



St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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10am Worship Service Options on Parish Picnic

Sunday, June 14-The time has come for our annual Parish Picnic, and this year we are hoping for as many people in the parish to come. We are hosting the event on our lovely property, following an outdoor and an indoor 10am worship service. Yes, there are two options. You can attend either a 10am Morning Prayer service in our sanctuary OR a 10am Eucharist Service in the Chapel-in-the-Woods. The outdoor service will be weather permitting of course. If you choose the outdoor option please bring: picnic blankets, lawn chairs (if getting down to sit on a blanket is a challenge), and a sweater (in case it is chilly). We hope everyone stays for coffee fellowship and the picnic, so, bring a picnic lunch as well.

The schedule for Sun. June 14th is:

- 8am BCP Communion Service in the sanctuary;
- 10am Morning Prayer Service in the sanctuary;
- 10am Eucharist Service in the Chapel-in-the-Woods; followed by
- 11:30am Coffee Fellowship in the Hall and the Parish Picnic on the property.

Please contact the Wardens, Brian, Roger or Catherine if you have any questions.

All Are Invited-on Wed. June 10 at 7pm, Hilary King, founder of the Embrace Rwanda Society, will speak to us about her project to help people in Rwanda. She personally takes knitted and crocheted items to Africa, including the baby sweaters and hat sets many have made here at our church. The ACW invites you to come and hear her story of nine years of change she and many others have made to the people of Rwanda. She will also debut a new documentary film about this very worthwhile project.

ACW-The ACW would like to thank all helpers at the recent Spring Luncheon and Sale. With your help, energy and love we are successful in serving and supporting the Lord's work. And extra thanks to Kathryn, Hilda, Janet, Lynne, and all others.

Buy Your Chicken BBQ Tickets-at the Office during the week. The event is Saturday, June 13 in the Parish Hall. Hosted by St. Mark's Men's Club, the annual chicken BBQ is a fun event with entertainment and door prizes. Tickets available at the door. Children are free.

Sunday School Today-Focus today is on Mark 3:20-35. Jesus explains how we are part of God's family.

The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children-The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children is provided this week by the Tuesday Morning Bible Study Group to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for the Bible, God's word to us.

"PARISH PULSE"

NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2015

Upcoming Retreat-A Woman's Retreat is in the making for September 11-13 (Fri/Sat/Sun), 2015 at the Bethlehem Retreat Centre in Nanaimo. The theme and agenda are pending. Janet Scott and Rev. Denise welcome your input and assistance to make this a wonderful contemplative retreat.

Longing for God? Looking for Direction in Life?

Listening for the movement of the Spirit in your life with a spiritual guide can lead to deep spiritual transformation. *Spiritual Direction* is a journey of many prayer-filled conversations between a director and a directee which allow for deeply honest questions of the heart to come to the surface. If you desire to go deep and journey with a guide then perhaps meeting with a Spiritual Director is the next step the Spirit is calling you to take. Rev. Denise is receiving training in Spiritual Direction and is offering it to you. Please contact her if you would like to explore this further. revd@stmarkbc.org or 604-217-5880

Prayer Chain Contact- is Michael Weller. He can be reached with your requests at 604-538-9334 or at weller301@shaw.ca

Next Sunday's Bible Readings-1 Samuel 15:34 to 16:13, Psalm 20, 2 Corinthians 5:6-17, Mark 4:26-34

Library News -Do you like suspense with a little romance thrown in? Then **Taken** by **Dee Henderson** might be for you. As in her previous books you are hooked from the first page and it is a hard one to put down till you finish the last page. This book has it all - abduction, a crime family, a cop turned PI, and a heroine whose life is on the line because of what she knows.

Kitchen Clean Up-A morning for extra cleaning in the kitchen is scheduled for Thursday June 11 -- 9 am to noon. The Evening Guild sponsors this but anyone is welcome to help. Our main focus for the day will be to sort and organize the "PANTRY". Also, would everyone please check at home for St. Mark's items that you've forgotten to return. There are quite a few dinner plates and small plates missing. AND almost ALL the dishcloths have disappeared -- not towels but the small ones. Perhaps you took some home to launder and forgot to bring them back. Thanks everyone for your help with these items. Contacts are Linda O'Donovan and Isabel Chernoff.

St. Mark's Evening Guild-Ladies it is time for our summer wind-up party. Regular members, associate members and special guests are invited to join us for a pot-luck supper at 6pm at the home of Toni Wallis, 1419 133A Street. RSVP to lindaodee@hotmail.com or 604-536-7983.

