

Final Chance!! Name the New Parish Contest (Each church will keep its name.) To that end, you are invited to submit your ideas for the name of the official Parish name. Names for the new parish may be submitted on the **offering plate or sent to the Church Office by email**. The **deadline for submissions is today** September 17th. Then, a vote on the names has been planned for September 24th – and there will be a prize for whoever submits the winning name. So, please **include your name with your submission**. Let's get creative!

Scouting is beginning this week. The **Beavers** will meet **Mondays** from 6:30-7:30 pm and the **Cubs and Scouts** will meet on **Wednesdays** 6:30-8:30pm. If you need more information, please **contact the office or go to scouts.ca to register**.

Volunteers are still needed for the **breakfast program** – if you can spare **a morning** once a week, please call the Office at (506) 855-5209.

Tyler McKenna is back at Wycliffe this fall – if you would like to **donate** to his school expenses mark your envelope “**Tyler**”. **Money will be sent at the end of each month**.

If you or a loved one are **admitted to hospital** and would like a pastoral visit, **please call the Church Office**. Thank you!

A **Kitchen Party** is happening at **St. John the Baptist** on Saturday, **September 30th at 7pm**. Featuring Ivan & Vivian Hicks, Maple Sugar, Riversong, Gallant Family Band and Sussex Avenue Fiddlers. \$10 at the door.

The **Willing Workers** are planning a **Harvest Tea on Saturday, October 21st**. Stay tuned for more details.



St. George's Church is a downtown spiritual center where traditional Anglican liturgy, parishioners and the needs of our community are valued.

St. George's Anglican Church

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The Reverend Canon Chris VanBuskirk - Rector

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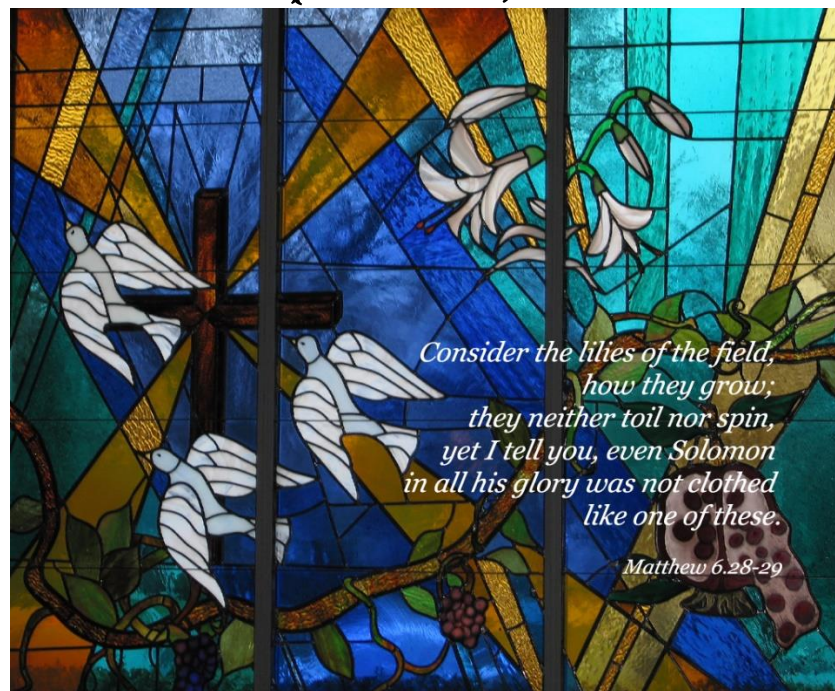
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Jesus Christ the Same, Yesterday, Today and Forever

Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity

September 17, 2023



Parish Prayer Chain: To pass a message on to the Parish Prayer Chain, from Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. please the Office. After Office Hours, please contact Cathie @ 855-7969 or cdingwell@gmail.com

