

St. Thomas The Apostle Anglican Church

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“KEEPING IN TOUCH – October 2022”

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We are so happy to have the Reverend Julia Gill and the Reverend Ross Gill leading our weekly services and providing pastoral care for our parishioners while we search for our next wonderful priest. If anyone is in need of pastoral care, please contact either Canon Karen or, if you would like to speak with the Gills, contact either of the wardens (Rick Furnival or Kathy Brown) and they will put you in touch.

COVID UPDATE

Our congregational council has reviewed the current covid situation and determined that it is no longer necessary to mandate masking in our church building. Effective immediately, you are welcome to make your own decision as to whether or not you would like to wear a mask. Please remember to be gracious and respect each other’s personal choice. We are continuing to keep the pulpit side of the church designated as “distanced seating” for people who would prefer that option.

Masks are no longer required at coffee hour. We will be returning to setting out the goodies on a table at the back of the hall, however for safety’s sake, there will be someone assigned to serve the food with gloves or tongs rather than having everyone touching the food themselves. You are also welcome to come up to the kitchen window again, to pick up your tea or coffee.

GREAT NEWS!

Holly Beatrice Gill arrived in the world at 7:26pm on Monday, September 26th, weighing in at 7lb 5oz. Holly’s second name is in honour of Julia’s mother. Naturally, Ross and Julia are thrilled and are very thankful for a healthy little granddaughter!



A FEW DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR

Thurs Oct 6 (1:00-2:00 pm) **Baking for the Bridges:** We would like to send some tasty Thanksgiving treats to our neighbours at The Bridges. If you are able to bake up a few goodies and drop them off at the church on Thursday, Oct 6th **between 1pm & 2pm**, we will ensure that they are delivered. **Please note the drop-off time, since the church is no longer open all day on Thursday.**

Sun Oct 9 (9:00 am) **Harvest Thanksgiving Service:** If you have any vegetables which you would like to bring to decorate the church with, please drop them off on Thursday, Oct 6th between 1pm & 2pm. *(the same time as people are dropping off their Baking for the Bridges)*

Sun Nov 13 (9:00-noon) **70th Anniversary Celebration
Bishop Todd's visit / Potluck
Brunch!**



Make sure you join us on November 13th to welcome Bishop Todd as we celebrate the 70th anniversary of our great little church! If you are able to bring something to share at our potluck "brunch", it would be greatly appreciated. **Please see the sign-up sheet outside the kitchen.** And if that isn't enough, there's a rumour that the ACW might have a little surprise for us after the service.





** OUR NEW LIBRARY **

A big thank you goes out to **Mary Jo Murphie** who has done a wonderful job of setting up a lovely little library for us in the old nursery room. Please take a few minutes to peek inside and choose a few books that interest you. There is a sign-out book in the room.

Another thank you goes out to **Kerry Timmins** who has graciously volunteered to run the library on a go-forward basis, so if you have any questions, please see Kerry. Perhaps we can convince her to do a few book reports in future editions?!



AN AUTUMN WORD SCRAMBLE

Can you unscramble the letters to find the 12 autumn words below?

d e o l o n g d r	— — — — — — — — —
g t a i o r m i n	— — — — — — — — —
m p p k u i n	— — — — — — — — —
e i d c d o u s u	— — — — — — — — —
a g e o f l i	— — — — — — — — —
h d o a r r c	— — — — — — — — —
e e b m e s p t r	— — — — — — — — —
r i l e u q r s	— — — — — — — — —
e s e t w a r	— — — — — — — — —
s e c c r r a w o	— — — — — — — — —
e r o n m v b e	— — — — — — — — —
u o e l s n w r f	— — — — — — — — —

DEANERY OF WATERLOO REFUGEE COMMITTEE

As mentioned last month, our Deanery Refugee Committee is ready to choose a 7th refugee family to support and we're hoping you can help.



1) First, the "people":

There is a wonderful opportunity for 1 or 2 St. Tom's people to be our representative(s) on the refugee committee. This would involve attending the monthly meeting on an evening in Kitchener or virtually and bringing back the information to our church. Depending where the family lives there may also be an opportunity for helping on one of the subcommittees... driving, shopping, etc., but attending the meetings is the primary duty. **Please contact Susan Grenville at 519-897-8563 for more information** about this interesting and rewarding volunteer opportunity.

2) Secondly, the finances:

We are aiming to raise approximately \$170 per month from September 2022 until May 2023 as our contribution towards the first year of expenses for the next family. Envelopes will be available shortly for you to make a contribution, if at all possible. We are also hoping to have a fundraising event sometime before May to be directed to this very worthy cause.

