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Weekly Update
High Country United Church

October 28, 2026

Hello

Happy Halloween Weekend

I will have candy available for children of all ages and for the young-at-heart at our new place at 210 Zina. BUT you only get candy if you're dressed up! Hope to see you.

The Work Goes On

We may not see the seeds we sow
Or all the ways our love will grow.
We may not reach the journey's end,
Or see the dreams we hope to mend.
But every kindness, every prayer,
Leaves traces of the love we share.
And what we start, though left undone,
May bloom beneath another sun.
So let us trust, and do our part,
With faithful hands and open heart.
For God's great story carries on,
Long after we have journeyed on.

This week's ministry snapshot:

Sunday's Worship Service: https://www.youtube.com/live/nC8fgVYAbyg
About 40 gathered on Sunday, and about 160 views online.
United Generations Online: https://www.youtube.com/live/NEP5vO-y_gI
About 30 views online.
Sunday Night Prayers: https://www.youtube.com/live/lkKz1QF5Zyc
About 150 views online.
Lunch & Learn: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DqDU9G9pUMU
Ida Tetlock spoke about Advanced Planning & Legacy
About 35 gathered in person, and about 160 views online

Visit our Wishlist on Amazon: When something is purchased from the list, it is removed from the list. It includes some office supplies (we always need paper!) and supplies for safety, young children and more. ***If you submit your receipt, your purchase can be designated as a Gift-In-Kind.*** *Receipts can be put*

in the offering plate, emailed to Bev Dawkins or the office, or dropped off in the office.
https://www.amazon.ca/hz/wishlist/ls/2QVQN2YN4DYM5

If you know someone we should send a card to (celebrations, illness, sympathies, etc.), please contact Debbie Baker by phone 519-941-3972 or by email at dbaker002@sympatico.ca

Thank you to all who help around the church. **Sunday morning helpers**: Debbie B for reading, Dave & Debbie B and team for greeting, Debbie S for providing refreshments, Calum B on AVIT, Nancy N for pre-worship help, Andrew on guitar, Donna on piano and Doug on organ, Taryn for singing, Bev D and Debbie S for taking care of ou donations. Throughout the week: Our pie making teams; our rental team, finance team, property team and friends, Susan, Sheila and Bev: who help to provide coffee and tea for our series at lunch time; Debbie B for gardening and being here to receive delivery of the new freezer; Bob D for his help with the water system; folks offering feedback on rentals and those who are helping to improve those processes and systems. Thanks to those who helped with clean up and more around the two wedding rentals this weekend.
Blessings, Rev. Jan

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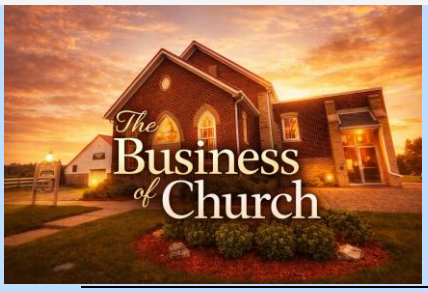


There's always something going on at the church.
If you have questions about how the church does something or would like to participate in any way, please contact the office.

Thank YOU for choosing to change the world with us!
We appreciate your support and partnership.
Looking for regular donation options? You can request offering envelopes, send e-transfers or sign up for PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance). For more information contact Beverly at 519-942-2977 or email beverlyjdawkins24@gmail.com
I was recently asked to do some math to look at our annual expenses and to come up with a financial amount per family in case folks were curious. The numbers below were from our 2025 Annual Report.

Total # of regular donors: 64
Expenses in 2025: $136,658.05

Per family, that would look like: $178 per month / $2,135 per year.

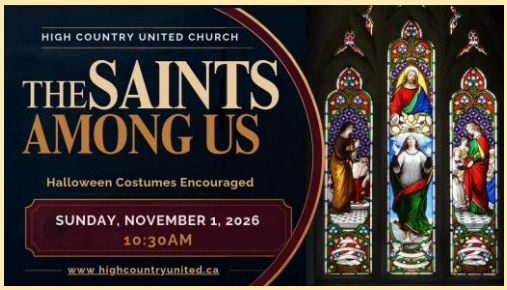
Interested in volunteering?
We have a greeter, a reader, and help with refreshments after church each Sunday. If you're interested in helping in these areas, see Sheila Orton.
Visit our website to learn other ways you can volunteer in our community.

