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8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional: *God of Grace & God of Glory*

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THE GREETING Rev. Susan Snelling

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Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Almighty God,

People: **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Kyrie *Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.*

The Collect of the Day (Prayer of the Day)

All: **Almighty God, you call your Church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you. Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

All: **Gracious God, we commend to you the soul of your faithful servant Elizabeth, our Queen.**

Receive her into your heavenly realm, and crown her with the diadem of glory, as she lays down her earthly burden of duty and is released to take up the joy of eternal praise.

We give you thanks for the witness of her long life of service, sustained by a sure and certain hope. We pray that the comfort of your Holy Spirit will be with the Royal Family and all who mourn, until such time as we are reunited in the general resurrection of all the faithful departed in the communion of saints and in life everlasting.

This we pray through the mercy of our Risen Saviour, Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Rev. Susan: **Children’s Time**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: **Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28**

READING FROM THE BOOK OF JEREMIAH

At that time, it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse--a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgment against them.

"For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good."

I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro.

I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the LORD, before his fierce anger.

For thus says the LORD: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end.

Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

PSALM: 14

Refrain: The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.

Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God." They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds; there is no one who does good. The LORD looks down from heaven on humankind to see if there are any who are wise, who seek after God. R

They have all gone astray, they are all alike perverse; there is no one who does good, no, not one. Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people as they eat bread, and do not call upon the LORD? R

There they shall be in great terror, for God is with the company of the righteous. You would confound the plans of the poor, but the LORD is their refuge. R

O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion! When the LORD restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad. R

SECOND READING: **1 Timothy 1:12-17**

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF TIMOTHY

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith

and love that are in Christ Jesus.

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners--of whom I am the foremost.

But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life.

To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-10

(All stand for the Gospel)

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According To Luke

People: Glory to You Lord Jesus Christ

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it?

When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.'

Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it?

When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

The Gospel of Christ

People: Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon: Doug Court

FEAST OF ST. GILES' – 2022

What is a Saint? Why do we name churches after saints, put up statues, some people and religious groups even invoke them to assist them in prayer? Why do we celebrate special Sundays for saints, especially for Giles and Margaret in our parish?

The goal of every Christian is to become more Christlike in our daily lives.

This is where Saints come in. Saints represent humanity, us, and set an example for what is possible with true, trusting faith in God through the power and grace of the Holy Spirit. Saints, throughout the ages, have shown us how we should, and are capable of living our lives. From young Timothy, through Giles and Margaret, to St. Theresa in our day – their lives are not only a model for us, but an example of strength for us, to trust our lives in service to God through serving our neighbours.

Giles

This morning I would like to look at the life and works of Giles disciples after a short recap of Giles' life for those new with us. There were actually three distinctive stages to Giles life. Giles' was born around 640 CE and died between 710 – 724 as there is some debate on the date of his death.

In the mid 600's Giles was born in Athens, Greece into an aristocratic family. As a child he enjoyed a very privileged upbringing. In his teens, Giles became interested in the Church, studied, and as a young man became ordained. He dedicated his time to study and working among the poor, teaching, praying and sharing his wealth. His first recorded miracle was witnessed on a busy street. As Giles was walking by a crippled, beggar on a cool morning, Giles took off his coat and wrapped it around the disabled man. The man stood up and was healed.

Giles being of a prominent family, was already well known, but now people flocked to him for prayers, healing and learning.

Giles, The Hermit

When his parents died, Giles distributed the considerable family wealth among the poor, and seeking solitude, went to France and became a hermit. He settled near the mouth of the Rhone River. Over time he became well known as a healer and teacher, and his solitude was broken from time to time by those seeking prayer from this Holy Man.

The crests you have been seeing on screen show a deer and a hand, both with arrows through them. The deer, seeking refuge from hunters ran to Giles cave, and when arrows were fired blindly into the cave, they hit both Giles and the deer. The hunters, led by the king or high ranking noble, knowing of a holy man in the area, either out of fear for his soul or out of love for his people and God, offered to build Giles a monastery. After several refusals, Giles accepted the offer on condition it was a humble dwelling where he could teach monk missionaries.

Giles, the Abbot and his 'Missionaries' Teachings

Unlike many monastic groups of the time the 'monks' did not stay forever in the confines of the monastery but were trained and sent throughout Europe and Britain to care for the poor and rejected of society. They were known for serving in the slums of cities and setting up leprosy colonies, especially in Britain, and attending to the victims of that horrid disease.

People came to them for healing, prayer, and Spiritual strength. They still come today. The Abbey at St. Gilles du Gard in France, was once a pilgrimage shrine in the Middle Ages. Upon the rediscovery of Giles' remains and return to the Abbey, it has become, once again, a pilgrimage shrine for healing since 1965. The Abbey, built on the 'original site of St. Giles' abbey is one of several starting points on the pilgrimage trail called St. James Way, ending at Santiago du Compostela in Spain.

