

### OPEN HOUSE

Jay turns **65** on October 4th!  
His wife, Hope, is having an Open House at their home,  
**October 1<sup>st</sup> from 2 to 5 PM.**  
All are welcome!

**EXCITING NEWS:** There's a new community hub coming to downtown Simcoe! The old LCBO building has been purchased by *Church Out Serving*, and will be repurposed into a gathering place for friends and neighbours to meet, relax, have a coffee, learn about food and delicious ways to prepare it, and celebrate many good things local! There will be countless opportunities for YOU, and all of us together, to love our neighbours as Jesus did! You are invited to an **Open House next week Sunday, October 2, between 11:30am-2:30pm.** Come, see and hear more about the exciting plans and possibilities for this space ... at 83 Sydenham St., across from The Brick.

### ST. PAUL'S BOOK CLUB



Our second book will be "The Shack" by William P. Young.  
Copies of the book may be obtained from the church office  
or from Judy.

The discussion meeting has been set  
for **Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM.**

All are welcome to join in, and feel free to bring a friend.



### KIRKIN O' THE TARTAN

On November 6<sup>th</sup>, enjoy the Kirkin O' The Tartan  
service and stay for refreshments afterwards.

Helpers are needed for various tasks, such as set-up, decorating, food preparation ... including  
short bread, serving and clean-up.

Please see the sign-up sheets in the Front Foyer.

On a related note, if anyone knows the whereabouts of  
the decorations for the Kirkin 'O the Tartan service,  
please contact Bruce at 519-426-9947. Thank you



### CONNECTING AFTER WORSH



The opportunity to chat and connect  
face to face following our experience of being  
engaged with God in worship has proven to be a  
valuable part of life at St. Paul's. Several folk have ably assisted with the preparation of  
refreshments for this time (Thanks!).

There is a sign up list for assistants in the library, with mostly vacant spaces for the Fall. If you  
can be part of this ministry on occasion, please choose an action and a time (or several). Thank  
you.



### WANTED: CHILDREN AND YOUTH

We would like to add your families', friends' and neighbours' children to our Sunday School programs. Please help yourself to a brochure and invite the children/youth you know to join our church family.

For those who subscribe to "These Days", your issue for October, November & December can be found in your mail slot.

### A PCC MISSION MOMENT: DETERMINED TO RISE ABOVE HUNGER

Witness Ngofi used to have no trouble harvesting enough food for her family in Malawi. But periods of erratic, unpredictable weather have made it increasingly difficult for her to protect her crops. When Witness heard that a Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported conservation agriculture program was starting in her village, she signed up right away. Conservation agriculture is a system of farming that helps revitalize the soil and increase yields. The process was challenging at first—the methods strayed from traditional farming and prompted discouraging remarks from other farmers. But despite having little rain, Witness's crop of maize was soon thriving. As her plot continued to flourish, she became a role model for other farmers determined to overcome hunger for the long-term.

*PWS&D supports food security for subsistence farmers*



Elders, please collect your News 'N Views from the table in the lower lobby.

There are extra copies available on the information table.

COMMUNION WILL TAKE PLACE ON OCTOBER 2 AT 10:30 A.M.

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Regular Hours: 9 AM to 4 PM, Monday to Thursday.

Mikal may be reached by email at [lioninwinter@stpaulssimcoe.com](mailto:lioninwinter@stpaulssimcoe.com).

### ST. PAUL'S THIS WEEK

Tuesday	St. Paul's Court	6:30 PM
Wednesday	Community Life	9:30 AM
Thursday	Senior Choir	7:30 PM

### KIDS' QUEST

Kids' Quest is a Christian Booth at the Norfolk County Fair, designed for children. Many churches host this booth.

This year, St. Paul's shift is scheduled for  
Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup>



A group of volunteers is needed to help as greeters, supervisors of the bouncy castle, face painters and storytellers. For more information, see the clipboard on the table in the library or contact Linda at 519-428-5396 or by email at [ianandlindashaw@gmail.com](mailto:ianandlindashaw@gmail.com).

If you don't already have a police check, Linda can help you with that, but don't wait too long, checks take approximately 2 weeks.

### THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

**Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>**

Please help us continue the tradition of  
decorating our church with nonperishable foods.

These items are collected by our Mission Committee and are then delivered to Quetzal Family Homes.

Please begin collecting your items and bring them with you Thanksgiving Sunday.

### TEN THOUSAND VILLAGES

#### CRAFTS OF THE WORLD SALE

**First Baptist Church, October 21 & 22**

A sign-up sheet for volunteers can be  
found on the information table.

Our contact person is

