

The Wardens' Wire

ISSUE # 41 OCTOBER 6 – 20TH

SUNDAY OCT 6TH HARVEST HOME
10.30 AM HOLY COMMUNION

MONDAY OCT 7TH
9.30 AM CRAFT CIRCLE
12.30-2.30 PM FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE
7.30 PM EVENSONG

WEDNESDAY OCT 9 & 16TH
1.30 PM BIBLE STUDY

SATURDAY OCT 12TH
5 PM THANKSGIVING POT LUCK DINNER

SUNDAY OCT 13TH Thanksgiving day
10.30 AM MORNING PRAYER

TUESDAY OCT 15TH
1.30-3 PM Chat & Chew BOOK CLUB

ALSO AT ST GEORGE'S

Sundays

8.30 am St Mary's Independent Anglican service

2.30 pm Hoi Thanh Tin Lan Vietnamese service

Mondays

7.30– 9 pm Hamilton Schola Cantorum choir

Fridays

6 -9 pm Park Group AA meets

SHARING THANKFULNESS...

Food drive orange bags will be sent to Crossfire this week. Please return the filled bags this week. Thank you for your generous efforts.

In the sanctuary of st george's church

MONDAY OCTOBER 7TH 7.30 PM

CHORAL EVENSONG WITH

THE HAMILTON SCHOLA
CANTORUM

Wm RENwick, Director

John LAING, Organist

Featuring music of

HEALEY WILLAN & HENRY CLARK

All welcome ...reception to follow

SATURDAY OCTOBER 12TH 5 - 7 PM

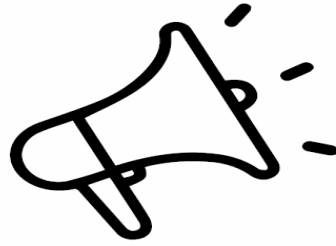
THANKSGIVING POT LUCK DINNER.

ALL WELCOME, BRING A FRIEND; BRING AN ITEM TO SHARE –

SIGN UP SHEET ON BULLETIN BOARD

Thanks Jo-Anne for leading the discussion in our last book club. Always a fun conversation with treats and tea. If you would like to join us for the next book club, the book is available for reading ...The Little Red Chairs, by Edna O'Brien

SATURDAY OCTOBER 26TH 9 AM *circle the date*



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Some time ago our Bishops led the Vestry members in a SWOT exercise. After discussion and encouragement by Bishop Gillin it was suggested that this be offered to all members of the congregation. For those unfamiliar, it is a interactive dialogue session, brainstorming ideas to help companies – in this case our church – prioritize activities, goals, etc.

S = Strengths, W = Weaknesses O = Opportunities and T = Threats. The attendees will be split into small groups with a facilitator to lead the discussions. Please join us and enjoy lunch after the exercise. Details to come.
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The Call of the Wild ... what a lovely movie that was last Saturday.... Everyone loved it, and were all so glad that the dog didn't die – even though Harrison Ford did!! Thanks Michael for giving us a perfect showing.
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HARVEST HOME - from the History binder

Jackie Ruth, a long-ago St George's Tom Street member and good friend of St George's present day, and a close friend of Bea Myers, reminded us when we were looking for stories that Harvest Sunday at St George's would be fully decorated with fruit, vegetables and flowers of the harvest. Each window sill had an arrangement of corn, apples, squash, turnip and other harvest vegetables. In front of the Communion Table were bales of hay, fruit and vegetables. On either side of the front of the church were tall haystacks. All of a sudden the hay stacks began to move. Two mice decided to chase each other across the front of the church from one hay stack to the other. Back and forth they went. It was very difficult to keep from laughing during the sermon ! the tradition continues – without the little creatures we hope !
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Transcripts of the Sunday sermons are available in print for anyone who is interested in reading it or passing it on to others. Just ask!
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Friendship Circle

Thank you Arpine for giving us a handout for Psalm 8 two weeks ago. We read it together and thought about it for a while. I've got it here, on the table beside my cosy chair, the chair where I head when I need to think or to read or to say my morning prayers. Everyone needs their own cosy chair.

I was becalmed with verses 3 and 4 when I read them again this morning.

