



# Tweedsmuir Tidings

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## Perspective from the Pulpit

Over the past few months a representative group of Tweedsmuir folk have participated in a Church Health Survey called "Natural Church Development" or "NCD".

The outcome of the survey is to see how Tweedsmuir compares to thousands of other Canadian churches on nine key factors of Church Health. The thought behind NCD is that a church's lowest factor will most affect its health and its growth. Therefore NCD suggests that the lowest factors should get the congregation's greatest attention over the coming year.

For us at Tweedsmuir, our lowest factors were "Passionate Spirituality" and "Need Oriented Evangelism". Our Synod Congregational Development Consultant, the Rev. J.P. Smit (who helped us do the survey), recommended that we should start with the lower of these two factors, so we do not take on too much at the start.

Subsequently, the Session reflected on "Need Oriented Evangelism" at its September meeting and came up with a few action plans for Tweedsmuir to get on with.

The first of these is, to investigate hosting an "Alpha" program. This is a ten-week introductory study of the Christian faith to help newcomers understand the basics of our faith. Secondly, we thought we could better communicate about the Mission Projects that we support in our local area like Choices Youth Shelter, the Salvation Army Food Bank and Youth For Christ. This will help us better understand how we can meet the needs of our local community. The key is to realize we are called to reach out to our community and our world with the love of Christ and not be content with keeping the Good love of Christ and the Good News to ourselves.

Have a Blessed Thanksgiving,  
*Harvey Self*

## Thanksgiving Food Drive

During this Thanksgiving season, the Care Committee will be collecting food for those less fortunate.



As the drive begins, there will be someone at the exits of the church after service handing out bags for your donations. Please do your part to help others.



## Wet, Windy & Wild! Tweedsmuir at the Orangeville Fall Fair

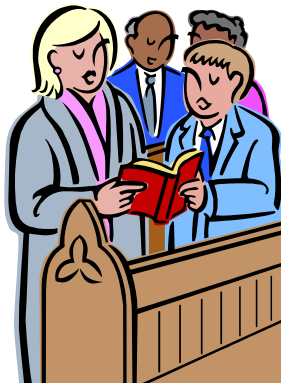


As you can see from the picture on the left, volunteers from Tweedsmuir again had a booth in the food court at the Orangeville Fall Fair where, even on a wet and somewhat cool weekend, they were able to raise **\$3,000**.

Marjorie MacDonald would like to thank all those who baked pies, made sandwiches, staffed the booth and helped out at this event.

And an extra special thank you goes to Marjorie and her family who worked exceptionally hard at this event!

# Thank you!



### Book of Praise

The Session has decided to purchase new a full set of Hymn books for Tweedsmuir. The books cost \$25 each. If you would like to have a memorial to a family member or friend, you may purchase a hymnbook through the church office or Rev. Self.



**Spring Meeting** our Tweedsmuir WMS were the hostesses of the Brampton chapter's spring meeting in May. Four churches were represented. This fall, the event will be held at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Port Credit.

**Evangel Hall** the WMS will be collecting winter items for Evangel Hall in Toronto who serves the homeless and street people in the city to be taken to Evangel Hall in December. Items that are gratefully accepted include warm hats, mitts, scarves and socks. Many items do not have to be new so please check your closets for any items that are "gently" used. In the winter months they go through 1,000 socks per month. There is also a real need for toiletries.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** Last year we gave out eleven prayer shawls. If you would like to be part of this ministry please contact a member of the WMS. These shawls are made for people who are suffering - whether it is from illness, bereavement or a crisis in their life. If you know of someone who you would like to see receive a prayer shawl, please speak with Rev. Self or a member of session.

**Pneumonia prevention vests** did you get the chance to see the incredible job the WMS women did on these vests? Over 200 vests were displayed for all to see after the church service on Mission Sunday. Below, Marilyn Taylor (right) and Jane Smith (left) manned the display of these multi-coloured vests.

Afterwards, the vests were sent to the Bhil aboriginal people in India.

Thank to you all who knitted vests. If you would like to knit a vest, please contact us.



Hi my name is

Please join us in welcoming **Pat Gushue** to Tweedsmuir. Pat is a Knox College student who will be with us for the next 8 months doing his Theological Field Education.



### In August, Orangeville set sail for the HIGH SEAS!

Wil and Marie McGilvery, the VBS Directors brought the "High Seas Expedition" Vacation Bible School program to Tweedsmuir.

Fifty kids heard the daily Bible Point—and had it integrated into each day's activities to reinforce Bible learning.

Wil and Marie would like to extend their sincerest thanks to all the volunteers who helped at the VBS.

And we would like to thank **them** for doing their usual awesome job!



### Roast Beef Supper

The Board of Managers will be sponsoring the annual Roast Beef Supper on Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.

Come out and have a wonderful time and a wonderful dinner!



**This year's Bazaar will be on Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>!**

**To make this day a success we need your help and contributions!**

Please help us by sending in your donations. We need: crafts – knitting sewing, wood or any hand-made item; gift baskets as well as any baking and food items for the bake table. And as usual, Christmas cookies and squares are especially appreciated, as these will be sold by the dozens as mix and match sets.

Please contact one of the Bazaar convenors,  
Bev Fleming, 519-942-0200  
or Jane Smith, 519-940-8637

If you would like to help with or donate to the Silent Auction, please contact Marjorie MacDonald,  
519-941-8448

All proceeds from this fundraiser go toward church expenses, project and local missions

### Students on the move!

The following young people are heading out to University, College or the workplace. We wish them the very best in their endeavours! May God bless you and keep you safe.

