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Week of November 5th, 2017

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

- Shirley Eleanor Titus Thornton, dearly loved mother of Amy & Kevin Collard, grandmother of David & Matthew.
 - Bill & Audrey Coulter, parents of Kim & Karen Coulter, and Craig & Lorraine Coulter
 - Cam Coulter, son of Bill & Audrey Coulter, brother of Kim & Craig Coulter.
 - Minnie & Emil Lenz, parents of Audrey Coulter & grandparents of Cam, Kim, & Craig.
 - Bruce Maddox, lovingly remembered by his wife Gloria, his children, and his grandchildren.
 - John Phillips, lovingly remembered by his wife Barb & family.
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Welcome Rev. Michelle Boomgaard

This morning marks our first Sunday with our new Rector, the Rev. Michelle Boomgaard. Welcome Michelle! If you have not already met her, we hope that you will take a moment to introduce yourself to her and to Michelle's fiancée, Lou Hays.

This morning we welcome

Ember Anne Rainey
Wynter Laine Rainey

into the community of God's people.



Christmas Market

Please read the insert in the bulletin this week for all the details about the Christmas Market!

Celebration of New Ministry - Dan Cranley

We are invited to the Church of the Transfiguration this afternoon to share their Celebration of New Ministry for Dan Cranley. The service today, Sunday, November 5th is at 5 pm. The address is 111 Manor Rd. E. in Toronto. There are copies of the poster (with a map) available on the Welcome Table in the Narthex. If you would be interested in carpooling, please arrive at the church at 3:30 for a 3:45 departure.

Thank You!

Yesterday's celebration of the life of Steve Hopkins could never have been the warm, thoughtful, and gracious occasion that it was without the help of legions of people from St. Christopher's and beyond. You know who you are and we are extremely grateful for your gifts of time, food, strength, emotional support, shopping, baking, organizing etc. etc. Well done all.

Church Email Addresses

Our church email addresses have changed and now end with .stcb.ca. The general office email address is staff@stcb.ca. Please update your address books. We will be closing the .stchristophersburlington.com accounts soon.

Knitting

If you have been knitting items for our Christmas Market, we would be happy to receive them now. We are getting ready for November 18th!

Upcoming Jazz Vespers

We will celebrate Jazz Vespers next Sunday, November 12th at 4pm. Please join us!

Thursday Bible Study and Service

Please join us on Thursday mornings for Bible study at 10:15 am in the Family Room. Come for coffee and great conversation before the 11am service. Stay for our Seniors' Lunch which follows at noon.

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.



A big "Thank You" to Marilu's Market for providing us with the meat for our tourtières not only at a very reasonable cost, but for grinding our spice blend in each week as well. Thanks too to our chief liaison, Bob Goodwin, who delivered the spices to the store each week and the meat to our kitchen!

Pints & Compline

Pints & Compline will gather next on Wednesday November 29th from 7:30 - 9 pm at The Dickens Pub. Join us for a conversation about Bible, theology, and life followed by a short service of night prayer. Everyone 19+ is welcome.

Coldest Night - February 24th

The Coldest Night of the Year walk this year will take place on Saturday, February 24th. This is the major fundraiser of the year for our outreach ministry through Open Doors programs. Please consider walking yourself, joining one of our teams, or forming your own team. Begin letting your friends and acquaintances know that you will be looking for sponsors and why the issue of poverty and homelessness is important enough to you to participate in this event.

PWRDF Christmas Gifts

Give a goat! The 2017 PWRDF World of Gifts brochure is available on our PWRDF table in the Narthex. Global Affairs Canada is providing \$6 for every \$1 that you spend of selected gifts this year so please consider these items for friends and family at Christmas. Christmas cards are also available. There are two different designs. Check the posters in the narthex. Cards are \$20 for a pack of 12 cards and your donation helps forward the work of PWRDF in the world. See Valerie Barnes for more details.

Thank You Jim

Last Sunday we wished the Ven. Jim Sandilands farewell as our Interim Priest-in-Charge and thanked him for his ministry among us. We presented him with a whisky glass and something that he might like to drink from it. If you wish to contribute towards a financial gift for Jim, there are envelopes in the chair pockets and on the Welcome Table to do so. We will present the cheque to him next Sunday at Jazz Vespers.

Newcomers Wine & Cheese

If you are new to the parish and would like to know more about our ministry and programs, we hope that you will join us on Wednesday evening, November 8th from 7-8:30 pm in the Family Room. Invitations are available on the Welcome Table in the Narthex.

Christmas Baking

We will need lots and lots of cookies for our bake table at the Christmas Market. If you can help, please visit the sign-up table in the Narthex this morning. We have lots of recipes available.

Sound System at 8 am

We have a roster of folks who operate the sound system in the church and record the sermon each week. We are currently looking for a few more people who would be willing to take on these duties during the 8 am Sunday service. It is a fairly simple routine, training is provided, and the instructions are posted on the system. If you are interested, please speak to Andy or John Stephen.

Bishop's 2018 Lenten Book

Bishop Michael has chosen Let Me Go There: The Spirit of Lent by Paula Gooder as this year's Lenten Book. Let Me Go There reflects on some of the key events in the life of God's people that occurred in the wilderness as a way of preparing us to enter more fully into the experiences of Jesus' 40 days and nights in the desert at the beginning of his ministry, and to hear afresh the call to the disciples that ensued. The cost is \$15 per book. To pre-order, contact Jane Wyse by email or call 905-527-1316 x420.

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Birthdays this week

Nancy Botting	Clayton George
Paul Rainey	Stuart Thompson
Susan Bennedsen	Stephen Fielding
William Armstrong	Barb Baker
Kathryn Filsinger	Conor Mason
Linda Holland	Al Nicolls
Cathy Snider	Elyse Turney
Jennifer Wilson	Liz Baldwin
Tom Nicol	Don Walker
Sandi Remedios	

Anniversaries this week

Don & Louise Walker	(44)
Kevin & Raffael Kapusty	(28)

Services This Week

Thursday 11:00am Holy Eucharist

Services Next Sunday, November 12th

8:00 am	Holy Eucharist
9:30 am	Holy Eucharist
11:30 am	Holy Eucharist
4:00pm	Jazz Vespers

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
Tuesday	1:00pm	CMHA Cousselling
	2:00pm	Seniors' Afternoon Social
	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
	10:00am	Active Tots
Thursday	7:00pm	Newcomers Wine & Cheese
	10:15am	Bible Study
	12:00pm	Seniors' Lunch
Friday	12:45pm	Food Bank
	1:00pm	Free Clothing Store
Saturday	9:30am	Fitness Class & Coffee Break
	10:00am	Free Clothing Store
	10:00am	Food Bank