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PROPERS OF THE DAY

Introit Psalm (sung): *Bow down, O Lord, thine ear to me, and hear me: O my God, save thy servant that trusted in thee; have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I have called daily upon thee. Comfort the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. Glory be....*
Collect for Purity: p. 67
Ten Commandments p. 68
Collect & Epistle p. 240,241
Gradual Psalm: 92. 1-4 p. 449
The Holy Gospel p. 241

HYMNS FOR THE DAY

499 (St. Denio)
803 (Gwalchmal)
397 (Hyfrydol)
568 (Slane)

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

224 (Rockingham); 238 (Lincoln); 234 (St. Thomas)

9:15 A.M. MORNING PRAYER

Psalms 79 p. 432
First Lesson: Joel 2. 15-27 (Pew Bible page 737)
Second Lesson: 1 Peter 1. 13-end (Pew Bible page 982)

5:00 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

Psalm 84, 85 p. 437, 438
First Lesson: Daniel 5 (Pew Bible page 720)
Second Lesson: St. Matthew 7. 1-14 (Pew Bible page 776)

I publish the Banns of marriage between Caleb Knowles of St. Stephen and Bailey Meredith of Lakeville. If any of you know cause or just impediment, why these two persons should not be joined together in holy Matrimony, ye are to declare it. This is the second time of asking.

“Let us remember before God the faithful departed.”
Archbishop Bruce Stavert, Edith McDonald, Liz Doyle Lebens

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Carrie Doyle, Shirley Kelly, Ralph Kelly Marjorie and Harold Steeves

The flowers on the Altar are placed to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Vernon Mann from his loved ones.

Among the faithful departed, we remember Lance Sergeant Lloyd M.V. Thomas of this Parish who died September 19th, 1916 and is honoured at Vimy, and await with us the Lord’s return and Resurrection at the Last Day.

This Week in the Parish

The Daily Offices of Morning and Evening Prayer will be prayed in the Chapel at 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Monday – Saturday, respectively. In addition:

Monday	Beavers	6:30 p.m.
Tuesday	Morning Prayer (Camden)	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday	Cubs & Scouts	6:30 p.m.
Thursday	Holy Communion (Chapel)	10:00 a.m.
Saturday	Community Breakfast	9:00 a.m.

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. Without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God, must believe that he is, and a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."
Hebrews 1.6

Daily Bible Readings

A modified schedule from the Prayer Book’s Table of Lessons

Sunday	I Samuel 31	John 10:22-end
Monday	2 Samuel 1	John 11:1-44
Tuesday	2 Samuel 2:1-31	John 11:45-end
Wednesday	2 Samuel 3:17-end	John 12:1-19
Thursday	2 Samuel 5:1-12	John 12:20-end
Friday	2 Samuel 6	John 13
Saturday	2 Samuel 7	John 14

Rector's Corner

I want to start with a fable that I happened across some years ago. Perhaps you've heard it before.

"Years ago there was a very wealthy man who, with his young son, shared a passion for collecting great art. Together they traveled all around the world, adding only the very finest treasures to their collection. Countless priceless works adorned the walls of the family estate. And, as time passed, the widowed father looked on with satisfaction as his only child became an experienced art collector. But the day came when the nation was engulfed in war; and the young man left to serve. After only a few short weeks, his father received a telegram that his beloved son had been killed while carrying a fellow soldier to a medic.

One morning, months later, a knock came at the door of the old man's home, and as he opened the door, he was greeted by a soldier with a large package in his hand. The soldier introduced himself by saying that he was the friend had been rescued by his son; and he asked to come in for a few moments. "I am an artist," he said, as he handled his parcel to the father. As the old man unwrapped the package the paper gave way to reveal a portrait of his son; and although the art critics would never consider it a great work, the painting did feature the young man's face in striking detail, and seemed to capture his personality. The old man was delighted to be given such a wonderful gift.

