able to visit friends on Manitoulin Island too. In late September I had the opportunity to fly out to Prince George BC, then drove with my cousin, Sandra, down to Penticton to visit her mom, my Aunt Iris. It was a 9 hour drive down, and I enjoyed seeing that part of BC. Aunt Iris is now 92 and her best friend in the village is 100! We enjoyed doing some housekeeping for Aunt Iris in her apartment and did some sewing for my cousin too. When we were heading to Penticton airport there was a family of deer grazing through the drive thru!

My cousin, Sandra and I went to a lovely young church in Summerland. They were celebrating 30 years since it was built.

In Penticton I only saw 1 stone building and 2 brick homes. Most structures are clapboard or siding. Our grandson Jack and his girlfriend left July 1 to hike the Pacific Crest Trail...for 5 months...from July to December. They have their supplies on their backs and pictures they send look incredible. Our other grandson Brandon, broke his wrist while in a motocross race, and fortunate to receive excellent care.

The Ennotville garage received a long service award from Chamber of Commerce in the spring. We have been very lucky to be healthy and able to enjoy our country this past year and our church and community and friends and family.



BC
family



Barrie Hill news...



Paul and
his buddy
Tom



Amy and Allison
Witzel, Sarah Shaw
Below: Brandon and
Jane Shaw



Braden, Jack, Olivia, Kris Guenther and Ellie



Sarah & Jane Shaw left, Olivia Guenther, Allison Witzel, Lily & Emma Howatt



Amy Witzel, Sandra & Paul Howatt, Michelle Green, Jane Shaw

Congratulations!

Barrie Hill Anniversary Service

Sunday, October 27th at 10:00 a.m.

Guest speaker Farmer Tim

Refreshments to follow the service.



Each month we are collecting items for the
Centre Wellington Food Bank.

October – jam

November – canned vegetables

December – specialty gift food items ie box of chocolates, candies, gingerbread house kit etc.

Drop off box in the foyer by the back door.

Thank you to Susan Dunlop for dropping off our collections at the Food Bank.

You can support Barrie Hill Financially

We Offer 4 Ways

1. E-transfer is now available to those who have online banking. Send donation to barriehillfinance@gmail.com No password needed.

2. You can now donate through **Canada Helps**.

Canada Helps is a registered charity which will receive donations for any registered charity in Canada. You can use a credit card or Pay Pal and your donation will be forwarded directly to Barrie Hill bank account. A charitable tax receipt is sent immediately from Canada Helps.

3. PAR – Pre-authorized payment.

PAR donations are debited to your bank or credit card on the 20th of each month.

To sign up for monthly PAR or for more information contact Brenda Auger at 519-830-0496 or mbauger1950@gmail.com PAR can be cancelled at any time.

4. Cheque – no cash

Mail to Barrie Hill Church – 5702 County Road 29, Rockwood, NOB 2K0 or Brenda Auger 7847 Mill Road, Guelph, N1H 6J1

Thank you for your support



Barrie Hill news...



Kris Guenther & Sandra Howatt
bagging dinners

Barrie Hill held a Drive Thru
Chicken BBQ Fundraiser on Wed.
Aug. 21, 2024

THANK YOU to all of the
organizers and volunteers who did
their part to make this a great
success. We are blessed with so
many willing hands.



Right – boxing dinners Martha Amidon

Left - Corn wrappers Victoria
McFarlane & Jean Kent

Below - Sandra Howatt, & Victoria
McFarlane



Below - Tom McFarlane &
Jane Shaw boxing up dinners



Above -
corn
cooker Ted
Kent

Left –
potato
cooker Jim
McFarlane



Barrie Hill news...



Above - Sarah Shaw,
Sandra Howatt, Martha
Amidon, Kris Guenther

360 chicken dinners were prepared, bagged and delivered to customers in their cars as they came through the church parking lot.



Boxing dinners -
Above - Jane Shaw
Left - Luke Amidon



Ted
Kent

Paul
Howatt



The Food Bank Corn Crew

The original Parkinson family: from left Jill Kron, Lynn Parkinson, Sarah Benham, Todd Parkinson, Paul Parkinson and Mary Meads.



Thank you for your generous donations of corn to the local Food Banks.



If you tell
one more
corny joke



I'm calling
the cops

What do you call buying a huge amount of corn at once? *Stalk investment.*

Who is the leader of the corn army? *The Kernal.*

Did you hear about that corn stalk that changed careers? *He went into a different field.*

Why did the corn call the police? *Because it got stalked!*

Fergus Fall Fair News...



