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June Worship Services

Castleton @ 9:30 am Grafton @ 11:00 am

- June 1Worship Leader: Rev. Janet Warren.PRIDE FLAG is raised.
- June 8Affirm Sunday. Pentecost.Worship Leader: Rev. Janet Warren
- June 15Father's Day
Worship Leader: Rev. Janet Warren
- June 22 Communion Worship Leader: Rev. Jean Wilson
- June 29Outside Service in Grafton, weather permitting.
Worship Leader: Rev. Janet Warren.
PRIDE FLAG is lowered.

July Worship Services

Castleton is closed for the month of July. Services will be held at St. Andrew's at **10:00 a.m.** They will be outdoor services if weather permits so please bring a lawn chair.

June Dates to Remember

June 8	2:30 p.m. Vernonville Cemetery Decoration Day with Special Music Worship Leader: Karen Bates
June 10	10:00 a.m. Bell Ringing in Celebration of UCC 100th Anniversary St. Andrew's UC.
June 22	Grafton Canada Day Parade - Musical Float from St. Andrew's UC



GET TOGETHER GALS



Picture by Christine Hammond

The Get Together Gals met on May 6th at Castleton UC to hear Cheryl Mound speak about the East Central Ontario Region UCW contributions to two Healing Fund initiatives, one for the Regina Native Outreach Ministry and the other for the Fort McKay Metis Nation. Pictures and more information are available on their Facebook pages. Regina Native Outreach Ministry is providing Mother and Baby Welcome Bags for Indigenous new mothers and their newborn.

The Fort McKay Metis Nation had a number of interesting projects that they have carried out, one of them being a "Healing in the Kitchen" workshop series.



Mother and Baby Welcome bags

And for the next gathering of **The Get Together Gals**, Irene Osborne has graciously invited us to take a tour of her beautiful gardens. We will meet on



Monday, June 16th at 11:30 am 104 Sunnyhill Drive, Castleton

Bring a bagged lunch and a lawn chair. Drinks will be provided with thanks to Irene Clarke. The garden tour will begin after lunch.

The rain date will be Monday, June 23rd ...same time & location.

RSVP: Marion McComb <u>mar.mccomb@gmail.com</u> (905) 344-7601

Looking forward to seeing as many of you as are able to attend.

Northumberland Fare Share Food Bank

On May 15th, the Cozy Comfort group and friends toured the **Fare Share Food Bank** on Darcy Street in Cobourg. Erin Hunter, who has visited our churches in the past to share information about the food bank, gave us a tour of the facility. We were impressed with the organization and processing of the food donations as well as the efficiency of the setup.

Erin made it clear that the demand for the food bank is increasing, not only from urban but also from rural areas. The organization does provide food delivery in some cases and sees the rural area in need of that service.

Garden produce is very popular and the food bank is in the process of building and maintaining gardens to grow some on site. However, any excess from your gardens is gratefully received in the growing season.







Castleton Community Luncheons

will be resuming in the Fall after taking a well-deserved summer break.

As you can see, the May offerings of chicken pot pie, fresh salad and home-made desserts were a big hit!





St. George's Anglican Church & St. Andrew's United Church Grafton

Let's talk about Homelessness

with David Piccini MPP & Ike Nwibe – Exec. Director at Transition House All welcome



Friday, June 13 @ St. George's Men's Breakfast 10792 County Road #2

Breakfast (\$7.00) at 9.30am, talk (no charge) at 10.30 am RSVP for breakfast, Sharon O'Connor <u>ron.sharon.wo@gmail.com</u> by June 9.



"Had to stand under a tent in pouring rain on a hard surface for two hours for this, but totally worth it" writes Cecilia Nasmith.

The rain was steady Wednesday afternoon but, at the grand opening of Habitat For Humanity Northumberland's seven-unit townhouse in Baltimore, everyone agreed it was a beautiful day.

"It's not just a celebration of home ownership, it's a celebration of the hard work and determination of Habitat staff, volunteers, governance and community supporters and, most important, our newest homeowner families," board member Meaghan Adams said.

The Habitat organization has been doing its work for 50 years, Adams said, making home ownership possible for millions, and this one is a milestone for the Northumberland affiliate as their biggest development to date.

"We bring people together to build homes, community and hope," jubilant Executive Director Cathy Borowec said.

"It's a celebration not only of the homes we have built, but what becomes possible when people come together with purpose and with heart."

MP Philip Lawrence and MPP David Piccini could not be present Borowec asked those present to advocate with them on Habitat's behalf in their efforts to have the HST removed from affordable housing and from purpose-built rental projects.

"Please remind them that was an election promise," she said, "That would save us tens of thousands of dollars on this project alone."



Photo by: Cecilia Nasmith, Northumberland 89.7 FM News

For the complete article, please use this link:

https://northumberland897.ca/news/2025/5/21/seven-families-have-new-homes-in-baltimore-thanks-to-habitat-for-humanity-northumberland