



ST. PHILIP'S ANGLICAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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OUR MISSION:

TO BE A CHRISTIAN CENTRE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD, BRINGING MEMBERS CLOSER TO CHRIST, PROCLAIMING THE WORD AND MAKING HIS LOVE KNOWN TO ALL.

WE SERVE OUR COMMUNITY IN THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT: WELCOMING EVERYONE, HELPING THOSE IN NEED AND SUPPORTING THE ENDEAVOURS OF OTHERS.

EVENTS - IN PICTURES:



**Volunteer 'readers' appreciation,
Athol School, 2019-06-18:
(from left Josef, Linda, Leigh; missing Paula, Mark)**



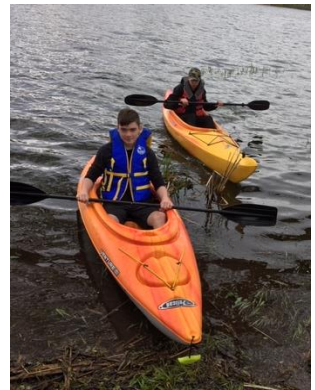
Pork & Corn Roast, 2019-08-25

Maria and Noel visiting SP 2019-08-25 (Paula at left)





**SP Black River
Canoe Trip
2019-05-20**



RECTOR'S MESSAGE:

Do you sometimes worry that you're not really the kind of person to have much of an impact on others for Jesus? Perhaps you feel you don't know enough. Maybe you feel like you are someone who is pretty insignificant in the scheme of things, no great influence nor following on social media? Sometimes it might be that we just chicken out when it comes to 'outing' yourself as a follower of Jesus. Guess what? Most of us have these thoughts and feelings. You're not alone.

This week I came across this challenging and encouraging verse. It's in Acts 4, and tells the story of the incredible impact the apostles Peter and John were having. Through them thousands and thousands of Jerusalem residents were coming to faith in Jesus as Messiah. The Jewish authorities were very concerned and hauled them in for an interrogation. At the end of which we find this comment:

"When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus." Acts 4:13 (NIV)

So here's the great news for ordinary people like us. To make a difference for God, you don't have to be brilliant, high status, or well educated. You just have to have been with Jesus.

The key to spiritual influence and power is our connection with Jesus.

So let me ask you - how deep is your connection with Jesus? Do you live all your life with him? Do you spend time reading his word (the bible) each day? Do you go through your day in a quiet conversation with him, involving him in everything you do? Do you look forward to gathering in church on a Sunday so you can encounter Jesus more deeply in community?

Wouldn't it be incredible if our little St. Philip's stood out because we are people who've been with Jesus?!



I want to encourage you to attend the Quinte Celebration of Hope, held in the evening on Sunday October 6. Plan to come and invite a friend with you to hear Will Graham share about the Gospel -- check out this website for more information: quinte.celebrationofhope.ca .

With hope and encouragement, see you Sunday.

Rev. Ada

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Incumbent

Anglican Churches of Wellington, Milford and Waupoos, PEC

REPORTS:

Wardens

The Wardens would like to express their gratitude for the ongoing efforts of each committee and group that continues to support and enhance the pastoral\outreach, financial, worship and property responsibilities at St Philip's.

The most recent building upgrades now make potable water available directly from the kitchen taps, and the final upgrades to the soffits and eaves troughs have resulted in our roof to be in excellent shape. The addition of Glendon Walker as Database Administrator to our financial team has proved to be a great help in producing statements and easing the burden on our Treasurer, Bruce Walker.

We continue to care for those in our community who need our support and prayers through the efforts of the pastoral care and prayer groups, and ACW events have been well attended and financially successful.

Everyone does their part in continuing the good work that the St Philip's congregation excels at and we are grateful for each one of you.

Our sincere Thank You to Peggy Hallward for her extensive and professional contribution to St. Philip's in recent months. She is missed by all.

Wardens
Sally Cowan and Josef Cihlar

ACW

As I write this entry to our Newsletter, I am still enjoying our 2019 vacation adventure. Summer will soon be over, I will be back home in the County, school will commence, and Main Street traffic will ease.

