



St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church

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Weekly Newsletter

Dear friends,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter. We are continuing the weekly newsletter for the foreseeable future.

Shout Outs

If you would like some special occasion like an anniversary or birthday acknowledged in the Sunday service, Fr Julian will be more than happy to announce it. However, it must be into either Father Julian or the office by Wednesday Evening for it to be included in the service for the following Sunday.

- Marisa Maroncelli celebrates her 87th birthday on Tuesday, September 27th

Live Streaming

The service will be streamed at 10 am on Sunday. Here are the links for the [service](#) and the [bulletin](#). The link is also available on the home page of our website: <http://www.stmarksottawa.ca>

Organists

This Sunday we welcome Dr Deirdre Piper who will be with us until the end of September. Our new director of music will be Dr Carl Bear, who will begin on September 26. His first Sunday with us will be October 2. Look for his bio on the next page.

8 am Coffee

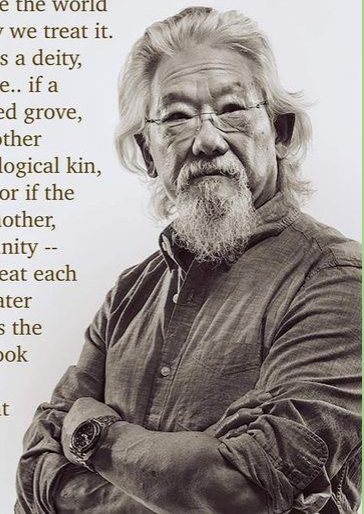
We have started serving coffee after the 8 am service when someone is available to make the coffee. Currently, we have 2 people willing to make coffee. I am looking for volunteers to make coffee (and tea) to be ready to serve 8:45 – 9:00 am for 10 people. - Joy

Office Hours

The office will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:30 to noon.

The way we see the world shapes the way we treat it. If a mountain is a deity, not a pile of ore.. if a forest is a sacred grove, not timber; if other species are biological kin, not resources; or if the planet is our mother, not an opportunity -- then we will treat each other with greater respect. Thus is the challenge, to look at the world from a different perspective.

- David Suzuki



Creation Season

Christians around the world are invited to give particular attention to praying and caring for God's creation as part of the global Season of Creation, observed from September 1 to October 4 every year. General Synod 2019 passed a resolution adopting the Season of Creation in the Anglican Church of Canada as a time of prayer, education, and action and encouraging dioceses and parishes to participate.

Diocesan Massed Choir Evening Prayer

Some of our choir members are singing at a diocesan massed choir Evening Prayer Sunday 25th at 4 pm at Christ Church Cathedral. You are invited to worship with choirs from all over the diocese, and enjoy the reception afterwards.

Masks are not required, but optional.

Light Luncheon in October

Since we did not hold a Fall BBQ, we are hoping to do a light lunch in a few weeks time at which time we would also welcome our new organist, Carl Bear. - Cynthia Greer

Request for Used Postage Stamps

This week a package of stamps weighing 2.164 kg (4.771 lbs) was mailed to the Effect Hope Leprosy Mission of Canada. The stamps are sold to collectors and the proceeds are used to help people affected by tropical diseases

including leprosy in the Global South. For many years Doreen Matweow has been actively involved in preparing the stamps. Doreen asks that parishioners bring stamps to the church and thanks Mani Mani for his regular contribution. Please help Doreen by saving your used stamps and asking friends and neighbours to help in this worthy cause.



Coffee and Conversation Fall Program

Coffee and Conversation continued last Thursday with a relaxed morning of treats and conversation.

Next week's program will be Cards and Games. See poster on last page.

Dr Carl Bear

Carl recently moved to Ottawa from Vancouver where he served as Interim Organist at St. Mary's Kerrisdale Anglican Church for the past year. Before that, he served for three years as Director of Music at St. Giles Kingsway Presbyterian Church in Toronto. He has also previously served as music director in Methodist, United, Anglican, and Lutheran churches in South Bend (Indiana), Ottawa, and Berkeley (California). As a church musician, supporting the singing of the congregation is particularly important to him, as well as providing opportunities for people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds to share their musical gifts with the community. He is committed to church music that draws on the breadth and diversity of the church's music across time and around the world, and that forms and expresses a sung theology that furthers God's reign of peace and justice.

