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Connections

July / August 2019

Pastor's Pen

In the words of my opening Connections Article in 2015 I wrote, and I want to reiterate, these opening remarks, "Yahoo!! July and August are soon upon us and it is time for those who lead busy lives to enjoy some rest and relaxation." To that I add, "it is also time for everyone to enjoy the warmth of the summer sun, whether reading a book, going on a picnic, hiking trails in the woods, spending time at the cottage, or barbequing for those who like to cook outdoors. So many activities and it seems so little time. Enjoy each moment."

Speaking about living in the moment, I recently attended the Anglican Diocese of Niagara Bishop's Study Conference for Clergy & Licensed Lay Workers held at the

YMCA Geneva Park in Orillia. The presenter was Bishop Stephen Cottrell who spoke on "From the Abundance of the Heart" and his insights were thought provoking and humorous. In one of the sessions we took time to explore the biblical story, *The Walk to Emmaus*, found in Luke 24: 13 – 35. I find that no matter how many times I have read the same scripture passage there is always something new to glean and reflect upon.

On the road to Emmaus, we read that two disciples are walking and recounting the past few days that had taken place in Jerusalem. During their walk the Risen Christ encounters them. Bishop Stephen pointed out that the first words out of Jesus' mouth were, "What are you



discussing with each other while you walk along?" (vs. 17). They respond about the events that had happened during the past few days. Jesus then says, "What things?" They then begin to tell him about everything that had happened to Jesus of Nazareth. When all is said and done, Jesus is invited to break bread with them and it is in this act they realize they are in the presence of the Risen Christ.

Pastor's Pen Continued



Bishop Stephen encouraged us to reflect on what was happening at that moment for the disciples on the road to Emmaus and what is happening in the moment of our lives on the road we are journeying on. In those moments we may be drawn to prayer, silence, a conversation with a

friend, counsellor, mentor, singing, dancing, painting, sculpting, gardening, reading or a physical activity. There are so many ways to ponder life's questions. For myself, it is sitting by a lake with a friend, talking and reflecting on past and present life events, with both laughter and tears.

My prayer for all of you this summer is that you experience the wonder of Creator God who is making us new everyday, the love of Jesus Christ, who walks with us always and the Holy Spirit, who gives us peace. Have a blessed summer.

Pastor Jeff

**Whatever
you do
work at it
with all
your heart.
Colossians
3:23**

2019 Afghan Recipients

Congratulations to our All Saints' young people graduating from High School:

Trevor Kasza
Kyra Omland
Amanda McQuinn

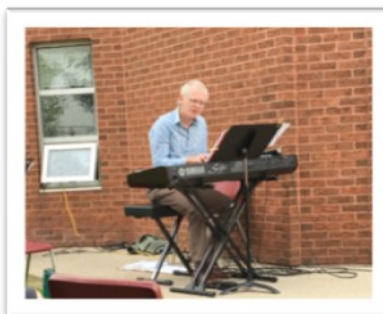


All Saints continues the tradition of presenting graduating students with afghans.

Picnic Pics!



Pastor Jeff



Peter brings the keyboard outdoors!



Pastor Jeff with Assisting Minister, Laura

Council Perspective

Spring has come and gone; I think. Yet, I managed to find a few moments to usher it in. A brief pause in the cool rainy weather this past season allowed me to spend a few partial days on the golf course as well as experience the outdoors on a peaceful outdoor patio such as at Bud Huth's during the men's fellowship group a week or two ago. At those times, I welcomed back those familiar and valued sounds of the returning birds and the breeze through the new foliage of spring. At these times, I valued the time I had to not only hear these sounds but truly listen about me. It is a learned gift not to be taken lightly or for granted. At these moments, I learn or often ponder to find greater truths.

When I have taken the time for a daily devotion or worshipped among others at a Sunday service, I have tried to truly listen. I believe we are not only called to read the Word but listen to the Biblical Word. It is a process of allowing the Word to seep through the filters of my own mind without reaction and allow God to speak to me. As I approach another year as Chairperson of Council, I take the same approach with others. I recently read an article from a Pastor friend, Troy Watson, years ago. He reflects with these words "As I actively listen to others, I increase my capacity to hear the still small voice of God. As I love others, I understand and experience God's love for me more clearly. I'm

learning that when I let others in, I let Christ in."

As of May/June, new Council members have been elected as a response of listening to you. You have chosen your representatives to lead, plan, and do the business of Christ's ministry at All Saints. We all take responsibility in listening. Listening to Christ's Word and with members of Council, listening to all members of our congregation. I hope that the summer may present that opportunity for you personally.

