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## Week of September 8th, 2019

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

- Madge & Les Inskip, parents of Valerie Barnes.
- Colin & John Inskip, brothers of Valerie Barnes.
- Colin Barnes, former husband of Valerie Barnes and father of Alison and Linden.
- Dorothy Burwell, mother of Barbara Norman.
- David Michael Page, remembered with love by his parents David and Joan Page, and his sister Susan & her family.
- Doris & Howard Clark, remembered with love by Jan & Stan Pearce, and their family.
- William, Bessie, & Donald Blackburn, parents and brother of Edna Russell. Remembered with love by Edna & Gord & family.
- H. Lloyd Wood remembered with love by his wife Gayner and children Chris and Geoff.

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Today is **Launch Sunday** when we re-launch our program year. Please join us after each of the services for refreshments in the Great Hall. This is a great opportunity to catch up with friends you might not have seen over the summer and meet new friends as well. Many thanks to everyone who contributed to this event, especially the hospitality crew!

### All-Parish Meeting

*Sunday, Sept 15th - Services at 8 and 10 am*

Our services next Sunday will be at 8 and 10 am so that we can hold an all-parish meeting following the 10 am service. Please read Michelle's email blast (there are hard copies on the Welcome Table) to learn all of the details of this important meeting and why your participation will be so valuable.

### The Goods!

We are holding a local artisans market in the Great Hall on Saturday, September 21st from 8:30 am - 1:30 pm. There will be lots of lovely (and delicious) items for sale. Be sure to come and shop and bring a friend! If you are willing to put up a lawn sign (same idea as the Christmas Market) please pick one up in the Narthex this morning.

### Open Doors Food Bank

Our Food Bank inventory is currently very low. These are a few staples that we are particularly in need of: peanut butter or wow butter, cold cereal, peanut free snacks for school kids, rice, pasta, canned fruit, canned meat (preferably some that can be opened without an opener). Donations would be most appreciated!

The **September Messenger** is available this morning. Be sure to pick up a copy to find out about everything that is coming up this fall.

For confidentiality reasons the prayer list does not appear online.

### Bible Study

Our Thursday morning Bible study group will resume meeting next Thursday, the 12th of September at 10:15 am in the Family Room. They will be working their way through the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians. Come for coffee and great conversation before the 11am service.

### Seniors' Lunch

*Thursday, September 12th*

Please join us for lunch at noon on the second and fourth Thursday of each month.

### Bridge & Euchre

Our bridge players meet every other Monday in the Preschool Room at 2 pm beginning tomorrow, September 9th. This year, they are inviting euchre players to come along as well. These are friendly games and all skill levels are welcome!

### Youth Choir

If you are between the ages of 8 and 14, and are interested in singing in the Youth Choir, please talk to Andy.

### Chili Night

You won't want to miss our fall Chili Cook Off. Mark the evening of Friday, September 27th in your calendar now for this fun parish event. Come and enjoy a dinner featuring chili, salad, garlic bread, ice cream, wine, beer and non-alcoholic beverages. We are also inviting people to bring samples of their own chili to be judged by our panel of judges. Please contact Amy Collard if you'd like to participate in that - [akecollard@gmail.com](mailto:akecollard@gmail.com). A financial offering for the evening will be most appreciated.

### Christmas Market

*Saturday, November 16th*

Trudy Johnson has graciously agreed to convene the team once again this year and planning is underway! The Men's Cooking groups would appreciate donations of 250 and 500 ml. mason jars. Wendy Ernst would also like to borrow several wooden lawn ornament deer (apr. 3' tall). Please speak to Tom Bibby or Wendy Ernst if you can help with these items, or contact the office.

## Tourtières

September 25th is the first tourtière preparation date. If you would be willing to help shop for supplies, cook the filling, make the pastry, roll the pastry, fill the shells, crimp, bag, or stock the freezers, then we have a job for you! Please visit the sign-up table this Sunday in the Great Hall. The kitchen is a great place to meet new people. Come join us! For more information please contact the church office at 905.634.1809.



## Burlington Anglican Quiet Day

*Lost and Found*

This is a chance to get ready for the fall with time to pray and reflect on the parable of the Prodigal Son. The day will be led by Rev. Michelle Boomgaard and Rev. Leslie Gerlofs on Saturday, Sept. 14 from 9:30-2:30 at St. John's Anglican, Guelph Line and Highway 5. Please speak with Michelle for further details.

## Rummage Sale

*Oct. 4th and 5th*

Mark your calendar for our fall Rummage Sale and watch for sign up sheets in the Narthex.

## Order of Niagara

*Sunday, Oct. 6th - 4:00 pm*

Please note the date for this service at Christ's Church Cathedral. Gerry Anthony will be receiving this award for St. Christopher's. Thank you Gerry!

## Blessing of the Animals

*Sunday, Sept. 29th - 4:00 pm*

Bring your pets to this service as we thank God for the gifts animals bring to our lives!

## Do you like to dance?

Children 7 years of age and over wishing to join St. Christopher's liturgical dancers, please contact Allison Wright at 905.331.9329 or allison.wright@sympatico.ca. Dance training is not necessary but is helpful especially for the younger age group. Rehearsals begin next Sunday, Sept 15th from 11 am - 2 pm. We are planning to start rehearsals for the Tree Lighting. We will begin in the back room and move into the Sanctuary at apr. 11:15 am.



## Yard & Gardens

Many thanks to our (small but mighty) team of people who have been maintaining our property through the growing season - Bill Tannyan, Bill German, Bill Brown, Lesline Bess, Dennis Brodie, Don Walker, Dave Evans. Your help was very much appreciated!

## Cloth Produce Bags

Our parishioner, Rosa Christensen, has created a number of small, drawstring cloth bags suitable for produce. Contact the church office if you would like one. They're perfect for shopping at the grocery store or Farmer's Market. Thank you Rosa!

## Birthdays/Anniversaries

### Birthdays this week

Jillian Brindle	Lisa Soucie
Alexis Hallman	Paul McGrath
Riley Van Loon	Morgan Nelson
Greg Smith	Kevin Ralph
Pat Robinson	Dorothy Brownhill
Anne Norris	Alexandra Winslow
Carolyn Chesbro	Rosa Christensen
Sue Nicolls	Sarah Salisbury
Rose Stewart	

### Anniversaries this week

Bill & Jessica Hallman	(13)
Chris & Wendy Thompson	(15)
Paula Hamilton & David Main	(17)

## Regular Office Hours

Please note that we have returned to our regular office hours, Monday - Thursday, 9 am until 4:30 pm and Friday, 9 am until noon.

### Services this Week

#### Thursday, September 12th

11:00 am Holy Eucharist

#### Sunday, September 15th

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

10:00 am Holy Eucharist

Child Care provided at the 10:00 Service

### Meetings & Activities This Week:

Monday	9:30am	Fitness Class & Coffee Break
	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
Wednesday	6:00pm	Community Dinner
	7:00pm	Calling All Parents
	9:30am	Fitness Class & Coffee Break
Thursday	10:00am	Active Tots
	6:30pm	Bible Study
	10:15am	Bible Study
	12:00pm	Seniors' Lunch
	12:45pm	Food Bank
Friday	12:45pm	Free Clothing Store
	6:30pm	Guitar Group
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
	9:30am	Yoga Class & Coffee Break
	10:00am	Food Bank
Saturday	10:00am	Free Clothing Store