

Greenbank/Seagrave Session Meeting
Greenbank April 9, 2025 - 2:00 pm

Attendance: Greenbank - Barb Ward, Minister Ian Wilgus, Supervisor Rev Anne Meredith, Carla Puckrin, Norma Ferguson, Patrick Dwyer, Wilma Smith
Seagrave - Betty Lou Beacock, Darlene Hallett, Betty Somerville.
Regrets - Wendy Hudgins.

Ian Wilgus opened with prayer.

Darlene Hallett, Moved, seconded by Patrick Dwyer - an addition to the agenda, about pausing church services while Ian is on holiday. Carried

A Motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting was made by Carla Puckrin, 2nd Betty Lou Beacock. Carried

CHURCh was canceled March 30th because of the ice storm on Saturday the 29th.
The emergency policy/list worked fairly well.

Ian did David Hooker's funeral at Seagrave, and has been doing some visiting and hopes to do more.

A discussion on Ian's office hours. Maybe it should be listed on the website the hours Ian will ACTUALLY be in the office.

Patrick Dwyer - Sunday School report - Bible School August 8-1, 2025

“ . “ - Food Bank to open after Easter depending on the weather.
“ . “ - PIE day, dinner went really well (40). Sold approximately 200 pies. A \$500 scholarship will go to Port Perry Highschool once again.

Betty Lou Beacock - Seagrave gave out 2 prayer shawls. Donna Kent made bread for Communion. Next Sunday to recognise the new things they bought in the last year (keyboard, TV, choir gowns). Marjory Chamber's, long time member, passed away. April 20 and May 4 a memorial candle will be lit in her memory. Seagrave also held the celebration of Life for David Hooker.

Ian - Services for Holy Week - Palm Sunday, April 13th at Greenbank.
Good Friday at Seagrave (7:00) as well as Easter Sunday.
Ecumenical walk on Good Friday in Port Perry (station 3).
Early sunrise service, meet at 6:30 at Greenbank church to walk to the cemetery.

Mothers Day Service in Greenbank this year, May 11th. Communion either May 11th or June 8th. Darlene will find a minister to help Ian with communion.

June 8th will be the 100th Anniversary for the United Church of Canada at Greenbank. Another celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the United Church will be held in Seagrave at the same time as their church anniversary this fall.

Holy Humour Sunday, April 27th, at Greenbank

May 4th, Star Wars Day, at Seagrave.

Communion October 5th. Barb Ward brought forward the complaint of dipping the bread in the wine at the last communion service. A discussion took place about serving the elements.

Different ways to serve, traditionally as it used to be, or intincture (dipping the bread), or the minister giving out the bread and another holding the wine to take as they stand there or take back to their seat. It was decided to leave it up to Ian and maybe rotate the different ways we do it.

Ian's holidays July 27th-24th of August; Continuing Ed, October 22th-28th; Advent Retreat December 1st-7th, 2025.

Patrick Dwyer reported the M & P recommending pausing the churches while Ian is away on vacation. Betty Lou Beacock made a motion to accept the recommendation of the M & P to pause church for 5 weeks (July/August) while Ian is on holidays. Seconded by Darlene Hallett. Carried.

A discussion took place on signing people up for PAR. It was suggested to remind people that it is available and hand out a letter/flyer with the form to be filled out and returned to the church.

Barb Ward, Betty Lou Beacock, Wilma Smith and Ian Wilgus worked on a Funeral and Wedding policy for the two churches. Discussion on the policies took place. A motion by Patrick Dwyer, seconded by Betty Somerville, to accept the policies and forward to the Local Board/Unified Board for approval. Carried.

Greenbank Safety Policy - Volunteers for children's ministry to have a police check every 5 years instead of 2 years. Insurance is all good with this.

Next meeting: June 25th, 2025 - 2:00

Ian closed in prayer.

