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Diocese of Huron – The Anglican Church of Canada

Bishop: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Todd Townshend

Music Director: Rob Aszmies

Organist: John Shaw

Presider: The Rev. Brendon Bedford

Server & Crucifer: Alfred Butler, Catherine Carlson

Greeter: Linda Dancey

Warden on Duty: Cindy Kellett

16th Sunday after Pentecost - September 13, 2026

Holy Eucharist – Book of Alternative Services (BAS) – 10:00 am

Announcements

Please stand, as you are able.

Processional Hymn - 'All Are Welcome'

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live.

A place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.

Here the cross shall stand as witness and as faith and vault of grace,

Here the love of Christ shall end division.

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true.
Where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace;
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus.
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat;
A banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space,
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone,
To heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bears the image of God's face,
Let us bring an end to fear and danger
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard and love and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter
prayers of faith and song of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider: Almighty God,

People: **To you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

GLORY to GOD (John Bell setting)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: Almighty God, you call your Church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you. Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Proclamation of the Word

THE FIRST READING: Exodus 14:19-31

John Ryrie

Reader: A reading from the Book of Exodus.

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them

against Egypt." Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Reader: The word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated.

The Rev. Brendon Bedford

THE PSALM - 114

1 Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, *
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,

2 Judah became God's sanctuary *
and Israel his dominion.

3 The sea beheld it and fled; *
Jordan turned and went back.

4 The mountains skipped like rams, *
and the little hills like young sheep.

5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? *
O Jordan, that you turned back?

6 You mountains, that you skipped like rams? *
you little hills like young sheep?

7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *
at the presence of the God of Jacob.

8 Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water *
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

THE SECOND READING: Romans 14:1-12

John Shaw

Reader: A reading from Paul's letter to the church in Rome.

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Reader: The word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as you are able.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 'Thy Word'

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 18:21-35

The Rev. Brendon Bedford

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Then Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

THE RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL: CP #466 'How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord'

Please be seated.

THE HOMILY

The Rev. Brendon Bedford

Please stand, as you are able.

THE NICENE CREED

Presider: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

Please kneel, or sit, as you are able.

Catherine Carlson

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor:

The flowers in the church today are in loving remembrance of Wayne, a caring husband, loving father and a great poppa to his special grandchildren. Remembered and missed by us all. Given by the Rothenberg family.

Our God is a God of unity, not of division; of love, not of hate; of forgiveness, not of resentment. With open hearts, bearing the pain of the world, let us beseech the God of love, responding to "let us pray to the Lord" with "We beseech you, O Lord."

For brothers, sisters, and siblings of every race and nation:

For their safety and well-being,

For the relief of their sufferings,

For the assuaging of their hunger and thirst,

And for the overcoming of enmity,

Let us pray to the Lord. **We beseech you, O Lord.**

For those people we have come to perceive as enemies, as others, or as those with whom we should not be associated,
for the people of all countries with whom we are in conflict or struggle
for those of differing political or ideological views and opinions
for those who follow other religions and faiths or those of no faith at all
for the addicted, for the unhoused and street involved, and for the impoverished
for the healing of hatred and suspicion, and for the birth of friendship
Let us pray to the Lord. **We beseech you, O Lord.**

For God's forgiveness of our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and for the turning of their hearts.

Let us pray to the Lord. **We beseech you, O Lord.**

For the churches and Christian denominations of the world, let us pray:
for the healing of divisions,
for growth in understanding,
For all bishops and those in church leadership, especially Bishop Todd, our diocesan bishop; Archbishop Anne, our Metropolitan; Archbishop Christopher, National Indigenous Archbishop; Archbishop Shane, our Primate; Archbishop Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury, and for all the clergy and people,
for a devotion to the truth of the gospel,
for our mutual enrichment,
and for complete communion in the Holy Spirit,
Let us pray to the Lord. **We beseech you, O Lord.**

For those in civic leadership and elected office, of all partisan affiliations,
for Charles our King, for Mark our Prime Minister, for Doug our Premier, for Barry our Mayor, and for all who serve in the parliaments, legislatures, and councils of our governments
for an embracing of the common good
for sound and just decisions that benefit and support the whole community
for a recognition of a common humanity and mutual connection
Let us pray to the Lord. **We beseech you, O Lord.**
For our homes and families:
for an end to feuds,
for release from cycles of violence,
for the healing of painful memories,

for forgiveness and peace between those who injure,
for patience in bearing with one another,
Let us pray to the Lord. **We beseech you, O Lord.**

For those in need of Christ's healing and hope, (especially...),
Let us pray to the Lord. **We beseech you, O Lord.**

For all who have died in the peace of Christ, both those who have confessed the
faith and those whose faith is known to you alone, (especially . . .), that they
might rest in the peace of Christ's presence, let us pray to the Lord.
We beseech you, O Lord.

