

On -The -Horizon Newsletter

Kemble-Sarawak,
Zion-Keppel
United Churches

July 15th, 2026



Camping on a Rocky Shore
Photo by Keith Davidson

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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

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

A Note From The Minister

Sunday July 12th was a busy morning at Kemble-Sarawak United. Set up for an outside service began under the early morning sun but soon was re-routed as the heat began to climb and there lacked a breeze on the side lawn. Worship was moved into the church's hall where 50 of us gathered comfortably for song, prayer, reflection and a lovely time of refreshments. Thank you to all who came to help with set up, the Hosts of Fellowship and all those who joined us for summer sabbath.

Despite the summer heat and haze the ministry of KSZK United continued. The Elders made decisions regarding the August & September worship services, the Stewards were called upon to help with church property issues, pastoral visits were shared and there was one funeral at Greenwood Cemetery. Sadly, there was frustrating news received at the church on Tuesday. Some of the village residents witnessed others driving over the church's side lawn and through the parking lot due to the closed intersection. Once informed we went to the church and sure enough many tire marks were left across the lawn. We kindly ask that this stop as the church's tile bed is under that side lawn and it would be very costly if we had to replace it. Temporary barriers were put in place. We do hope everyone can be patient while this necessary culvert replacement is completed.

As I write there is a strange yellow haze outside my window and despite it being 11:00 a.m. I have the lights on. If the smoke from the forest fires so far away is affecting us, it is unimaginable what it must be like further north. Please take time to say a prayer for the first responders, for those who reside within the regions of each fire and for all the devastation these fires are causing the habitats of so many birds, animals and plant life. Our prayers are most certainly needed,

Rev. Heather McCarrel

Please hold in your prayers...



Tim & Heidi Smith-Tones and their family:

Many of you know Heidi and her husband Tim Smith from Gleason Brook Pottery (The Communion set we use at the church was created by Tim). On Monday, July 6th, Heidi Smith-Tones was riding her bicycle along the road near Wiarton, when she was hit by a vehicle and left with life-threatening injuries. A Go-Fund Me Page has been set up for those who wish to help the family during this difficult time: You can donate here: https://www.gofundme.com/f/heidi-smithtones-and-her-family-while-she-is-in-hospital/donate?source=btn_story_donate

Anyone who witnessed the incident or has video footage is asked to contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122, or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

July Birthdays & Anniversaries at KSZK United

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

4th: Marieke Woodroffe

5th: Pennie Wallace

16th: Peggy Barnard

29th: Mavis Beckett

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

JULY 19th:

John & Peggy Barnard

&

Don & Wanda Dailey



July's Scripture Sleuther

Congratulations to
Lorraine Rutherford for being the first
to recognize the scripture passage:

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a
light to my path." ~ Psalm 119:105

Lorraine has chosen REACH to
receive this month's \$50.00 prize!



Who Needs A Strong Helper?

I'm looking to supplement my part-time
work at the library with other odd jobs
(university is expensive and I need to save up!).
If you have anything you think I could do to
help you, or anyone else you know in the
area, please reach out!

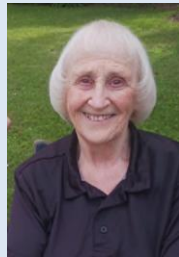
I have experience with landscaping,
wood cutting and stacking,
farm chores, cleaning, cooking and more!
226-668-4657/judahlen@gmail.com.

Please feel free to share
Thanks everyone! Jude Hoekstra



KSZK United in the World

During July we will honour those of this ministry who offer God's love through volunteerism.
We Thank Pam Wilson for her Volunteer work at Safe 'N Sound & for collecting Our Milk Bags !



Pam started volunteering at Safe 'N Sound in the summer of 2023. She volunteers on Mondays during which she does the laundry, puts out clothing for clients and helps them find what they need. She also accompanies the Treasurer on a regular basis to the Mission Thrift Store where they purchase such items as dishes, clothing, bedding and any other helpful items that they have to offer to the clients at Safe 'N Sound. She also sponsors fund raising events. Pam is also KSZK United's "Bag Lady" because she collects all our plastic milk bags to be used to weave floor mats. Pam not only helps to clean up the landfills but ensures others have clean mats to sleep on. Thanks Pam for all you do!

Safe 'N Sound is in need of:

We are desperately seeking:
women's shorts (S-L)
men's shorts (XS-XL)
deodorant

We also welcome regular donations including adult summer footwear, Gatorade and other electrolytes, hygiene items, laundry detergent and towels.

Donations can be brought to Safe n Sound Monday-Sunday 9-3 or dropped off at Owen Sound & North Grey Union Public Library during their business hours Mon-Thurs 1-8, Fri-Sat 10-5

Thank you to our kind Neighbours for your generous donations in supporting our Participants.