Looking for pies? See Susan Butler or call 519-941-6397.

Are you new? We're glad you're here!
If you're coming on a regular basis, please ask for a contact sheet so we can have your information on file. This is not a commitment to join the church, but a way for our minister and others to be in touch if a volunteer opportunity comes available or an outing is being planned.
It also gives us direction on how to let you know if church is cancelled due to weather.

Sunday Morning Worship

10:30AM
The Saints Among Us
Halloween Costumes Encouraged
Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13



Sunday Morning Helpers

Reader: Darlene Bricker
Greeter: Ray & Elizabeth Hooper
Refreshments: Susan Butler
Sunday School: TBA

***VU 575 link takes to a fantastic version of the song. But it'll still give you the feel for the song*

Sunday Morning's Hymns

- VU 175 This is the Day that God Has Made
- When the Saints Go Marching In
- VU 580 Faith of Our Fathers
- ** VU 575 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me **
- VU 959 The Lord's Prayer
- Thank You Lord for Your Blessings on Me
- Go Now in Peace

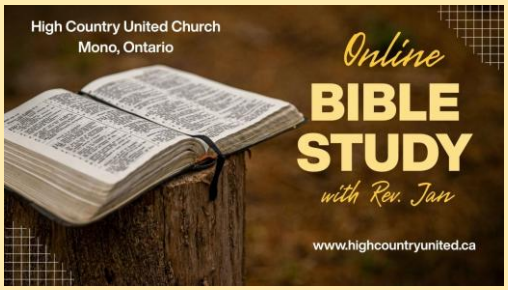
Our Music Team

Karen Gillett (Flute)
Linda MacGregor (Flute)
Sara May (Guitar, Vocals)
Andrew McArthur (Guitar, Vocals)
Doug McKeen (Organ)
Gladys Meek (Keyboard)
Donna Rutledge (Piano)

In Our Prayers: Rick who is undergoing radiation soon; Sheila's friend Jen has has cancer; Steward, Renny & Aaron; bus crashes in Kenya; Luke and Teresa as Luke's relapse continues; our recently elected municipal councils; students affected

by the OSAP pause; talks about abolishing The Indian Act; Larry's recovery after cancer surgery

Orangeville Food Bank



Visit this link to join the group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/2010151272902864

This week's Book of the Bible: Lamentations
https://youtu.be/p8GDFPdaQZQ
The word lament is defined by dictionary.com as: a formal expression of sorrow our mourning, especially in verse or song; an elegy or dirge.
Lamentation is the act of expressing grief.
What song does Lamentations 3:22–23 remind you of?

Property News

The Solar Panels: So far we have accumulated about $560 in credits to be used to help offset hydro bills. Our hydro bill was about $70 this month (last year at this time it was about $340).

THIS WEEK AT HCUC

THURS OCT 29

Office Closed
1:00pm Cancer Support (RSVP by 10am)
5:30pm Cancer Support (RSVP by 2pm)
7:00pm Depression/Suicide Group (RSVP by 5pm)

FRI OCT 30

Office Hours: 9:30am to 1:00pm
11:00am Exercise Class: VON SMART

SAT OCT 31

Happy Halloween

SUN NOV 01

Office Hours: 9:00am to 1:00pm
10:30am Worship Service
2:00pm Worship at Shelburne Residence
3:30pm Worship at Dufferin Oaks
7:55pm Sunday Night Prayers online

MON NOV 02

Office Hours: 12:00pm to 4:00pm
2:00pm Tech Support Drop-In (from 2:00 to 3:30pm)
7:00pm Smart Recovery Program (Online only)

TUES NOV 03

Office Hours: 9:30am to 2:00pm
11:00am Exercise: Arthritis Foundations

WED NOV 04

Office Hours: 9:30am to 2:00pm
11:00am Exercise: Strength & Stretch

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HIGH COUNTRY UNITED CHURCH

NOVEMBER 2026

WEEKLY PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

Mondays on Facebook
Free online Bible Study.

Tuesdays at 11:00am
Free exercise class: Arthritis Foundations.
Equipment provided.

Wednesdays at 11:00am
Free exercise class: Strength & Stretch.
Equipment provided.

