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Week of January 14, 2024

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

- Norma Yvonne Clarke, lovingly remembered by her husband Kenneth, and daughter Lindsay.

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Birthdays this week

Maureen Cooke	Catherine Worth
Don Osborne	Ashley Smith
Christyn Perkons	Emma Smith
Mary Ann Simpson	Tracy Warby
Judi McNairn	Alejandro Diza Yana
Blair Vintinner	Godwin Kruitwagen
Fred Grigsby	Hilary Barber
Arthurlyn Seager	Libby Stratton

Anniversaries this week

Don & Lesley Landers	35
Amy & Kevin Collard	27

Sunday Service times are ...

8.00am 9.30am 11.30am

Grannie's Place is available during the 9.30am service for children 0-3 yrs.

Join Carrie Ford-Jones and the team for G.I.F.T. - programming for children ages 4 and up. Don't miss the fun!

The service may be found on YouTube for those unable to be present. See the Sunday bulletin at stcb.ca under Recent News.

Thursdays Mornings

Faith Formation Study	10.30am
Morning Eucharist	11.30am
Lunch	12.00pm

What's Happening this Winter for Kids?

Sunday Mornings 9.30am

- **G.I.F.T.** 4+ years
- **Grannie's Place** 0-3 years
- **Youth Group** 11+ yrs

Jan 14	Bowling Adventure
Jan 28	Pizza and Planning-CNoY

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St. Christopher's Anglican Church



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Dear Friends,

We are upgrading our security infrastructure at St. Christopher's this winter. As a result of a grant from the Ontario government to improve security at places of worship, we have been able to install security cameras around our building. The cameras are set to monitor exterior entrances to the church. Only 3 cameras are located inside the building, one facing the north entrance from the parking lot, and two monitoring the entrance and hallways adjacent to the preschool. The cameras will have minimal impact upon our day-to-day use of the facility. My sincere hope is that installing security cameras will be like carrying an umbrella on a partly-cloudy day - we've got them if we need them!

Coldest Night of the Year is really just around the corner. The event is coming up on February 24, but you know it takes some time to get team members signed up, to get letters out to businesses to tell them about the benefits of sponsoring the event, and to arrange logistics for the walk. You can always sign up to walk at <https://cnoy.org/home>. We are the only organization involved in the Coldest Night fundraiser in Burlington, so we're easy to find. You can also share this link with the people you approach to sponsor your walk, and you can share and like the CNoY social media posts from St. Christopher's and Open Doors. Thank you!

A few items to bring to your attention this week. One, we are looking to recruit and train altar servers. Servers get to play an important role in our worship, and they get to up close to the things that happen at the front of the church. If you're interested, please speak to me or Rob Pawson. Two, thank you for requesting name tags last Sunday! Name tags help everyone, whether you've been at St. Christopher's for a day or for 40 years. You can pick up your new name tags this Sunday in the foyer, opposite the caffeine station. Three, the youth group are going bowling this Sunday evening. It's going to be super fun - a great opportunity to invite friends. Please spread the word with people you know with kids the right age!

Penny

For confidentiality reasons the prayer list does not appear online.

Jazz Vespers

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, January 21 at 4.00pm for the next event with Rev. Jim Sandilands and friends.

Vestry Meeting: Save the Date!

Our annual vestry meeting will be held on **Sunday, February 25**. Save the date! In order to help us prepare, would you kindly submit your reports to the church office by **Monday, January 15**.

Robbie Burns Live!

Coffee House & Potluck

Please save the date - Friday, January 26 (6pm) - for this exciting Scottish event, hosted by MAP.

Church Office

In the event of a pastoral emergency, our clergy may be reached at 289.427.0623. For information about St. Christopher's or Open Doors call 905.634.1809.

What's Coming Up?