DONATION LOCATIONS

SAFE N SOUND 310 8TH ST E MON-SUN 9-3	OWEN SOUND LIBRARY 824 1ST AVE W MON-THURS 1-8 FRI-SAT 10-5
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The Canadian Foodgrains Bank has sent along prayers so we can join the voice of many in “Giving Thanks For Food in a World Where Many Walk in Hunger”.

Visit the foodgrainsbank.ca to make a donation or bring non-perishable food items to the church to be donated to the local foodbanks.

This week’s Prayer: “We Thank You”

We thank you for food and remember the hungry,
we thank you for health and remember the ill,
we thank you for homes and remember the homeless,
may our thanks lead to service, to doing your will.

Amen

Christine Longhurst- Canadian Foodgrains Bank

KSZK UNITED’S 2026 SUMMER BOOK CLUB

Theo of Golden by Allen Levi

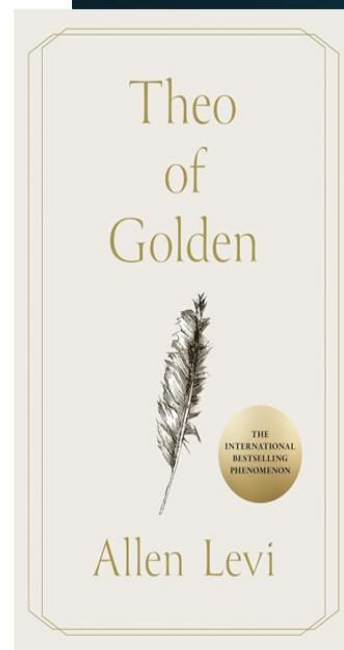
His name is Theo and he's arrived there by chance – or has he? He visits the local coffeehouse, where ninety-two pencil portraits hang on the walls, portraits by a local artist of the people of Golden. He begins purchasing them, one at a time, and putting them back in the hands of their 'rightful owners'. With each exchange, a story is told, a friendship born, and a life altered.

A story of seeing and being seen, Theo of Golden is a beautifully crafted novel about the power of creative generosity, the importance of wonder to a purposeful life, and the invisible threads of kindness that bind us to one another.

Can be purchased for \$25.00
at any Shopper's Drug Mart, Walmart, Coles/Indigo Books or Amazon.ca

We will meet Mon. Aug. 24th, 2026

10:30 a.m. to discuss the book



Did you Know?

The symbol that greets you every time you walk in the church by the back parking lot was created by Sarah Elliott? She quilted this and dedicated it to the new addition in 2021.

Please see below the explanation of the symbolism:

Thanks Sarah!



NEW BEGINNING

A Liturgical Banner

Created by Sarah Elliott for Kemble-Sarawak UCW

Designed for the new entry to our church addition,
bringing new hope and progress

*The centre circle represents **our Kemble Community***

***The sun** is rising over Georgian Bay*

***The fields and furrows**
represent farming and horticulture in our Community*

***The Mariners' Compass**
represents our fishing and pleasure boaters*

***The centre circle is held up by two angels wings**
For love and protection*

***The wings are hand painted**
Pink for love and peace
Blue for protection and warmth
Yellow for wisdom for decisions*

Sunday July 19th, 2026 at 10:30 a.m.

Lasting Contentment

"I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances"
(Philippians 4:11-13)

**Join us for Song-Reflection-Prayer
Worship will be inside &
ice cream sandwiches will be served!**

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Greeters

JULY 19, 26

KEITH DAVIDSON

AUG 2, 9

ZION-KEPPEL UNITED

Scripture Readers

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FELLOWSHIP HOSTS: Aug. 9th all are welcome to bring something to share

SUMMER LIGHT SET UP CREWS: Sun. July 26: Paul & Connie Morris

August Worship at KSZK United

Sundays Aug. 2nd & 9th

10:30 a.m. at Zion-Keppel United Church

NO SERVICES AT KEMBLE-SARAWAK UNITED

Sun. Aug. 16th

10:30 a.m. Lake Charles Community Church

Worship Leader: Roseanne Judge

NO SERVICES AT KSZK UNITED

Sundays Aug 23rd & 30th

10:30 a.m. at Kemble-Sarawak United Church

Road Construction

Kemble Culvert Replacement and Intersection Improvements JULY 6TH – SEPTEMBER 4TH

Access to the church's parking lot may be compromised on weekdays but Sundays they will try to leave a single lane to the church. Parking on the streets may be necessary. Please be mindful not to impede on any landowners' lawns



DO NOT DRIVE ACROSS CHURCH PROPERTY

There have been vehicles getting around the culvert construction road closure at the Kemble-Sarawak United Church by driving through the west church parking lot and over the lawn, which is right over top of the tile bed. Temporary Barriers have been put into place so to protect the tile bed.



July 2025 Calendar at KSZK United

Please contact Kerolyn Moran at kerolynmoran@hotmail.com

Sat. July 18th: Rate Payer's Meeting: 9:00-3:00 p.m.
Sun. July 19th: Kemble-Sarawak's Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Sun. July 26th: Kemble-Sarawak's Worship: 10:30 a.m. Bring a lawn chair.

