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Week of October 26, 2025

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

- Dr. Earl G. Isbister, remembered by his wife, Patricia.
- **Venerable Dr. Steve Hopkins,** remembered by his many friends at St. Christopher's.
- George Simpson, remembered with love, by his wife and children.

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Birthdays this week

David Lovering	Nancy Emerson	Nigel Barber
Sharon Aitken	Brian Yott	Brenda Brouwers
Kendra Hamilton	Martin Pinney	Sam Mototsune
Aboudy Masri	Lisa Portelli	

Anniversaries this week

Tom & Cip Bibby	35
Eerik & Sarah Aljas	24
Winston & Gloria Campbell	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)
Youth Group Oct 26 at 6.30pm (ages 12-17)



Dear Friends,

I am happy to say that Harvest Fest is sold out! The event taking place (Thurs. Oct. 23) at Paradiso Restaurant is a major fundraiser for our outreach ministries. We are in a state of readiness! The restaurant has received a delivery of vegetables from our community garden, musician Kevin Beeby is ready to perform to a full house, and we are doing a good thing to support God's work in Burlington. Thank you especially to Shannon Shuell for all her work behind the scenes to turn her idea into a reality!

I hope you'll plan to attend the fun and informative event coming your way this Saturday at St. Christopher's. Shannon Mac will be leading a workshop called "Holy Distractions! Let's Talk About ADHD." Shannon promises our time together will be a fun, interactive session on understanding ADHD and building a more welcoming church for everyone. We'll gather in the Great Hall on Saturday, October 25, at 1pm

A couple of events to note this Sunday: Andy will be performing in a concert along with a number of local RCCO organists here are St. Christopher's at 3pm. The concert will be Halloween themed. And, speaking of Halloween, please spread the word to the youth-group-aged people in your life – the youth group's Halloween party kicks off at 6.30pm this Sunday evening. Finally, this is the right time to call or email the office with the names of loved ones you want us to include in our prayers for All Souls. The service, scheduled for 4pm on Sunday November 2 will be an opportunity to light a candle for our loved ones who have died, and to remember them, in a service supported by prayer and uplifting music.



For confidentiality reasons the prayer list does not appear online.

What's Coming Up?

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Oct 26	Worship8am, 9	.30am, 11.30am
	GIFT	9.30am
	RCCO Hallowe'en Concert	3.00pm
	Youth Group	6.30pm
Oct 27	Fit for Service	9.30am
Oct 28	Senior's Social	2.00pm
	Open Doors programming	•
Oct 29	Fit for Service	9.30am
Oct 30	Study with the Rector	10.30am
	Morning Eucharist	11.30am
	Seniors' Lunch	
	Prayer Shawl Group	
	Guitars	•
	Choir	7.30pm
	Fit for Service	
	All Soul's Service	

All Souls Names

If you would like to have the names of your loved ones read during the prayers at All Souls, please submit their names to the church office by Tuesday, October 28 at staff@stcb.ca.

Christmas Market: November 15 (8am-1pm)

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.

Calling All Volunteers...

Our Christmas Market is in 3 weeks! Please read your bulletin insert and visit the sign-up tables in the Atrium on Sunday morning. There is a place for you to participate in this festive annual event!

Christmas Market Baking

It is that time of year again - we need everyone to get out their baking trays and make square and cookies for our Christmas Market bake tables. Some recipes are available in the Atrium. Baked goods may be dropped off on Thurs. Nov. 13 from 4-8pm and Fri. Nov. 14 from 9am-2pm. Questions? Speak with Sandi Smith (staff@stcb.ca) IMPORTANT: Please name label your baking and fill out the book when you drop off

Bridge Group

Our group will meet in the Preschool Room for a game of bridge, plus coffee and conversation. Join us on Monday, November 3.

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: acctg@stcb.ca (no password required).

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 **November 5** 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.

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.

Men's Cooking

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

Prayer Shawl Group

The next gathering is Thursday, **October 30** at 1pm in the Family Room. If you are curious about what this group does, please join a meeting.

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.

Climate Justice Tip of the Week

Instead of raking and bagging your leaves, mow them over with your lawn mower. The mulched leaves add nutrients to your lawn, and it is easier!

Write an email or note to your counsillor, or to the city asking for the banning of noisy gas-powered leaf blowers. They release carbon into the air and contribute to pollution. Electric leaf blowers are quieter and less harmful. Communities in Canada have been successful in having them banned.

Save the Date

RCCO Hallowe'en Concert Sunday, Oct. 26 Sunday, Nov. 2 All Souls Service Saturday, Nov. 8 Yard Clean Up Christmas Market Saturday, Nov. 15 Makers Market Saturday, Nov. 29 NEW! Sunday, Nov. 30 Jazz Vespers & Tree Lighting

Open Door Programming

Cram-a-Cruiser

Sat. Oct. 25 at Longo's (Fairview & Maple)



10am Bring items for our 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.