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FALL EDITION

Fall Worship Schedule

8.00am | 9.30am | 11.30am

Children's programming (G.I.F.T.) is available during the 9.30am service.

Church Office

For information about St. Christopher's or Open Doors, please call 905.634.1809. 9am-12noon M-F. Our clergy may be reached at 289.427.0201 for a pastoral emergency.

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 stcb.ca and choose "Donate" (top right). Options there 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 credited.
3. E-transfer from your bank account to this email address: acctg@stcb.ca
4. Phone the church - we can receive your credit card information over the phone and process the transaction.
5. Also, there is now a tap machine on a stand in the Atrium. You can tap with your credit card or using your mobile phone or watch. Please use your mobile device to scan the QR code if you wish to receive a tax receipt.

Dear Friends,

I can scarcely express my gratitude to the whole Christmas Market team. So many St. Christopher's people who baked, knitted, stitched, cooked, preserved, tagged penny sale items, moved furniture, set-up, sold goods to customers, served food in the bistro, cleaned-up, reset furniture, and called penny sale and raffle winners. Thank you. We are close to finalizing the income and expense report, and I'll share that information with you when we have it!

Tomorrow, I will be co-leading the diocesan vigil for the Transgender Day of Remembrance. That service, featuring the Rainbow Chorus, takes place at All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church (210 Silvercreek Pkwy. N.) in Guelph at 7pm.

Lots happening at your church this weekend. The fall property clean-up takes place at 9am on Saturday November 21. And there are a few things to note this Sunday, November 22: worship at 9.30am will be a youth service; after the 9.30am service, sign-up begins for this year's Christmas pageant; also after the 9.30 am service there will be a brief training session for those selling Christmas Trees; then Jazz Vespers at 4pm.

Finally, this is the right time to reach out to the church office to sign up for this year's Advent Study. As our series unfolds, we'll have the Bible readings for Advent in one hand, and headlines from current media in the other hand. In fact, each week, we will be circulating a link to a current media story for our discussion. Which is why it's important to call or email the office to sign up! The series begins on November 25 at 7pm on Zoom, and November 26 at 10am in person.

Penny



The Christmas Trees are here! Sales begin on Friday, November 27.

Advent Series **Headings & Headlines**





Wednesday evenings
November 25, December 2, 9, 16
@ 7pm on Zoom

Thursday mornings
November 26, 3, 10, 17
@ 10am in person at the church

Tap at the Tree

Visit the tree that has appeared over the front doors to the sanctuary. This represents our "Close the Gap and Grow Together" campaign. Please tap often on the Tap Machine and add a leaf to the tree (representing $25 each). This is a debt reduction project . Plan to participate as often as you can!



Once again our entire parish community came together to create a beautifully festive and successful Market. The building looked - and smelled - amazing. Visitors know they can count on us for good food! Thank you to all the volunteers who worked before Market day as well as those serving customers during the event. The financial team is still hard at work so stay tuned for that update. And a huge thank you to all of you who crafted, baked, and preserved. And our wonderfully skilled parishioners who happen to be artisans add a delightful variety of product for all customers. One bit of feedback I got is that while there are many Christmas bazaars out there, we are classy! So, well done everyone!

Trudy

What's on this week ...

Nov 22	Sunday services	8.00am, 9.30am, 11.30am
	GIFT with Carrie	9.30am
	Christmas Tree sales training	10.30am
	Christmas Pageant meeting	10.30am
	Jazz Vespers	4.00pm
Nov 23	Fit for Service	9.30am
Nov 24	Open Doors Programming	3.00pm
	Seniors' Social	2.00pm
Nov 25	Fit for Service	9.30am
	Advent Study - Headings & Headlines (on Zoom)	7.00pm
Nov 26	Advent Study - Headings & Headlines (in person)	10.00am
	Morning Eucharist	11.30am
	Seniors' Lunch	12.00pm
	Choir Practice	7.30pm
Nov 27	Fit for Service	9.30am
	Fit for Service Chair Yoga	11.00am
	Christmas Tree Sales	5.00pm
Nov 28	Christmas Tree Sales	9.00am
	Maker's Market	9.30am
	BCC Concert	3.00pm

Dates for the Calendar...

Sat Nov	21	Yard Clean Up
Fri Nov	27	Christmas Tree Sales
Sat Nov	28	Maker's Market
Tue Dec	1	Prayer Gathering for Outreach Ministries
Sun Dec	6	Charlie Brown Jazz Vespers & Tree Lighting
Sun Dec	13	Blue Christmas
Sun Dec	20	Lessons & Carols (10am)

Ginger Group

The next date for this gathering is Monday, December 7 at 11.30am. This is our Christmas gathering which includes the usual beverage and delicious lunch, carol sing song and great conversation around the table. Cost is $15. Anyone 55+ is welcome.

Bridge Group

All are welcome but previous experience is appreciated. LIght refreshments will be provided. Please contact Liz at staff@stcb.ca for more information. Upcoming meeting is: November 16 and 30.