Giles, the "Holy Helper" Remembered

The Bubonic Plague, that ravished Europe from 1346-1353 (approx.), killed between 40-60% of the population. Desperate Christian villages, and Christians in general, prayed to 14 selected saints for their intercession to be spared the plague or for healing. In the mid 1400's the Vatican recognized these saints and declared the 14 to be great 'healers' and named them "the Holy Helpers". Giles, sometimes referred to by his Latin name

Aegidius, was one of them. The Catholic Church celebrated their feast day on August 8th up to 1969 when a number of saints' days were suppressed.

Giles and his followers are remembered for their role in caring for those around him. His and his disciples' personal touch and healing, brought hope, spiritual healing, and care to the poor, marginalized and rejected of society. A localized outbreak of the Bubonic Plague occurred in London in 1664-1665. It is reported that the first known cases began in the slums where rats were most prevalent. In fact, the first case was in St. Giles in the Field parish church that administered to the homeless. Although the outbreak was limited to London, approx. 100,000 lives were lost.

Our Role in following the example of our Faith and our Saints

If we are to follow the example of Jesus, looking to the saints most familiar to us today, Giles', Margaret, Mother Theresa, what do we need to do?

Our world, just listen to the news, needs help. We cannot tackle all the problems of war, poverty, natural disasters on a global scale, BUT we can have an impact in our church, and our local community.

The healing brought by Giles and his missionaries to people was not always but perhaps it was seldom, physical healing. The healing they did bring was "HOPE", through the using and giving of their resources; time, talent, finances, prayers to those in society that most people didn't want to acknowledge.

Each week we pray for ourselves and the world, but do we look at those around us. There are those in great need in our community, even here in this very room. Those who are lonely, struggling with jobs and inflation, illness, or carrying the care and needs of someone close to them.

There are those who miss the handshakes, eye contact, smiles, and hugs when we used to extend the peace – the friend and caring contact. Our little food pantry on the street for those in need is emptied often. Many of us, each week carry some need into this room, seeking hope of experiencing a message, the love of others, that will carry them to the next service. Others come with joy, love, and true caring that is shared through smiles, warm words and encouragement. That is why this is a healing place, for those who need, and those able and willing to give.

An example of the healing offered is through anointing and prayer. What healing is given? From Old Testament times anointing offers personal touch with the divine through holy oil and words of prayer. It is a healing of encouragement. Spiritual strength to fight depression, anxiety, fear, loneliness, and to instill, through the power and grace of the Holy Spirit, a sense that you are loved and not alone. Faith, Hope and Love, is the strength of divine healing.

Like Giles, his disciples, missionaries, and us today, we can all offer and share faith, hope and love by our actions, use of resources, prayer to all we meet each day, here in this building, with our families, and our community.

I am proud (I know, it's a sin), and pleased to belong to a congregation that looks beyond itself. Our church budget is strained, not just due to covid, lower givings until all feel safe to return to a group setting, but because we still strive to meet the needs of our parishioners and neighbours. Sometimes with a gas card so someone can get to work, or a food store card to help a family get groceries for the week, or money to make up a shortfall in paying the rent. Sometimes the money is paid back, sometimes it isn't able to be. Did you know that 43% of tenants in Barrie are in arrears on their water bills. The working poor and those temporarily out of work, sometimes fall through the cracks when it comes to assistance. During our St. Giles Month, I hope you will consider what gifts, resources, and time for prayer that you have, to be one of our saint's disciples, demonstrating your love of God and of your neighbours, in fact, not just this month but always.

Heavenly Father, thank you for the example of your Saints. As we remember Giles commitment to the marginalized of his day, may we, your presence in our community today, act towards others as your Son and your saints, have done in the past. In Jesus' Name – AMEN.

People: Amen.

(Time allowed for Silent Reflection.)

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

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Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (#4)

(In peace let us pray to the Lord, saying, “**Lord, hear and have mercy.**”)

Leader: We pray for all who confess the name of Christ; fill us with the power of your Holy Spirit.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Leader: We pray for those whose lives are bound in mutual love, and for those who live in celibacy; be their joy and their strength.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Leader: For all in danger, for those who are far from home, prisoners, exiles, victims of oppression; grant them your salvation.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Leader: For all who are facing trials and difficulties, for those who are sick, and those who are dying; show them your kindness and mercy.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Leader: We pray for one another; may we always be united in service and love.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Leader: We pray to be forgiven our sins and set free from all hardship, distress, want, war and injustice.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Leader: May we discover new and just ways of sharing the goods of the earth, struggling against exploitation, greed, or lack of concern, may we all live by the abundance of your mercies and find joy together.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Leader: May we be strengthened by our communion with all Christ's saints.

