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Week of October 28th, 2018

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

- Steve Hopkins, remembered by his many friends here at St. Christopher's.
 - Basil Little, brother of Dorothy Brownhill, and uncle of Diane Miller.
 - Mary MacDonald, remembered on her birthday by her friends in the kitchen at St. Christopher's.
 - Harold, Priscilla & Walter Russell, parents & brother of Gordon Russell.
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Ministry Fair

Please visit our Ministry Fair this morning in the Great Hall between the services. Think about your own spiritual gifts, grab a cup of coffee, and take in the wide range of ministry undertaken through our parish.

Fall Rummage Sale!

Thank you to the many volunteers, led by convenor Kristina Beeby-Curtis who worked tirelessly to make our fall Rummage Sale a success. These sales and proceeds are appreciated by many and we appreciate everyone who contributed their time towards this important fundraiser.

All Souls

All are invited to join us on Sunday, November 4th at 4 pm for an All Souls' Day Service. This is a quiet, reflective service offering reassurance, healing, and hope as we remember those who have died.

Thank You Rachel!

Please join us as we celebrate Rachel Courey's ministry with us this coming Tuesday evening, October 30th. We will gather from 5 to 6 pm for refreshments in the Great Hall. Dinner will be served at 6 pm and everyone is welcome to join us for all or any part of the afternoon or evening.

Ginger Group

Retired and semi retired gentlemen of the parish and guests will meet on tomorrow, Monday, October 29th, at 11.45 am in the Great Hall for an appetizing lunch, refreshments, fellowship and to listen to Mr. Blair Winsor talk about men's health; blood pressure/cardiovascular; dementia and take general questions. For further information, please contact Winston Campbell or, George Beadle.

Scare Away Hunger!

We invite you to participate in our Hallowe'en Hunger Challenge. Please consider donating tuna, rice, canned meat and fruit, school safe snacks, hygiene products, or cash. Check the posters around the parish centre for drop-off dates and times.

The **October Messenger** and our annual event and program calendar is available. Be sure to pick up a copy to find out about everything that is coming up this fall. You will also find it on the home page of our website.

For confidentiality reasons the prayer list does not appear online.

Yard & Garden Clean-Up

Please mark your calendars now for clean-up day on November 3rd from 9am - noon. If you can help, please contact the office or speak with Paul Tomlinson. Many hands make light work!

Bible Study

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!

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.

Bridge

Please join us for a game of Bridge tomorrow, October 29th, at 2 pm in the Preschool Room at the church. All welcome!

Liturgy Planning

Anyone interested in planning our liturgy for Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany is welcome to join a first meeting on Thursday, November 1st at 7:30 pm in the Family Room. For more information, please speak to Michelle.

PWRDF is responding to two ongoing disasters: the earthquake in Indonesia and the typhoon in the Philippines. Please consider making a donation to PWRDF to support the people of Indonesia and the Philippines. You will find donation envelopes and further information on the PWRDF table in the Narthex. Please mark your cheque "Emergency Appeal Indonesia/Philippines".

Christmas Families applications are in circulation so if you know of someone who might benefit from some assistance over the holidays, please ask them to contact Christina at opendoorsprograms@stcb.ca. If you would like to participate in the preparation, please call the office.

Tourtières

We will be preparing tourtières one last time this year on Saturday, November 3rd. If you would be willing to help, please contact the office at 905.634.1809. The kitchen is a great place to meet new people. Come join us!

Parish Centre Safety and Security

With the arrival of fall our Parish Centre is very busy once again. If you are using a locked and/or armed area, please be sure to lock and arm the space once again when you leave. Turning off lights behind you is much appreciated as well! Thanks.

Stewardship Campaign

Curious about our fall stewardship campaign? Or how it fits into our budget and plans for the future? Find out more! Michelle will be hosting a series of conversations between the 9:30 and 11:30 services on Sunday, November 4, and November 11 in the Family Room. Each conversation will begin with a short presentation, followed by an opportunity to ask questions.

May Contain Nuts

We strive to create a safe and healthy environment for everyone, however we are not a peanut/tree nut free environment and cannot guarantee that any food served at St. Christopher's is peanut/tree nut free.

Church Calendars

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



The Bible Challenge

We are continuing the same books of the Bible again this week, but that doesn't mean things have to be boring! Look for Ezekiel to shift into a more hopeful tone, as he describes the coming fulfillment of God's promise (and the restoration of the people and the great temple). Musicians may find one of our readings from Revelation familiar - it's one of the refrains from The Hallelujah Chorus! Does reading it in Revelation change your opinion of the book (or the music) at all?

This week's reading schedule:

Monday: Ezekiel 35-36; Psalm 86; Revelation 9

Tuesday: Ezekiel 37-38; Psalm 87; Revelation 10

Wednesday: Ezekiel 39-40; Psalm 88;
Revelation 11

Thursday: Ezekiel 41-42; Psalm 89: 1-18;
Revelation 12

Friday: Ezekiel 43-44; Psalm 89: 19-52;
Revelation 13

Saturday: Ezekiel 45-46; Psalm 90; Revelation 14

Sunday: see you in church!

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Birthdays this week

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| Nancy Emerson | Brian Yott |
| Liam Thomason | Martin Pinney |
| Lisa Portelli | Nigel Barber |
| Brenda Brouwers | Ava Bianco |
| Sam Mototsune | Chris Byrnes |
| Justine Hamilton | Rosemary Martin |
| Malcolm Ramsay | Stephanie Schmeler |
| Peter Bush | Lelia Holman |
| Maurice Matthias-Urquhart | |

Anniversaries this week

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| Winston & Gloria Campbell | (52) |
| Peter & Susan Olynyk | (39) |

Services This Week

Thursday 11:00am Holy Eucharist

Services Next Sunday, November 4th

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:

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| Monday | 9:30am | Fitness Class & Coffee Break |
| | 11:45am | Ginger Group |
| | 2:00pm | Bridge Group |
| | 5:15pm | Youth Choir |
| | 7:00pm | Band Practice |
| Tuesday | 2:00pm | Seniors' Afternoon Social |
| | 4:00pm | Free Clothing Store |
| | 4:00pm | Kids' Club/Tween Club |
| | 4:30pm | Food Bank |
| | 5:00pm | Farewell Rachel |
| | 6:00pm | Community Dinner |
| | 7:00pm | Calling All Parents |
| Wednesday | 7:00pm | Parish Council Meeting |
| | 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 |
| | 6:00pm | Guitar Group |
| | 7:30pm | Choir Practice |
| | 9:30am | Fitness Class & Coffee Break |
| Saturday | 8:00am | Tourtières |
| | 9:00am | Yard & Garden Clean-up |
| | 10:00am | Food Bank |
| | 10:00am | Free Clothing Store |