Thank you so much for giving your prayerful consideration to both the "financial" and "people" needs.

GRATITUDE LIST

- ☑ the sunshine ☀
- ☑ a healthy family ❤️
- ☑ a home full of love 🏠
- ☑ Food on the table 🍽️
- ☑ Happy kids in school 👧👦
- ☑ hot coffee ☕
- ☑ Someone special 🌸
- ☑ breath in my lungs 🌬️
- ☑ Jesus! ✝️

Psalm 95: 1-5

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God, and the great King above all gods. In His hands are the deep places of the earth. The heights of the hills are His also. The sea is His, for He made it; and His hands prepared the dry land.

2 Corinthians 9:15

Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

Psalm 103:1

Praise the Lord my soul; all my inmost being, praise His holy name!

Isaiah 12:4-5

And on that day you will say, "Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name. Make known His deeds among the peoples; make them remember that His name is exalted." Praise the Lord in song, for He has done glorious things; let this be known throughout the earth.

Psalm 118:24

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!



i am thankful for....

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

Pumpkin Pie (from veganheaven.org) *(submitted by Rick & Sharon Furnival)*

INGREDIENTS

1 pie crust (we buy spelt -Wholly Wholesome), buy from health store

Pie crust:

1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 cup vegan butter or margarine
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon sugar
4 tablespoons ice cold water



For the vegan pumpkin pie:

1 teaspoon cinnamon
2 1/2 cups pumpkin puree
1/4 cup maple syrup
1/4 cup brown sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup full fat canned coconut milk
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1/4 teaspoon cloves
1/4 cup cornstarch

DIRECTIONS

1. Start with the vegan pie crust. In mixing bowl, combine flour, salt, sugar, and cinnamon.
2. Transfer the flour mixture to a food processor. Cut the vegan butter or margarine into cubes and add them to the flour. Pulse several times. Don't overmix. The mixture should have pea-sized clumps of butter throughout.
3. Add the ice water. Pulse again until dough begins to come together. Don't overmix.
4. Take the dough out of the food processor and form it into a ball. You could drizzle the dough with a bit more ice cold water if needed. But be careful and don't use too much water. Cover the dough with plastic wrap and refrigerate for 1 hour.
5. In the meantime, make the filling. In a food processor, combine the pumpkin puree with the maple syrup, brown sugar, vanilla extract, salt, coconut milk, ground cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg, cloves, and cornstarch. Process until smooth.
6. Generously grease a 9-inch pie plate with vegan butter or margarine. Roll the dough out to 12 inches in diameter. Then carefully transfer it to your pie plate and gently fit it in. Trim any excess dough. If you want you could also decorate the edges.
7. Pour filling into the crust. No need to pre-bake the crust first. Spread it out until smooth.
8. Preheat your oven to 350 °F. Bake the vegan pumpkin pie for 50 minutes. If the crust becomes too brown, you can cover the pie with aluminium foil, but for me it worked perfectly without the aluminium foil.
9. Let the pumpkin pie cool down completely on the counter. Then transfer it to the fridge overnight. This step is really important and gives the pumpkin pie enough time to firm up.

An update from the SELECTION COMMITTEE

(Chris Coady, Lee Haskins, Rick Furnival, Kathy Brown)



We are happy to report that our search for a new priest is moving along on schedule. The parish surveys which were distributed at the beginning of September and were collected over the next few weeks have been carefully reviewed and compiled. Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete one.

If all goes as planned, by the time you read this we will have already met with St. Luke's Selection Committee (on Sept 29) and prepared both of our reports to go Archdeacon Megan and Bishop Todd.

Bishop Todd will then take time to review our profiles and will hopefully send us the names of a few possible candidates sometime in October. The entire committee will then work closely together, along with much prayer, to discern which priest would best fit our two communities. There is a chance we could have a priest in time for Christmas, though it could also be early in the new year.

We ask that you 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. Thanks!



ANSWERS TO THE AUTUMN WORD SCRAMBLE

goldenrod / migration / pumpkin / deciduous / foliage / orchard
september / squirrel / sweater / scarecrow / november / sunflower

WORDS OF WISDOM FROM SENIORS



1. Talk to yourself. There are times you need expert advice.
2. "In style" are the clothes that still fit.
3. The biggest lie you tell yourself is "I don't need to write that down. I'll remember it."
4. "On time" is when you get there.
5. It would be wonderful if we could put ourselves in the dryer for ten minutes, then come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller!
6. Lately, you've noticed that people your age are so much older than you!
7. Growing old should have taken longer.
8. You still haven't learned to act your age, and hope you never will!