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Week of November 2, 2025

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

- Bruce Maddox, lovingly rememberd by his wife Gloria, his children, and his grandchildren.
- Jim Bentley, much loved and always remembered by his wife Margaret.
- Shirley Eleanor Titus Thornton, dearly loved mother of Amy Collard, and Kevin and grandmother of David and Matthew.
- Basil Little, dear brother of Dorothy Brownhill, and uncle of Diane Miller.

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Birthdays this week

Chris Byrnes Jennifer Catton Stephen Fielding Justine Hamilton **Ruby Norris** William Armstrong Rosemary Martin Eric Smith Barb Baker Malcolm Ramsay **Nancy Botting** Linda Holand Clayton George Al Nicolls Maurice Matthias-Urquhart Stuart Thompson Elyse Turney

Anniversaries this week

Peter & Susan Olynyk 46

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)



Dear Friends,

We learned sadly that Barb Phillips died yesterday with family at her side. With her husband John, Barb was a regular attender at the 8 o'clock service, and a fixture at parish events. We don't have information yet about a celebration for Barb, but we will share details when we know more. Barb will be missed. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. The office has been abuzz this week finalizing the November Messenger, which drops along with this afternoon's parish email. Thank you writers, designers and editors for putting all our important information all in one place! A couple of notes about events at St. Christopher's this weekend: Christmas Market (November 15) is fast approaching! This Sunday is the perfect time to visit the Christmas Market table in the Atrium to sign up for a volunteer shift, and to pick up a couple recipes to contribute to our bake table. Also this Sunday, please consider attending our All Souls service at 4pm. The service offers an opportunity to remember loved ones who have died, and to draw strength from a loving and supportive community. Looking ahead to next weekend, Saturday November 8 brings our fall clean-up where we need many hands to help put our property to sleep for the winter. That will be a 9am start. And our solemn observance of Remembrance Sunday takes place at all services on November 9.

Don't forget to change your clocks on Saturday night!

Tenny

Live Christmas Tree Sales at St. Christopher's

Beginning November 29 in our front garden. Please contact the office to volunteer. There will be lots of opportunities!

Remembrance Sunday

We will be observing Remembrance Day in our morning services on Sunday, November 9.

> For confidentiality reasons the prayer list does not appear online.

Piano Recital

Join Andy Elmhirst and Joy Li on Sunday, November 16 at 4pm at St. Christopher's for beautiful live music. Proceeds will go to the Open Doors Community Market.

Nov. 8 Yard Cleanup.......9.00am

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, Jams & Pickles, Awesome Artisans, and a Silent Auction.

Calling All Volunteers...

Our Christmas Market is in just 2 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 <u>www.stcb.ca</u> 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, **November 27** 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

Cooking in the oven uses more energy than any other method. A toaster oven is a good alternative, and a pressure cooker (an instant pot) reduces cooking time significantly. Fill the oven with several things to cook whenever you can.

Makers Market

Plan to come to our NEW market of vendors on Saturday, November 29 (9.30am-2.00pm). Begin or finish your Christmas shopping.

Save the Date

All Souls Service Sunday, Nov. 2
Yard Clean Up Saturday, Nov. 8
Christmas Market Saturday, Nov. 15
Piano Recital Sunday, Nov. 16
Makers Market Saturday, Nov. 29 **NEW!**

Jazz Vespers & Tree Lighting Sunday, Nov. 30

Open Door Programming

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.

Community Market Items Needed

peanut butter, condiments, tuna, baking supplies, cereal (hot or cold), canned fruit and vegetables