But the following spring the old man became ill and died; and the art world waited in anticipation. According to the will of the father, all of those great works of art would be sold off by auction. The day soon arrived, and art collectors from around the world gathered to bid on some of the world's most spectacular paintings. But the auction began with a painting that was not in the catalogue; nor was it on any museum's list. It was the painting of the man's son; the painting that the young soldier had given him. The auctioneer asked for an opening bid. The room fell silent. "Who will open the bidding with \$100.00?" he asked. Seconds awkwardly passed with not a sound from those who had come to buy. From the back of the room someone sarcastically called out, "Who cares about that painting? It's just a cheap picture of his son. Let's forget it and go on to the

important paintings." And other voices echoed in agreement. But the auctioneer refused to relent: "No, according to the terms of the will we have to sell this one first. Now, who will take the son?"

Finally, a friend of the old man spoke ... "I knew the boy, so I'd like to have it. I will bid the \$100.00." "I have a bid for \$100.00," called the auctioneer. "Will anyone go higher?" And after a long silence, the auctioneer called, "Going once. Going twice. Sold." And the gavel fell. Cheers filled the room, and all assumed that they could finally get on with the rest of the auction. But the auctioneer announced that the auction was over. Stunned disbelief quieted the room.

Someone spoke up and asked, "What do you mean it's over? We didn't come here for a picture of some old guy's son. What about all of these paintings? There are millions of dollars worth of art here! We demand that you explain what's going on!" The auctioneer replied, "It's very simple. According to the will of the father, whoever takes the son... gets it all."

In this week's Gospel Jesus speaks of some of those things that we try to use to insulate ourselves from life's anxieties; the kind of things that we hope will calm the fears that reside within every human heart; the kind of things in which we, sometimes, vainly put our trust. And just as Paul challenges us in this week's Epistle to find our glory in nothing other than the Cross of Christ; so Christ reminds us in the Gospel that the only thing that will ever calm our anxieties and fears is found in the Son."

If we 'take the Son', as that fable puts it.

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.

If we seek the Kingdom in everything that we do, in every act and thought and word, if we live every day as members of that Kingdom of mercy and compassion, Jesus promises us that everything else will be ours. Which is not to say that we'll have all those other things that we think we need but really don't; but rather, that in Christ we will, for the very first time, have the ability to know and the freedom to enjoy what we do have, because fear and confusion and despair will no longer rob us of the joy which is ours in him. And in him alone.

Matthew 6:25-34

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kingdom	faith	hour
drink	eat	splendour
tomorrow	righteousness	pagans
solomon	flowers	father
birds	clothes	worry

September 2023 Vestry Briefs

- The Finance Committee reported that revenue from January 1 to August 31, 2023 was \$ 156,296 with expenses totalling \$189,613.
- The Group Committee reported that activities for Beavers (Monday) and Cubs and Scouts (Wednesday) will begin this coming week.
- Repairs to the Rectory and Church have been ongoing throughout the summer. The Rectory Inspection Team, David Black, Sheila & Bob Searle inspected the Rectory in early September. Their Report was tabled to the next Vestry Meeting for further discussion and action on recommendations.
- The Rectory is now occupied by a boarder and Vestry has begun investigating the various options for the building which includes the possibility of selling the property and buying a new Rectory. Michael Briggs of St. Philips reviewed the diocesan process which must be followed in the event of a sale.
- Community Outreach continues to serve an average of 100 daily breakfasts as well as maintaining laundry, showers, and clothing services.
- Over the summer, a planning committee made up of 2 Representatives from each of the 5 parishes that are investigating coming together as one parish have been meeting on a regular basis to work out the governance and financial structures that could be implemented. The Bishop has yet to meet with the committee to review the details. Once approved, a notice of amalgamation will be forthcoming and it must be well publicized for four weeks. After that period, parishioners will have 3 months to voice their objections in writing to the Bishop. For more information, please speak to Sheila Colborne or Cliff Reid. They are St. George's reps on the committee. All parishioners are also invited to attend the congregational meetings which are held after each planning committee meeting to review the work completed to date.
- The next Vestry Meeting will be held on Monday October 16, 2023.