The "new" Council has met and elected an executive. Brian Janzen will serve as Chair, Mark Weigel as Vice Chair, Michele Altermann as Secretary and Sandra Christie as Treasurer, ex-officio to Council. A number of business items related to this new setup were addressed at our last meeting. A complete list of Council members is listed at the end of this article.

Other items being addressed lately include the signage of our church along Silvercreek Parkway. At the moment of this writing, our goal has pretty well been reached. We set a goal of \$14000.00 which was a generous one based on initial estimates including inflation for the cost of the sign. Two other estimates are in the process of being received and once that is completed, a final decision will be



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Council Perspective Continued

made and construction of the project to proceed. I cautiously state that our goal has been reached depending on these final more accurate estimates.

As the Council term of 2018-19 ended, the task too of revising and drawing up policy documents for our new church as All Saints has been completed. Quite a task, not the most interesting one, but crucial for the steps ahead. Projects projected such as the organ addition are proceeding in July. The installation of the commercial dishwasher is slated to go ahead. It was delayed due to the further possible work to the countertops that require attention. One project seemed subject to the other.

Lasting repairs are being attended to by our Property Team. The flat roof of the narthex has required attention. New LED lighting is being installed as required. The lower level vertical drapes have been replaced after some 30 plus years. The legacy stained glass window in the main stairwell is also in the process of being repaired.

We welcome Canon William Thomas formally to our team. He will be providing welcomed assistance to Pastor Jeff in the reality of the needs of our new congregation. I hope you had a good read of his article in last month's Connections. Deacon Chris has now assumed many of her regular contributions of ministry as well.

Over the summer, the change over to the "new" Council will continue. Plans for the summer have been made and secured. One of our directives is to provide planning for the future. This has already begun and will continue with a dedicated retreat in September for that purpose. One of those directives is to provide Christian Education for our children and youth

and to have a program up and running for the fall. At this point, I must admit this seems to be a challenge for our congregation. The main need is human resources....in other words, teachers and a superintendent assistant willing to take charge. From my point of view as Chair, as we extend our outreach to new areas of ministry, we cannot forget some of our core commitments. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact me or Pastor Jeff.

During this summer, I look forward representing our congregation and the Eastern Lutheran Synod at the National Conference being held in Regina, Saskatchewan during July. In order to accommodate this, I will be "on the road" from July 7th for about three weeks. A visit with my son in Banff is also planned during this time. Details for the conference can be found on the ELCIC website. The role of one of our national churches cannot ever be underestimated. The ministry of worldwide partnerships and what they can achieve in that role is truly a most valuable extension of our local ministry...one that we alone cannot achieve.

Listening; to not react or filter, to consume, to learn, to love. I encourage you to keep in contact with your Council members. We try through Connections, bulletins, email blasts, website, services, etc. to keep you informed. It does require though, your response and feedback.

Peace,
Brian Janzen

Mark Weigel
Roy McLeod
Andrew Usjak
Marilyn Bleach Shranz
Kate Stuttaford

Michele Altermann
Steven Ricketts
Barb Cook
Earlby Wakefield
Chris Heaney

Silvercreek Community Market Update

I would like to thank the congregation for their ongoing support of the Silvercreek Community Market.

Every time we appeal for a specific food need, I can count on you to respond.



Thank you!! The Market will continue over the summer and this could provide an opportunity for you to visit us, maybe on your holidays, and see the amazing work that goes on here. Volunteers



are always welcome. Please contact Val Webb for volunteer information.

Students are welcome to volunteer and get part of their Volunteer Hours signed off on. We could especially use a few students who like to work with children and take the school age children outside to play some games while they are waiting for the Market to start. This is something new we hope to offer our guests this summer.

Calling all gardeners! If

you or someone you know has an overabundance of produce and are looking to give it away, the Market is happy to receive it. Food can be dropped off on a Market Thursday between 12 and 1 p.m.

Please consider supporting the Market while you are on holidays by giving extra food or a financial donation before you



leave. **We are always looking for the following: rice, cereal, peanut butter, canned meat and fish, and pasta sauce.**

Thank you especially to the amazing Market Team.

We couldn't do this without you!

