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Week of January 27th, 2019

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

- Anne Olynyk, Sophie Moody, Noreen & Peter Salari, Vicki & Bill Husak, all lovingly remembered by Susan & Peter Olynyk, Jackie & Geoff Olynyk, and Steve & Judy Olynyk.

Vestry Sunday

February 24th following the 10 am service

We are currently preparing for our annual Vestry meeting. Thank you to all who have submitted their annual reports. Our service times that morning will be at 8 am and 10 am with the meeting to follow. If you have not submitted your reports yet, would you kindly do so as soon as possible.

Gift for Jon and Laura

Our Pastoral Associate, Rev. Jon Forbes, will be returning this week following the celebration of his wedding to Laura Swan. If you would like to contribute towards a gift for them from the parish, there are envelopes in the chair pockets and on the Welcome Table this morning to do so.

Gift for Allison

Our Director of Children and Youth, Rev. Allison Courey, is currently on maternity leave. If you would like to contribute towards a gift which we will present to her on the arrival of her baby, there are envelopes on the Welcome Table to do so.

Wedding at Cana

Jugs of water are we still.

Waiting each to do God's will.

Just let Jesus take your heart and prepare to take your part
In this awesome life that He has planned for you.

(Written by Allison Lynn (c)2007

Recorded on the album "Real Big Fan"

Hear the song at www.InfinitelyMore.ca)

Open Doors - Save the Date!

It is that time of year again, when we are gearing up for our largest annual fundraiser, Coldest Night of the Year! (CNOY) Our goal this year is to raise \$50,000, and with your help we believe it is possible. Tell your neighbours about why Open Doors is important to the community and why it is important to you and ask them to donate to a Walk Team! If you haven't already signed up to walk, you can do so at ww.cnoy.org. If you want to help find business Sponsors, there are posters and sponsorship packages in the Narthex. If you are keen to volunteer, please email walk@stcb.ca. Let's raise some major awareness and funds for the Ministry we do here at St. Christopher's!!



The **January Messenger** is available. 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!
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For confidentiality reasons the prayer list does not appear online.

2018 Financial Statements

are available for pick-up in the Narthex this morning. They will be mailed on Monday. Please check your statement carefully and report any errors or omissions to the office as soon as possible. Tax Receipts will be based on this information and issued in February.

Bridge

Please join us for a game of Bridge. We will be playing next tomorrow, Monday, Jan. 28, at 2 pm in the Preschool Room at the church. All skill levels welcome!

Bible Study

Our Thursday morning Bible study meets at 10:15 am in the Family Room. Come for coffee and great conversation before the 11am service.

Tuesday Seniors' Social Group

Each Tuesday afternoon from 2-4 pm you will find a group of seniors gathered in the Family Room and Narthex for refreshments, games and camaraderie. All are welcome to join the group. For more information, please call the church office at 905.634.1809.

Ginger Group

Retired, semi retired gentlemen and guests of the parish will meet February 4th at 11:45 am in the Great Hall for lunch, refreshments and a presentation from Bill Liabotis and friend about creating a sustainable-energy future (update). All are welcome. Please contact Winston Campbell or George Beadle if you have any questions.

Church Calendars

There are two 2019 Canadian Anglican Church Calendars still available in the office during regular office hours for \$5.



At our Vestry meeting in February we will be electing Wardens, Lay Representatives to Synod and Parish Council Members at Large. If you think you might be interested in serving in any of these roles, job descriptions are available in the office. For more information, please talk to one of the Wardens, a member of Parish Council or the Rector

Kids at 11:30

The Children's Program will continue at the 11:30 service, much as it has for the last two months. Children will follow a leader out after the Opening Prayer, and enjoy a story from Scripture and some opportunity to learn and reflect on its meaning (possibly including a craft). They will rejoin their parents in time for the prayers.

Lenten Liturgy & Learning Planning

If you would be interested in helping to plan our liturgy and learning for the season of Lent, please join us for an initial planning meeting on Wednesday, January 30th in the Family Room at 7 pm.

Bishop's 2019 Lenten Book

Bishop Susan has chosen The Book of Forgiving by Desmond Tutu and Mpho Tutu as this year's Lenten Book. Each of us has a deep need to forgive and to be forgiven. After much reflection on the process of forgiveness, Tutu has seen that there are four important steps to healing: and it is only through walking this fourfold path that Tutu says we can free ourselves of the endless and unyielding cycle of pain and retribution. The Book of Forgiving offers both Tutu's wise advice and shows the way to experience forgiveness. The cost is \$16 per book. To pre-order, contact Jane Wyse by email or call 905.527.1316 x420.

Youth Leadership Training Program (YLTP)

This is the last week to submit applications for this year's program. YLTP is a Diocesan sponsored three year leadership program grounded in learning, modeling, and practising effective leadership in church, school and community. It is open to youth between the ages of 12 and 15. The deadline for applications is January 31st. If you would like to know more, please speak with Michelle.

Thursday Seniors' Lunch

After considerable consultation with volunteers and staff, everyone has agreed to partially resume Thursday seniors' lunches. Lunch will be served this week (Jan. 31). After that, lunch will be served on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month, beginning on February 14th. The Thursday Eucharist with Prayers for Healing will continue to be offered every Thursday, as will other Open Doors Programs.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

We meet monthly on the last Thursday of the month in the Family Room from 1-3 pm (Jan. 31st). New members are always welcome. Anyone who can knit or crochet but needs help getting started please join us. For further information call Miriam Miller at 905.639.3460 or Donna Mawhinney at 905.637.0972 or donna.mawhinney@gmail.com.

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Birthdays this week

Christina Low	Joan Selway
Bob Cross	Mary Ellen Hewitson
Dylan Mohr-White	Finian Ford-Jones
Lyn Robinson	Debbie Brooks
Joan Butcher	Matthew Cain
David Griffiths	John Hood
Daniel Watson	Kathy Watson
Matthew Collard	Michele Honan

Anniversaries this week

Tim & Debra Denike (39)

Services this Week

Thursday, January 31st

11:00 am Holy Eucharist

Sunday, February 3rd

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
	5:15pm	Youth Choir
	7:00pm	Band Practice
Tuesday	1:00pm	CMHA Counselling
	2:00pm	Seniors' Afternoon Social
	4:00pm	Free Clothing Store
	4:00pm	Kids' Club/Tween Club
	4:30pm	Food Bank
	6:00pm	Community Dinner
	7:00pm	Calling All Parents
Wednesday	9:30am	Fitness Class & Coffee Break
	10:00am	Active Tots
	7:00pm	Liturgy Planning Meeting
Thursday	10:15am	Bible Study
	12:00pm	Seniors' Lunch
	12:45pm	Food Bank
	1:00pm	Prayer Shawl Meeting
	1:00pm	Free Clothing Store
	6:00pm	Guitar Group
	7:30pm	Choir Practice
Friday	9:30am	Fitness Class & Coffee Break
Saturday	10:00am	Food Bank
	10:00am	Free Clothing Store