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*5th Sunday after Pentecost*

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

## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

**Processional:**    *Sons of God*

**#135 SB**

### THE GREETING

**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 have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. May we find peace in your service, and in the world to come, see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Fr. Michael:        **Children's Time**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**FIRST READING:**    **Amos 7:7-17**

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand.

And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you

in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"

And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

"Now therefore hear the word of the LORD. You say, 'Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac."

Therefore thus says the LORD: 'Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land.'"

The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God**

**PSALM: 82**

**Leader:** God has taken his place in the divine council;  
**People:** in the midst of the gods he holds judgment:

**Leader:** "How long will you judge unjustly  
**People:** and show partiality to the wicked?"

**Leader:** Give justice to the weak and the orphan;  
**People:** maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute.

**Leader:** Rescue the weak and the needy;  
**People:** deliver them from the hand of the wicked."

**Leader:** They have neither knowledge nor understanding, they walk around in darkness;  
**People:** all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

**Leader:** I say, "You are gods, children of the Most High, all of you;  
**People:** nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince."

**Leader:** Rise up, O God, judge the earth;  
**People:** for all the nations belong to you!

**SECOND READING: Colossians 1:1-14**

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF COLOSSIANS

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, to the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God.

This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God.

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.

He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 10:25-37**

*(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**

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?"

He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself."

And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead.

Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend."

Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?"

He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

The Gospel of Christ

**People: Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ**

**Sermon: Fr. Michael**

*But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" (Lk 10:29)*

In this sermon I'm not going to explain who Samaritans were in the world of the bible. You've likely heard sermons on this parable all your life, so let's assume you know that. If you don't know, it's enough to say that a Samaritan is someone who isn't one of us.

Imagine all the ways we have to identify ourselves as being different, better than those around us. Here are two examples.

If you drive a fuel-efficient car and care about the environment and you wore the mask and got the jab, that guy driving around your neighbourhood with the big black Freedom Convoy truck belching smoke and with flags saying "F\*\*\* Trudeau" no doubt gets on your nerves. That guy's not you, he's not your kind.

Or if you're anti-immigration and you're nostalgic for a white, Christian Canada, then that multi-generation family down the street with the different coloured skin that doesn't speak English annoys you. That family isn't you, they're not your kind.

Today you can be pro-gun or anti-gun or pro-mask or anti-vax or pro-life or pro-choice or you can want freedom for religion or freedom from religion and you can find Facebook groups to affirm your positions, T-shirts and car stickers to proclaim your views, and you can easily get worked up to the point where those people you're shouting at and who are shouting back are certainly not your neighbour and maybe not even human.

But take the angry people out of their social media echo chambers, take away their badges of lifestyle and politics, and put them side by side, and they're just people. Last weekend Joy and I were in the US, a society even more divided than we are, and we stopped at an interstate food-court with people that seemed to represent every nation on earth.

For a moment you had no idea who was American and who was foreign and who was an illegal immigrant or pro-Trump or pro-Biden or Q-Anon or whatever. In that moment, we were all just hungry and tired travellers and if one of us had suddenly choked on their food or needed CPR, I'm sure a dozen people would have come to help. We were all just neighbours, and that my friends is, I think the point that Jesus makes in the parable of the Good Samaritan.

At this point it would be easy for me to conclude my sermon by saying that it would be better if we all tried to be more like the Good Samaritan, but I won't. I'm not a fan of reading scripture as a series of moral examples. It's easy for me to think of myself as a good neighbour. If it's a particularly bad snowstorm, I might shovel the

driveway of the folks next store, or I might clean up their green bin if a raccoon had gotten into it. I'd certainly open my door after midnight to someone in an emergency.

However, I also know myself well enough to know that I can make calculations about just how much I owe to my neighbour. I can be judgemental and self-protective, and I'll probably inconvenience myself more for the people I like than for those I don't like so much. That's just who I am, and, at the risk of offending you, I suspect that's how you are as well.

In the end we're all like the lawyer in the gospel story, wanting to know just who exactly our neighbours are, so we can then set comfortable limits on our obligations. That's the problem with the moral example sermon. Me telling you (and telling myself) to just be more like the Good Samaritan only gets us so far.

The early Christian preachers and teachers had a better understanding of this parable. They saw the injured and bleeding man as being humanity, harmed and left helpless by our basic human sinfulness, and they saw the Good Samaritan as representing Jesus himself. St. Ambrose, for example, writing in the Fourth Century, asked: "Who is he [the Good Samaritan but) he who descended from heaven ...? When he sees half-dead him whom none could cure before, like her with an issue of blood who had spent all her inheritance on physicians, he came near him. He became a neighbour by acceptance of our common feeling and kin by the gift of mercy."

Likewise, St. Augustine said simply, that "God our Lord wished to be called our neighbour. The Lord Jesus Christ meant that he was the one who gave help to the man lying half-dead on the road, beaten and left by the robbers. These ancient insights help explain the lack of any motive or reason for the Samaritan to help save only for his infinite kindness and compassion. It is the same love and compassion that our Lord shows in all the gospels, in his every act of healing and mercy, and finally in his giving of himself that we receive in the eucharist. What explains the actions of the Samaritan, or of Jesus himself, if not for the infinite, inexhaustible love, compassion, and mercy of God for we who suffer?"

I think this insight is enormously helpful for us to remember and to put our hope in, for even when we are at our best, we know that our own compassion is finite. There are limits to our goodness. We only have so many resources, so much emotion to give to others. In a recent essay in *Christianity Today*, a medical missionary in Africa, Dr. Eric McLaughlin, offered an honest admission that after fifteen years of practice, he still can't prevent 1 in 7 of his patients from dying, mostly because of a lack of resources.