Michele Altermann

All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church Treasurer's Report by Sandra Christie

	May 2019	YTD - to end of May 2019
Offerings.....	\$14,343.05	\$81,567.20
Other Income	\$650.00	\$4,198.00
Transfers Rectory Fund	\$100.00	\$500.00
Dowry Fund	\$625.00	\$3,125.00
Parsonage Fund	<u>\$1,000.00</u>	<u>\$5,000.00</u>
Total Income	\$16,718.05	\$94,390.20
Total Expenses.....	<u>\$17,701.60</u>	<u>\$89,422.17</u>
Surplus/(Deficit).....	<u>(\$983.55)</u>	<u>\$4,968.03</u>

Getting to know Katy Waring



Katy leads the congregation in song during the All Saints Annual Outdoor Worship Service and Picnic

"I have loved music and been fairly 'vocal' (in both the musical and articulate sense) for as long as I can remember. The first organized experience with music that I can remember was when I was approximately 7 years old, with my dad at St. David's Anglican Church, where I was baptized. We sang together in the small church choir for the Sunday service that we attended. Shortly thereafter I joined the Cambridge Girl's Choir, following a parent-teacher conference with my grade 3 homeroom teacher, Mr. Wells. A well-meaning man, Mr. Wells - while glad that I

had found an artistic outlet for myself - felt during his class was not the best time for bouts of song, and encouraged my parents to find an organization outside of school where my talent would be more appropriate. Over ten years later, I have been involved in nearly every school choir I could get involved in, sang solos at talent shows and choral festivals, 'graduated' from the Cambridge Girl's Choir at the age of 18, and have volunteered with Mr. Crouch's music program at Stewart Avenue Public School through co-operative education. Now I have set my sights on becoming a music

teacher and choral conductor, like those who had supported me in my growth as a musician and an individual - Mrs. Stalder, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Brunton, Mrs. Smith Seto, Mr. Crouch, and All Saint's own Mr. West. I am now attending Western University in pursuit of my Bachelor of Arts, majoring in music and minoring in psychology, and plan to attend teacher's college in the future. In my time as a university student I am learning not just about music, but about myself - how to live life on my terms, and be the musician, individual and educator that is right for me."



SAVE THE DATE — DATE CHANGE!

(From previously stated date of Sept. 14th due to a conflict)

Assisting Ministers, Servers and Ushers

We will be offering a training and review of our procedures for Sunday morning worship services on **September 21, 2019.**

We are asking Assisting Ministers and servers to come at 9:30 am and

Ushers to come at 10:45 am.

Refreshments will be provided!

Jan Nielsen
Worship and Music Committee

Our amazing spaces

One of the amazing gifts we have in the architecture of our Church is a lovely, light filled Sanctuary to enjoy, as well as the Narthex area where we have a space to be social and greet each other every Sunday. It is great to see each other and share stories of our week when we

arrive. Then, when we're ready we can leave the day to day world behind us and move into the "sacred space" that the Sanctuary provides. For many in the congregation the Sanctuary space, before the Service starts, can be a space to refocus, to meditate, to prepare

for worship. Unlike many churches, we are lucky to have both social space and worship space. When we pass through the doors into the Sanctuary it's like moving into a different space, into contemplation, and when we leave we return to take God's

message into the world. Please consider our amazing spaces, and how each can best help meet our individual worship and social needs.

Thank you from the
Worship and Music
Committee

What's in a Sign?

Have you ever driven past a sign that made you say "Wow"? Maybe it made you laugh or maybe its presence left a lasting impression?

Years ago in my other life, I frequently drove past a country church sign which always had a meaningful, reflective slogan. I admired the creativity that went into making it inspirational. I spent the rest of my journey thoughtfully pondering its message.

So how is our Church sign project progressing? It is on target, on track and progressing very well. As you may have read in the weekly bulletin updates, fund-raising has been an amazing success. As of the date of writing this article as it goes to press, we have raised nearly \$12,000 with one more week to go before our fund-raising ends.

Our target was to raise \$14,000, but we are close enough to move forward with obtaining firm quotes from three contractors, which will be brought before The Sign Committee and before Church

Council, in conjunction with both Finance and Property Committees, for consideration and final approval.

Once the sign details and design are established, we can work with the City of Guelph for Bylaw approval for the positioning of the sign near the street sidewalk. The contractor that we choose can then go ahead with making and installing the sign. We are still hopeful that the sign can be installed by September of this year.

I would personally like to thank each and everyone of you for your generous contributions to make this project happen. It will give All Saints a prominent "face" on Silvercreek Pkwy, so that we are a presence in the community around the Church. All of you have been most gracious in supporting this worthwhile project.

Peace and Blessing
Marilyn Schranz

Guys Who Sing



"Guys Who Sing" a newly created all male choral group has some impressive talent. Some of its members are university students, some are well-known veterans of the local choral scene, composers Jeff Enns and Leonard Enns, conductor Peter Nikiforuk who recently retired from directing Menno Singers and professional Baritone, Daniel Lichti. And of course, you will recognize our own very talented Brian Janzen. Courtesy of the Kitchener-Waterloo Record.