From left:

John Worton, Jim McFarlane and Ted Kent received life membership awards recently from the Fergus Agricultural Society for their many years of dedication and volunteer contributions to the Fergus Fair.



Four Generations : Jean Van Wyck and family enjoying an afternoon at the Fergus Fall Fair.

From left back row: Jean Van Wyck, Donna Elkerton, Sarah Fischer, Raelynn Kliese, Danielle Kliese

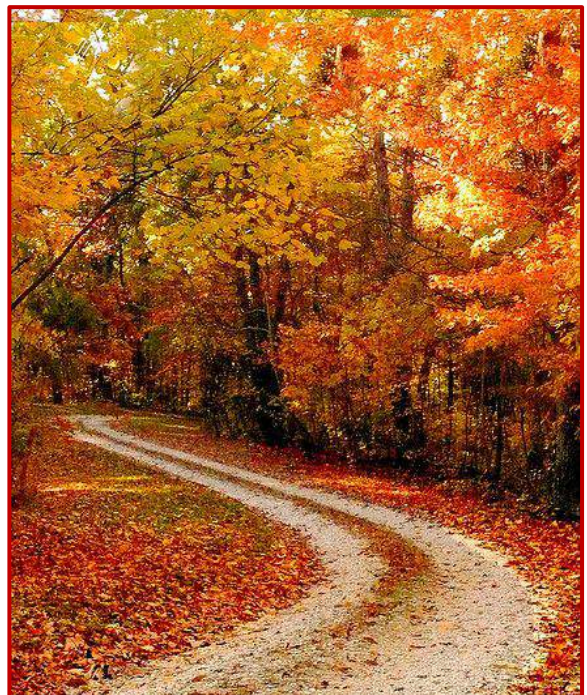
Front row: Madden Fischer, Scarlett Fischer, Daxton Kliese

Barrie Hill news...



The **Wellington County Plowing Match** was held on Sat. Sept. 28th at the farm of Paul and Lynn Parkinson.

Pictured is **Wesley Knierim** at the wheel, with his plowing coach **Bruce Dunk**.



I hope I can be the autumn leaf, who looked at the sky and lived. And when it was time to leave, gracefully it knew, life was a gift.

Dodinsky

Barrie Hill news...



All women are welcome to attend our UCW (**U**nited **C**hurch **W**omen) meetings on the first Sunday of each month at 9:30 a.m. at Barrie Hill Church. There is no membership fee. Come and enjoy our fellowship coffee hour and be a part of our faith community.

The UCW Mission is to love God; foster Christian commitment, faithfulness and spirituality; and promote respect and love for all God's creation.

UCW PURPOSE is to unite women of the Community of Faith for the total mission of the church and to provide a means through which we may express our loyalty and devotion to Jesus Christ in Christian witness, study and fellowship and service.

"Autumn went out walking...And with a brush in hand...She draped the trees in red and gold...And dressed the changing land...She painted leaf and garden...And made the cold wind blow...Till all the world lay steeped within... Her bright OCTOBER glow."
~Laura Jaworski~

God loved us so much that not only did He give us His Son, but He gave us a month to enjoy His beautiful masterpiece...OCTOBER!!

So grab a hot cup of goodness and thank God for all His blessings. Hopefully this beautiful month brings you peace and joy





You're Invited

Join us for a Christmas Tea!

Saturday, November 30th
2 – 4 PM | Barrie Hill United Church
\$25 Adults | \$10 under 12

Ticket includes:

- scones with jam and cream
- fancy tea sandwiches
- festive sweets
- holiday music played by Brad Halls
- 5 tickets to enter door prizes

more can be purchased on site for additional chances to win!

Need some help with your holiday baking? Look no further!

Freezer ready containers of holiday baking will be available to purchase during the tea.

To reserve your tickets, please contact Martha
call or text 519-362-3785 or email martha.amidon@gmail.com

The Blessed Baker's Corner...

Harvest Pumpkin Goup

Ingredients:

6 tbsp butter
1 yellow onion finely chopped
3 cloves garlic minced
1 shallot minced
1 ½ cups chopped carrots
5 ½ cups chicken broth
3 cups canned pumpkin
1 tsp salt



Directions:

Melt butter in pan and cook onion, garlic and shallot 4-5 mins.

Add carrots to onion, garlic and shallot and mix well then add the broth. Bring to a boil then cover and simmer for 10-15 minutes till carrots are tender.

Add pumpkin and salt. Stir to blend then cover and cook for 10 minutes.

Remove from heat.

Puree in blender if desired.

Garnish with sour cream, parsley or pumpkin seeds.