Fridays at 11:00am
Free exercise class: VON SMART Workout.
Equipment provided.

Sundays at 10:30am
An hour-long worship service
with Sunday School followed by
refreshments and fellowship.
Live and streaming on YouTube and Facebook.

Sundays at 7:55pm
Join us on YouTube or Facebook
for live prayers each week.

Daily on Facebook & Instagram
A short prayer is posted at 6:00am.
A workout is posted at 7:00am.

SUPPORT GROUPS

Mondays at 7:00pm
Smart Recovery Program
Free peer support group for those of
us living with addiction and recovery
and those of us supporting loved ones
with addiction or in recovery.

17 **Tuesday, November 17 from 2:00-3:00pm**
Living into Life: Grief Support

26 **Thurs., November 26 at 1:00pm & 5:30pm**
Free Cancer Support for patients & caregivers

26 **Thurs., November 26 from 7:00-8:00pm**
Depression/Suicide: Free support group
for anyone affected by depression or suicide.

MORE PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

02 **Monday, November 2 from 2:30 to 4:00pm**
Free, Tech Class and Support

09 **Monday, November 9 at 11:00AM**
Free, Seniors Safety Lunch Series
Safe Banking

13 **Fri., November 13 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm**
United Generations / Family Workshops
Wreath Making (RSVP by Nov 6)

17 **Sat., November 14 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm**
Concert in the Sanctuary
Missing Link with Gord McDonald
$25

15 **Sunday, November 15 at 5:00pm**
Youth Group

15 **Sunday, November 15 at 7:00PM**
Young Adults

16 **Monday, November 16 from 10:00-11:00am**
Free, Moms & Tots Group

16 **Monday, November 16 at 2:00pm**
United Church Women (UCW)

17 **Tuesday, November 17 at 2:00pm**
Living Into Hope: Grief Support

19 **Thursday, November 19 at 11:15am**
Virtual Tour of the Former
Mohawk Residential School
$20

23 **Monday, November 23 from 11:00am-1:00pm**
Free Lunch & Learn - Safety Series
Is this ad real or fake?

25 **Wednesday, November 25 at 12:00pm**
Book Club

28 **Wednesday, November 25 at 7:00pm**
Free, Paper Airplane Club

30 **Mon., November 30 from 11:00am to 1:00pm**
Free Lunch & Learn: Christmas Hampers

High Country United Church is located at 346255 15 Sideroad WHS, Mono, ON L9W 6R9

Our programs are open community programs where anyone can attend.

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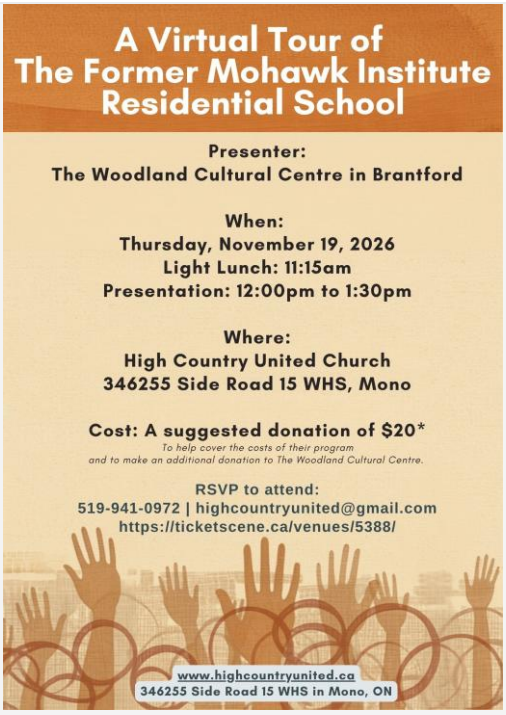
Senior Stockings Program

We know it's early, but the program coordinator has to get things together early this year. Please see the list below and start bringing in items to donate. They must be received by **no later than November 1, 2026.**

Truth & Reconciliation

Are you interested in learning more? Let the office know and we'll add you to the list when we run info programs.