People: Lord, hear and have mercy.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

(Silence is kept.)

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

People: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

THE PEACE:

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn: *St. Giles Song*

(on screen)

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

All: Holy God, accept all we offer you this day. May we who are reconciled at this table bring wholeness to our broken world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER #5:

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do.

In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we say,

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: we give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cared for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected.

Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him.

Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread and share in the life of the family of your children.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom.

We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Celebrant: As now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF BREAD #2:

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

LAMB OF GOD:

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

THE COMMUNION

Communion Hymns:

Make Me a Channel

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Pass Me Not

#122 SB

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All: God of peace, in this eucharist we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours. May we who have been nourished by holy things always have the courage to forgive. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

THE DOXOLOGY

All: Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING:

Celebrant: The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us. The Lord look upon us with favour and grant us peace.

People: Amen.

REMINDERS: *Birthdays/Anniversaries/Announcements*

Recessional: *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

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THE DISMISSAL:

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

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Assisting Rev. Susan Snelling

Celebrant:	Rev. Susan Snelling
Preacher:	Doug Court
Anointers: 8:30	n/a
10:00 – Altar	n/a
10:00 – Office	n/a
First Reading:	Jen Galicinski
Psalm Reader:	Cheryl McPhee
Second Reading:	Marilyn Lavender
Prayers:	Lorraine Chew
Gospel:	Margaret Paradis
Servers:	Beth Steffler
Music:	Craig Snider
Audio/Visual:	David Paradis
Chancel Ministry:	Margaret Paradis, Michelle Sinclair
Sidespersons:	Bob Cheesman, Al Lavender

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for:

The Church of Bangladesh

In the Toronto Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for:

Bishop Strachan School

This morning in our worship we remember in our prayers those of our family and friends who have immediate needs and concerns:

Kevin McDonald & Family; The Russell Family; Leta Broomes, Renee Walton, the Jefferson family, Kathryn, Gayle & Patrick Haley; Gladys Pecholcs; Maggie Prentice; Kevin & Marie Lemoine; Stephanie; Owen; Bob Hill; Rose Court; Virginia; June Hinkson; Gail Jones; Judy & Don; Frances & Farrell; Arthur; Toby; Brody; Linda; Anthony Stone; Ida; Shirley Hatch; Edna Goyette; Frances McInnis; Ida; Cecilia Mowat; Alvin Maynard; Nova; Irene; Kayla; Kim Middaugh; Sally; Ron and Karen; Braedy; Karyn; Peter Hubbard; Sally Smith; Marilyn Lloyd.

The names below are people in need of ongoing prayers for various reasons so we ask you to please continue to pray for them and their continuing need of God's healing touch and grace:

Peggy Russell; Lequita Adkins; Stephanie; Rev. Janet Mitchell; Matthew Canning; Brenda; Jim & Barb Tomkins; Donna, Ray, Nancy & Chris Wilson; Lorraine Whitwell; John; Celeste & parents; Colleen; Stephen Bertelsen; Theresa & Pete; Valerie; Darlene Jessem; Doreen; Derek; Sean; Rose McIntyre; Vayda; Barb Semsch; Phil & Kathy C.; Nancy Perault; Sharon Z; Adesh; Lisa Marie; Bill & Cathy Gray; Dave Lawrence; Livia & Neil Purcell; Sheila Green; Carrie Snow; Carl; Mark & Erin; Wally Raymond; Christine; Audrey Moody; Lynda Raye; Garn Mennell; Lee & Jeannie Martin; Michelle Sinclair and mom; Jane & Ron Lewis; Marilyn Foley; Bill Snow; Jen Galicinski; Arlene; Joan Gough; Eunice Merrett; Jean Wallace; Nancy Dodds; Wendy Goodyer; Do Saunders; Jefferson Jr.; June Osolin.



Pass The Word

September 11, 2022

Please consider signing the enclosed letter regarding **Barrie Homelessness and Housing Justice** and please, forward it to others to sign. Please send your name (and title if you wish) to Dr Amy Pauley: assistant@trinitybarrie.ca. Deadline for this round of signatures is **Monday, September 12**.

Further Information: The **Barrie Homelessness and Housing Justice Network (BHHJN)** is hoping to take the attached letter to Barrie City Council in September accompanied by the signatures of as many citizens and organizations in the community as possible. The BHHJN is an unofficial group made up of community advocates, including shelter workers and church leaders. Thank you to Jen Van Gennip and Sarah Tilley for their work on this, drawing on the letter developed by Toronto housing activists. The letter asks what actions the City and County might take to address housing and homelessness issues in Barrie. Certainly the issues need provincial and federal action, but the BHHJN wants to get this in front of Barrie City Council before the fall election is in full swing!

