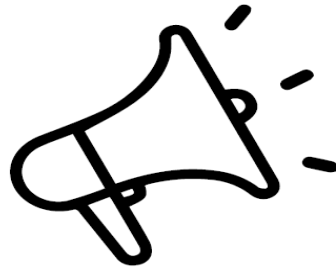


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Sunday Oct 8 – Oct 23

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Sun Oct 8 –
10.30 am MORNING PRAYER *THANKSGIVING*
2 PM Hoi Thanh Tin Lanh service

(Monday events cancelled for Thanksgiving)

Tues Oct 10
2 pm Vestry meeting

Wed Oct 11
1.30 – 3 pm Bible study – Revelation
7.00 8.30 Bible Study

Fri Oct 13
6.30 pm AA group meets

Sun Oct 15
10.30 am MORNING PRAYER
2.00 pm Hoi Thanh Tin Lanh

Mon Oct 16
9.-12 Craft Social hour
12.30-2.30 Friendship Group
7.00 – 8.30 Schola Cantorum practice

Tues Oct 17
2 pm Book club meeting
Three Funerals for my Father

Wed Oct 18
1.30-3 Afternoon Bible study
7.00-8.30 Evening Bible study

Fri Oct 20
6.00-9 AA group meets

Sat Oct 21 MOVIE & pizza

Our dear friends Tom and Marlene could do with an extra injection of our loving prayers just now.

There is strength in people committing to pray daily as one. And there is strength in God's promise that we can take our prayers straight to Him and that He will hear us.

We love you Tom and Marlene. We're standing right beside you from All of Us

I love acorns. Always have. It's their shiny brown shells and their little hats that win me over.

And it's the power they carry.

Every autumn I pick up the odd one to keep in my pocket. I found one on my walk last week, brought it home and put it on the kitchen window sill to remind myself of life's possibilities. A little acorn is full of them.

In the right soil and under the right conditions those little guys can grow into mighty oak trees, some of them which live to be hundreds of years old all the while providing biodiversity galore.

And then Amal and Mayson came for tea. Being newly arrived in Canada must be scary business with so much left behind and so much newness to grasp. I gave Amal my acorn and told her why I love them.

"You've been planted in new soil," I told her, "but you will flourish too."

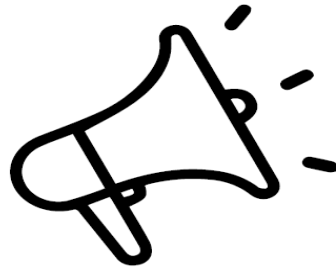
"I love this story," she smiled. "It's like a poem."

"Yes. It's like a poem," I said. - Judy

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A very happy time at the friendship club this week. The usual ten suspects showed up including Fahim so we taught him more English idioms which he copied down to share on his website. We made him guess what they meant which was great fun until he wrote some in Dari on the whiteboard and made US guess what they meant! How we were supposed to know that the Dari expression "az seer ta payez" means "from garlic to onion" as in "People brought everything from garlic to onion for the potluck dinner." Arpine brought us some ice cream treats and we had tea and fruit and other things e had brought hoping the place would fill up with students on their noon hour break, but we never give up, so next time we'll tell you how many students came. Think positive .. No meeting Thanksgiving Monday. JUDY, \

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SATURDAY OCTOBER 21ST 4 PM MOVIE & pizza Join us at 4 pm for the movie 'BLUE MIRACLE' PIZZA AND TREATS WILL BE



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SERVED. SIGN UP ON THE BULLETIN BOARD.

I have several magnets on my refrigerator door. One says "Keep calm and read Jane Austen." Another is a tiny replica of a Thousand Islands cruise boat.

There are a few ladybug magnets that help hold up my grandchildren's school photos and the large blue magnet I bought at Reagan Airport this past August. In big important letters it declares that I am an FBI agent. (Oh the power. Nobody's buying it yet though.)

I have two favourites. One says "For where your treasure is there your heart will be also." (Matthew 6:21.) It is propping up a photo of our three kids when they were tiny.

The one I've made myself says "Cang dong Cang vui." I'm not able to type in the diacritical marks on my iPad. I wonder if anybody can guess which language it is and what those words mean? It's a rule that I hope I live by.

Send your answers to Alison and she'll put your guesses in the next WW.

If someone does guess correctly I'll pop the twenty dollar bill I found recently into the basket in the Parish Hall towards our sponsorship funds.

