

## **LIGHTHOUSE UNIT MINUTES MAY 2024**

Lighthouse members were very happy to welcome Christine Roberts to our meeting on Monday, May 21, in Fellowship Hall. Christine represented the David Suzuki Foundation for Butterfly and Pollinator Gardens and Flyways. Her slideshow and accompanying explanations were very interesting and informative, encouraging us to make space for native plants in our gardens and yards. These plants are necessary to keep the food and habitat chain for bugs, birds and small animals intact, to keep our environments healthy. Janice McKean explained how their property's soil was successfully brought back to life by planting native species. She and Art Wiebe sold Native Plant reference books and kindly donated the proceeds to our Church's Capital Fund. Everyone appreciated the presentation and discussion very much.

Afterwards, desserts and tea were enjoyed by all, while the Lighthouse members came together for a short discussion. Our June Potluck will be held at the home of Terry Boyd and Joseph in Inverhuron. Sheila Bauer and Donna Mowry offered to organize this meeting for Monday, June 17.

The Scottish Festival Bake Table was discussed, with water and coffee to offer as well. The Congregation will need to be asked to donate baking to be brought to the church Friday afternoon or early Saturday morning. The table outside will need to be set up on Saturday morning, and water bottles bought. Krista Ritchie offered to look after making the coffee, providing the cream, sugar, water bottles and checking the washroom, for the first part of the day. Mary Phillips offered to look after the advertising, and Nancy Brash offered to be a worker for whoever volunteers to be in charge. The times for workers would be 9- 11:30 and 11:30-2. Please give some thought to being the coordinator or a worker for this event and let our Unit know.

We closed our meeting with prayer. – Marion Brown and Shirley Steele