Presider: Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask:
Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good
things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us
for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Please remain kneeling, or sitting, as you are able.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Presider: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess
our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*A moment of silence is held as any sins of thought, word, deed, or omission are
recalled.*

Presider: Most merciful God,

**People: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word,
and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left
undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have
not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and
we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have
mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Presider: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Please stand, as you are able.

THE PEACE

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you,

People: **And also with you.**

The Offertory

THE INVITATION TO OFFERING

Presider: Come, everyone whose heart is stirred and everyone whose spirit is willing, and bring the Lord's offering.

Offertory Hymn: CP #381 'Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven'

Please remain standing, as you are able.

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Presider: Holy God, accept all we offer you this day. May we who are reconciled at this table bring wholeness to our broken world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

People: **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - *Eucharistic Prayer 3*

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on this first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. In our

unending joy we echo on earth the song of the angels in heaven as we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

THE SANCTUS (Holy)

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Presider: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

People: Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

Presider: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

People:

Amen.

Our Father in Heaven

Unison

A D A

1 Our Fath - er in heav - en, we hal - low your Name! Most
 2 Our dai - ly bread give us, ful - fil ev - ery need; grant
 3 Then, from all temp - ta - tion, come lead us a - way; from

Bm D A

ho - ly and glo - ri - ous, ev - er the same! Es -
 food for both spir - it and bod - y, we plead. As
 on - slaught of e - vil, de - liv - er we pray! For

D Bm G

tab - lish your king - dom, your pur - pose ful - fill. On
 we for - give oth - ers, our debts please for - give; with
 yours is the king - dom, the glo - ry and power in

D A Bm G D

earth as in heav - en, may all do your will!
 all re - con - ciled and at peace may we live.
 past and in fu - ture, this day and this hour!

THE FRACTION RITE

THE AGNUS DEI (Lamb of God)

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE COMMUNION

Administrants: Catherine Carlson, George Mudry

Communion Music: CP #63 'Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup'

Choir Anthem: By John Shaw and Rob Aszmies

Please stand, as you are able.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider: God of peace, in this eucharist we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours. May we who have been nourished by holy things always have the courage to forgive. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

People: Amen.

THE DOXOLOGY

Presider: Glory to God,

All: Whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Recessional Hymn: 'In Christ Alone'

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm thro' the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when striving cease.
My comforter, my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross, as Jesus died,
The love of God was exemplified
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again.
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the pow'r of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the pow'r of Christ I stand.

THE DISMISSAL

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

Readings for Next Sunday

Exodus 16: 2-15

Psalms 105: 1-6, 37-45

Philippians 1:21 -30

Matthew 20: 1-16

Last Week's Attendance: Sunday: 8:15 27 10:00 92

Givings: On the plate \$ 2,910 Auto Debit: \$1,990

Sunday Smile: Before you go to bed, give your troubles to God.

Altar Guild Request

Thank you to all who contribute to the prayer candle ministry. On average, we use forty candles per week so keeping a stock of 'Tea' light candles is a priority. If you are able to contribute to this ministry, we would appreciate it.

St. Andrew's Cupboard

Thank-you all so much for your generous donations to St. Andrew's Cupboard

👍 Every week I am able to take much needed supplies to the Cupboard to help those less fortunate! Anything you are able to give is most appreciated, but a few things mentioned this week were: pasta; pasta sauce; granola bars and snacks for school lunches! They are always in need of cleaning supplies and shampoo. THANK-YOU ❤️

Heather Murphy, on behalf of your Outreach Committee

Book Club

Book club will resume on Tuesday, September 15th at 1:00 pm in the Fireside room. The book we will be discussing is: The Sunset years of Agnes Sharp by Leonie Swann. Everyone is welcome!

Bible Study

Bible study will start Thursday, September 17th at 1:30 pm in the Fireside room. All are welcome!

Ice Cream Update for Sept 6 2026

By the end of lunch this past Friday, Sept. 4th, we will have served up 34 large tubs of ice cream, plus oodles of syrups, peanuts, chocolate chips, and jelly dots to the folks at St. John's Kitchen. Our church has been terrific in providing these desserts during our summer Fridays, and providing the funding for this outreach. In particular, I'd like to thank our volunteers for their outstanding efforts: the Butlers (Alf and Roberta), Catherine Carlson, Elizabeth Ceres, Kathy Glaser, Ivan Mariapen, Brent Matheson, Jan Melega, and Dominique van Gent. Way to go St. George's !!!!

