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## Week of April 8th, 2018

### The Flowers in the Sanctuary today are to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of:

- Doris & Reg Walton, and Jack Walton. Parents and brother of Beth & Bob Goodwin, grandparents and uncle of Bob, David, & Alison. Lovingly remembered by the family.
- William D. Henry
- James & Margaret Hutcheon
- Margaret Mary MacRae
- Pat McDonald
- John C. McMillan
- Alan Peters
- Innes & Rowland Popplewell.
- Stephen family loved ones

### This morning we welcome

Kyle Edwin Mohr-White

into the community of God's people.



### Celebration of Ministry - Bishop Michael Bird

Everyone is invited to join this Open House celebration which will include speeches and presentations on Saturday, April 21st from 1 to 4 pm at Christ's Church Cathedral. Please let the office know if you would like to attend. If you would like to contribute towards a gift for the Bishop, you will find envelopes in the chair pockets and on the Welcome Table to do so. Cheques should be made payable to St. Christopher's.

### Plant Sale

Have perennials that need to be split? Consider donating your plants to our annual plant sale happening May 12. Drop off plants at the church May 11. Talk with Rachel or Christina for more info.

### The Bible Challenge

Compared to the early weeks of Genesis and Exodus, we seem to be racing through the Old Testament now. On Wednesday, we will start the book of Judges. Please read the insert in this morning's bulletin to find out more about what's coming up.

Here is this week's reading schedule:

Monday: Joshua 19-21; Psalm 71; John 5  
Tuesday: Joshua 22-24; Psalm 72; John 6  
Wednesday: Judges 1-3; Psalm 73; John 7  
Thursday: Judges 4-6; Psalm 74; John 8  
Friday: Judges 7-9; Psalm 75; John 9  
Saturday: Judges 10-12; Psalm 76; John 10  
Sunday – See you in church!

### Bridge

We will be gathering to play Bridge next on Monday, April 16th at 2 pm in the Preschool Room at the church. We meet every other Monday afternoon. Please join us if you would like to play!

For confidentiality reasons the prayer list does not appear online.

The **March Messenger** is available this morning. Be sure to pick up a copy to find out about everything that is coming up. The online edition is on the homepage of our website, in living colour! [www.stcb.ca](http://www.stcb.ca).

### Jazz Vespers

Join us for Jazz Vespers next on Sunday, April 15th at 4 pm. Jim Sandilands (bass) will be joined by Colleen Allen (saxophone), Stacie McGregor (piano), and Tim Shia (drums).

### Fun in the Sun

The theme of this year's Fun in the Sun summer day camp is Creation Exploration. Camp dates are July 30 - August 3. Registration forms are on the Welcome Table. For more information, talk to Allison.

### Rector seeks your input

Now that I've been here a few months, I think it's a good time to ask what's working well at St. Christopher's. I would like to ask each of you to complete a brief survey about worship. The survey should take no more than three minutes to complete, and is meant to help me hear from as many members of the parish as possible. I will make the results available in a few weeks, after everyone has had a chance to complete the survey. The survey can be completed by following this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MR8595Z>

### Lent Madness

And the winner is ....

For much of the last seven weeks, many of us have been following the "saintly smackdown" of Lent Madness, and learning about holy persons throughout the ages. We have learned that the official winner is Deaconess Anna Alexander. This week, at the start of the 9:30 service, we will award the winner of the St. Christopher's bracket competition, the person who came closest to guessing the winner. Be sure to come to offer your congratulations, and maybe pick up some tips for the competition next year!

## Teens and young adults!

Cahoots is a retreat weekend sponsored by the Student Christian Movement with an emphasis on faith intersecting with justice and creativity. St. Christopher's is pulling together a group of people, ages 16-30, to carpool to the event on the weekend of May 4-6 at Cedar Ridge Camp near Bancroft. The full ticket price is \$150, but this will be subsidized by the church. Join us for a fun weekend of music, peace-building, and time outdoors! Further details are available at [scmcanada.org/cahoots](http://scmcanada.org/cahoots), or speak to Allison about getting a registration form.

## Human Trafficking Awareness Day

All are welcome to join in a morning of learning and connecting with the reality of human trafficking in our communities and the world on Saturday, April 14 at St. James, Dundas from 9 am - 12:30 pm. Cost: no charge. For more information, please call the office or speak to Michelle.

## Spring Rummage Sale

Is coming up on Friday, April 20th and Saturday, April 21st. Mark it in your calendar and plan to come and help out! Watch for sign-up sheets in the Narthex after Easter. You may begin to bring items for sale after noon on Wednesday, April 18th.

## Summer Student Interns

St. Christopher's is looking for college or university students to fill summer internship positions in three areas: children and youth; nutrition and food; and community arts. For further details, please visit the website or the parish bulletin board. Please note that the positions are contingent on funding.

## Gardeners Wanted!

We are looking for people to adopt a bed in our Community Access Garden. You would be responsible to help tend one or two boxes throughout the growing season. Help can be arranged if you are going on holiday. Everyone is welcome to share in the watering, care, and harvest of the garden. Sign up in the Narthex. Group planting day to be announced shortly. Talk with Rachel or Christina for more info.

## Servers Needed

We would like to add additional members to our team of those who assist the clergy in the sanctuary during our Sunday morning services. This is a way to serve that might appeal to people as young as twelve years of age. If you would like to talk more about this ministry, please talk to Michelle or call the church office.

## Interested in the 11:30 service?

This is a service that has changed a lot over the years. If you currently participate in the service at 11:30 am on Sundays, or have in the past and would like to share what was meaningful to you, please join us on Sunday, April 22 at 12:30 pm. Over a casual brunch, we will consider some different worship styles for the future.

## Birthdays/Anniversaries

### Birthdays this week

Ann Daniels	Meaghan Rudge
Heather Smith	Joan Hood
Diane Wales	Elizabeth Peters
Jayne Picott	Paul Winslow
Matthew Aljas	Meherwan Jeejeebhoy
Louise Walker	

### Anniversaries this week

Les & Margaret Parker	(63)
Alan & Mary Ayliffe	(21)

### Services this Week

#### Thursday, April 12th

11:00 am Holy Eucharist

#### Sunday, April 15th

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

9:30 am Holy Eucharist

11:30 am Holy Eucharist

Child Care provided at the 9:30 Service

*Please - Take me home with you!*

### Meetings & Activities This Week:

Monday	9:30am	Fitness Class & Coffee Break
	4:30pm	Shine
	7:00pm	Band Practice
Tuesday	9:00am	Men's Cooking #1
	1:00pm	CMHA Counselling
	2:00pm	Seniors' Social Group
	4:00pm	Free Clothing Store
	4:00pm	Kids' Club/Tween Club
	4:30pm	Food Bank
Wednesday	6:00pm	Community Dinner
	7:00pm	Calling All Parents
	9:30am	Fitness Class & Coffee Break
Thursday	10:00am	Active Tots
	10:15am	Bible Study
Friday	12:00pm	Seniors' Lunch
	12:45pm	Food Bank
	1:00pm	Free Clothing Store
	6:30pm	Guitar Group
	7:30pm	Choir Practice
	9:30am	Fitness Class & Coffee Break
Saturday	10:00am	Free Clothing Store
	10:00am	Food Bank
	4:00pm	Respite