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Easter 5

May 18, 2025 BCP – 8:15am

Processional Hymn: CP #231 'That Eastertide with Joy Was Bright'

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The ReadingActs 11:1-18
Amber Marshall

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Rev Sharla

The Gospel John 13:31-35

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The Intercession.....pg 75-78
Cheryl Fox

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The Dismissal

Recessional Hymn: CP 643 ‘Holy Spirit, Come With Power’

Acts 11:1-18

¹Now the apostles and the believers^[a] who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ² So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers^[b] criticized him, ³ saying, ‘Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?’ ⁴ Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵ ‘I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. ⁶ As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷ I also heard a voice saying to me, “Get up, Peter; kill and eat.” ⁸ But I replied, “By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.” ⁹ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, “What God has made clean, you must not call profane.” ¹⁰ This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹ At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at

the house where we were. ¹² The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us.^[c] These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³ He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴ he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." ¹⁵ And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶ And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁷ If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' ¹⁸ When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

John 13:31-35

³¹ When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³² If God has been glorified in him,^[a] God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³ Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

Readings for Next Week

Acts 16:9-15

Psalm 67

Revelation 21:10, 22 – 22:5

John 14:23-29

Last Week's Attendance

Sunday : 8:15 28 10:00 74

Givings

On the plate: \$ 2040

Auto Debit: \$2,589

Bible Study

Bible studies are Thursdays at 1:30 pm in the Fireside room. All are welcome.

Drayton Theatre Outing

Join us on Tuesday, May 27 at the church for a potluck lunch prior to attending the 2 pm showing of "The Full Monty". There are 21 tickets available at a cost of approximately \$54. Connect with June Matheson (519-746-2881) to reserve yours! Please make sure you remind June if you are not on the list for tickets.

Sunday Smile

The best vitamin for a Christian is B1.

St. Andrews Cupboard

Thank-you all for your wonderful donations to St. Andrews Cupboard!

Your generosity makes a HUGE difference to many, many families ❤️

They are so appreciative of everything you donate but a couple things mentioned this week were peanut butter and toilet paper.

THANK-YOU ❤️

Heather Murphy

On behalf of your Outreach Committee

Book Club

Date: May 20th

Time: 1:00 PM

Book: *A Clue for the Puzzle Lady* by Parnell Hall

Office Hours

Pierrette's office hours are as follows:

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Wednesdays 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Thank you!

Thank you to all who attended the Ploughman's lunch. Total proceeds were \$450. A big thank you to Chef Ray for carving the ham and turkey. Also, thanks go to Heather Murphy, Roberta Finnie, Lynda Dancey and Valerie Cuthbert for help in the kitchen and cleanup afterwards. A much appreciated thank you to all.

***** Parish council would like to enlist parishioner help for the following:**

#1 *Coffee Coordinator for the 10 am Sunday Services*

A parishioner or several to coordinate the weekly Coffee Hour after our 10 am Sunday Service. It would require securing volunteers to come forward to host on a particular Sunday. Lessons in coffee/tea preparation are available! If enough people come forward, then some kind of rotation would be possible. It would also require the regular purchase of milk/cream/cookies for which you would be reimbursed to support this popular ministry.

***** Please contact Nelson Cuthbert (519-588-8672) (cuthben@gmail.com) or the Church Office if you are able to help with the above items. Thanks!**

UPDATE TO ST. GEORGES' MAJOR CAPITAL REPAIR PROJECT

In 2024, we started a major capital repair project through your Property and Maintenance Committee which was approved at Vestry 2024. It included the following three phases:

- Accessibility upgrades: front main floor entranceway; outside lower floor entranceway of Thompson Hall
- Reconfiguration/repaving: main entrance driveway and curbing
- Repair of the concrete steps and railings: rear entrance to the narthex

With #2 completed last fall, we would like to complete #1 this year and #2 next year. We are within \$15,000 of our \$100,000 fundraising campaign goal.

We are very fortunate to have a family who is willing to match any additional donations up to \$7,500 (between April 1/25 and July 1/25) which would get us there. We are very close! Let's work together to reach our goal.

If you are able, you can support this project as follows:

- Include an extra donation in cheque form or cash directed to "Capital Repairs Project" in a sealed envelope and give it to the Office or place it on the collection plate on Sunday (put your name and address on the outside of the envelope (& envelope # if you have one))
- E-transfer an extra donation to stgeorgefhdonate@outlook.com and include "Capital Repairs Project" in the comment section.

If you have any questions, please contact Nelson Cuthbert (519-588-8672) (cuthben@gmail.com). Thanks very much for your efforts!

Capital Project Donations to Date

From March 30th to May 11th, a total of \$6,889.00 has been contributed in donations. Thank you so much for your response so far.
Nelson Cuthbert for the Capital Project Campaign.

SPRING CLEANUP - SAT. JUNE 7 (9 AM - 11:30 AM)

Yes, it is time once again for us to assemble at St. George's to clean-up the grounds after winter. We will do some work on the Rectory lot as well. Bring your work-gloves and rakes. Coffee/tea/timbits will be available in Thompson Hall. Thanks to all volunteers from your Property Committee!

Name Tags

If you would like a name tag, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex and the cost is \$13.00.

Conrad Grebel University College

Art is Always Conflict | April 1 - June 17, 2025. Grebel Gallery, Conrad Grebel University College. Orbiting themes of disability, abuse and suffering, belief and unbelief, destruction and regeneration, this retrospective exhibit features needlepoint, line drawing, and poetry by Liz Wenger, a Mennonite artist who lived and worked in Goshen, Indiana. Visit uwaterloo.ca/centre-peace-advancement/grebel-gallery

Embracing Aging as Culmination – Annual Spirituality and Aging Seminar | Friday, June 6, 2025, 9:30 am – 3:30 pm. Guest speaker: Dr. Carol Orsborn, spirituality and aging expert, and author of seven books that embrace spiritual aging as life's culmination. For seminar details and pricing, visit uwaterloo.ca/grebel/events/embracing-aging-culmination

There's still time to register for ***Ontario Mennonite Music Camp*** (OMMC), August 10–22, 2025. OMMC is a place where youth develop and enrich relationships, faith, musicality, and leadership in a fun and supportive summer camp environment. More information at grebel.ca/ommc

Conflict Management and Congregational Leadership Workshops - a few spots are still available in May for the "Understanding Conflict" workshop, offered in-person. Save the date September 23 -26 for "Leading the Church Through

Conflict and Polarities” workshop, offered online. Visit uwaterloo.ca/conflict-management/workshops.