As a result, he writes, he knows that he feels more distant from the suffering of his patients now than he did fifteen years ago. In the helping professions this feeling is called compassion fatigue, or simply burnout. However, Dr. McLaughlin realizes that these feelings are worse when he falls into the trap that things would be better if he only worked harder and did more. At such moments, he finds ways to remember that compassion, like hope, are gifts, gifts that come from a God who is full of love and who is always at work in the world (Jn 5.17). These gifts often come to us when we lament the state of the world and lament our own inadequacies.

We have ample cause for lament, for the world can often feel impossibly broken, far gone, gone beyond our feeble efforts to set things right, and maybe even too far gone for hope at all. But that world is the same world that Christ the Good Samaritan enters into and in a story about helping a random stranger we see the inexhaustible compassion and hope of God, hope and compassion which come to us as gifts. As Dr. McLaughlin says, "God will mend and renew—and he often does! We find hope in the knowledge that the work before us is ultimately God's, and that his love is always ours."

**People:           Amen.**

*(Time allowed for Silent Reflection.)*

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

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: *Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant*

#500 HB

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

All: **Father, your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom. Receive all we offer you this day, and keep us in your peace; for the sake 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:

*Spirit of Gentleness*

#31 SB

*Surely the Presence*

#92 SB

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**All:** Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom. May we who taste this mystery forever serve you in faith, hope, and love. 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: *To God Be the Glory*

#371 HB

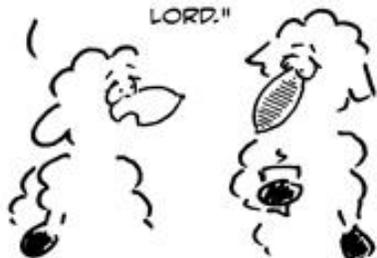
THE DISMISSAL:

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

**All:** Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

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I THINK IT'S INTERESTING THAT PAUL AND TIMOTHY PRAY FOR THE COLOSSIANS SO THAT THEY "WALK IN A MANNER WORTHY OF THE LORD."



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THEY CONSIDER THAT SORT OF PRAYER TO BE A PASTOR'S DUTY.



I'M LOOKING FOR A PASTOR WHO PRAYS THAT I JUST GET BY.



COLOSSIANS 1:1-14

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### Assisting Rev. Susan:

Celebrant:	Rev. Susan Snelling
Preacher:	Rev. Michael Peterson
Anointers: 8:30	n/a
10:00 – Altar	n/a
10:00 – Office	n/a
First Reading:	Jen Galicinski
Psalm Reader:	Maggie Prentice
Second Reading:	Jim Blogg
Prayers:	Lorraine Chew
Gospel:	Peter Beckett
Servers:	Beth Steffler
Music:	Craig Snider
Audio/Visual:	David Paradis
Chancel Ministry:	Margaret Paradis, Michelle Sinclair
Sidespersons:	John Snow, Randall Townsend

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

The Bertelsen Family; Gail Jones; Boutier family; Judy & Don; Frances & Farrell; Arthur; Toby; Brody; Peggy Russell; Linda; Anthony Stone; Judy Hill; Ida; Lynn Venkat; Shirley Hatch; Edna Goyette; Frances McInnis; Ida; Cecilia Mowat; Stephanie; Alvin Maynard; Nova; Irene; Kayla; Kim Middaugh; Sally; Ron and Karen; Braedy; Karyn; Sharron Snider; 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:**

Lequita Adkins; Maggie Prentice; 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; Rose Court; Phil & Kathy C.; Nancy Perault; Sharon Z; Adesh; Lisa Marie; Joyce Antony; 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.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for:**

The Diocese of Marathwada (North India)

**In the Toronto Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for:**

The Assembly 2022

# Pass The Word

## July 10, 2022

**Funerals**

Pat Ellis' funeral will be held at St. Margaret's on Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

Martin Bertelsen's funeral will be held at St. Margaret's on Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

**Men's Breakfast**

Please join us at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of August for our monthly men's breakfast at the Breakfast House on Bayfield Street. Please contact Canon Simon at [priest-stmargaretbarrie@toronto.anglican.ca](mailto:priest-stmargaretbarrie@toronto.anglican.ca) for more information or to join the breakfast via Zoom.

**Summer Camp Supplies**

Just a reminder that for the next couple of weeks we are looking for jar lids and tin cans (washed with labels removed please). Please just put them in a bag and leave on table outside my office. Many thanks. Colleen

**Summer Day Camp Volunteers**

We are full for this year's camp. If you would like to volunteer to help with the camp for the week of July 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> please speak to Rev. Susan. We can always use more hands to assist. Thank you.

**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](mailto:nsavill@bell.net) to be included or check the parish websites.

**Sunday School**

10:00 a.m. Sunday service. – Out for summer.

**Rhubarb**

If anyone has rhubarb, that they would like to donate to the church, we would appreciate receiving it for pie making for our Christmas Bazaar. It can be placed in the freezer in the kitchen. Thank you.

**Messy Church**

Our next Messy Church will resume in September. Fun and fellowship for families. Crafts, story time, music, and prayers, simple supper. For more information contact Rev. Susan.

## **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, **July 21**, 7:00 p.m. - Movie – **“Did You Hear About the Morgans?”** A comedy starring Hugh Grant, Sarah Jessica Parker, Sam Elliot, Mary Steenburgen.

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

## **Book Club**

We will resume book club in September.

If you would like more information, please contact Michelle: [michelle\\_e\\_sinclair@yahoo.ca](mailto: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 in June once we have ironed out some of the logistics of what that will take. 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.