Catholic Squirrels

Submitted by David Maguire

The Presbyterian church called a meeting to decide what to do about their squirrel infestation. After much prayer and consideration, they concluded that the squirrels were predestined to be there, and they shouldn't interfere with God's divine will.

At the Baptist church the squirrels had taken an

interest in the baptistery. The deacons met and decided to put a water-slide on the baptistery and let the squirrels drown themselves. The squirrels liked the slide and unfortunately, knew instinctively how to swim, so twice as many squirrels showed up the following week.

The Lutheran church decided that they were

not in a position to harm any of God's creatures. So, they humanely trapped their squirrels and set them free near the Baptist church. Two weeks later the squirrels were back when the Baptists took down the water-slide.

But the Catholic church came up with a very creative strategy! They



baptized all the squirrels and made them members of the church. Now

they only see them at Christmas and Easter.

Not much was heard from the synagogue. They took the first squirrel and circumcised him. They haven't seen a squirrel since.



God Sends Us in Mission

In its fifth event of the Renewing Liturgy series, **Liturgy Canada** focuses on **Sending** and asks the following questions: "What does the final act of the Sunday Eucharist – the Sending – actually do? Is it a time for announcements, or for whatever else does not fit in the Word or the Meal? What does the Sending *signify* – beyond just the ending of the service?"

This event will be held here – at **All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church**. It is an opportunity to engage with others and learn more about both our Anglican and Lutheran worship practices and builds upon the work the Worship and Music committee has been doing. All are welcome – pre-registration is required and includes lunch. Please contact Kathryn Smith or Jan Nielson if you are interested in attending or would like more information.

Date – Saturday,
September 28

Time – 9:00 to 4:00

Registration - \$35.00 or
\$125.00 for 5 from the
same congregation
(includes lunch)

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A Rediscovering Liturgy conference designed for parish worship teams — for all who serve in the liturgy.

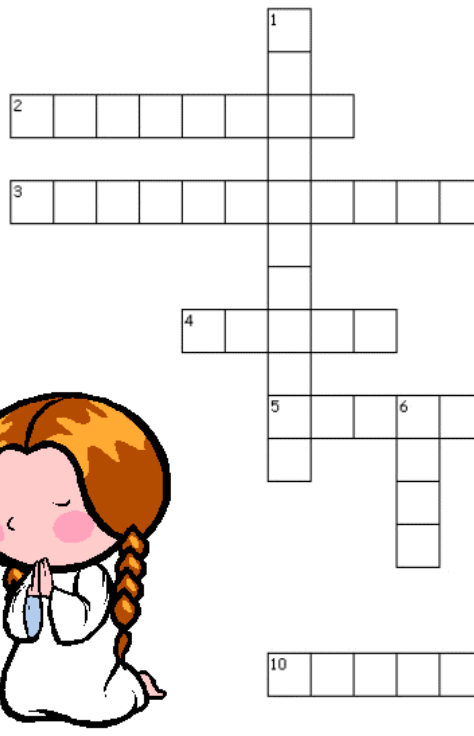
To register and pay, visit <http://realpresence5.eventbrite.ca> and submit name(s) and the name of the parish. Cost: \$35 per person, or \$125 for a parish team (up to 5; \$25 for each person beyond the first 5); \$25 for students. Lunch is included.

For the list of workshops and directions to All Saints Church, visit us at www.liturgy.ca. Sign-in, coffee, & workshop registration at 9 am.

Church Signs!



Lord's Prayer Crossword



Word List:
anywhere power
communicate pray
forgiveness hears
example praise
simple hands



Across

2. We can pray anytime and ____.
3. Prayer is the special way we ____ with God.
4. We fold these out of respect and to avoid distraction when we pray.
5. Instead of using fancy words when we pray it's best to keep it this.
9. Praying has a lot of this because God can do anything.
10. Include this in your prayer to God because he deserves to hear it.

Down

1. An important part of prayer is to ask for this.
6. God wants us to do this all the time. When things are good and bad.
7. The Lord's Prayer is an ____ so we can know how to pray.
8. God always ____ us when we pray.

JULY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:00-8:00 pm – Fellowship Hall AA Flying Blind	2 6:00-8:00 pm – Choir Room TOPS	3 9:30-11:30 am – The Parlour Worship & Music Mtg. 7:00-9:00 pm – Choir Room Guelph Al-Anon Family Grp. 7:30-9:30 pm – Fellowship Hall AA Helping Hands	4 2:00 pm – Fellowship Hall Silvercreek Community Market 7:30-8:30 pm – Fellowship Hall Al-Anon Journey Together	5 7:30-9:00 pm – Fellowship Hall AA New Life	6
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Pentecost 7 10:00 am – Sanctuary Holy Communion						

AUGUST 2019

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