Book Study: Jesus for the Non Religious

We will be having a book study on Bishop John Spong's book "Jesus for the Non-Religious." We will be meeting at Trinity each Friday at 11:00 for an hour starting on the 23rd of September and running for 9 weeks. If you wish to join the group then it would be best to pre-order the book and we could make some copies available to share if needed. Please contact Canon Simon for more information

Bill Snow's 100th Birthday

The legion and Snow family are hosting a gathering for Bill at the legion from 2 to 4 pm on Tuesday, Sept 13th. All are invited to pop in to wish Bill a very Happy 100th birthday.

- **Rooted and Rising: Voices of Courage in a Time of Climate Crisis**

An inspiring collection of essays written from a wide variety of denominations and perspectives of religious traditions. These stories of personal struggles to speak for climate justice and those most affected raises a number of questions.

✚ Is climate change a moral issue?

- ✚ Where are the widespread responses from the religious communities?
- ✚ If we know that the poor and vulnerable will suffer most from the effects of climate change, where are the religious voices to speak for justice?
- ✚ Where are the programs and people who will process the mourning about the unravelling of ecosystems and social systems?

These essays contain hope and visions for transformative action in the face of the challenges. But

- ✚ Where do we begin?
- ✚ What can we build on?

Author and activist Brian McLaren says of the book: If you're part of the 'choir' regarding climate change, if you get it, if you're on board, this is the book you need now. It will help you keep singing, even when politicians and corporate leaders prove themselves bigger fossil fools than before, even when the news is bleaker, even when you lose hope for the tenth time, but still can't give up. This book put new steel in my spine and fired up my resolve. You need this book, and the Earth needs you to take its message to heart.

Study Group led by the Rev. Susan Snelling

Tuesdays Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4, 25, Nov. 1,8,15 7-9pm. On Zoom

Book required – Please let Rev. Susan know if you are interested as soon as possible at 705-220-3739 or smsatgoodshepherd@gmail.com.



Men's Breakfast

Please join us at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday the 5th of October for our monthly men's breakfast at the Breakfast House on Bayfield Street. Please contact Canon Simon at priest-stmargaretbarrie@toronto.anglican.ca for more information or to join the breakfast via Zoom.



*****NEW*** St. Margaret's Women's Breakfast Club**

Starting third Wednesday of September (21st) -We will meet at the Breakfast House on Bayfield Street at 8:30. Please contact Rev. Susan Snelling at revsusan@roger.com for more information or to join the breakfast via zoom.

Effect Hope

“Effect Hope” (Leprosy Mission) continues to collect stamps. Thank you to St. Margaret’s. Keep up the worthwhile work. Please mind your stamp borders (1/4” surround borders needed). There is a sample shown on the Leprosy Envelopes on the Anglican Bulletin Board in front of the office. Thank you for your help.

Daily Devotions – team of writers at Good Shepherd, St. Margaret’s and Trinity – contact Norm Savill nsavill@bell.net to be included or check the parish websites.

Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Sunday service. – Beginning again Sunday, September 11th.

Exercise Classes - beginning again with Jenn Reid, Monday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m. at church. If you would like more information, please contact Jenn at (705) 790-3189.

Messy Church – Saturday, October 1st, running 4:00-6:00 p.m. For more information, please speak to Rev. Susan at revsusan@rogers.com

Movie Nights

We are going to alternate between Friday and Thursday nights for movies as we have some who would like to come out but can’t make it on Fridays.

Thursday, September 22, 7:00 p.m. – Comedy “**Without a Paddle**”

******We would really appreciate donations to the foodbank for Movie Nights.******

Book Club

Meet and greet on September 15th (at 1:30- our usual time) and do a BOOK CHAT on our summer reads and pick the book(s) for our bookclub. Come prepared to choose books, please and thank you.

Fantasy, Mystery, Sci-Fi; Canadian authors, travel?

The list can go on and on!

If you would like more information, please contact Michelle: michelle_e_sinclair@yahoo.ca OR 705-737-9895. Please feel welcome to join us even if you have not read the book.

Covid Update

We have returned to the Green Phase in our Diocesan response to Covid. This means that all restrictions have now been dropped including wearing of masks, physical distancing, sharing the Common Cup and hospitality around food. This means that we will need to exercise our own discretion and care and that we will need to respect the choices that others make. We will do our utmost to retain a safe and healthy space for worship and community activities. We will reintroduce the Common Cup for the Eucharist and coffee hour after services when the conditions allow. Proof of vaccination will still be a requirement for those participation in leadership and ministry.

Covid Shot Update

Just a reminder that to be a volunteer at the church you must have your COVID immunization shots. If you have already told us of your first two shots, thank you. If you have had any others since your 2nd shot, can you please bring in your confirmation showing the dates so we can update your record. Once again, thank you so much for volunteering to help our church.