Have fun. Knock yourselves out! - Judy
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Upcoming dates:

- Mon. Oct 16 Friendship Club
- Tue. Oct 17 Book Club
- Sat. Oct. 21 Movie & pizza
- Sat. Oct 28 Quiet Day
- Sun Nov 4 Remembrance Sunday
- Sat Nov 11 Remembrance service at Cenotaph
- Sat. Nov 11 Pot Luck dinner to welcome the Bishops
- Sun Nov 12 Confirmation
- Sun Nov 19 Slide show after service
- Tue Nov 21 Book Club
- Sun Nov 26 Pre-Advent service
- Sun Dec 3 Advent

HONING IN ON HYMNS

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Robert Robinson (1735-1790)

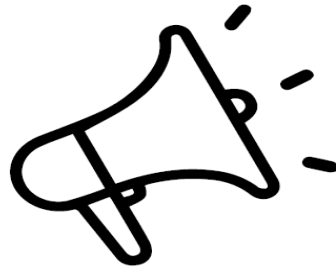
Robert had a rough beginning, his father died when he was young and his mother, unable to control him, sent him to London to learn barbering. What he learned instead was drinking and gang life. When he was 17 he and friends visited a fortune teller. They laughed as she tried to tell their fortunes. But something about the encounter bothered Robert and decided to attend an evangelist meeting, held by George Whitefield., that evening. George Whitefield was one of history's greatest preachers and that night preached from Matthew 3:7 Robert sensed Whitefield was preaching directly to him, and the words haunted him for three years when he gave his heart to Christ. Robert entered the ministry and later in 1758 wrote a hymn for his sermon. Come Thou Fount of Every blessing has been a favourite since that day. In 1790 at age 54 he passed away quietly during the night.

From Then Sing My Soul

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above,
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer;
Hither by Thy help I come
And I hope by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wandering from the fold of God
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood

Oh, to grace how great a debtor



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Daily I'm constrained to be
Let thy grace, Lord, like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to thee
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my hear, Lord take and seal it.
Seal it for thy courts above.

Christmas decorative items for sale... We know this is a big leap in faith – we are reaching out to those around us who feel they can be part of this adventure over the next year. ALISON

The good people of St George's

St George's has long been known as caring and sharing in all walks of our outreach ... from several years of supporting the Streetlight church in downtown Hamilton , receiving beautiful knitted items from those who haven't even been into St George's but know that we are good people who care; the collection of an abundance of food at every festive occasion, for many different organizations - most recently as a partner for Crossfire as they feed the needy in their area; allowing others to use our facilities as no cost; missionary funds for numerous areas of the world, in disaster and for those just tolerating their extreme poverty, and in particular Cuba at this time, the migrant workers who come and toil for us. In fact when we hear there is a need, we step up to the plate... we have been called upon to support many, no one is rejected; their need is always greater than ours. Our new challenge ...our Vestry has discussed, considered, and has made a decisionbringing a young man from Afghanistan to this rich country of ours . We have been impressed with those who have come up with ways they can contribute towards meeting our goal of sponsoring a refugee. There are lots of good ideas, and piece by piece we will, God willing, meet our goal over the next year or so. For those who wish not to be part of this latest venture, please continue to support St George's ... your gifts are necessary to keep our little church striving to become the best we can for all the people of the world. Thank you all for what you do from your People's Warden.

FALL QUIET DAY October 28, 2023

Please join us for a day of learning, quiet reflection, and fellowship as we study the Lord's Prayer together

10.00	am	MORNING PRAYER
11.15	am	Refreshments & Fellowship
11.45	am	TALK: The Lord's Prayer I: The Heavenly Petitions (Tom Power)
12.15	pm	Quiet Reflection in the Sanctuary
12.45	pm	LUNCH
1.30	pm	TALK: The Lord's Prayer II: The Earthly Petitions (Tom Power)
2.00	pm	Quiet Reflection in the Sanctuary
2.45	pm	EVENING PRAYER

Please bring writing materials (pen, notebook).

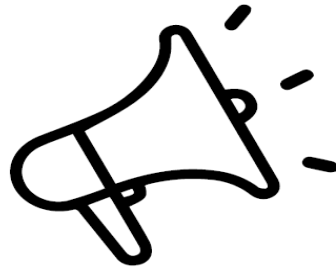
There will be a free will donation for our Refugee Sponsorship Fund. Please let us know by October 23rd if you plan to attend.

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FUNDRAISING IDEAS TO DATE: Let us know your thoughts and ideas: The craft ladies are knitting; we have a \$5 basket set up where you can add any new items you wish to donate – or you can purchase anything in the basket (please keep adding to it)... We will have envelopes around the church where you can donate- please include your name or envelope number in order to receive a tax receipt ... we are considering a morning market where small gifts that have been made could be purchased by students, passers-by and friends (a very-very mini bazaar) ... Two of our members have offered to utilize their creativity and bring

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St George's will be celebrating 20 years at 134 Emerson Street in June 2024 have we made an impact on our little corner in West Hamilton? have we preserved the legacy of St



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**Margaret's that was here for nearly 100
years?..... we are trying – everyday we do all
that we can to make this space the right place
to be. JPS/AB 18**

