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**Festival of Friends – for those whose
lives have been touched by cancer**
Special Service on Sunday October 21 at 7:30 p.m. at
Trafalgar Presbyterian Church.

Whether you are a cancer survivor, have lost a loved one, are supporting a friend or family member, or are coping with the disease right now, this is an opportunity to share your sorrow and celebrate hope with others in the community.

“The medical community offers information and treatment, but we recognize that a person’s spirit needs support and healing, too”, says Rev. Kristine O'Brien, minister at Trafalgar Presbyterian Church. The evening will offer time for quiet reflection, prayer and words of hope.

The name of the event, “Festival of Friends” comes from a song written and recorded by Bruce Cockburn on his record, 'In The Falling Dark' (1976) which was remastered in a 2002 CD version. The song, which speaks of the mysteries of life and death amid deep friendship, will be performed by Dr. Andrew Donaldson, Trafalgar’s pastoral musician, and his wife Wendy. “This song is a favourite of many Canadians”, says Dr. Donaldson, “and has a great deal to offer for those who are both struggling and celebrating”.

Joining Rev. Kristine O'Brien will be volunteers from Wellspring Halton-Peel, a local centre that provides a wide range of cancer support programs and services, at no charge, to meet the emotional, social, psychological and informational needs of people living with cancer and those who care for them.

The Festival of Friends takes place on Sunday, October 21 at 7:30 p.m., Trafalgar Presbyterian Church, 345 Upper Middle Road East