**Vicki Knight**, St. Clair College, Windsor

**Katie McLean**, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay

**Lindsay McLean**, New York City, to work

**Jocelyn Rutgers**, University of Guelph

**Jonathon Self**, Australia, on a mission trip



### Tweedsmuir Ladies Fellowship Group

The Strawberry Lunch, held on June 24<sup>th</sup> was well attended which resulted in a donation to Presbyterian Sharing of **\$1,400.**

Thank you to all who supported the Youth for Christ Pasta Dinner. The profit of \$1,052 will go to help the good work they do for the youth of our community. A special thank you to Phyllis Robertson and Debbie Hunt for organizing this event.

The ladies ended their season with a fun pot-luck supper at Grace Dodds' lovely home.

This fall, they will be again organizing the Christmas Bazaar, which will be held on Saturday, November 27<sup>th</sup>.

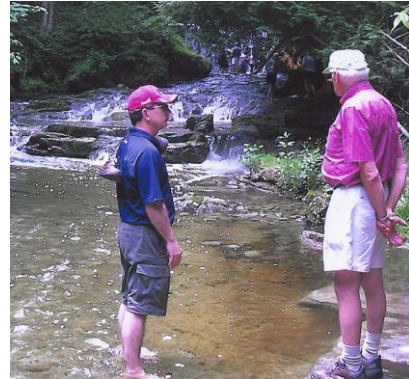
If you are interested in joining the Tweedsmuir Ladies Fellowship Group, please contact Phyllis Robertson, 519-941-4181 or come to the Tweedsmuir Room on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm.

### Summer Outdoor Service and Picnic

This year's Outdoor Service and Picnic was held on Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup> and graciously hosted at the home of Don and Helen Sinclair.

After the service, some hardy souls made the trip down to the Nottawasaga River's, Scott's Falls which is on the Sinclair's land.

Here, Harvey enjoys the water while he chats with a member of the congregation.



**Adult Choir** - The choir will be again preparing to share the celebration of the Christmas season with you. This year will include participation from many talented members of the church.

If you would like to participate in the Christmas Concert or in the choir itself, please contact Joan Elchuk, 519-941-8769.

**Praise Team** – The praise team meets on Wednesday evenings. If you would like to join this creative and inspiring group, please contact Julia at 519-940-4128.



### New Members

We welcomed eleven new members to Tweedsmuir Church this year:

**Fern Broughton**

**Colleen Hyatt**

**Travis Hyatt**

**Laurie Litt**

**Laura Riddell**

**Beverly Fleming**

**Emma Hyatt**

**J.R. Knight**

**Leanne McGilvery**

**Rebecca Snell**

**Diane Vinke**





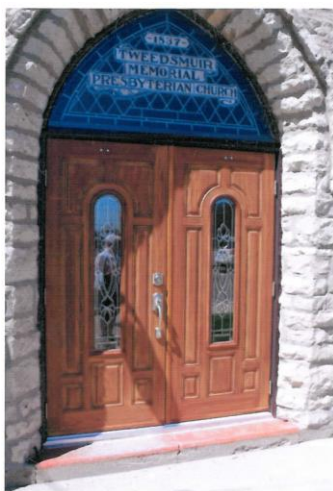
### Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!  
Serve the Lord with gladness!  
Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the Lord, he is God!  
It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise!  
Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the Lord is good;  
His steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.



### How do you like our new doors?

After many problems and hours of research, the new doors were purchased and installed.

A dedication was done in early summer.

Thanks to everyone who worked so hard on getting them. They are beautiful and inspiring!

The following people moved from our area:

**Cecil and June Smith**, Mount Forest  
**Joe and Ruth Snell**, Wasaga Beach  
**Jean Steinacker**, Sarnia

May God bless your new homes and neighbourhoods. Please come back and visit us!



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### Are you receiving the Presbyterian Record?

This year there were many interesting articles written by Harvey and Jayne in the Record. If you would like to have your own copy, there is going to be a new method for subscription. Watch the bulletin for details.

### People in the News!

**Harvey Self** – congratulations to Harvey on the successful completion of her year as moderator of the Canadian Presbyterian Church. During the year, he travelled to many churches, conferences, Canadian Forces Bases among other interesting places. His columns in the Presbyterian Record were well received. Our congregation recognized his contribution on Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Jayne Self** – Jayne's book "Caught Dead: A Dean Constable Mystery" was published online in the Presbyterian Record. There is a copy at the church for anyone not online who would like to read the story.

**Don and Helen Sinclair** – celebrated their 62<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary.

**Betty Dobson** – celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Happy Birthday, Betty!

**Tom Montgomery** – celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Happy Birthday, Tom!

**Wil and Marie McGilvery** – have taken the position of Sunday School Coordinator. We appreciate their work in this important position.

**Bev Fleming** – has taken Betty Douglas' position of looking after the correspondence and payments to the Mission Child – Yannick Compaore in Africa.

### Calendar

#### September

26<sup>th</sup> – Pot luck get together gather 5:30pm, dinner 6:00

#### October

3<sup>th</sup> – Communion Sunday

10<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving Sunday

15<sup>th</sup> – (Friday) Fall Supper

#### November

7<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Sunday

27<sup>th</sup> – (Saturday) Bazaar 9am to 1pm

28<sup>th</sup> – First Sunday in Advent

#### December

5<sup>th</sup> – Communion Sunday

12<sup>th</sup> – Christmas celebration with choir

19<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Sunday

24<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Eve 7pm (Friday)

25<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Day

26<sup>th</sup> – Special Christmas Service 10:30am



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If you have something you would like included in the Winter newsletter, please let us know. If you would like to receive future newsletters by email, there will be a sign-up sheet made available in the church office. If you are able, please do your part to cut down on our costs.