



St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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E-PULSE NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK **JULY 24, 2022**

PHOTOS PLEASE - The Search Committee is busily updating our Parish Profile and need current photos. PLEASE check your devices to see if you have any recent photos of church life and events. eMail to isabelchernoff@telus.net Thanks everyone.

PRAYER CORNER – July 24, 2022

We give thanks for the blessing of place we have in St. Mark Ocean Park –

- ✚ Significant land with a forest, an outdoor sanctuary, vegetable and flower gardens
- ✚ Beautiful indoor sanctuary with an inspirational stained glass window
- ✚ Large hall with well-equipped kitchen
- ✚ Office, Education and Small group gathering spaces

Bless those who care for this blessing of place.

Bless those who care for people as they use this blessing of place.

May all that is done here bring honour and glory to You, Father - Son - Holy Spirit.

Worthy Disciples Youth Group - Our refundables fundraiser is on-going; just look for our blue bin in the Church Hall!!! If you have many refundables, please contact Sarah at office@stmarkbc.org and arrangements can be made.

We are still inviting Parish members to join our Safe Adult program. This program supports our youth group, by assuring we have 2 adults at every meeting. If you are interested, please reach out to Sarah at office@stmarkbc.org for more information.

Worthy Disciples Youth Group, is from ages 10 and up; we meet weekly on Fridays from 7pm to 9pm. Please check the church calendar for upcoming events and activities for the youth! Summer is in full swing! And we invite Summer guests to join us! If you have grandchildren/or cousins in town and they would like to come and join us they are most welcome! – Sarah Autio

SAVVY SENIORS Get Together with chat, bridge and Rummicube in the Parish Hall Wednesday August 3 from 1pm-3:30pm. Contact: Sue Indridson sinder@shaw.ca 604-531-4931

READINGS FOR SUNDAY July 31 – Reverend Peter Smyth Presiding/Preaching – Hosea 11:1-11
Psalm 107:1-9, 43, Colossians 3:1-11, Luke 12:13-21

WANT TO BE INCLUDED IN SUNDAY INTERCESSIONS? If so please contact the Office at 604.535.8841 OR call or email Michael Klaver: 604.541.9598 klaverfamily@shaw.ca

THE LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN –is provided this week by Irene Snow to the Glory of God and in memory of my beloved Bill with gratitude for all the wonderful years we shared.

PRAYER CHAIN – The Coordinator for the prayer chain for June, July and August is Michael Weller who can be reached at 604.538.9334 or at weller301@shaw.ca

St Mark's Annual Salmon Barbecue - Saturday Sept 10 2022 at 5:30 pm

Tickets will be available for purchase at a later date. Inside and Outside seating will be available. There will be prizes, a wonderful dinner and comradeship.

If you would like to help with this event, please contact John Finley by email johnffinley@hotmail.com or by telephone: 604-835-5990



"First Fruits" Garden Project - Thanks to your generosity so far this wet season we've sent \$150 (to be matched in full) to UNICEF to distribute Covid 19 Vaccines to poorer countries.

Come & check the First Fruits table on the south wall of the Parish Hall after both Sunday Services. We've had rhubarb, lettuce, kale, herbs & much more to come! As well as calla lilies, sweet peas & roses. Your donations of fruit, veg, flowers, wind-falls etc. are greatly appreciated. All left over food is donated to a local Women's Shelter or the Launching Pad Men's Recovery Centre. Thank you for sharing God's bounty.

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE MADE DONATIONS FOR OUR FLOWERS

If you would like to have flowers on the Altar, please see the chart below. The Altar Guild is willing to purchase the flowers and have them arranged. Please contact Kathryn Smith: 604-560-1455 or e-mail hkmasmith@shaw.ca

July 31	
August 7	
August 14	
August 21	
August 28	



We could use your help ...please

For the past 2 years we have experienced a very wet spring followed by an increasingly hot dry summer-fall. This year has set records for the amount of rainfall in the prolonged 'spring'. What that means is that the excessive growth during the spring has turned to a magnified 'fire load' in the back forest during the following hot dry spell. Even now, where the forest floor covering was 6 inches tall it is 4-5 feet tall & could pose a very high fire risk later in the season. ***We would welcome your help*** in reducing the fire load and improving the safety of the forest, the buildings at St. Mark's and the safety of our neighbours.

Tuesday Morning Work Party: 9am-12noon each week (March thru October)

Come as you are able and leave as you need. There are always smaller lighter jobs like:

- deadheading roses, rhodos, geraniums
- weeding any of the 4 garden beds
- clearing forest debris & undergrowth

2 larger jobs with which we could use help:

- pruning the boxwood hedge in the Memorial Garden
- weed eating smaller areas around the veg. garden area

We welcome you so come as you are able and leave as you need! We have tools & gloves, interesting conversation, useful tips on almost anything, laughter, fresh air, exercise & a coffee break ~ 10:30am
Contact: Anne Schreck 604 - 536 - 0072 anne_schreck@shaw.ca

WE CONTINUE TO... LIVE STREAM our Sunday Worship. To access the online Service go to our Church's website: www.stmarkbc.org On the homepage that opens, click on the service's video, or where it says: "St Mark Online Worship Services". If you would like to watch or listen to some of our older services you may go into the YouTube archives through our Parish website www.stmarkbc.org and click on "St Mark Online Worship Services". Alternatively you can use these links: tinyurl.com/St-Mark-Online-Video-Channel OR https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLHs8LO-SfLlO_i0FX3hJNg

St Mark's Family, Youth and Children's Time

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THE LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN provides funding for lunches to nine single mothers and 17 children. Please help support these families by choosing a 2022 date (see chart below) to support these families and have a dedication in the weekly Pulse. The suggested donation of \$70 can be made by e-transfer, the Donation Station, or by dropping off a cheque in the mailbox at the church office. email or phone Darlene W. or Barb G. with your dedication.

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