

On -The -Horizon Newsletter

Kemble-Sarawak,
Zion-Keppel
United Churches

October 8th, 2026



Everyone is welcome to bring something from their garden to help decorate the communion table this Sunday, October 11th, 2026.

Land Acknowledgement

We formally acknowledge the Territory of the Anishinabek Nation: The People of the Three Fires known as Ojibway, Odawa, and Pottawatomie Nations. And further give thanks to the Chippewas of Saugeen, and the Chippewas of Nawash, known collectively as the Saugeen Ojibway Nation, as the traditional keepers of this land.

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Church Location:
crossroad of Kemble Rock
Road & Concession 20,
Kemble, ON N0H 1S0

**Worship Every
Sunday 10:30 a.m.**

Website: kszkunited.com
Donations by E-Transfer:
kemsarunited@gmail.com

Rev. Heather McCarrel,
Hours: Sun. – Thurs.
Pastoral Emergency?
Phone: 519-270-8545

A Note From The Minister

What an amazing week at Kemble-Sarawak United! We began the week with John & Peggy Barnard welcoming everyone into World Communion Sunday. Special "Thanks" to Lorraine for reading the scriptures, Leanne & Carol for preparing and helping to serve Communion, the Choir & Mary Ellen for their beautiful anthem, the Children for their spontaneous wisdom and all those who prepared and served Fellowship. At 1:00 p.m. I once again was leading worship, this time at the Zion-Keppel United Church. This shortened service was followed by a Congregational meeting. Please take time to read the letter on behalf of the Zion-Keppel United Church in this week's OTH.

Monday the Bible Study group had a talkative session as we re-read the story of Joseph and his amazing life from being sold to Egyptians to becoming an Egyptian leader and saving his own family. Wednesday the church basement filled with laughter as the UCW held their monthly meeting. Colleen & Connie served a lovely cake with fruit followed by a meaningful time of reflection on 'Thanksgiving' lead by Pam & Lorraine. Please see the UCW report in this week's OTH

This Sunday we welcome everyone to bring something to add to the Communion Table as we gather on Thanksgiving Sunday. We will sing our praises to our loving God and take time to count our blessings.

Following Sunday's service I will begin one week of holidays. During this time the Elders will be available for Pastoral Care and if needed, they know how to reach me. Their contact information is listed in the Announcements of this OTH. This will be the last OTH until Thursday October 22nd.

I hope to see you Sunday,
Rev. Heather McCarrel

In Our Prayers

We have been holding Cathy Graham and her family in our prayers. This week Cathy sent a "Thank You". Here is a snippet of the card; to read the entire "Thank you" please see the card on the church Bulletin Board:

**Dear members of Kemble-Sarawak church and ladies of the KWI,
Thank you for the wonderful gift bags of food, books, self-care products, and the gorgeous quilt & prayer shawl. It was so thoughtful of you and uplifting for me to receive the many lovely gifts. Your care and support have been greatly appreciated by myself and David and the family. We wish many blessings on all of you.**

**With a grateful heart and many thanks,
Cathy Graham**

October's Celebrations

Birthdays:

6th: Janice Hurst's

17th: John Beckett's

Anniversaries:

17th: Dave & Carrie Anderson

If we are missing a Celebration, please let us know at kszkunited@gmail.com



Regional United Church Women's Meeting
Lorraine Rutherford & Wanda Dailey attended the meeting on Mon. Oct. 5th, 2026
Below is a report from Lorraine Rutherford

On Monday, Oct. 5th, the UCW of Western Ontario Waterway (WOW) presented "Sing a New Song to the Lord," a day event at Hanover's Grace United Church. About 40 women attended.

In the morning was fellowship, worship, singing new and old hymns and a presentation about the Canada wide 65th UCW anniversary happening July 19th-23rd, 2027 in Ottawa. The theme is 'Draw the Circle Wide'. It will include many wonderful speakers, worship, singing, activities, tours of Ottawa, evening entertainment. We will bring our UCW WOW banner which depicts service, fellowship, witness and study. There will also be a tri-regional UCW meeting in Woodstock April 24th, 2027.

In the afternoon we had two guest speakers from the Stratford area speaking on the theme, 'Thankful for Creation'. The first was a couple on a beautiful 5 generation large, dairy farm, now robotic, explaining about their operation and the two biodigesters of which the methane gas released supplies energy to 500 homes. The second was a Master Gardner speaking on his garden and especially the re-establishment of native plants for insects and pollinators.

There was lots of good food and fellowship.