Prayer Shawl Group

This group of dedicated knitters meets on the last Thursday of the month. The next gathering will be Thursday, November 26 at 1pm in the Family Room.

Men's Cooking

This new combined group will meet next on Monday, November 30 at 9.30am.

Watercolour Wednesdays, with Cheryl Goldring

The next event is December 2 in the Great Hall at 12noon. $40 each.



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Fall Maker's Market

Saturday | 28 November | 9.30am - 2.00pm

Burlington Mindfulness

This group gathers on Wednesday (November 25) at 7pm in the Family Room.

Mental Health Caregivers Support Group

This group, led by Carole Caron, meets on the first Monday of the month in the Family Room at 7pm. Next meeting date: December 7.

2027 Calendars

Calendars are now available in the office at $8.00 each. This is a great stocking stuffer! Pick up your copy now.



BLESSED ARE THE ROMANI


Jim Sandilands
Bass


Adrean Farrugia
Piano


Tim Shia
Drums


Rebecca Hennessy
Trumpet


Shannon Butcher
Vocals

Sunday	St. Christopher's	4.00pm
22 Nov.	662 Guelph Line	Free Will
2026	Burlington	Offering

Transgender Day of Remembrance

November 20, 2026



7pm

Join us for a time of Vigil and Prayer

The Church of the Apostles
86 Glasgow Street North,
Guelph, ON, N1H 4W2

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On this Sunday we give thanks for the lives of:

- **Allen Lennox,** husband of Maryann, remembered with love by his family.
- **Donald Swackhammer,** in loving memory of a much loved husband, father, and papa by his wife, Jane, daughters Stephanie and Sarah, and his beloved grandchildren.
- **Samantha Krystle Clarke,** lovingly remembered by her father Kenneth, and sister Lindsay.
- **Scott Vassell-Pittman,** you might be gone from my arms, but you'll never leave my heart. Joanne.

Happy Birthday

from St. Christopher's Church community. May God's favour and blessing travel with you during the coming year.

Naiomi Lekhram
Tess Wiebe
Erin Demopolis
Felicia Lekhram
Brett Van Loon
Sara Williams
Diane Armitage
Brendan Byrnes
Lauren Honan
Karen Vintinner
Evelyn Watson
Dan Cranley
Savannah Low
Samantha Ponting
Will Potts

Happy Anniversary

from St. Christopher's Church community. With God's blessing we wish you every joy, as you journey through life together.

Marion Gangasingh & Richard Hammann 23
Jody Beecher & Vijendra Sahi 25

OPEN DOORS
every person. every table.

Cram a Cruiser

In partnership with the Halton Police Community Officers, we are excited to host CRAM A CRUISER on November 28, 2026, from 10.00am – 2.00pm at Longo's (Walkers Line & Dundas Street)! Join us as a volunteer, help spread the word, and encourage our community to donate and support this great cause. Together, we can make a difference and fill those cruisers with donations!

Christmas Families

The Christmas season is fast approaching, and we are excited to once again bring joy, hope, and support to families in our community through our annual Christmas Families Program! This year, we are gearing up to make the holidays extra special by providing each family with a full Christmas grocery shop, along with additional holiday support to help make their season brighter. Our goal is to ensure that every family feels supported, valued, and able to experience the magic of Christmas. We are now gratefully accepting donations (Of gift cards for food) to help make this program a success and reach as many families as possible. If you would like to make a difference this Christmas, we invite you to join us in spreading holiday cheer and making the season brighter for those in need! For more information, please see Shannon after the Sunday 9.30am service or email at opendoorsprograms @stcb.ca

Coldest Night of the Year

Mark your calendars for February 27, 2027! Lace up your walking shoes and get ready to join us for another incredible event supporting our community. We're excited to start planning and are looking for enthusiastic volunteers who are interested in taking on a leadership role. Interested in getting involved? Please reach out to Shannon at opendoorsprograms@stcb.ca. Let's make 2027 another amazing year!

Yard Clean Up - NEW DATE!

We will gather for raking, trimming and collecting leaves on Saturday, November 21 - 9am to noon. Treats will be available and the company will be Great! Join us! BYOR (Bring your own rake.)

Golf Tournament 2026 Photos

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Enjoy some special moments on the golf course from October 2 at the Tyandaga Golf Course. Special thanks to photographer, Mike Gamble.

Burlington Civic Chorale - Baroque Gems (Nov. 28 - 3pm)

Two immensely popular classics from the choral repertoire: Bach's Magnificat and Vivaldi's Gloria RV588 (the "other Gloria"). These two jewels of the eighteenth century give us an exciting sound map of the Baroque, choral tapestry, filled with exquisite melodies and rich harmonic texture all packaged up within driving rhythmic energy. The BCC will be accompanied by a chamber ensemble much the same as heard in Leipzig in Bach's Thomas Kirche. Additionally, there will be a small collection of Christmas favorites to set the upcoming seasonal holiday as do both of these works

Tickets can be purchased from Eventbrite or at the door.
Saturday, November 28th at 3pm.
burlingtoncivicchorale.ca https://www.burlingtoncivicchorale.ca/