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Week of October 10th, 2021

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

- **Lillian Hurst**, lovingly remembered by Sharron Hurst and family.
- **Mary Rees**, mother of Joan Hood, mother-in-law of John, nana of Duncan & Jason. Remembered with love by her family.
- **Don Driver**, very much loved husband of Carolyn Ribbons.
- **Dave Smith**, remembered with love by his wife, Sandi, and daughters, Heather, Ashley, and Emma.
- **Hedley Porter**, remembered with love, by Joyce Porter and family.

In-Person Worship

We are pleased to gather in-person for worship once again each Sunday morning at 9 am. Please register on Eventbrite if you would like to attend. You will receive the link to register in an Eblast each Monday. If you do not have internet access, please call the office and we will assist you with registration.

Church & Chat

We are pleased to offer once again a virtual service followed by a time of fellowship on Sunday morning at 11 am. Bring your morning beverage to the screen and enjoy time with your St. Christopher's friends. Here is the link for [Church & Chat Oct 2021](#) on Thanksgiving morning.

(<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82208939782?pwd=QkY4Zmxsb0dtWGZoaXJSa2RRcGtlZz09>)

Jazz Vespers

Join us for a Jazz Vespers service in-person on the third Sunday of the month (October 17). Musical leadership is provided by our own Dan Cunningham on bass along with Lucas Hibbs on drums and Adrean Farrugia on piano. See next week's eblast for the Eventbrite registration.

Walk to the Lighthouse

Saturday, October 16 at 10 am. Meet in the Joseph Brant Museum parking lot, walk down the waterfront boardwalk toward the lighthouse and return. (Approx. 5 km) The Walk to the Lighthouse is sponsored by Equilibrium Burlington in support of Joseph Brant Hospital Foundation to raise money for mental health.

To donate: <https://jbhf.akaraisin.com/pfp/equilibriumburlington>

To register: www.equilibriumburlington.com

November Dates

Tuesday, Nov. 2 at 7 pm All Soul's Day

Thursday, Nov. 4 at 10 am Virtual Tour Residential School

Sunday, Nov. 7 at 9 am All Saint's Day

Syrian Family Reunification (SFR)

In 2016 we sponsored a family to come to Canada from Syria. The SFR Team have launched a fundraising campaign to reunite them with family members who are still living in Turkey. Please read the October issue of The Messenger to learn more about this project and how you can participate.

Parents of Queer and Trans Youth

Penny is hosting a gathering for parents of queer and trans youth on October 19 at 7pm.

Please share this link with those you know who are parenting queer and trans kids. It's necessary to register in advance for this [parents and youth meeting](#).

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. Thank you for helping to spread the word!

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEsceqrDgvHtOx7SEF0n4FxK9Xw4P78k_h

Mental Health Support Group

We offer a support group which will be of particular interest to parents and grandparents of adult children with mental health challenges on the third Thursday of each month at 2 pm on Zoom. Our next meeting is on Thursday, Oct. 21. Contact the church office at staff@stcb.ca or call 905.634.1809 for link information.

Open Doors Programming

- Food: Hot meal pick-up Tuesdays 3:30 - 5:30 pm. No registration required.
- Community Food Market: Open Tuesdays 3:30 - 5:30 pm. Bring your own bags.
- Clothing: Open Tuesdays 3:30 - 5:30 pm on a first come, first served basis. We are accepting donations of seasonal clothing on Wednesdays between 9 am and 4 pm.

Donation Opportunities

If you would like to donate to St. Christopher's, there are several options:

- 1 Mail us a cheque (we are bringing in the mail each weekday). *Please never mail cash.*
- 2 Go to www.stcb.ca and choose "Donate" (top right). Options include:
 - a Regular offerings by pre-authorized payment from your bank account or by Visa.
 - b Special gifts, such as memorials or gifts to be directed to a particular ministry, by Visa or Mastercard. Be sure to *specify where your gift should be directed/credited.*
- 3 E-transfer from your bank account to this email address: acctg@stcb.ca.

For confidentiality reasons the prayer list does not appear on line

Contacting the Church

Pastoral Emergency

Our staff are working from home and church during this time so there is more limited access to phone messages. If you are experiencing a pastoral emergency such as a death, sudden illness or personal crisis, our clergy may be reached at 289.427.0623.

Contemplative Prayer

Tuesday Mornings at 8 am on Zoom

Contemplative prayer is centered on silence. Leadership is exchanged each week with Rev. Michael Coren as the host. All are welcome.

Morning Prayer

Thursday Mornings at 9 am on Zoom

You are welcome to join Rev. Michael Coren on Thursday mornings at 9 am for Morning Prayer. The session lasts around 20 minutes, includes prayers and Bible readings, and is a wonderful way to start the day! There is a short chat time afterwards. You will find the link to join the Zoom meeting in your Friday Eblast.

You Are Not Alone - (next: October 12)

First Tuesday of each month at 7 pm on Zoom

Join us for a virtual evening of prayer, scripture and conversation as we remember those whom we have lost. This gathering is hosted by Rev. Michael Coren. You will find the link to attend in the Friday Eblast. All are welcome.

TRC Resources

With listening and learning as our starting point, we have compiled a list of resources around Truth & Reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. You can access the full list from the home page of our website. The link is also included each week in the Eblast.

Nametags are a great way to get to know one another better! Please try to remember to wear yours when you are attending in-person worship. If you need a new nametag, contact the office and we would be happy to make one for you!

Church Website - stcb.ca

There is a wealth of information on our church website. Along with details on our regular activities, you will find links to current and past services, copies of our newsletter, The Messenger, and updates on our worship services and programs. Check in regularly to see what's new.

Email Blast

Please be sure to give your email address to the office if you would like to receive the weekly News Blast. If you do not have an email address, you will find hard copies of the Blast on the Welcome Table in the Narthex.

2022 Canadian Church Calendars

We have ordered the 2022 church calendars. Lovely photos of Canadian churches are featured and they include church season information. Please email or call the church office to secure your copy. \$5 each.

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Birthdays this week

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| Lily Kerr | Justin Landers |
| Michèle Wood | Carol Veldman |
| Lori Williams | Christopher Schroeder |
| Cip Bibby | Hilda Beadle |
| Jonathan Stevens | Philippa Ford-Jones |
| Josh Aitken | Bill Gasson |
| Jacob Jasek | Marion Gangasingh |

Anniversaries this week

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| Doug & Barb Brusey | (51) |
| Mike & Lisa Ravenscroft | (18) |
| Stephen & Diane Leclerc | (18) |
| Al & Sue Nicolls | (41) |
| Don & Gail Osborne | (47) |
| Marg & Ed Fraser | (58) |
| Stan & Jan Pearce | (53) |
| Bruce & Judy Jank | (55) |

Services this Week

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| Tuesday, October 12th | |
| 8:00 am | Contemplative Prayer (Zoom) |
| Thursday, October 14th | |
| 9:00 am | Morning Prayer (Zoom) |
| Sunday, October 17th | |
| 9:00 am | Holy Eucharist (in person) |
| 11:00 am | Church & Chat (Zoom) |
| 4:00 pm | Jazz Vespers |

The **October Messenger** is now available. Be sure to pick up a copy to find out about everything that is coming up. You will find the online edition on the homepage of our website, www.stcb.ca.

Meetings & Activities This Week:

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| Tuesday | 3:30pm | Community Meal for Pick-Up |
| | 3:30pm | Community Food Market |
| | 3:30pm | Free Clothing Store |
| Sunday | 11:00am | Church & Chat on Zoom |