

Pass It On

Little Britain United Church

"We are not alone, we live in God's world"



October 2026



175 Years in 175 Words

Henrietta Ross's Rejected Suitor

*Condensed from "Henrietta Ross's Rejected Suitor,"
Winnipeg Free Press, September 11, 1965.*

In 1853, the Red River Settlement was stirred by a romantic quarrel involving Henrietta Ross, daughter of a prominent local family. John Gunn, who farmed on the east bank of the Red River near St. Andrew's Rapids, proposed marriage and was accepted. Soon afterward, however, Rev. John Black, a young Presbyterian minister, also proposed to Henrietta. She chose Black, leaving Gunn bitterly wounded.

Gunn complained to Henrietta's brother William, accusing Black of dishonourable conduct and threatening to oppose the marriage. William defended Henrietta and warned Gunn against making trouble. Gunn later claimed that many Scottish settlers also objected to the match and even tried to prevent the wedding at the old Little Britain meeting house.

Despite the controversy, Henrietta and Rev. Black were married. Gunn eventually cooled down, reconciled with the family, and later married Emma Garriough. He settled near Lockport, where his home stood close to Gunn's Creek. The dramatic episode became one of the colourful stories remembered from early Red River life.



Coming Events

Thanksgiving Service

October 11th at 10:00 am
Little Britain United Church



Lasagna Dinner and Time, Talent & Treasure Auction

Saturday, October 24

6:00 pm

Tickets **MUST** be
purchased in advance

Adults: \$25.00

Kids 6-10: \$10

Five & Under Free

Available by calling:

Fred 204-981-2433, or

LBUC Office: 204-757-2489, or
online @ littlebritainunitedchurch.ca

Payment for Auction Items:

Cash or Credit Card

"Please also bring a tin for the bin"



Coffee Time

LBUC Hall

Tuesday, October 27, 2026

10:00 am to 11:30 am

October is Women's History Month & Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Oct. 1 - National Seniors Day

Oct. 12 - Thanksgiving Day

Prayer for the Month

Gracious God,

As the leaves turn and the season changes around us, we give thanks for the beauty of creation and for the many blessings woven into our daily lives.

We are grateful for family and friends, for this church community, for food on our tables, for work shared, and for the kindness shown in ways both large and small.

As we gather in this season of thanksgiving, help us to remember those who are lonely, worried, grieving, or facing uncertainty.

Open our hearts to notice where we can offer friendship, encouragement, and practical help. Guide Little Britain United Church in the months ahead. Give us wisdom as we make decisions, patience as we listen to one another, and courage to welcome new possibilities while honouring the faith and traditions that have brought us this far.

May we carry gratitude beyond Thanksgiving Day and let it shape the way we live throughout the year.

Amen. 



Saskatoon Cake

Dale Baydak

*Reprint from our Cookbook
"Little Tastes of Heaven"*

- **Base:**
1/2 c. margarine 2 c. flour
1 1/2 c. white sugar 1 tsp. baking soda
2 eggs 1/2 tsp salt
1 tsp. vanilla 1 c. buttermilk
3 c. saskatoons (plus 1 tbsp. flour)
- Beat margarine, sugar and eggs; add vanilla.
- Combine flour, baking soda and salt. Add to creamed mixture alternately with buttermilk. Toss saskatoons with flour and add to batter. Pour into a greased 9x13" pan.
- **Topping:**
1/4 c. margarine 2 tsp. cinnamon
1 c. brown sugar
- Mix topping until crumbly and sprinkle over batter. Bake at 350F for 40 to 45 minutes.
- *There are still a few cookbooks left for sale.
Currently marked down to \$15 each.
Once again a great xmas gift idea!*
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Gospel for the Month:

Luke 17: 11-19

A reminder that gratitude
is more than feeling thankful.
It is taking time to notice,
return, and give thanks.

October Blessing

The leaves release their summer green,
and drift in gold across the ground.
The fields grow quiet, days grow still,
and gratitude is all around.
For food, for friendship, work and rest,
for hands that help and hearts that care,
may we give thanks for gifts we know,
and notice blessings everywhere.



Do you have content for our November Newsletter? Deadline is October 25, 2026.
Please send submissions to: lbucad1@gmail.com or contact Pat @ 204-799-3156.

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