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<u>Sunday School</u> – The Children's Ministry is looking for slightly used books, puzzles, toys etc. for the Holly Berry Fair. I know it is not until November, but we are collecting now for anyone wanting to get rid of these articles. It will be much appreciated.

Our regular Sunday School classes will begin on Sunday, September 10.

The Children's Ministry will be hosting a Hot Dog Social in the Hall after the service on Sunday, September 17. Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing all of you there. Please come out and support the children who take great pride in doing this every year as a way of saying thank you for all of your support during the year.

# **ACW Invitation**

The ACW will be having the Rev. Peter Smythe, Chaplain for Mission to Seafarers, speaking its meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 12, at 2:30pm. Everyone is welcome.

<u>Beginner's ESL Bible Study</u> – on Tuesday evening, September 19, a new ESL class for beginner English speakers will be starting at St. Mark's. For information or to sign up please contact Holly <u>hollybt58@gmail.com</u> or Lois <u>stanloisbell@hotmail.com</u>

<u>Prayer Chain Contact</u> – Coordinator for the Prayer Chain is Maggie Ferguson. She may be reached at 604.538.6160 or <u>maggieferguson@telus.net</u>. The Lord continues to bless the people of St. Mark's through this ministry.

# **Bible Readings for September 10**

Numbers 21:4b-9, 1 Corinthians 1:18-24, John 3:13-17, Psalm 98:1-5

The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children is provided this week in thanksgiving for God's many blessings during our 67 years together.

– Joyce and Bill Ness

# "PARISH PULSE" NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK

**SUNDAY SEPT. 3, 2017** 

<u>Flowers For The Altar</u> – are given today to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones on our 67<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. – Bill and Joyce Ness

# St. Mark's "First Fruits" Garden Project

This year, first Fruits will be done by me and all the money will be going to a non-profit organization called "The Hot Potato Initiative". This non-profit organization is completely student-run and their goals are to help raise awareness about the negative stigma and stereotypes surrounding the homeless people of the downtown eastside along with providing them food. You can purchase any of the flowers or crops from me after Church. It is all by donation. If you would like to donate your crops to us, please come to the Church at 9:30am to deliver your crop to us. If you would like to volunteer for one of the Sundays in the near future to sell crops along with me, there will be a sign-up sheet with me at the table. Thank you so much and God bless!



# **Library News**

Through her story as a humanitarian aid worker in Afghanistan and the testimonies of others, **Kate McCord** makes a compelling case for followers of Christ entering dangerous places in her book **Why God Calls Us To Dangerous Places**. This inspiring book will give you the courage to follow where Christ leads.

Change of Heart Contemplative Prayer Evening

We will gather on Sun. Sept. 10, 2017 at 7pm in the Family Room, for an evening of Contemplative Prayer, facilitated by Lynne Hurd. If you have heard about contemplative prayer, but have never had an opportunity to experience this way of listening prayer, please do consider joining us. All are welcome!

- Janet Scott, Coordinator

# A QUICK LOOK AHEAD

Sat. Sept. 16 -- 5:30pm Men's Club Salmon BBQ

Wed. Sept. 20 -- 10am Healing Service

Sat. Sept. 23 -- Screening in Faith

Sun. Sept. 24 -- Souper Sunday

Tue. Sept. 26 -- 7pm Parish Council

Sun. Oct. 8 -- Thanksgiving Sunday

Tue. Oct. 10 6pm -- Men's Club Guest speaker: Shell Busey

Wed. Oct. 18 -- 10am Healing Service

Sun. Oct. 22 -- Souper Sunday

Tue. Oct. 24 -- 7pm Parish Council

Sat. Nov. 4 -- Remembrance Day concerts

Tue. Nov. 14 6pm -- Men's Club Guest speaker:

David Young from Sources

Wed. Nov. 15 -- 10am Healing Service

Sat. Nov. 18 -- Metal Recycling

# Salmon BBQ



Saturday, September 16, 5:30pm \$13 Kids Free

Come join us for an evening of good fellowship with an outstanding meal of salmon, scalloped potatoes, sweet corn, Caesar salad and fruit & ice cream.

# **Upcoming Events**

#### Monday, September 4

Office Closed

#### Wednesday, September 6

10am - Service - Sanctuary

# Thursday, September 7

7pm - Mandarin Bible Study - Family Room

# Friday, September 8

Office Closed

# Saturday, September 9

2pm – Memorial Service – Jean Walks Reception in the Hall to Follow

#### Sunday, September 10

7pm - Contemplative Prayer Service - Family Room