The ACW ladies last met in June and talked over plans for the annual Pork and Corn Roast and other upcoming events. I have learned that a torrential downpour happened on the day of the Pork and Corn Roast but, thankfully, the rain stopped in time for the people to come, eat and visit with friends. Thank you all for your donations of pies and cakes and specially for your cheerful and willing work to make the event such a success!

The ACW ladies are meeting in the church hall at 1:30 pm on Wednesday, September 18th and will finalize plans for the Fall Yard and Rummage Sale to be held on Saturday, September 28th. We would really appreciate your donations of gently used items and any help you can give at that time.

On October 8th, the ACW's Annual General Meeting for Hastings District will be held at Holy Trinity Church in Frankford. Registration starts at 9 am, followed by Holy Eucharist with Bishop Michael at 10 o'clock. The guest speaker is from Abigail's Learning Centre in Belleville, a nonprofit organization that teaches children and parents. A nutritious lunch will be served (\$12 cost) and a brief business meeting will follow. President Kathy Morgan will preside for the last time and we're hoping to see lots of our ladies attending to send her off! Ann Parks will be our new president and will be sworn in at the Diocesan ACW AGM in April 2020. I know everyone will want to share good wishes with our editor on his upcoming trip to Spain. Our prayers will be with you Josef on your journey.

God bless!!

Alfie Deyo, President

Outreach

During Lent St. Philip's family raised \$470 for the Henry Budd College of Ministry. Thank you Jean for taking care of the fundraising.

On April 6 Bruce and I gave a Saturday morning talk on our recent pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela. Thank you for your support and for all your prayers for our walk. We invite you now to pray for Josef as he is soon to begin his pilgrimage to Santiago on the Camino Frances!

On May 14 several members of St. Philip's assisted Rev. Fran Langlois during the annual service and luncheon for seniors that took place at the Salvation Army. Guest preacher was the dean of our cathedral, The Very Reverend Don Davidson. The service was well attended and much appreciated.

Thanks to Ben and Emily and all who helped, the annual canoe trip on Black River was again a great success. The weather was beautiful and there seemed to be more kayaks than canoes this year! We thank Harley and Karen and Black River B&B for continuing to provide the launch site and lunch site.

In June our volunteers at Athol-South Marysburgh School each received a beautiful box of flowers in appreciation of volunteer hours spent with the reading program. June 25 was graduation day at the school and once again the valedictorian received a \$100 award from St. Philip's. This year's recipient was Sage Noxon.

We continue to host potluck supper movie nights. We try to have one a month and they are announced at Sunday services, in our weekly bulletin and on our website. At our most recent evening we had two unexpected guests. A lady from Belleville and her friend from Toronto were visiting the County. When they saw some cars at St. Philip's they stopped to see if they could have a look inside. They came in and accepted our invitation to stay for dinner and the movie!

Thank you all for financially supporting the efforts of the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund. Please also remember their good work in your prayers.

As we begin this year's Season of Creation your Diocese of Ontario Green Group invites you to attend "**Climate Emergency: Why and What must we do?**" with keynote speaker Dr. Dianne Saxe, a lawyer and former Environmental Commissioner of Ontario. This event will be held at St. George's Cathedral on Thursday, September 19. Doors open at 6 pm with the talk set to begin at 6:30. It is free with an opportunity to make a goodwill offering in support of the work of your Green Group.

We would also like to remind you that the Quinte Celebration of Hope with Will Graham is being held on October 4-6, 2019. For more information see celebrationofhope.ca.

Our next outreach meeting will be announced.

Blessings,

Paula Walker, Chair

Building Committee report

As we planned in the spring, a clean up of the church grounds took place in May. We installed a UV lamp on the water system and had the water successfully tested by the health department, so that now potable water is available from all taps on the premises – and we no longer need to purchase and haul the big and heavy jugs of water. We identified and marked suitable locations for handicap parking. After waiting for some time and fundraising, remaining roof repairs/

upgrades were completed – soffits, rain gutters, fascias, and metal covers for the church cross and the (former) chimney.

Thanks to Leigh for looking after the grass over the summer.

