

**LOYALIST DAY
SERVICE OF WORSHIP
AND FLAG RAISING**



**ST PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SIMCOE, ONTARIO**

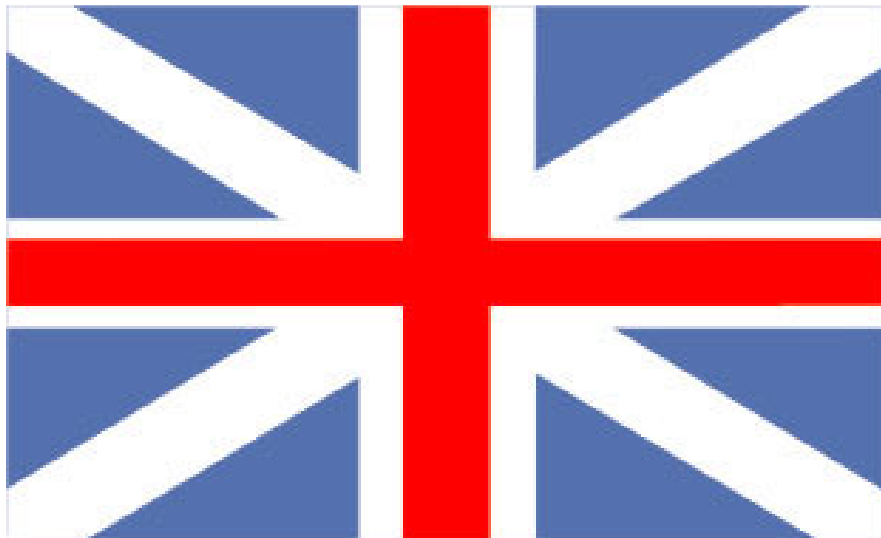
**10:30 A.M.
Sunday, June 16, 2019**

**The first United Empire Loyalists Day was celebrated on
June 19th 1998. It was the first time that any province had designated a day to acknowledge
its founders and
honour their contributions to our land.**

**The United Empire Loyalists were the first political refugees to come to the province we now
call Ontario. They came with little in the way of material goods but with a strong resolve to
settle where they could enjoy the law, order and good government they desired. Ontario was
built on these ideals.**



UEL MEMORIAL, HAMILTON, ON
The Loyalist Flag



The First Union Flag, which came into being in England in 1606, is the flag which symbolizes the heritage of the United Empire Loyalists.

Created at the command of James I of England (formerly James VI of Scotland), it symbolized the unity of those two countries under his rule. The flag was composed of the Cross of St George, patron saint of England and the Cross of St Andrew, patron saint of Scotland. By 1707, the flag, then known as the Union Jack, was accepted without question as the flag of the British Empire.

Grand River Branch United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada
grandriveruel.ca

The photo of the Jabez Collver memorial window used on the cover was taken by Michael Cobb, a United Empire Loyalist descendant, 2019

JABEZ COLLVER

In this area, Presbyterians have had a continuous history since 1793. Rev. Jabez Collver, a native of New Jersey, had been ordained there without the benefit of theological training - he learned his profession by following it. He must have been a man of great physical vigour and mental force, because at the age of 64 years he decided to face the hardships of pioneer life in the wilds of Canada, having been promised grants of land in Norfolk County as a United Empire Loyalist. His wife Anna and seven sons and one daughter accompanied him with their own families. He built the first log cabin in Windham Township and it served as a manse or church as the occasion required. The county was only forest then but with a small number of settlers, and he formed a Presbyterian congregation the year of his arrival in 1793.

As settlers arrived in this area, Jabez Collver visited them on foot (or snowshoes), in a saddle, or in a rough cart. A huge cow-bell on the old mare's neck gave notice of his approach and enabled him to find her when he was ready to start out again. He received no pay for his labours, but was content to share a settler's frugal meal, and even sleep on a shake-down on the floor. Tradition says, however, that once at least, his people presented him with a fine linen shirt, which was likely made according to Dutch-American custom from the type of linen provided by women of the congregation for the communion service. He continued preaching almost to his death in 1818 in his 88th year. He and his wife and family were buried in what afterwards became Old Windham Churchyard. His parish was "the wilderness"; his reward the Master's "Well done".

