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#### Week of October 12, 2025

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

- **Jim Bentley**, much loved and always remembered by his wife Margaret.
- Mototsune, and Kitagawa family loved ones remembered.

# **Birthdays/Anniversaries**

#### Birthdays this week

Hilda Beadle	Marion Gangasingh
Jonahthan Stevens	Jacob Jasek
Philippa Ford-Jones	Doreen Chambers
Gordon Thompson	Karene Nettel
Josh Aitken	

#### Anniversaries this week

Don & Gail Osborne	51
Marg & Ed Fraser	62
Stan & Jan Pearce	5 <i>7</i>
Dragan Radovic & Clayton Gladish	1
Bruce & Judy Jank	59

# **Thursdays Mornings**

Join us each week...

#### Study 10.30am | Service 11.30am | Lunch 12pm

Enjoy a study time in the Family Room each Thursday morning with the rector, followed by a Morning Eucharist. Lunch is served at 12 noon.

#### **Children & Youth in the Youthroom**

GIFT Sundays at 9.30am (3 and up)
Kids Club Oct 19 at 6pm (ages 8-11)
Youth Group Oct 26 at 6.30pm (ages 12-17)

#### "Holy Distractions! Let's Talk About ADHD"

Plan to join us for the first in an education series hosted by the Accessibility Committee. "Holy Distractions! Let's Talk About ADHD" will be led by Shannon Mac on Saturday, **October 25** at 1pm in the Great Hall. No registration required. We hope to see you there. (Ref. Article: Messenger-July/Aug 2025)

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St. Christopher's Anglican Church



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#### Dear Friends,

Wasn't it a crisp start to the day! It feels like Thanksgiving weather. If the subject comes up in conversation with neighbours and friends and family, why not invite those people to come with you to church this weekend? Our worship for Harvest Thanksgiving promises all the sights and sounds you associate with the festival. I can't wait to meet your people! If you're tied up this weekend, then please consider inviting your people to join you at Jazz Vespers next

Sunday, October 19. The music promises to be fantastic! Harvest Fest, a gala fundraiser for our outreach ministries, is coming up on October 23 at Paradiso Restaurant. Tickets are available this Sunday, and through the church office.

The Accessibility Committee is sponsoring an education series this year. Please plan to attend the first event in the series, "Holy Distractions! Let's Talk About ADHD." Our facilitator will be Shannon Mac who promises a fun, interactive session on understanding ADHD and building a more welcoming church for everyone. The event takes place at the church on Saturday, October 25, at 1pm. I'll see you there!



# **Jazz Vespers**

The next event is scheduled for Sunday, **October 19** at 4.00pm. Light refreshments will follow. Plan to attend and invite friends, family and neighbours.

For confidentiality reasons the prayer list does not appear online.

# What's Coming Up?

Oct 12 Worship8am, 9.30am, 11.30am
GIFT9.30am
Oct 13 Church office closed9.00am
Oct 14 Senior's Social
Open Doors programming3.00pm
Oct 15 Fit for Service
What's for Dinner?5.00pm
Oct 16 Study with the Rector10.30am
Morning Eucharist 11.30am
Seniors' Lunch12.00pm
Guitars6.00pm
Choir
Oct 17 Fit for Service
Oct 18 Repair Café
Oct 19 Jazz Vespers4.00pm
Confirmation Service at the Cathedral4.00pm
Oct 20 Ginger Group

## Men's Cooking

The new joint Men's Cooking Group will meet on Monday, **November 3** at 9.30am in the kitchen.

## **Bridge Group**

Our group will meet in the Preschool Room for a game of bridge, plus coffee and conversation. Join us on Monday, **October 20.** 

#### **Climate Justice**

Our next gathering is Tuesday, **October 21** at 7pm in the Family Room.

#### **Christmas Market: November 15**

Please share the date with friends, family and neighbours. This year will feature the following: Baked Goods, the Bistro, Penny Sale, All Things Christmas, Crafts, Knit and Textiles, Awesome Artisans and a Silent Auction. Stay tuned to know how you can participate.

#### **Yard Cleanup**

Please mark your calendar for Saturday, **November 8** at 9am for our Fall Yard Cleanup. If you are able to come, please let Stan Pearce know. He needs a team of at least 10-12 people.

#### **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, please call 905.634.1809.

#### **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: <a href="mailto:acctg@stcb.ca">acctg@stcb.ca</a> (no password required).

# **Open Doors Harvest Fest**

Thursday, **October 23** at 6.30pm in downtown Burlington at Paradiso's Restaurant (2041 Pine St), exclusively ours for the evening. Tickets on sale now at \$150 each (tax receipt available for non food and services portion). This is a meal to support Open Doors - our vital community hub, offering wraparound services. Enjoy a three-course prix fixe dinner, complete with red and white wine pairings. Live music, door prizes and the delight of giving back. Tickets are selling fast!.

#### **Watercolour Wednesdays**

Join acclaimed artist Cheryl Goldring on Wednesday, **November 5** 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! Cost is \$35 and all materials will be provided. Please register at staff@stcb.ca.

# **Burlington Mindfulness Group**

The next meeting date is **October 22** at 7pm. Contacts are Sandy Amodio and Carole Caron at staff@stcb.ca. Everyone welcome.

# Mental Health Care Partners' Support Group

Our next meeting is Monday, **November 3** at 7pm on Zoom or in-person. Please contact staff@stcb.ca or call 905.634.1809 for link connections.

#### Seniors' Social

This warm and wonderful group of seniors, meet **every Tuesday** afternoon at 2pm in the Family Room. Enjoy a time of refreshment, games and conversation. Please contact staff@stcb.ca for more information.

# **Ginger Group**

The Ginger Group will meet next on **October 20** at 11.30am. We will enjoy a delicious lunch together with stimulating conversation and a special beverage. \$15 per person is requested to cover expenses. The speaker at this event will be announced in the coming weeks.

#### Save the Date

Open Doors Harvest Fest
Holy Distractions! workshop
RCCO Hallowe'en Concert
All Souls Service
Yard Clean Up
Christmas Market
Makers Market

Thursday, Oct. 23
Saturday, Oct. 25
Sunday, Oct. 26
Sunday, Nov. 2
Saturday, Nov. 8
Saturday, Nov. 15
Saturday, Nov. 29 NEW!

# **Open Door Programming**

## How Can I Help?

Donate food

Special Events
Prepare food for Community Meals

Fundraising

Donate clothes

Volunteer in the Community Market

#### **Turkeys Needed**

We are now collecting turkeys for the Christmas community meals. Please contact Jasmin at goodfood@stcb.ca to arrange drop off times.

#### **Clothing Store**

Now accepting fall coats and shoes in good condition. Please - adult and children's sizes.

