

The Link – October 2024
A Presbytery of London Newsletter for Sessions & Congregations
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The Presbytery of London met at Burns Mosa Presbyterian Church on Tuesday October 8th 2024 at 7pm. Opening worship was led by Rev. Jim Patterson. Below are a few highlights of our meeting!

Upcoming Events:

Burns Mosa Presbyterian Church will soon be celebrating their 190th anniversary! As part of their celebrations, they will be hosting a concert featuring KJ & The Motones on **Sunday October 20th at 1:30 pm**. Advance tickets are available for purchase. The following **Sunday October 27th** Rev. Reuben St. Louis will be joining them during their morning worship service for a “Camp Song Sing-a-long”.

WMS will be hosting an event with guest speaker Rev. Dr. Silas Ncozana from Malawi at New St. James Presbyterian Church on **Saturday October 26th** from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and includes lunch. Contact Marg McGugan for registration or more information.

The Business Team Report:

- The resignation of Rev. Shelley Butterfield-Kocis as minister of Word and Sacraments at Caradoc Presbyterian Church was accepted
- The vacant position of Moderator-Elect still needs to be filled in short order with the one-year term as moderator beginning **September 2025**
- The budget for 2025 is being prepared by the treasurer and requests for budget considerations must be submitted by **Friday October 25th**
- The annual review of the position for webmaster was presented and all recommendations were approved

Dorchester Presbyterian Church Mission Plan:

The mission plan for the disposition of assets from Dorchester Presbyterian Church was distributed and approved. The Congregation Team has been asked to create guidelines for the funds for Christian education, youth and young adult experiences which will be held by the Presbytery.

Team Reports:

Both the Ministry Team and Congregation Teams reported diligence.

Induction:

The induction service for Ms. Sonia Brule will be held on **Sunday October 27th at 7:00 pm** at Knox-St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. Presbytery will meet prior to the service at 6:40 pm.

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 Mosa Church, Knox-St. Andrew’s Church, Knox, St. Thomas Church. Caradoc Church has received permission to begin the search process.

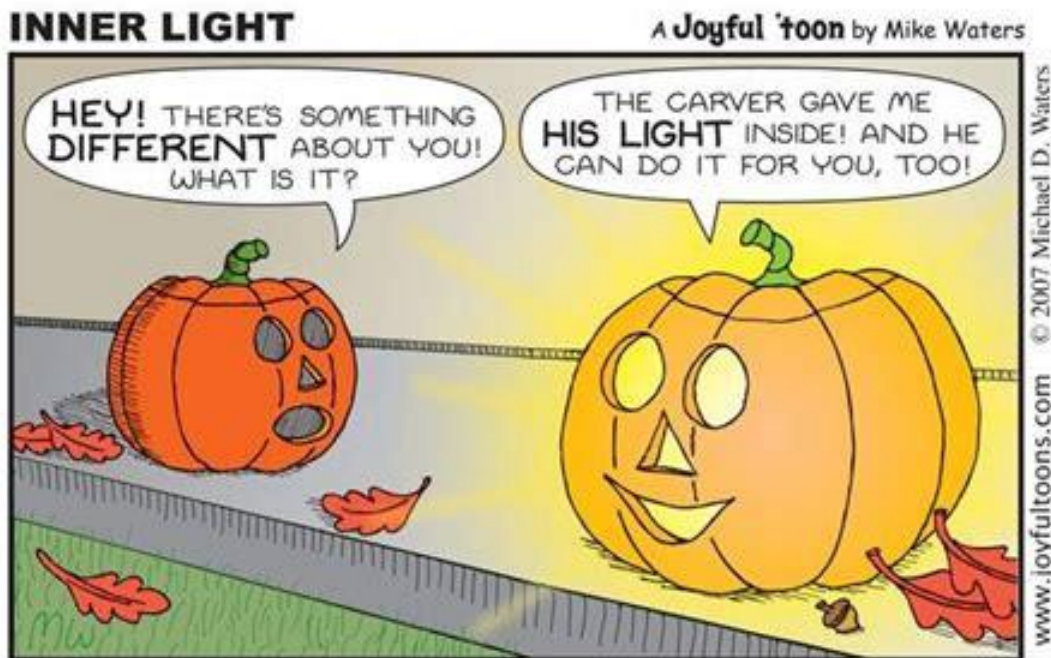
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Did you know? PWS&D offered their annual Journey for Hope on **Saturday September 28** in support of global food security projects. Previously, our Presbytery supported PWS&D through the Ride for Refuge. The national fundraising goal of \$20,000 has been met, but participation and donations can still be made until October 31. Further information about this initiative can be found at <https://presbyterian.ca/pwsd/get-involved/upcoming-initiatives/journeyforhope/>.

Please pray for...

- Rev. Sonia Brule and the congregation of Knox-St. Andrews as they begin a new ministry together
- Congregations who are in the midst of a vacancy and their Interim Moderators
- New and returning members of Presbytery committees
- Commissioners to the annual meeting of Synod of Southwestern Ontario
- The yet to be identified Moderator-Elect
- Inspiration for ways in which you may best serve the courts of the Church



For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 2 CORINTHIANS 4:6 KJV