Jan. 14	Sunday Services.....	8.00am, 9.30am, 11.30am
Jan. 15	Fit for Service	9.30am
	Men's Cooking #1	9.30am
Jan. 16	Seniors' Social	2.00pm
	Open Doors Programming	3.00pm
Jan. 17	Fit for Service	9.30am
Jan. 18	Faith Formation Study	10.30am
	Worship	11.30am
	Lunch.....	12.00pm
	Guitar.....	6.30pm
	Choir.....	7.30pm
Jan. 19	Fit for Service	9.30am
Jan. 21	Sunday Service.....	8.00am, 9.30am, 11.30am
	Jazz Vespers	4.00pm

Calling All Young People

All young people are warmly invited to join the St. Christopher's Liturgical Dancers. Rehearsals are on Sunday afternoons from 12:30 to 2:00 beginning on January 14th and running until Easter. The first rehearsal will end a half hour earlier. Please contact Allison Wright, Paula Ramsay or Andy Elmhirst if you are interested. Liturgical dance at St. Christopher's is not only a unique and beautiful artistic expression of faith but a fantastic opportunity to receive free instruction from two professional dancers.

At our Vestry meeting in February 2024...

We will be electing Lay Representatives to Synod and Parish Council Members at Large. If you think you might be interested in serving in any of these roles, job descriptions are available in the office. For more information, please talk to one of the Wardens, a member of Parish Council or the Rector.

Church Giving Envelopes

If you regularly use church envelopes, please pickup your box for 2024 in the Narthex for a few weeks.

Anglican Church Calendars 2024

Another calendar order arrives on Monday, January 15. If you would like to buy a calendar or purchase one for a friend, please contact the church office at staff@stcb.ca or drop in.

Book Trolley

Did you know that St. Christopher's has books to borrow? Popular titles and easy-read soft/hard covers may be found in the Quiet Room (beside Grannie's Place and across from the kitchen back door) any Sunday morning. Notice the donation box on the trolley (recommended \$2/book for 3 weeks). Also, you are most welcome to donate tasteful titles of books you have enjoyed.

Donation Opportunities

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

- 1 Mail us a cheque. *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 (no password required).

You are not Alone

The next gathering of this group will be **Wed. January 24 at 7.00pm**. This is a hybrid meeting and lead by Rev. David.

Mental Health Care Partners' Support Group

Our next meeting is **Monday, January 22** with Rev. David at 7pm on Zoom or in-person. Please contact staff@stcb.ca or call 905.634.1809 for link connections.

Watercolours & Wine

Join acclaimed artist Cheryl Goldring on **Wednesday, February 7** at noon for an afternoon of watercolour painting. If you have never painted before, you will be genuinely surprised at what you can accomplish, among friends! If you have been before, you are welcome again. Cost is \$35 and all materials will be provided. Please register at staff@stcb.ca.

Bridge Group

Our group of 16+ is now meeting in the Narthex with coffee and conversation included. The next gathering is **Monday, January 22 at 2pm**. All are welcome. Some knowledge of the game is an asset.

Seniors' Social

Tricia Clarke and this warm and spicy group of seniors meets every Tuesday afternoon in the Family Room from 2-4pm. Enjoy a time of refreshment and some games and conversation. Bring your special energy to make some new relationships. You will be enriched to plug in here. All are welcome.

Ginger Group


Please mark your calendar for the next event of this 55+ group meeting for lunch and an interesting speaker - February 12 at 11.30am. Contact Winston or John at staff@stcb.ca for more information. Come once, twice or each month.

Prayer Shawl Group

Having just enjoyed a warm and wonderful time together in November, this industrious and friendly group will meet again on **Thursday, January 25 at 1.00pm**. Why not plan to learn a new skill in the New Year - what about knitting in 2024? These talented members will be happy to lend their expertise and teach you.

Coldest Night of the Year

Help us launch Coldest Night of the Year 2024!

Visit our Campaign Page | Help us spread the word! 
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Open Doors Update

Community Market Shopping List

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| • canned meat & fish | • cereals and oatmeal |
| • dried pasta | • school safe snacks |
| • basic hygiene, sunblock | • spices |

Volunteers Needed

Please view volunteer opportunities in Better Impact, if you are registered. If not, please call the office to connect with Shannon Shuell at 905.634.1809. Thank you!