

The Church of St. Mark and St. Peter
Parish Pulse – Thursday June 6, 2019

Service begins at 10:30am. Sunday School will be available for the children,

THIS WEEK'S READING

First Reading – Acts 2:1-12

Psalm 103:6-12

Gospel Reading – John 14:8-12

GIVING TO THE CHURCH OF ST MARK'S AND ST. PETER'S (CMP)

The canonical merger of St Mark's and St Peter's has taken place, but it will still take a number of months to complete the legal registration of the new church for tax purposes, and to open a new bank account in the name of CMP. In the meantime, those with St Mark's envelopes may continue to use their envelopes; and those with St Peter's envelopes, or who use PushPay or PAR, may continue with these donation methods. Envelopes in the pews/chairs have instructions to make cheques out to St Mark's Anglican Church. Until legal registration of the new church is completed, all funds in both existing accounts (St Peter's and St Mark's) will be used for the ministry and mission of CMP.

HELP!!

We are in serious need of at least four new members for the refreshments team. If you might be willing to help, or have questions, please contact Chris or June in the office. We also need an overall coordinator of refreshments for the new congregation.

SUN, JUNE 9 AT 9:45AM – FR Z AHLAWI DISCUSSION

Former members of St Peter's heard a stimulating and controversial sermon in June by Fr Elias Z AHLAWI on the situation in Syria. Because of the move there has not been opportunity yet to discuss this; anyone interested may join us in Crosbie's Corner for this discussion.

WED, JUNE 12 AT 5:30PM – NEXT MOVE DATE

Move #1 from St. Peter to St. Mark has past—but we still have more to move! Please let Chris or June know if you can help with Move #2. Thanks!

IT'S NOT EASY BEING GREEN - BUT LET'S DO IT!

In our concern to be good stewards of God's creation, we seek to recycle as much as possible. Please use the blue bins in the hall and elsewhere in our building for recyclables (and please do not put garbage into the blue bins). In the Fall we hope to form a "green committee" to oversee ways in which we can make our church as environmentally sustainable as possible.

A SHORT-FORM?

Now that we have a name for our new community, we also need a short form for it! So far various options have been suggested-- CMP, MaP, CMaP, St Meter's, St Park's. Please discuss possibilities with each other, and we will see if a preference emerges.

POSTURE DURING PUBLIC WORSHIP

It is Christian tradition that the community at worship shares a common posture--that is, everyone sits, stands, or kneels at the same time to indicate that public worship is also corporate worship, a shared activity, not just a group of individuals doing their own thing. While we encourage this, nonetheless there is also space for individual preference as well; whether for physical limitations or feeling spiritually moved in the moment, worshippers should feel free at times to choose a different posture if they wish. (For instance, if standing for long is difficult, please feel free to sit.)

CROSTALK SUMMER CAMPS

Registration is open for Junior and Senior Youth Camps 2019! You will find all the info you need here... http://crosstalkministries.ca/wordpress/?page_id=76 . Senior Youth Camp is for ages 13-18, and Junior Youth Camp is for ages 8-12. Both camps happen in Magog on beautiful lakes and provide lots of space to have fun in nature and go deeper in one's relationship with God. If you want to know more about SYC, contact Mark Latulipe seniorcamp@crosstalkministries.ca or about JYC contact Di or Alana junioryouthcamp@crosstalkministries.ca

THE PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

We will be introducing some new terminology into our parish life. In the past, as with many Anglican churches, both St Mark's and St Peter's used the term "Corporation" in two senses: the proper, legal sense, namely of the Incumbent (Priest/Pastor) and two senior Wardens; and the popular, wider sense of the Incumbent, two senior Wardens, and two Deputy Wardens. However, the system of having one or two Deputy Wardens is a convention, not a canonical requirement; that is, Corporations have the canonical freedom to develop other structures beyond the legal Corporation if they wish. Going forward, CMP will be using a new structure which we will call "the Parish Leadership Team," which will be comprised of the Corporation (in its legal sense of the Incumbent and two Senior Wardens) plus a Deputy People's Warden, a Deputy Rector's Warden, and an Associate Warden appointed by the Corporation (the Associate will serve the same function as the Deputies). So the use of the term "Corporation" in its popular, wider sense will be eliminated within CMP, so that "Corporation" will from here on only be used in its legal sense. Our Parish Leadership Team for 2019 (until our AVM/AGM next February) is, in addition to the Rev Chris Barrigar as Incumbent:

- Wardens: Clovan Boyce and Wentworth Brookes
- Deputy Wardens: Alex Richards and Alexa Zalik
- Associate Warden: Leanne Strauss

STAFF TEAM

Our staff team (the remunerated employees of the Corporation serving the parish) are:

- Incumbent and Senior Pastor: The Rev Chris Barrigar
- Administrator and Youth Coordinator: June Lashley
- Director of Music: Stephen Mullin
- Director of the Sunday School and Family Ministries: Diane Keener
- Pastoral Associate: The Rev Tim Keener (ECCC)

(Only Chris Barrigar is full-time; the others are all part-time with varying hours per week)

GLUTEN-FREE AT COMMUNION

If you would like to receive gluten-free wafers (bread) at communion, please indicate this by folding your arms across your chest, and gluten-free will be provided.

FAMILY FROM ALEPPO

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Emmaus Anglican Church is looking for the following items for their Syrian family scheduled to arrive soon. If you can help, please contact Jill Stafiej at jjstafiej@gmail.com. Items needed: Set of dishes for eight; TV table; Standing lamp; 2 x Queen-size sheet sets (new or as new); 2 x Twin duvet sets for pre-teen girls; 2 x Twin-size sheet sets; 4 x Twin blankets; 4 x Twin duvets; 2 x Twin duvet sets for teen boys; Bedside table(s); Dresser; Iron and ironing board; 2-3 Fans; basket on wheels for groceries.

MON, AUG. 5 - RENOVATIONS BEGIN

This past week the project manager for our renovations said he expects work will begin August 5, right after the construction holiday. The first job will be to remove asbestos in certain areas; the roof and rear wall will also be a priority. Also in August: Crosbie's Corner will be renovated (including installing the new door between the church and Crosbie's Corner); stairs will be installed to the new upper room (the old organ loft); and the wheelchair washroom added. Once Crosbie's Corner is done (expected to take 2-3 weeks) then work on the hall will begin, with Crosbie's Corner providing temporary refreshments space while the work on the hall is being done. All this means that the hall and rooms need to be emptied before August 5 (some minimal refreshment supplies can be kept in the kitchen for the couple weeks that Crosbie's Corner is being renovated).

SENIOR YOUTH CAMP BOTTLE DRIVE

SYC is having a bottle and can fundraising drive until mid-June. Drop off your empty (rinsed) returnable items in the marked box at the back and that's it! The money raised from the fundraiser will help offset program costs and staff and camper bursaries. Other participating churches are St. Michael's and All Angels and First Filipino Baptist Church of Montreal. If you have any questions, you can email Mark and Rebecca (co-directors) at seniorcamp@crostalkministries.ca. Thank you for supporting SYC!

PRAYERS

The Gospel for our first merged Sunday together was John 17, in which Jesus prays for the unity of his followers. Let us pray for ever-deeper unity amongst ourselves as a community, along with the following prayers:

- Give thanks for reaching this point in our merger process
- Give thanks for the unconditional sale agreement of St Peter's, which makes it financially possible to undertake renovations.
- Pray that each of us will be ready to:
 - Give thanks for the strength and wisdom that the Lord has given to the leadership of the two congregations as we approach the actual union
 - Ask God to fill us with his love for the many people that we don't yet know -- "We love because He first loved us" (1 John 4:19).
 - Listen for the way in which God is going to do a new thing among us individually and as a merged congregation (Isaiah 43:19, Philippians 3:13, 14).