

St. Thomas The Apostle Anglican Church

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“KEEPING IN TOUCH – September 2022”

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Services Returning Weekly at St. Tom's on **September 4th**

After sharing our services with St. Luke's in July and then sharing their services in August, we will resume our weekly Sunday services at St. Tom's at 9 o'clock starting on September 4th. Reverend Julia Gill and Reverend Ross Gill have agreed to serve as interim pastors providing ministry services and pastoral care from September until we have a new priest. Many of you will remember them from other times they have filled in for our priests' holiday time.



ABBA!

Save the date!
Friday, September 30th



Doors open: 6:30 Show starts: 7:30

The ACW are excited to announce that Celebrity Productions will be back by popular demand with **ABBA!** Join us for an evening of fun, singing and refreshments while Jackie & Amy sing all your favourite Abba hits!

Tickets are \$15 and include refreshments.

Please call Marion at 519-653-2587 to reserve your seat

Selection Committee for our New Priest: UPDATE

Along with four representatives from St. Luke's, our St. Tom's representatives **Chris Coady, Lee Haskins, Rick Furnival, and Kathy Brown** are continuing the challenging task of choosing a new priest for our parishes. They have completed the first 3 steps in the process (listed in the August newsletter), including a rigorous profile of our parish that will be submitted to the Bishop's office. *In September, all of you will be asked to complete a survey telling the committee what you are looking for in a priest.* You may also contact one of our representatives to discuss your thoughts in person.

Step 4 (*early Sept*): send out a survey to congregation to determine what the majority of people are looking for in our next priest

Step 5 (*end Sept*): compile survey results and send details of what type of person we're looking for to Bishop Todd

Step 6 (*hopefully mid-Oct*): receive a list of names from Bishop Todd of possible candidates and begin interviews

With any luck may have a priest just in time for Christmas or early in new year



Please pray for everyone on the Selection Committee (both ours and St Luke's) throughout this process. PRAY for God's guidance in bringing us the right candidates and pointing us to the right person.

Six Little Stories with Lots of Meanings

1. Once all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. *That is faith.*
2. When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. *That is trust.*
3. Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set the alarms to wake up. *That is hope.*
4. We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. *That is confidence.*
5. We see the world suffering, but still, we get married and have children. *That is love.*
6. On an old man's shirt was written a sentence 'I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience.' *That is attitude.*

Have a happy day, and live your life like these six stories. Remember: Good friends are the rare jewels of life...difficult to find and impossible to replace.

(submitted by Sharon Furnival)

COFFEE HOUR



It has been SO nice to enjoy refreshments and fellowship after the service again! In order to keep everyone safe:

- o Please wear your mask to go to and from your table and only remove for eating/drinking
- o Please stay seated while eating or drinking
- o One or two vaccinated volunteers will serve the drinks and goodies directly to you at the table so there is no congregating in or around the kitchen

We continue to need “hosts” to prepare and serve the drinks and snacks. If you can help, please sign up on the sheet posted outside the kitchen.

ALTAR FLOWERS



Flowers can be placed on the altar to the Glory of God “*in memory*” or “*in thanksgiving*” of loved ones or “*in celebration*” of a special anniversary. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex or call Sharon at (519) 620-1272 to arrange.

Here's wishing you one more month of summer flavours:

Ice Cream Flavors

C	A	S	A	H	O	K	E	Y	P	O	K	E	Y
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- COCONUT
- STRAWBERRY
- VANILLA
- FUDGE
- ROCKY ROAD
- COOKIE DOUGH
- NEOPOLITAN
- COTTON CANDY
- HOKEY POKEY
- CHOCOLATE
- MOOSE TRACKS
- GREEN TEA
- TIGER TAIL
- PECAN
- REESES
- BANANA

DEANERY OF WATERLOO REFUGEE COMMITTEE

Our Deanery Refugee Committee is ready to choose a 7th refugee family to support. **St. Tom's needs a new parish representative on that committee. Contact Susan Grenville at 519-897-8563 for information about this volunteer opportunity.**

Over the past seven years, St. Tom's parishioners donated more money to the project per family than did any other of the 14 parishes in the Waterloo Deanery! *Be proud of God's work that you do.*

IT'S HARVEST TIME:

EASY BUTTERNUT SQUASH SOUP



Ingredients

- ½ Tbsp. olive oil
- 2 garlic cloves minced
- 1 onion diced
- 1 butternut squash peeled and diced into cubes
- 32 ounces vegetable broth
- 1-2 tsp. salt

Don't want to cut a squash yourself? Buy already cut cubes in the freezer section of your grocery store, and skip the 15-20 minute simmer.

Instructions

1. In a dutch oven pot (or heavy pot), heat olive oil over medium heat. Add onion and garlic. cook until softened, about 5 minutes.
2. Add cut up butternut squash and vegetable broth.
 - **For fresh squash:** Bring to a boil then cover and simmer for 15-20 minutes until squash is softened.
 - **For frozen pre-cut squash cubes:** Bring to a boil and then go to
3. Carefully pour entire contents of pot into blender. Add salt to taste.
4. Carefully blend until smooth. Serve in bowls with thyme if desired. Enjoy!

Susan Grenville is still looking for a partner to brainstorm ideas for fundraising for PWRDF. Are you interested? Call 519-897-8563.

PWRDF working in UKRAINE

Alexander, 81, does not want to leave his home in the Donetsk region of Eastern Ukraine. He has been hiding in his basement and the bathroom to escape the shelling which has already hit his house. "I'm not going to leave here," he says. "I hide in the basement from shelling. Now I sometimes spend the night there, or in the bathroom, which I secured after a shell hit the house. I'm afraid that everything I have can be destroyed in a second. But I hope for a speedy peace."

Alexander is getting support from HelpAge International who brings him food and conversation. "After talking with her, I want to live. God give her strength."

PWRDF is partnering with HelpAge to support seniors in Ukraine as they attempt to cross the border into Moldova where HelpAge has worked since 2000. Moldovans and their government are providing needed support to those escaping the conflict.

[Note from Susan Grenville: I am soon going to be the same age as Alexander. As I sit safely in Cambridge, I can't imagine living the life he and others in Ukraine are presently living. Praying is not enough; we need to help however we can.]

Are you using your blue envelopes??



(See Genesis 6-8)

IT WAS ONLY AFTER NOAH FINISHED HIS ARCHITECTURAL
PROTOTYPE THAT HE FINALLY ADMITTED THAT
HE DID NOT KNOW WHAT A CUBIT WAS