“When I look at the night sky and see the work of your fingers- the moon and the stars you set in place- what are mere mortals that you should think about them, human beings that you should care for them?”

I am a big fan of the moon. Nothing in nature fuels my imaginings like the moon. It peeks at me from over the cafe curtain in my kitchen window when I get up in the night for a sip of water. I look at that glowing orange disc and remember that it's been popping up and down on time since Creation. And it was made for you and for me and for nature to help regulate our days and our nights, the tides, the comings and goings of the animals, the weather. It's the perfect clock.

And the stars. Pure majesty. A gift for you and for me. From the God who loves us.

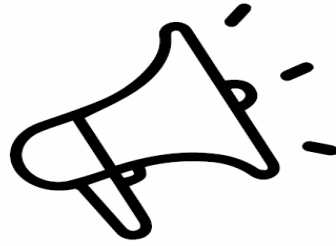
How to say thank you?

And all He asks in return is our love.- Judy
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WOOL AVAILABLE..... Melanie is still winding up little balls of wool so anyone who wishes can knit a Joseph scarf to adorn the Christmas Tree. Peter, a friend of Mel & Bob, for many years provided bags of scarves and hats for us to give to the Street Light Church at Christmas time, sadly Peter Dam passed away earlier this year. Melanie is keeping the memory of his good deeds in our heart. Ask for a bag of wool if you are able to help with this project.
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HONING IN ON HYmns

And Can It Be That I Should Gain



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Charles Wesley

And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Savior's blood
Died He for me, who caused His pain
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou, my God, should die for me?

Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou, my God, should die for me?
He left His Father's throne above
So free, so infinite His grace
Emptied Himself of all but love
And bled for Adam's helpless race
Tic mercy all, immense and free
For O my God, it found out me!
Amazing love! How can it be,
That Thou, my God, should die for me?

Long my imprisoned spirit lay,
Fast bound in sin and nature's night
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light
My chains fell off, my heart was free
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee
Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou, my God should die for me?

No condemnation now I dread
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine
Alive in Him, my living Head
And clothed in righteousness divine
Bold I approach the eternal throne
And claim the crown, through Christ my own
Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou my God, should die for me?

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Music by Thomas Campbell 1777-1844
The wonderful melody we sing to this hymn appears to have no story other than Mr Campbell wrote a book of 23 hymn tunes in 1825.

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Charles (1707-1788) and John Wesley (1703-1791) , brothers, are among the most notable evangelists who ever lived . As young men, they formed a party which came to be derisively called Methodists, because they methodically set about fulfilling the commands of scripture. In due course they learned that works cannot save, and discovered salvation by faith in Christ. Afterward, they carried that message to all England in sermon and in song. Although the brothers did not set out to establish a church, the Wesleyans and the Methodists are their offspring.

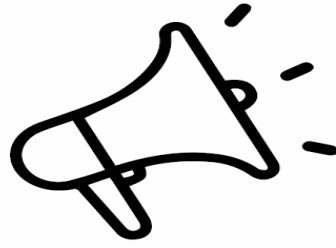
Charles Wesley wrote over 6,000 hymns during his lifetime, many of which are still sung in churches around the world. His hymns were often written to accompany specific sermons by his brother, or to convey a particular theological message, and they were designed to be sung by congregations as a form of worship.

In addition to his hymns, Charles Wesley was also a poet and a theologian. He wrote extensively on Christian doctrine and published several collections of sermons and essays. His writing helped to shape the theology of the Methodist movement and to establish it as a distinct branch of Christianity.

Charles Wesley's legacy as a hymn writer and theologian continues to inspire Christians today. His hymns are beloved for their timeless messages of faith and hope, and his theological writings continue to influence Christian thought and practice.

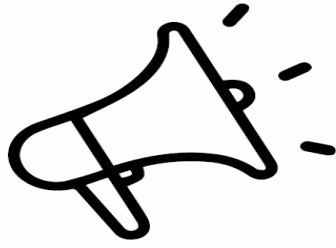
For many, Charles Wesley is not only the greatest hymn writer in the English language but also a significant figure in the history of Christianity.

And Can It Be That I Should Gain is considered The second most popular hymn of his writings, the first being 'Arise my soul Arise'.



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