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Week of March 24th, 2019

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

- -Earl Jones, Barry Jones, and Stephen MacKinnon, all remembered with love by Marjorie MacKinnon and family.
- -Erland Roy & Doris Henderson, parents of Betty Jane & Colin, and the late Elizabeth Henderson. Grandparents of Lisa & David. Remembered with love.

Bishop's 2019 Lenten Book

We are exploring *The Book of Forgiving* during Lent on Wednesday evenings (7:30 pm) and Thursday mornings (10:15 am). Our Lenten liturgy reflects the themes from the book and the study series will help us to practice the sometimes difficult call to forgive. This week we'll be talking about the second step on the path, *Naming the Hurt*, so please read pages 93-117 in preparation.



Let's Open Doors Gala

May 24th - 7:30pm-10pm

An exciting evening of Silent and Live Auctions, gourmet appetizers, wine, music & merriment! Tickets are only \$25/ per person. Tickets are available in the office Mon-Fri or in the Narthex on Sundays beginning April 7. Tickets are also available online at eventbrite.ca. Search for Let's Open Doors Gala. If you would like to contribute to the event by way of a donation, Christina will be gratefully accepting bottles of wine and gift cards.

Give it up for the Earth

The Citizens for Public Justice group runs a special environmental program during Lent. (cpj.ca/for-the-earth) Visit the Greening Niagara display board in the Narthex. Help yourself to a 'Give it up for the Earth' postcard. Complete your personal statement of what you will 'give up for the earth' during the Lenten season. Mail the postage free card to the Prime Minister's office.

Lent Madness Update

While we were sad last week to note that Canadian (and founder of the SSJD) Hannah Grier Coome did not advance in Lent Madness; we are happy to note that the other Canadian in the Bracket, Marguerite d'Youville, did. She will compete again in two weeks, so stay tuned and vote. In the meantime, you may want to learn more about the other "competitors" and holy people featured in the competition this year, by visiting www.lentmadness.com. Don't be afraid to vote (once) for your favourites.

Bridge

Please join us for a game of Bridge. We will be playing tomorrow, Monday, March 25th, at 2 pm in the Preschool Room at the church. All skill levels are welcome!

For confidentiality reasons the prayer list does not appear online.

Yard & Garden Clean-Up

Please mark your calendars now for clean-up day on Saturday, May 11th from 9am - noon. If you can help, please contact the office or speak with Paul Smith. Many hands make light work!

Bible Study / Seniors' Lunch

Next lunch - Thurs., March 28th

Our Thursday morning Bible study meets at 10:15 am in the Family Room. Come for coffee and great conversation before the 11 am service. Stay for our Seniors' Lunch which follows at noon on the second and fourth Thursday.

Baptism Dates

If you, or someone you know is interested in being baptized, the next opportunity to participate will be during the Easter Vigil or on Easter morning. Please speak with Jon or Michelle if you would like to know more.

Fun in the Sun

The theme of this year's Fun in the Sun summer day camp is Kingdom Rock. Camp dates are July 29 - August 2. Registration forms are on the Welcome Table. For more information, talk to Trudy.

Confirmation Preparation

Confirmation is commonly referred to as an opportunity to make an adult profession of faith. In the Anglican Church, it is a time when we formally become members, and individually pledge to uphold the Baptismal Covenant. Rev. Michelle will join with the Rev. Stuart Pike of St. Luke's, Burlington, to lead a discussion/class for those interested in being confirmed this summer. If you are interested in participating, or would like to know more, please contact her at mboomgaard@stcb.ca.

Newcomers Gathering

Thursday, April 4th - 7:00 pm

If you are new, or relatively new to the parish and would like to know more about us, please join us in the Family Room on the evening of Thursday, April 4th for conversation and light refreshments.