Tuesday	Presbytery of Paris meeting	Evening
	Property & Maintenance	7:00 PM
Thursday	(Christian Nurture – rescheduled)	TBA
	Sr. Choir	7:30 PM
Friday	Book Club	1:00 PM

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SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

**June 30 to September 1: “Walk With Jesus”
(children 3 years - Gr. 6 or so)**

Learn about Jesus’ love for the people he met during his earthly ministry and Jesus’ love for each one of us today.

Needed: Two people each Sunday (men, women, high school students). At least one of the leaders each week requires a *Police Check*, but if you don’t already have one, see Nancy. The curriculum is ready to go and EASY to present. **Please see the sign-up sheet which is in the Library this morning.** During the week, it is just inside the Lower Hall doors, above the green metal bookcase. Please see Linda Shaw or Diane Stinson for additional information.

We want to welcome all children during the summer –
Jesus loved the little children, and we do, too!



“Thank You!!!” to all those who continue to support our Blessing Bag outreach. These personal care packs are always a welcome gift to those in need. We are currently running low of laundry pods, toothpaste and Ziploc bags (sizes medium and large). Thanks!

THESE DAYS – SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL

The order for this publication will be placed this week. If you haven’t already done so, please contact the office tomorrow to confirm the status of your subscription or to be added as a new subscriber.

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BOOK CLUB

Current Book: The Piano Maker by Kurt Palka
Books are available in the church office.

Meeting: Friday, June 21 at 1:00 PM in the Library

NAME THE ROOM CONTEST

ATTENTION YOUNG AND YOUNG-AT-HEART!

As we all know, our room names can be confusing at times, so we are having a contest to rename the church rooms.

Please pick up a map of the church, a ballot and join in on this fun but important process of making our church user-friendly for all!
Maps and ballots available in the Lower Lobby, by the glass doors.
Please have your suggestions in by Sunday, June 30.

COMMUNITY DAY OF PRAYER

Governor Simcoe Square **Thursday, June 27** at 12 Noon
(if rainy, please gather in St. Paul's sanctuary)

JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP: SATURDAY, JULY 6TH **SWIMMING (OUTSIDE IN A PRIVATE POOL!) AND BBQ**

- Meet at the Auld's home (993 Charlotteville Rd. 10, Simcoe) for swimming and outdoor games at 1 PM
- BBQ when we're hungry from all that activity!
- Bring bathing suit, towel, sunscreen, running shoes and bug spray
- Pick up at 6:00 PM



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COMMUNITY BBQ 2.0 – FRIDAY, JULY 5TH



St. Paul's will be hosting a second BBQ in front of the church on Lot Street. Four to six volunteers will be needed from St. Paul's - sign-up sheet is on the table in the Library. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be free to anyone passing on the street, not just Caribbean workers and the message will be that we value them and welcome them. The sanctuary doors be open with music playing and anyone would be welcome to enter. See you there!

Note: In addition to the front line BBQ volunteers, we also need volunteers to be available in the Sanctuary to greet with and/or pray with any of our guests. Cash donations towards the BBQ expenses would be welcomed (you can mark your offering envelope to direct your donation).

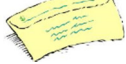
REMINDER

With summer approaching and vacations being planned, remember that our PAR Program is available to help make your offering more convenient. If you would like more information about PAR, or to enroll in this pre-authorized monthly giving plan, please contact the church office for assistance. Thanks.

UPDATE

Anyone who would like to donate items or make changes to the church, please contact the Church Office first so that the appropriate committee may be consulted.

**Offering
Envelopes**



The office will soon be ordering 2020 offering envelopes.

If you are currently not using envelopes and would like a set, please contact the church office.

If you would like any changes to your envelope status, please advise.