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Women's Institute
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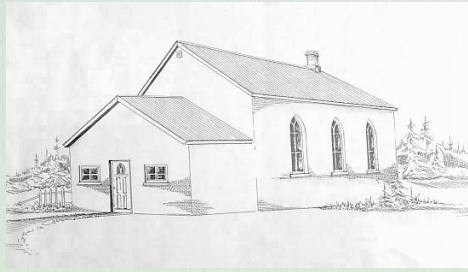
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2026 | 7:00PM
KEMBLE SARAWAK UC

LIGHT LUNCH SERVED FOLLOWING CARDS
Prizes awarded!

\$10/PERSON

Contact Cory McQuigge to reserve your seat
corymcquigge@gmail.com | 519-372-2336

THIS IS A FUNDRAISER FOR THE KEMBLE WOMEN'S LOOKOUT
ON GREY ROAD 1 AT THE S BEND



Dear Friends,

Today I write to you on behalf of the congregation of Zion-Keppel United Church. This year Zion-Keppel United Church celebrated 137 years of ministry. Over the years this congregation has witnessed many changes in this community and in the life of the church. Through it all this congregation has remained a welcoming faith community offering worship two afternoons a month.

Every first and third Sunday of the month for over 50 years this congregation has gathered for worship at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome for reflection, prayer, melody and Fellowship. It is our hope to continue offering this worship opportunity.

It has been a priority of the Zion-Keppel United Church congregation to share God's love by supporting local charities such as the Warton Salvation Army Food Bank, Chapman House Hospice, Brightshores Health Systems and the Bruce Peninsula Hospice. Globally this congregation has supported the work of the Mission & Service of the United Church of Canada.

However, with the increase in expenses in insurance, heat, hydro, and to maintain the building along with ministry costs, the future of this ministry is uncertain. Your donation would enable us to continue our presence in this community.

Donations can be accepted by e-transfer at kemsarunited@gmail.com (please mark the donation "Zion-Keppel United") or by cheques which can be mailed to our Treasurer:
Lynda Fischer: 402294 Grey Road 17, Georgian Bluffs, ON N0H 2T0

Thank you for supporting the continued ministry of Zion-Keppel United Church,

Rev. Heather McCarrel

Rev. Heather McCarrel, BA, MDIV
Minister of the Kemble-Sarawak, Zion-Keppel United Churches
kszkunited@gmail.com



This Week Two Letters of Thanks Were Received at
Kemble-Sarawak United Church...

Alzheimer Society
GREY - BRUCE

Dear, Everyone at Kemble-Sarawak United Church,
Thank you for your incredible Support! Your Coffee Break event was a huge success and we are grateful. All funds help support over 1,000 local families impacted by dementia access vital support services, education, and social recreation programs. We are so grateful!



Thank you from all of us at the Alzheimer's Society Gray-Bruce, Ruth Martell



United Way
Bruce Grey

Most people don't expect to need help keeping the lights on or their home warm.

But when the average household is surviving just \$28,368 a year, there is very little room for something to go wrong. A reduction in work hours, an unexpected expense, or the arrival of a fuel bill quickly transform a tight budget into an unmanageable one, and we are witnessing more people reach that breaking point.

Nearly 3 in 4 households seeking Utility Assistance in were newcomers to our services. But that isn't where this story ends. Because of donors like you, when a neighbour asks for help, we have something to offer. "Let's see what we can do."

A utility grant doesn't solve poverty. But it can keep a family warm while they get back on their feet. It can keep the lights on for a senior living on a fixed income. It can give someone facing an impossible month one less impossible decision.

You made that possible. Thank you.

*Thank you all!
Sharon*

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Kemble Sarawak United Church Women

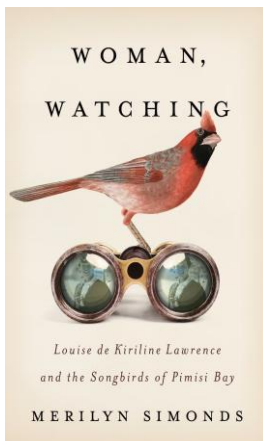
c/o Mary Beth Gray
310132 Kemble Rock Road
Kemble, ON N0H 1S0



Join us Thanksgiving Sunday, Sun. Oct. 11th, as we consider

Birds of the Bible

If you have snapped a few favorite photos of birds, please send them in for use on the Sunday Service Power Point: kszkunited@gmail.com



If you are enjoying the preaching series on Birds of the Bible, then you may enjoy the book **Woman, Watching** by Marilyn Simonds. Based on the true story of Louise de Kiriline Lawrence who after the death of her husband in WWI moved from Europe to Northern Ontario. She first worked as a nurse, being the first nurse of the Dionne Quintuplets, then living in an isolated log cabin near North Bay, she became one of Canada's first Ornithologists. Her home, the "loghouse nest", became a Mecca for international ornithologists. A most fascinating book to read!

