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Week of October 5, 2025

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

 Ken Jacobs, lovingly remembered by his wife Ewa & daughter Linda.

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Birthdays this week

Madeline Fawcett	Jilann Byrnes	Lily Kerr
Paul Shelton	Luke Elmhirst	Carol Veldman
Katie Fisher	Hannah Jasek	Michele Wood
Tim Denike	Nathaniel Langdon	Cip Bibby
Charles Ollivierra	Carrie Liang	Christopher Schroeder
Sydney O'Neill	Nicola Hartog	Lori Williams

Anniversaries this week

Alisa & Clayton George	27
Doug & Barb Brusey	55
Mike & Lisa Ravenscroft	22
Al & Sue Nicolls	45

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)
Confirmation Oct 5 at 4.00pm (last one)

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.

Stay connected throughout the week by following us on



St. Christopher's Anglican Church



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Dear Friends,

I am grateful to everyone who participated in St. Christopher's observance of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation last Sunday, and the ceremony here in Burlington last Tuesday. In my Messenger column I recorded some of WhiteEagle's remarks from the ceremony when she accepted our gift of tobacco. Please check it out!

There are so very many good things happening at your church this month. The October Messenger is full of news and information – please pull out your calendar and start making plans to participate! Here are just a few things I hope you'll consider:

- David Montgomery's induction at Grace in Waterdown is coming up on Wednesday, October 8 at 7pm.
- Harvest Fest, a gala fundraiser for our outreach ministries, is coming up on October 23 at Paradiso Restaurant. Tickts are avaible through the 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.
- And our All Souls service takes place on Sunday, November 2, at 4pm.

For confidentiality reasons the prayer list does not appear online.

What's Coming Up? Oct 5 Worship......8am, 9.30am, 11.30am Confirmation Class4.00pm Bridge......2.00pm Mental Health Support Group7.00pm Oct 7 Open Doors programming......3.00pm Fit for Service9.30am Oct 8 Burlington Mindfulness......7.00pm Rev. David Induction Serv-Grace Waterdown...7.00pm Oct 9 Study with the Rector 10.30am Morning Eucharist 11.30am Seniors' Lunch12.00pm Oct 10 Fit for Service9.30am Oct 12 Thanksgiving Worship......8am, 9.30am, 11.30am

Men's Cooking

The new joint Men's Cooking Group will meet on Monday, October 6 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 6.**

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: acctg@stcb.ca (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. Come, and bring your people.

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 8** 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, **October 6** 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.

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!

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.

Open Door Programming

OPEN DOORS everu person, everu table.

What's For Dinner

Join our Good Food coordinator on the third Wednesday of the month (5-7pm) for a fun, educational cooking class. Classes are \$35 each and may be paid in the office. Sign up with friends and family.

Community Market Items needed:

canned fruits, peanut butter, cereal for all ages, cooking oil, spices, canned meat.

Clothing Store

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