Announcements

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: June 11th, 2026
<https://mailchi.mp/ucrmn/may-2023-ucrmn-enews-13882632?e=4cff10b438>

United Church's E-ssentials Newsletter: July 14th, 2026
<https://mailchi.mp/united-church/e-ssentials-4755804?e=8f585e2b76>

Western Ontario Waterway Regional Newsletter: July 6th, 2026
<https://mailchi.mp/united-church/wow-enewsletter-july62026?e=ce357406f0>

56th ANNUAL BBQ DINNER



**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19**
5 - 6 :30 PM

**PICK UP: TRINITY ANNAN UNITED CHURCH**
303234 SIDEROAD 33
(CORNER GREY ROAD 15), ANNAN



**\$30**
/TICKET

Includes: Roast beef, baked potato, corn niblets, cole slaw, dinner roll & dessert.

ALL MEALS MUST BE PRE-ORDERED & ARE TAKE-OUT PACKAGED
or join us under the tent

Deadline: Sunday, August 16

TO PURCHASE TICKETS

 **519-376-8257**

ETRANSFER: TRINITYANNANCHURCH@GMAIL.COM
REFERENCE: BBQ TICKETS & YOUR CONTACT #



QYC Global Guardians

July to August 2026
7:15am to 5:45pm

Kindergarten to 12 years

Register before May 1st for
Early Bird pricing of
\$75.00
per child per day
\$78.50 per day after May
1st
per child per day



WEEKLY ADVENTURES

July 6-10

Come join us to explore how to preserve our lands for future generations. Global Guardians will participate in eco-projects such as raising butterflies, growing butterfly gardens and planting tree seedlings!

July 13-17

Let's explore the wetlands and natural ecosystems. We will discover birds and mammals that live around us, as well as investigate bugs and amphibians. Come and learn how to identify tracks as well as finding different animal habitats.

July 20-24

Are you backcountry ready? Join us for a week of fun nature challenges and learn the basics of camping. From knot tying, building campfires, and creating shelter, the Global Guardians will be ready for any outdoor adventure!

July 27-31

This action-packed week is full of survival skills! From forest fighting to basic first aid skills, the Global Guardians will be prepared for any emergency situation in the backcountry.

Aug 10-14

We continue to immerse our Global Guardians in nature's beauty. The Global Guardians will continue to learn and explore how to identify flowers, trees, and wildlife.

Aug 17-21

Let's travel back in time to visit the Pleistocene Era. Did you know we live in an area with evidence of glacial remains? Let's end our summer by searching for fossils and gemstones!

MEALS AND
TRANSPORTATION FROM
OWEN SOUND
TO GREYSTONE TRAILS
INCLUDED

Nature Exploring
& Eco Projects
Aquatic Adventures
& Canoeing
Special guests and
unique experiences



Led by family trusted local Child Educational experts
Queen of Hearts is partnered with Greystone
Trails and Private Conservation Property

Contact Reservations@queenofheartsnurseryschool.com

Ages:
5-12

Let Your Light Shine Camp

August 4th - 7th

Tues - Thurs 9:00 am - 3:30 pm
Fri 9:00 am - Noon
Followed by a Family BBQ

Activities :

- Nature Field Trips
- Arts and Crafts
- Science Activities
- Splash Pad
- Songs and Stories
- Puppet Show

Georgian Shores United Church

997 4th Avenue East Owen Sound

Registration

\$40 perchild (\$25 for
additional children in the
family)

More Information and to Register

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For more info. Contact
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The Hand of God

July

Daily Reading Plan



- Day 1: Isaiah 66:2
- Day 2: Psalm 19:1
- Day 3: Psalm 95:4-5
- Day 4: Isaiah 48:13
- Day 5: Job 12:10
- Day 6: Job 36:32
- Day 7: Isaiah 40:12
- Day 8: Isaiah 41:19-20
- Day 9: Psalm 145:16
- Day 10: Habakkuk 3:4
- Day 11: 1 Chronicles 29:12
- Day 12: Psalm 118:15-16
- Day 13: Daniel 4:35
- Day 14: Psalm 144:7-8
- Day 15: Isaiah 64:8
- Day 16: Jeremiah 18:6
- Day 17: Psalm 138:7
- Day 18: Psalm 31:15
- Day 19: Psalm 98:1
- Day 20: Isaiah 43:13
- Day 21: Psalm 121:5
- Day 22: Isaiah 41:1
- Day 23: Nehemiah 1:10
- Day 24: Isaiah 41:10,13
- Day 25: Psalm 16:8
- Day 26: Psalm 18:35
- Day 27: Psalm 89:21
- Day 28: Isaiah 42:6
- Day 29: John 10:29
- Day 30: Psalm 138:10
- Day 31: 1 Peter 5:6

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Isaiah 41:10

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