

The Link – January 2024

A Presbytery of London Newsletter for Sessions & Congregations

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The Presbytery of London met over zoom on Tuesday January 9th 2024 at 7pm. Opening worship was led by Rev.Keith McKee, minister at St. George's Presbyterian Church, London. The theme of the devotional was baptism. Below are a few highlights of our meeting!

Announcements:



Friday February 23rd, 2024 at Knox Presbyterian Church, 55 Hincks Street, St Thomas - "Three of Kind" Glory Days, featuring Mark Payne, Jesse Grandmont, and Michael Vanhevel. Tickets are \$35, and can be purchased by clicking on the link on the Knox St. Thomas website www.knoxstthomas.ca (on the events page).

Two copies of Dorothy Henderson's novel "Happy Are Those" are available for purchase from Mavis Currie – m.currie@knoxstthomas.ca The cost is \$22.00 / book.



Several clergy in the presbytery are partnering to offer a Lenten Bible study on Wednesday evenings during Lent. If you are interested in the link, contact Rev. Andrew Thompson (Chalmers Church), Rev. Tim Raeburn-Gibson (Westmount Church) or Rev. Mavis Currie (Knox, St. Thomas). This Lenten study is open to friends across the presbytery.



Congratulations to the congregation of Trinity Community Church, London on their 52nd anniversary!

The Business Team Report:

- Information about General Assembly delegates from our presbytery was shared from the clerk of presbytery.
- The final Worship at Dorchester Presbyterian Church will be on Sunday January 28th at 3pm. Please continue to keep the members of this congregation in your prayers.
- An overture was approved to be sent to General Assembly from the Presbytery of London. This overture was asking General Assembly to ensure that there is meaningful support provided for clergy who are navigating illness and require assistance in applications for insurance benefits.

Ministry Team Report:

The Ministry Team presented a written report without recommendations.

Congregation Team Report:

A regular congregational visit took place to South Nissouri Church.

Report of the General Presbyter: For the last few years, the presbytery has employed a part-time clergyperson, Rev. Jim Patterson. Rev Jim has provided leadership and guidance to the congregations who are not able to call a clergyperson. A written report from Rev. Jim was received.

Vacancies in the presbytery: Reports on the following churches which are without a permanent minister (and not under the care of the General Presbyter) were received: Trinity Church, Caradoc Church, Burns Church, Knox-St. Andrew's Church.

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Please pray for...

- The members and minister of Dorchester Presbyterian Church, as they prepare for their last service of worship.
- Rev. Shelly Butterfield Kocis
- Congregations who are in the midst of a vacancy

