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Week of March 25th, 2018

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

- Erland Roy & Doris Henderson, parents of Betty Jane & Colin, and the late Elizabeth Henderson. Grandparents of Lisa, & David. Remembered with love.
- Doreen Williams, remembered with much love by her husband Doug, and all her family.

Easter Flower Envelopes are in the chair pockets and on the Welcome Table for those wishing to have loved ones' names listed in the bulletins for Easter Services. Today is the last day to submit names for printing in the bulletin.



Holy Week

Please plan to mark Holy Week with us. Service times are outlined on the reverse. Please note that meetings and activities, including Open Doors programming, are cancelled all week. Our regular programs and worship times will resume on Tuesday, April 3rd.

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.

The Bible Challenge

Hope you can keep up with the Bible Challenge during Holy Week! This week, our readings may seem particularly meaningful, or it may seem as though our timing is a bit off: we will be reading the events of Holy Week on Friday and Saturday this week, but won't get to the Resurrection until Tuesday. (Also, please know that if you ever get off schedule, there are schedules available on the bulletin board near the kitchen. You can always pick up where you left off)

Have a blessed Holy Week, and blessed reading!

Here is the reading schedule for the coming week:

- Monday: Deuteronomy 19-21; Psalm 59; Luke 17
- Tuesday: Deuteronomy 22-24; Psalm 60; Luke 18
- Wednesday: Deuteronomy 25-27; Psalm 61; Luke 19
- Thursday: Deuteronomy 28-30; Psalm 62; Luke 20
- Friday: Deuteronomy 31-33; Psalm 63; Luke 21
- Saturday: Deuteronomy 34; Psalm 64; Luke 22
- Sunday: Happy Easter!

Bridge

We will be gathering to play Bridge next on Easter Monday, April 2nd 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.

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).

Maundy Thursday Prayer Vigil

Plan to participate in the all night prayer vigil, keeping watch with Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. Look for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Prayer resources are provided.

Food Bank

At the moment we are in particular need of powdered milk and cup a soup (or other foods which can be prepared by adding boiling water). We would also especially appreciate laundry pods, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, and feminine hygiene products. Please place your donations in the blue bin beside the doors into the Narthex and if you have any questions, contact Christina. Your support is very much appreciated!

Easter Luncheon

All Seniors are invited to join us on Thursday, April 5th at 11:00am for Holy Communion followed by a hot lunch. Afterward, we will sing some of your favourite songs with members of the choir.



Lent Madness

The final week of Lent is also the exciting final week of Lent Madness! If you haven't logged on to lentmadness.org yet, check out the last of the "Elate Eight" saintly kitsch round, and then stay tuned for the final match-ups.

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, 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.

Burlington Blood Donor Clinic has an urgent need for blood donors this March to help meet patients' needs this spring. To make an appointment to donate, visit blood.ca or call 1-888-2-DONATE to find a nearby donation site. Walk in appointments are also available.

CMHA Counselling

On Tuesdays we offer free counselling by Canadian Mental Health Association counsellors from 1 - 7 pm. We are in need of volunteers to provide reception support for our counselling appointments, greet clients and give them a time slot. This role is shared so if you are not available every week or only for part of the time, we would still appreciate your assistance. Please contact the office if you have any questions. staff@stcb.ca.

A Warm Welcome

There are a couple of ways that you can help us to extend hospitality to everyone who enters our worship space on Sunday mornings. One is to place your belongings on the floor rather than on the chairs so that it is easy for people to find a space to sit. Newcomers in particular are reluctant to ask you to make room for them. You can also regularly wear your nametag. We often hear that part of what went into a good first impression at St. Christopher's is that names were remembered. Filling in a blue member information sheet will get you your first nametag but if yours has been damaged or gone missing you can call the office or hit "reply" to the email blast to request a new one.

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Birthdays this week

Gillian Wilk	Kathryn Cant
Kat Clewley	Marilyn Rector
Spencer Hobden	Kevin Kozuh
Malcolm Ridgway	Kevin Hobden
Janesse Alsop	Allan Jones
Mary Scowen	Kevin Blanch Sr.

Anniversaries this week

Dorothy & Harry Warren	(24)
John & Barb Smith	(54)
Charles & Margaret Warren	(67)

Church Office Holiday Hours

Please note that the church office will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, April 3rd.



Holy Week & Easter 2018 at St. Christopher's

Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday in Holy Week

7:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Reflection, Night Prayer

Maundy Thursday, March 29th

7:30 pm Footwashing, Eucharist, Stripping of the Altar

All-Night Prayer Vigil

9 pm Maundy Thursday to 10 am Good Friday
Please sign up in the Narthex to participate

Good Friday, March 30th

10 am Meditation on the Cross*
3 pm Worship Service for children and families

Holy Saturday, March 31st

7:30 pm Easter Vigil, First Fire, & Holy Eucharist

Easter Day, Sunday, April 1st

9:30 am, 11:30 am
Eucharist with child care and children's programs
at both services

*Child care and children's program available