Carl studied church music at Valparaiso University (BM), musicology at Arizona State University (MA), music and religion at Yale Divinity School and Institute of Sacred Music (MAR), and liturgical studies at the Graduate

Theological Union (PhD). He regularly writes articles and columns for The Hymn, the journal of The Hymn Society in the United States and Canada, and is just beginning the role of Book Review Editor. He also works on other church music projects, such as serving as a hymnal consultant for a Mennonite hymnal and planning and leading hymn festivals and worship for special events.

Originally from Arizona, Carl has lived in various places in the United States and Canada, and is excited to be living in Ottawa again. He is married to Sarah Kathleen Johnson, who is beginning a position as Assistant Professor of Liturgy and Pastoral Theology at Saint Paul University. Carl enjoys baking and cooking, walking (including pilgrimages to Santiago and to Canterbury), and watching the Great British Bake Off (and its many offshoots).

Carl is looking forward to beginning at St. Mark's and getting to know the choir and the congregation. He is very eager to meet and talk with people about their experiences of and ideas for music at St. Mark's. If you would like to participate in the musical life of the congregation in any way, don't hesitate to reach out: carl@stmarksottawa.ca.

Slim & Trim

Slim & Trim begins on Monday, September 12 at 9:00 am. This is an exercise program which works on strength and flexibility and runs Monday, Wednesday & Friday mornings from 9 to 9:30. See Jenny Morphew for more details.

Fall Bazaar 2022

The Fall Bazaar this year is likely to be a combination of in-person and online. The hall is booked on November 5 for the bazaar. Our online bazaars have been very successful for the last couple of years and some online aspect of the bazaar is likely to be maintained. I am looking to touch base with some of the former table coordinators and anyone who would like to help with the bazaar.

There is still a need for preserving jars, no larger than 500 mL. You may bring them to

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church on Sunday, drop them off at the office on Friday morning or email the office and arrange for drop off at another time.

Thank you to all who have already dropped off jars.

-Joy Bowerman, Bazaar Convenor

Diocesan Day Program Donations

The Diocesan Day Programs (St Luke's Table, The Well, and Centre 454) are in dire need of several items: Razors, Socks, Toilet paper, Men's underwear (M, L), Women's underwear (S, M) and crockpots. If you have any of these items to donate, please bring them in to the church (either Friday morning or Sunday morning) and they will be taken care of for you.

Changes to COVID restrictions

The masking requirement was lifted on Sunday, September 18th. The following procedures remain in place

- Masks are still recommended but not required.
- The Peace is status quo until further notice.
- ¼ of the nave will remain with "distancing tape" until further notice.

E-Transfers to the Church

We can accept e-transfers to the main church account. We cannot do autodeposit because of the type of account but you may e-transfer money to stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca. You will be required to give a question. Please either make the answer obvious or email the office and let them know the answer to the question. This option has no cost to the church.

Donations to the Church

We are extremely fortunate at St Mark's that there are a number of people who use Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR). If you are not on PAR, we would encourage you to continue your donations. Of course, putting a cheque in the mail is always a great option for getting your donation to us. If you wish to make a donation by credit card, you may do so at

CanadaHelps.

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/47820>.

Contacting the Church

You may contact the office at 613-224-7431 or stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca. Messages are being monitored.

Comments and Suggestions

If you have anything you would like to see in next week's newsletter, please email the church at stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca

WE ARE BACK! THURSDAYS AT 10AM

UP-COMING ACTIVITIES

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| September 8 | Welcome Back: renewing friendships over coffee & snacks |
| September 15 | Coffee and Conversation |
| September 22 | Roxanne McGahey on the piano |
| September 29 | Cards and Games |
| October 6 | Coffee and Conversation |
| October 13 | Shelley Crowley, a well-known speaker representing the Canadian Women's Sex Based Rights Organization ("caWsbar"), on Women's Issues: Rights, Protection and Security – a very informative discussion on current concerns |
| October 20 | Coffee and Conversation |
| October 27 | "Halloween Hijinks" – a fun morning  |
| November 3 | "Aged in Harmony" (a male harmony chorus) a very popular and entertaining group of wonderful singers |
| November 10 | Coffee and Conversation |
| November 17 | "Share a Book (or TV/Netflix series)" a casual sharing of favourites, facilitated by Ruth Latta, our accomplished resident author of note |
| November 24 | Coffee and Conversation |
| December 1 | Cards and Games |
| December 8 | Coffee and Conversation |
| December 15 | "Christmas Joy" – songs and carols with Joy Bowerman on piano, a joyous way to celebrate the upcoming season  |

Christmas Break until January 2023