“What’s On Your Mind?” Preaching Series.....

Join us Sun. Oct. 18th, 2026 at 10:30 a.m.
at Kemble-Sarawak United

As Rev. Luke Haisa, Central United, Calgary explores the question,

“Why does scripture tell us to fear God?”



Send your questions to:

revhmccarrel@rogers.com/519-270-8545

A 5 week series exploring exactly the issues you would like to explore.

Thank-You!!

Thank you to everyone who made a special donation to the Benevolence Fund.
Last Sunday \$350.00 was gathered.

September's Scripture Sleuther!



Congratulations to Peggy Barnard for being the first to shout out:

Matthew 6:26

"Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?"

Peggy has chosen The Women's Shelter for this month's charity donation.

Throughout the Bible, God shows us what it looks like
to find peace in a chaotic world.



Join us for Bible Study

As we journey toward an un-hurrying heart.

Mondays 10:30 a.m. to NOON

Starting Monday Sept. 21st, 2026

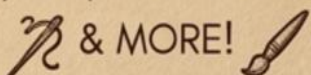
Kemble-Sarawak United Church

**Bible Study for Mon. Oct. 12th, 2026 has been postponed
due to Thanksgiving**

Friday, October 30th
at the Kemble-Sarawak United Church
6 pm registration & preview, 7 pm auction

**KEMBLE
SARAWAK
UNITED CHURCH
FALL
AUCTION**

Come and support the church and
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 WOODCRAFT, BAKING, PRESERVES 
 SEWING, ART, GIFT CERTIFICATES 
& MORE! 

For more information contact:
Paul Morris prmorris55@gmail.com
call or text 905-467-1545

Kemble-Sarawak United Church

Greeters

OCT. 4	JOHN & PEGGY BARNARD
OCT. 11, 18	MURIEL BECKETT
OCT. 25, NOV. 1	MIKE & JOCELYN MILNE
NOV. 8, 15	ELAINE & JACK WALLACE

Scripture Readers

OCT. 4	LORRAINE RUTHERFORD
OCT. 11, 18	BOB GRAY
OCT. 25, NOV. 1	MIKE MILNE
NOV. 8, 15	KEROLYN MORAN

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS:

Oct. 4 th :	Mary Beth Gray	Jennie Hoekstra	Brenda Forsyth	
Nov. 8	Connie Morris	Mary Turner	Audrey Armstrong	Sabine Robart

Oct. 2026 Happenings at KSZK United

please contact Kerolyn Moran at kerolynmoran@hotmail.com

Sat. Oct. 3rd:	All Candidates Meeting: 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Sun. Oct. 4th:	Kemble-Sarawak United's Worship: 10:30 a.m. Zion-Keppel United's Worship Service: 1:00 p.m.
Mon. Oct. 5th:	Bible Study 10:30 & Lion's Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Oct. 7th:	UCW Monthly Meeting: 1:00 p.m.
Sun. Oct. 11th:	Kemble-Sarawak's Worship : 10:30 a.m.
Mon. Oct. 12th:	Bible Study -Cancelled Due To Thanksgiving
Tues. Oct. 13 th :	KWI Woodruff farm at 6:00 p.m.
Fri. Oct. 16 th :	KWI Euchre Party: 7:00 p.m.
Sun. Oct. 18th:	Kemble-Sarawak's Worship: 10:30 a.m. Zion-Keppel Worship: 1:00 p.m.
Mon. Oct. 19th:	Bible Study 10:30 a.m. & Lion's Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Fri. Oct. 23 rd :	Pork Supper Fundraiser by Lion's Club: 4:30-6:00
Sun. Oct. 25th:	Kemble-Sarawak Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.
Mon. Oct. 26th:	Bible Study 10:30 a.m.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Together let's ensure everyone has something to eat this
Thanksgiving

Donation Basket at Parking Lot Door

Please Give

Hello everyone,

As most of you already know, Melanie and Kimberly are going with the high school (OSDSS formerly known as West Hill) rugby team to Portugal and Spain to learn more about the sport, receive training from professional coaches, play games against local teams, and work on team building.

The rugby team is hosting a dinner fundraiser with a silent auction.

on October 22nd from 5pm to 7pm

with dine-in and takeout options available.

Tickets are \$25.

(cash or E-transfer to m-vd-lip@hotmail.com)



Announcements

Rev. Heather on Holiday: Heather is away on Holiday from Mon. Oct. 12th until Mon. Oct. 19th. Pastoral Concerns can be directed to the Church Elders: Carol MacDonnell (519-372-1890), Elaine Wallace (519-376-1118) or Leanne Sutherland (519-371-3953)

UCW Fundraiser: Tru Earth Orders: is now linked to its sister company Eco-Collective (new link as of June 2025): <https://tru-earth.sjv.io/KSUCW>

Milk Bag Collection: When bringing in your milk bags please ensure that they are placed CLEAN, FLAT and RIGHT SIDE OUT in the box in the basement. Many thanks!!