How can we be good allies? Here's one practical way. Read more and consider writing a letter of support via the "start writing" at the following link: https://honourthetreaty.ca/en


A Virtual Tour of
The Former Mohawk Institute
Residential School
Presenter:
The Woodland Cultural Centre in Brantford
When:
Thursday, November 19, 2026
Light Lunch: 11:15am
Presentation: 12:00pm to 1:30pm
Where:
High Country United Church
346255 Side Road 15 WHS, Mono
Cost: A suggested donation of $20*
To help cover the costs of their program
and to make an additional donation to The Woodland Cultural Centre.
RSVP to attend:
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https://ticketscene.ca/venues/5388/
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THE
MISSING LINK
Country Music Concert
SAT., NOVEMBER 14, 2026 AT 2:00PM
HIGH COUNTRY UNITED CHURCH
346255 Side Road 15 WHS in Mono
TICKETS
$25
Email highcountryunited@gmail.com
Phone: (519) 941-0972
Order online at ticketscene.ca/venues/5388
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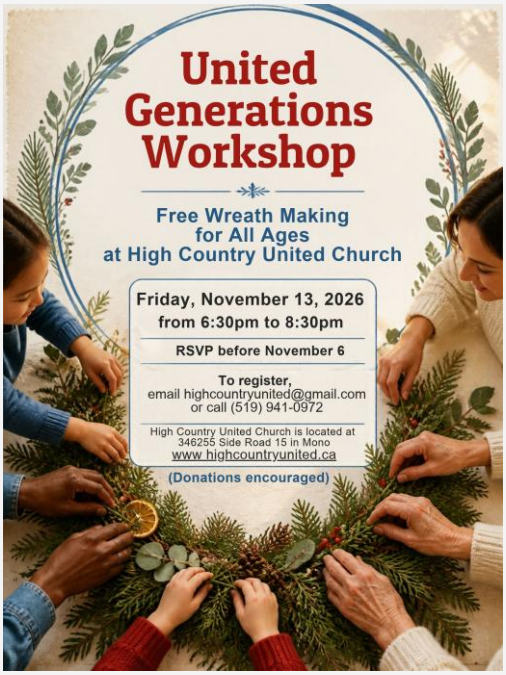
United
Generations
Workshop
Free Wreath Making
for All Ages
at High Country United Church
Friday, November 13, 2026
from 6:30pm to 8:30pm
RSVP before November 6
To register,
email highcountryunited@gmail.com
or call (519) 941-0972
High Country United Church is located at
346255 Side Road 15 in Mono
www.highcountryunited.ca
(Donations encouraged)

High Country
United Church
Children & Youth
Christmas Pageant
Sunday, December 13, 2026 at 10:30AM
Sign up your young person to participate by
contacting the office at (519) 941-0972 or email
highcountryunited@gmail.com before November 22.
More details will be shared upon registration.
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Pies available year-round

Contact our Pie Coordinator, Susan
Phone 519-941-6397 or email susanbutler55@icloud.com

Meat Pies: Beef; Ground Beef; Turkey
Fruit Pies: Blueberry; Dark Sweet Cherry; Mixed Berry; Peach; Raisin; Raspberry; Rhubarb; Strawberry-Rhubarb (and Apple when available)

Contact the church office if you're looking for a location to host an event, ongoing program or a meeting. We may have the perfect space for you.

WORKING ON SELF-IMPROVEMENT? Rev. Jan is working through her Life Coach certification and is focusing on her practice hours. She is offering 5 free appointments each month (about 30-45 minutes long). (2 appts have already been booked up.) Send a message to book an appointment. revjanetucc@gmail.com

DECLUTTERING? Next Decluttering for Diabetes pickup is scheduled for Tuesday, November 10. If you have items you'd like to send along, please message Rev. Jan to coordinate (pick up is in Orangeville). revjanetucc@gmail.com

SERVICE AVAILABLE - WINDOWS:
Sparkle Clean offers exterior window washing services.
Contact Calum Boston (519) 307-0521 Email: 519sparkleclean@gmail.com

A prayer for the week
Loving God, we give great thanks to you for all the blessings we have in our lives. Where we struggle, walk with us and encourage us along the way. Where we

worry, settle our souls and help us to find peace. Where we long to be and do so much more, reel us in and give us a practical way to get things done. We pray for a world of kindness and love, generosity and compassion in the hearts of all. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Heal, comfort and strengthen the world.
Extinguish all evil and kindle the good.

A link to our 365 days of prayer:
https://highcountryunited.ca/blog

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