St. Mark's Youth--Youth gather on Sundays at 10am in the Youth Room for their learning series: "Burning Questions". Also join us on Tuesday evenings at 7pm for our FUN weekly evening Bible Studies as we get to know characters from the New Testament. For more information, or to sign up for our newsletter, visit www.stmarkbc.org/youth/

Flowers for the Altar--are given today to the Glory of God and in memory of Frank Stephenson.

Are You A Young Adult Aged 18-40 !--An exciting new study group has begun every other Wednesday evening! We meet at 6pm for dinner and a time of prayer and a discussion based on the Forgotten God video study by Francis Chan. Interested? Of course you are! Contact Heather Davies at: daviesheather@hotmail.com to get plugged in.

Seniors News--"Get Togethers" are alternate Wednesday afternoons. The next one is on **Wed. June 10** and alternate Wednesdays ending August 5, for a short break until September 9. On **June 10** there will be a guest speaker who raises butterflies and also works with audio books. For that meeting the chat group will be in the Family Room so all who wish to participate in this fascinating presentation can attend in comfort! Contacts are:

sinder@shaw.ca 604-531-4931 (Sue) and
acormode@shaw.ca 604-531-9585 (Janet)

Upcoming Seniors Events:

B.C. AND ALBERTA GUIDE DOGS FUND RAISER AT HOTEL VANCOUVER--5:30 P.M. SAT. JUNE 6--COST-\$100--SILENT AND LIVE AUCTIONS WITH SIT DOWN DINNER AT 7 P.M.--CALL SUE AT 604-531-4931 ASAP TO GET A TICKET

POSSIBLE BUS TRIP TO KRAUSE BERRY FARM TO BUY FRUIT AND OTHER BERRY PRODUCE, HAVE LUNCH AND ENJOY THE LOVELY SETTING--10 A.M.--1:30 P.M., COST \$25 FOR BUS, PLUS LUNCH--HOPEFULLY IN EARLY JULY DEPENDING ON THE AVAILABILITY OF THE BUS AND DENNY--SIGN UP EARLY TO ENSURE A PLACE AS THIS WILL BE POPULAR

BARD ON THE BEACH--LOVE'S LABOUR LOST--SAT. JULY 4--2 P.M. MATINEE--COST \$36 PER PERSON FOR TICKET, \$20 PER PERSON FOR BUS RIDE FROM AND TO ST.MARK'S CHURCH. BUS LEAVES AT 12 NOON AND WE SHALL ALL TAKE A BAG LUNCH TO ENJOY ON OUR ARRIVAL. DRINKS CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE VENUE. THERE IS STILL ROOM ON THE BUS BUT BOOK SOON!

THEATRE UNDER THE STARS--OLIVER--THURSDAY, JULY 31--8 P.M. TRANSPORTATION LEAVING FROM SOUTH SURREY BY 5:30 P.M. BAG SUPPER ADVISED, DRINKS AVAILABLE AT STANLEY PARK--COST--\$30 PER TICKET, \$20 PER BUS SEAT. BUS WILL LEAVE FROM THE CHURCH BUT MANY WILL TRAVEL BY CAR AS THERE ARE 40 PEOPLE ATTENDING IN OUR GROUP!

BARD ON THE BEACH--SHAKESPEARE'S REBEL--THURSDAY AUGUST 6--8 P.M.--COST \$36 PER TICKET--\$20 PER BUS RIDE LEAVING CHURCH BY 5:30 P.M. BAG SUPPER ADVISED WITH DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE VENUE. THERE IS STILL ROOM ON THE BUS BUT PLEASE BOOK SOON!

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OFFICE HOURS

9am to 3pm Mon. through Thurs.

10am to 1pm Friday

Upcoming Events

Monday, June 8

9am – Exercise – Parish Hall

Tuesday, June 9

7pm – Youth Group – Youth Room

Wednesday, June 10

9am - Exercise – Parish Hall

10am – Service – Sanctuary

1pm – Seniors – Family Room & Library

7pm – ACW Guest Speaker - Hall

7:30pm – Choir Practice - Sanctuary

Friday, June 12

9am Exercise – Education Centre

Saturday, June 13

5:30pm – St. Mark's Men's Club 20th Annual

Chicken BBQ – Parish Hall



Sunday, June 14 – Parish Picnic will begin at 11:30/11:45a.m. in the Courtyard & the Serenity Garden. Tables & chairs also available in the Narthex.