United Church's Rural Ministry Network Newsletter: Sept. 2026
<https://mailchi.mp/ucrmn/may-2023-ucrmn-enews-13884339?e=4cff10b438>

United Church's E-ssentials Newsletter: Sept. 30th, 2026
<https://mailchi.mp/united-church/e-ssentials-4756041?e=c486cd077b>

Western Ontario Waterway Regional Newsletter: Sept. 8th, 2026
<https://mailchi.mp/united-church/wow-enewsletter-september282026?e=ce357406f0>



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Spaces are limited so RSVP at
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BOOKS N' BANTER Owen Sound BOOK CLUB

MEETS 1:00 P.M.
1ST TUESDAY
EVERY MONTH
STARTING:
TUES. OCT. 6TH,
2026

IN THE BOARD ROOM
AT THE Owen Sound
& North Grey Union
Public Library

NO PURCHASE OF
BOOKS NECESSARY

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Kemble & District Lions Club

Rooted in Service



Annual FALL DINNER

Join us for a delicious community meal
in support of local initiatives!

MENU

Main:

Savory Pork Loin Roast &
Scalloped Potatoes with Onions
(Choice of White or Brown Buns)

Dessert:

Assorted Fresh Pies



EVENT DETAILS



Date: Friday, October 23rd



Time: 4:30 PM – 6:30 PM



Price: \$20.00 per plate



Location:
Kemble Sarawak
United Church Hall



DINING OPTIONS

Limited Indoor Seating Available



TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM:



ANY
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MEMBER



THE
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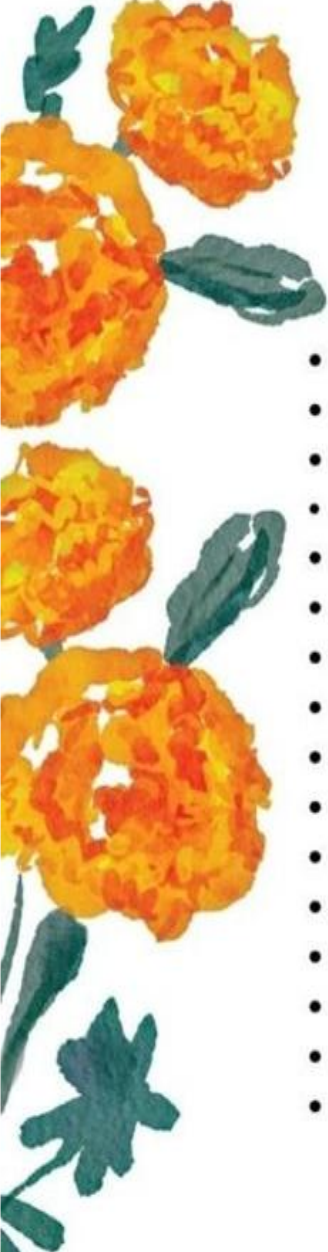
BAYSHORE
COUNTRY
FEEDS



All proceeds go toward funding community projects
and local Lions Club initiatives.

Thank you for helping us make a difference!





October

Fear Not!

- Day 1: 2 Tim 1:7
- Day 2: 1 John. 4:18
- Day 3: Psalm 23:4
- Day 4: Joshua 1:9
- Day 5: Isaiah 41:10
- Day 6: Isaiah 35:4
- Day 7: Isaiah 43:1
- Day 8: Jeremiah 1:8
- Day 9: Psalm 34:4
- Day 10: Psalm 27:1
- Day 11: Psalm 118:6
- Day 12: 1 Peter 3:14
- Day 13: Luke 12:32
- Day 14: Genesis 15:1
- Day 15: Psalm 56:3
- Day 16: Proverbs 12:25
- Day 17: Psalm 112:7
- Day 18: Proverbs 3:24
- Day 19: John 14:27
- Day 20: Jeremiah 17:8
- Day 21: Luke 12:22
- Day 22: Philippians 4:6
- Day 23: Deuteronomy 3:22
- Day 24: Isaiah 12:2
- Day 25: Chronicles 20:15
- Day 26: 2 Chronicles 20:17
- Day 27: Exodus 14:13-14
- Day 28: Psalm 112:8
- Day 29: Deuteronomy 1:21
- Day 30: Acts 18:9
- Day 31: 1 Peter 5:7

*"With the power of God
within us, we need never
fear the powers around us."*

Woodrow Kroll

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