



St. Mark's Anglican Church

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Study Leave-Rev. Denise is in Niagara Falls, Ontario, October 14-22 for a study leave. She is enrolled in the Spiritual Direction Course with the Haden Institute held at the Mt. Carmel Spiritual Retreat Centre. This is the first of four 1-week residency intensives to be held over the next two years.

Alpha Wednesday's Launch Nite Is Coming!-On Wed. Oct. 29th at 7pm, in the Christian Education Centre, we will launch Campus Alpha with the presentation: "Is This It?" This is for anyone curious about God and the Christian faith. Please contact Rev. Denise if you can help host this event and the course to follow. Course dates are: Wed. Nov. 5, Wed. Nov. 19, Wed. Nov. 26 & Wed. Dec. 3, Wed. Dec. 10 and Wed. Dec. 17. Pass the word!

St. Mark's Concert Ministry-Buy your tickets now for the Sun. Oct. 26th Concert – *Fire & Ice – Sonatas for Piano & Cello*. The concert is in the Sanctuary and starts at 2pm. Benjamin Louwersheimer on cello and Krystyna Tucka on piano. Tickets are \$15/each and are on sale in the Narthex after today's 10am Service OR buy on-line at www.brownpapertickets.com/event/867315

Episcopal Visit Sunday, November 16-We are eagerly looking forward to Bishop Melissa Skelton's visit on Sun. Nov. 16. We know she would like to meet as many of you as possible in her short time with us and a special luncheon is being planned. We hope that you will be thrilled to contribute to this very blessed event in the life of our Parish. Please consider making a donation using your own envelope, or the pew envelopes, directed to "The Bishop's Visit" or "The Episcopal Visit". Thank you very much.

Invitation to All Folk Who are New(ish)! to St. Mark's Congregation-You are invited to a light luncheon after the 10am Service **today**. Please join us in the Family Room to meet some of our Ministry Leaders, and to learn a bit more about St. Mark's.

Sunday School-Focus this week is Matthew 22:15-22. Considering how to be true to God's values.

Next Sunday's Bible Readings-Deuteronomy 34:1-12, Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17, 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8, Matthew 22:34-46

Prayer Chain Contact-is Joyce Ness. She can be reached at 604-535-0460 or joybill@telus.net

"PARISH PULSE"

NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2014

Flowers for the Altar-are given today by Aileen Pinnington to the Glory of God and in memory of husband Peter, and father and mother, Bill and Ellen Hughes, and brother, Raymond Hughes.

The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children-is provided this week by David Harrison to the Glory of God and in loving memory of his wife Linda.

St. Mark's Youth-Tues. Oct. 21, from 7-9pm, youth gather for a Pumpkin Carving contest! If you can, please bring \$5 for a pumpkin. Youth gather on Sundays at 10am in the Youth Room for their learning series: "Crazy Love: Overwhelmed by a Relentless God". For more information, or to sign up for our newsletter, visit www.stmarkbc.org/youth/

Operation Christmas Child is here! St. Mark's Youth invite you to bless children around the world by packing a shoebox of toys & essentials. Pick up a box & brochure in the Narthex. Boxes must be dropped off in the Narthex or Office **no later than** Sun. Nov. 16. This year shoeboxes will be distributed in Uruguay, El Salvador, Guatemala, Sierra Leone, Guinea Bissau, Venezuela, Equatorial Guinea, Costa Rica, Guinea, Haiti, Nicaragua, Chile – including Easter Island – and Senegal.



Remembrance & Variety Show-On Sat. Nov. 1st there are two shows, 2pm and 7pm, in the Sanctuary at St. Mark's. This year is the 70th anniversary of D-Day. The concert features the Langley Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, and includes our very own Denny O'Donovan. Special guests include the Company "B" Jazz Band & their fabulous swing sound, just like the Andrews Sisters. For tickets please call Denny at 604-536-7983 OR 778-231-6560. Tickets are also available at the door, on the day. So come out on Sat. Nov. 1 to enjoy some great music and entertainment.

Readers Ministry-It is time to update the 2015 Readers List for the 10am Service. If this is a Ministry you are interested in learning more about please speak to John or Roberta Braddock at 604-538-8642, or leave your name with the Office.

PWRDF-The recent Churches' Week of Action on Food was an opportunity for Christians all over the world to act and speak out together on food justice issues. It was a time to raise awareness about food production and distribution systems, examine our own food consumption, and call for policy changes that will ensure the right to food for everyone. Our faith calls us to feed the hungry and care for Creation – this we can do as individuals, as churches, and as global citizens. The focus this year was on resilience, ensuring we have: sustainable food production methods, such as agroecology, best suited to local contexts and our long term future; marketing and distribution systems to ensure livelihoods for farmers and their communities; commitments and actions to reduce food waste throughout the food chain; & policies that promote all the above. Contact ccampeau@e-alliance.ch for more information.

Seniors News-Wednesday Get Togethers are alternate Wednesdays. The next one is on **Wed. Oct. 29th**. Games are in the Family Room & chatting is the Library from 1pm to 3:30pm, with refreshments at 2:30pm. **Note:** On Wed. Nov. 12th, we plan to go to lunch, and a short bus ride, courtesy of Denny.

Upcoming Events include:

Only 2 tickets are left for the **Fri. Oct. 24th outing** to Telus Science World, for the murder mystery/science for “adults only night”, 7-10pm. The cost is

\$27 per ticket, and \$20 per person if you wish to ride on Denny's bus. Costume attire is optional...should be a fun filled event!

Sun. Oct. 26 – 2pm St. Mark's concert Series – “Fire and Ice, Sonatas for Piano and Cello” – cost is \$15 per person. Transportation will be arranged if you let Sue or Janet know that you wish to attend and need a ride.

Sat. Nov. 1 – 2pm (or 7pm) at St. Mark's, the Capital City Chorus Barbershop Remembrance Day Concert – Denny will have tickets and we can arrange to purchase them and to transport those needing a ride to the 2pm matinee.

Tues. Nov. 11 – 2:30pm, Orpheus Men's Choir – Remembrance Day Concert at St. John's Presbyterian Church, White Rock – tickets will be purchased from Charles Carrington Smith, and we have to know numbers, so please let us know if you want to go. Cost is about \$20/each.

If you are interested in any, or all, of the events, please contact Sue at 604-531-4931, or sinder@shaw.com, or call Janet at 604-531-9585.



OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday:

9am to 3pm

Friday: 10am to 1pm

Upcoming Events

Monday, October 20

9am – Exercise – Hall

10:15am – Israeli Folk Dance – Hall

Tuesday, October 21

9:30am – Bible Study – Family Room

7pm – Bible Study – Education Centre

7pm – Evening Guild – Family Room

7pm – Youth Group/Pumpkin Carving – Y.Room

Wednesday, October 22

9am – Exercise – Hall

10am – Service – Sanctuary

7:30pm – Adult Choir Practice – Sanctuary

Thursday, October 23

1pm – Outreach Comm. Mtng – Family Room

Friday, October 24

9am – Exercise – Hall

Sunday, October 26

Souper Sunday – after the 10am Service

& Children's Choir Rehearsal after the 10am

Service in the Sanctuary

& 2pm Fire & Ice Concert in the Sanctuary