

VALOIS UNITED

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WHAT'S COMING UP This FALL at Valois United Church

Welcome back! We have already begun our busy Fall season with a very successful rummage sale last week, organized and run by our tireless United Church Women's group! Thank you to everyone who came and supported our church.

Our meat pie-making preparations are also in the works, assembling some of our delicious *meat pies* for our upcoming annual Fall Fair in November. These pies sell out fast, come frozen and in large or small formats (large serves a family of four to six).

Coming up in October, our **Thanksgiving Service (This Sunday!)** is at 10 am. We are collecting non-perishable food for local families; your donations are

very welcome and can be left at the back of the church.

November 2 and 3rd is our **Annual Country Fair** and we hope you will join us for this festive event. We are currently looking for new item donations/gift certificates/event tickets for our Silent Auction.

Sunday November 4th, **All Saints Sunday**, we honour those who have passed on in our community, and on November 11th is **Remembrance Day Services** when we will honour our veterans. Both services begin at 10:00 am and Sunday school is available.

On November 17th **Lakeshore Chamber Orchestra** will hold their seasonal concert in the

sanctuary portion of Valois United Church.

And in December: Our **season of Advent** opens Sunday December 2nd, including a festive collection of music and readings, and lighting of candles for Peace, Love, Hope and Joy over 4 weeks leading to **Christmas Eve**.

Also, on December 1st, our annual **Artisan Fair** will be held... if you would like to rent a table please contact us by email for details at admin@valoisunited.ca.

More details to come as events get closer. Stay tuned to our facebook page and website page. We look forward to seeing you again soon!



Life Feeling Out of Focus?

Stories and parables inside the Bible keep it simple, and remind us to look beyond today's noise.

In these crazy times, what regularly pops up on our newsfeeds can be truly overwhelming—angry words, accusations, lies and fear deliver dismaying messages that crash around in our heads like loud ocean waves. It has become virtually impossible to think through the noise.

We need a reset button.

Going to church is like hitting that button. It erases the noise, organizes our thoughts and brings us back to a full "restart". Bible

stories and parables don't just teach, they remind. We are guided through simple messages that are central to life: To love each other, to support each other, to forgive and to accept each other.

In this complicated world, it really can be that simple.

Do you and your family need to hit the RESET button? Come join us for an hour and leave with a renewed sense of purpose for the week ahead.

November 2018

Nov 2nd (Fri) **Country Fall Fair**
6:00 to 8:30 pm

Nov 3rd (Sat) **Country Fall Fair**
9:30 am to 2 pm

Nov 4th (Sun) 10 am
ALL SAINTS Sunday Services

Nov 11th (Sun) 10 am
REMEMBRANCE DAY Services

Nov 17th (Sat) **Lakeshore Chamber Orchestra Concert**

Nov 18th (Sun) 10 am Services

Nov 25th (Sun) 10 am Services

December 2018

Dec 1st (Sat) **Artisan Fair**
9:30 am to 2:30 pm

Dec 2 (Sun) 10 am Services
(1st Sun in Advent)

Dec 9th (Sun) 10 am Services
(2nd Sun in Advent)

Dec 16th (Sun) 10 am Services
(3rd Sun in Advent)

23rd (Sun) 10 am Services
(4th Sun in Advent)

24th (Mon) Christmas Eve Services:

- ★ 7 pm: Family Candlelight services
- ★ 9 pm: Communion Candlelight services

All are welcome. We offer a quiet space at the back of the church for young ones to relax during service and Sunday school downstairs for older children, who leave halfway through service. We all meet up after for coffee and fellowship. Welcome!

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TREASURER NEEDED beginning January 2019

Our church will need a volunteer to fill the treasurer position beginning January 2019. Day to day income and expenses are managed by other volunteers, and payroll is managed externally. This position would be

responsible for monthly finance balancing and reporting along with completing seasonal government and church forms. Ross Findleton is retiring at the end of this year, and is willing to help with details of the position. Thank you so much Ross for your devotion to Valois United Church—we deeply appreciate all of your work!

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