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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 write with sadness to tell you that David Evans died last Tuesday after a brief illness with metastatic cancer. True to form, David was active until very recently – he was out for a long bike ride only 3 weeks ago. With his beloved Sandra, David arrived at St. Christopher's 37 years ago, and was active in our congregation in many ways, including as a pastoral visitor, a bread maker, with the Fresh Food Box, on a hospitality team, as a verger, and with those processing the haggis on Robbie Burns night. David will be missed. A celebration for David will take place in the new year. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

Not all of the activities coming your way this weekend at St. Christopher's appear in the December Messenger, which accompanies this email, so let me tell you about a few things: Christmas Tree sales begin this Friday evening, and continue on Saturday and Sunday. The Maker's Market is coming your way on Saturday the 28th, doors open at 9.30am. This Sunday is Soup-er, with soup sales taking place following the 9.30 service; and the youth group is meeting on Sunday evening at 6.30pm. I'll see you in all the right places!



Penny

The Christmas Trees are here! Sales begin this weekend. Sale times are:
Fridays 5-8pm | Saturdays 9am-6pm | Sundays 10.30am-4.30pm
We still need volunteers for many of the shifts. Please contact the office to sign up.

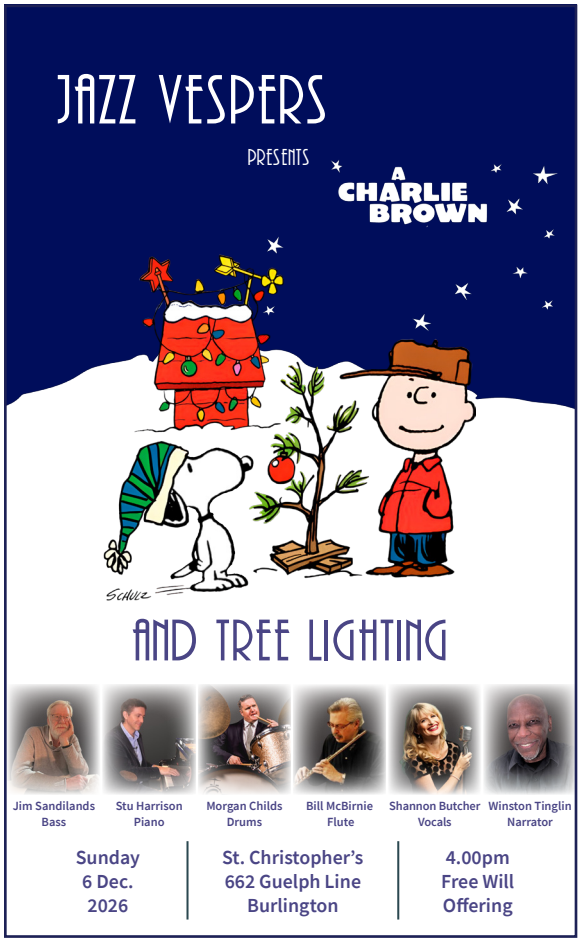
Advent Series **Headings & Headlines**





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

Thursday mornings
December 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!

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 meetings are: November 30, January 11, 25.

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.

What's on this week ...

Nov 28	Maker's Market	9.30am
Nov 29	Sunday services	8.00am, 9.30am, 11.30am
	GIFT with Carrie	9.30am
	Christmas Tree sales	10.30am
	Christmas Pageant meeting	10.30am
	Soup-er Sunday	10.30am
Nov 30	Fit for Service	9.30am
	Men's Cooking	9.30am
	Bridge	2.00pm
Dec 1	Seniors' Social	2.00pm
	Open Doors Programming	3.00pm
	Prayer Service for Outreach Ministries	7.15pm
Dec 2	Fit for Service	9.30am
	Clean Slate Corner Services	10.00am
	Advent Study - Headings & Headlines (on Zoom)	7.00pm
Dec 3	Advent Study - Headings & Headlines (in person)	10.00am
	Morning Eucharist	11.30am
	Seniors' Lunch	12.00pm
	Choir Practice	7.30pm
Dec 4	Fit for Service	9.30am
	Fit for Service Chair Yoga	11.00am
Dec 5	95th Birthday Party for Betty Coombs	2.00pm

Dates for the Calendar...

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)

Men's Cooking

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

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.

Prayer Shawl Group

This group of dedicated knitters meets on the last Thursday of the month. The next gathering will be Thursday, January 28 at 1pm in the Family Room.

Watercolour Wednesdays, with Cheryl Goldring

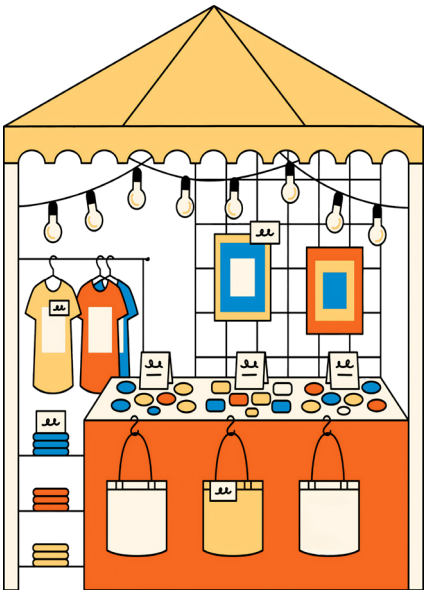
The next event is December 2 in the Great Hall at 12noon. $40 each.

2027 Calendars

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

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Fall Maker's Market



Saturday | 28 November | 9.30am - 2.00pm



We Are Selling Fresh Christmas Trees!

Our Christmas trees have arrived, fresh from New Brunswick!
We are offering them for sale from Friday, Nov 27th through Sunday, Dec 20th (or while the supply lasts).

Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Nov 27, Dec 4, 11 & 18	Nov 28, Dec 5, 12 & 19	Nov 29, Dec 6, 13 & 20
5.00pm - 8.00pm	9.00am - 6.00pm	10.30am - 4.30pm

On this Sunday we give thanks for the lives of:

- **William & Edith Nichol,** remembered with love by their daughter Lois.
- **Dave Page,** remembered with much love and very much missed by his daughter Susan and her family.
- **Bob Connell,** lovingly remembered by his wife Laureen, son Alan and dughter Jane.
- **Mototsune, and Kitagawa family loved ones**, remembered.

Happy Birthday

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

Rachael Stewart
Joanne Vassell-Pittman
Wendy McCowan
Hope Magnus
Lily Parker
Geoff Stephen
Trevor Cant
Amy Collard
Seamus Stewart
Kathy Hartog
Betty Coombs
Dianne Galipeau
Drew Norris
Rosemary Quinsey

Happy Anniversary

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

There are no anniversaries to celebrate this week.

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

This Christmas, many families in our community will be turning to us for much-needed food support. Please consider making a donation to our Christmas Families Program to help bring some extra joy and relief to families during the holiday season. Gift cards in $25 denominations are greatly appreciated and will make a meaningful difference for those in need!

Turkey Donations

We are seeing donations of frozen Turkey's for our upcoming Christmas Meal. If you would like to donate a turkey to the meal, please contact Jasmin at goodfood@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!

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/