John Ryrie

New Office Hours

Our weekly office hours are:

Monday: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Tuesday: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Friday: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

For appointments with Fr. Brendon, please feel free to email him (brendonbedford@diohuron.org) or contact the Church Office.

Community Children's Closet

Thank you for your generous donations to this outreach project. We are sorting through everything we have now and organizing it. We are asking if you would please hold on to any other children's items you may have until Sept. to give us time.

PLEASE do not send us adult clothes even if they are smaller sizes unless a teenager wears them. This outreach is TOTS TO TEENS...sizes infant to size 18. We really cannot accommodate adult clothing, under garments or odds and ends of things. Please send children's clothing and toys only. Do not send used car seats, cribs or items like that.

We do appreciate your donations of children's items. Thank you.

Your Outreach Committee

Refugee Family Update as of August 24

Our refugee committee is incredibly warmed and proud that we successfully brought Mapenzi and her three boys to Canada from Tanzania for what we deeply hope will be bright and successful futures for them all. We are

also very proud that we worked hard through the Immigration and Refugee cutbacks and delays to get Mapenzi's file advanced, and that for the last month our Team has strongly supported her to the very best of our ability. The family's life_story has been incredibly hard and hers probably more so than we had understood from afar. As you might guess, a new family is occasionally deemed to have a higher chance for success by a different form of both financial and guiding support.

Due to legitimate and unforeseen circumstances which neither us nor Mapenzi anticipated, and discovering that she has family in Montreal who are prepared to have the family there, and in working with the Diocese and IRCC to fully vet the situation, Mapenzi has decided that she and the boys will join her family in Montreal to live.

Our Diocese has reached out to Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada requesting "a breakdown in the sponsorship relationship." They have granted that request, recognizing that we as a team have done everything possible to fulfill our duties as sponsors. As of August 20, 2026, we are no longer responsible for any financial or settlement support. We are very proud of our committee and of all of you, for your continued support and compassion for refugees from around the world.

Pastoral Care

If you are in the hospital or ill and would like a pastoral visit, please call the church office at 519-744-4751 and leave a message. Someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

Back to Church BBQ

Join us on Sunday, September 13, after the 10:00 am service for our Back to Church BBQ! We'll gather for food, fellowship, and a wonderful time together as we welcome back our church family.

We're also delighted to give a special welcome to Rev. Brendon Bedford and his family. We look forward to celebrating and sharing this time with them! Everyone is warmly invited. We hope to see you there!

Sunday School

Registration – Sunday, September 13th

Sunday School Start-Up – Sunday, September 20th

All Ages Welcome!

Come join us for a new year of faith, friendship, learning and fun.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back and meeting new friends.

Position Replacements:

- a. **Deputy People's Warden:** Cindy Kellett is leaving KW to move to North Bay mid-October. As a result, we will lose our Deputy People's Warden. We really do need a replacement given the busy church that we have. Please let one of the Wardens know if you or anyone you know may be interested.
- b. **Treasurer:** Chris Wagner has resigned as Treasurer effective Vestry, 2027 or earlier. She will assist with the transition to another Treasurer. We need a replacement for this position. Please let one of the Wardens know if you or anyone you know may be interested.
- c. **Envelope Secretary:** Valerie Clarke informed us in the spring that she was stepping down as Envelope Secretary. Pierrette, as Office Administrator, does 90% of the work. Please let one of the Wardens know if you or anyone you know may be interested.

Ladies Lunch

Welcome back ladies. Our lunch for September will be at the Harvest Moon Restaurant in St Jacobs. We will meet on the 25th September, at 12.30. Please let Sue know by email if you plan to attend : suzie_del-simpson@outlook.com

Looking forward to hearing about all your summer adventures!

Name Tag

Help Fr Brendon to learn your name by wearing a name tag each and every Sunday. Remember, Fr Brendon is not the only person who might need to have their memory jogged! A Name Tag is great for fellowship and gentle reminders for exchanging the Peace and encouraging conversation with one another! If you already have a Name Tag, please wear it. If you are new to St George's, or have never ordered one--or have lost yours--please, put your name on the list for Name Tags posted on the bulletin Board in the Narthex. Cost is \$13. Place your money (and name) in an envelope marked *Name Tag* and place the envelope in the Collection Plate any Sunday.

Your Communications Committee

Sunday School Help

Sunday School would love your help! Whether you think you might be interested in teaching or in being an assistant, you would be so welcome. A police check is needed. Thanks for your consideration of this important ministry.

Please speak with Catherine Carlson, Valerie Cuthbert, Coralee Little, or Father Brendon. Thank you.

Photographs

Pictures taken at worship services and special events may be used for the Parish Website, Facebook page, or the Dragon Flyer. Please speak to the photographer if you do not wish to be included in a picture.

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