Ted Foy, Chair

Budget update

a) Itemized transactions 2019-01-01 to 2019-06-30.

2019-08-23 Cash Basis		Profit & Loss January through June 2019	
		Jan - Jun 19	
Income			
700 - ENVELOPES		26,169.25	
701 - pwrdf income		-1,405.00	
702 - OPEN OFFERING		406.05	
704 - ACW DONATIONS		2,000.00	
706 - INTEREST AD ENDOWMENTS		20.75	
708 - MISC FUNDRAISING EVENTS		630.60	
710 - OTHER INCOME		220.75	
Total Income		28,042.40	
Expense			
800 - CENTRAL TREASURER		25,000.00	
801 - HYDRO		2,593.54	
802 - JANITORIAL SERVICES		625.00	
806 - CHURCH MUSIC PROGRAM		67.00	
808 - NEWSLETTER EXPENSE		84.84	
809 - MAINTENANCE		2,581.69	
812 - WATER		270.00	
817 - GIFTS AND CARDS		24.97	
819 - MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE		775.52	
820 - HST		507.02	
Total Expense		32,509.58	
Net Income		-4,467.18	

Glendon Walker, Database Administrator

b) Financial Update to 2019-08-17

Operating Account

Income \$34,283.15

Expenses \$34,617.60

Balance \$7,297.88

Memorial Account Balance \$4,255.07.

We have paid the central treasurer \$25,000.00. We owe the central treasurer \$13,784.00, to be paid over the remainder of this year. PWRDF has taken in \$5,470.00. The roofing contractor has been paid. A first half report is posted in the Hall.

Bruce Walker, Treasurer

c) A wonderful surprise:

My wife, Warden Sally Cowan, was recently contacted through our website by Dr. Elaine Keillor asking where and to whom should she send a memorial gift. As it turned out, her late husband, Vernon Douglas McCaw passed away in 2013 leaving in his will \$50,000 to St.

Philip's Anglican Church. To my knowledge, this is the largest bequest our church has ever received.

How is Vernon Douglas McCaw connected to our McCaw family? No connection was apparent, until I recalled that while writing "East & West of the Rock" for our 2005 anniversary I searched the Anglican Archives in Kingston to collect all the names of people in our Parish who were confirmed so that they could be included in the book. Sure enough, in 1944 the St. Philip's confirmed included a Vernon Douglas McCaw. On page 40 there is a picture of the group that included Phyllis Walker, Shirley Marie McCaw, Shirley May McCaw, James McCaw, William McKinley, Carmen Brown, Jesse Armstrong and Vernon Douglas McCaw. Vernon's family had a farm in Greenbush but its exact boundaries may be difficult to identify at this time.

Information garnered from Vernon's obituary (see below) reveals a man that is very well educated and devoted to education. His wife is a world renowned musician, for many years a Professor of Music at Carleton University in Ottawa. Prof. Elaine Keillor's significant contribution to music in Canada and around the world is referenced on the web.

This memorial gift will be recognized by our Church, and a discussion is underway about inviting Dr. Keillor to a special service at St. Philip's, a church where her husband attended and was confirmed at the age of 15.

Bill Cowan

PS. Dr. Keillor also sent an obituary for her husband:

"Vernon McCaw died of complications from idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis on December 5 at West End Villa, Ottawa. He was born on a farm south of Picton in Prince Edward County on February 13, 1929. He leaves behind his beloved spouse, Dr. Elaine Keillor, nieces Lois Brough of Milford, ON, Marlene Baxter of Toledo, ON, Joan McCaw of California and nephews, Lee Lockwood of Aldergrove, BC, Dr. Glenn Lockwood of Ottawa, and Jason Smith of Northport. His parents, William and Eva McCaw, sisters - Lillian Lockwood and Shirley Smith, brothers - Frederick McCaw and Dr. Ralph McCaw, nieces - Corinne Broadbent and Sharon McCaw, and nephew, Daniel McCaw predeceased him.

Vernon attended Queen's University, the University of Western Ontario, and the University of Toronto, to earn BA and MEd degrees. He also studied accounting and statistics. For 16 years he taught at elementary and secondary schools. For the last 24 years of his professional life he worked in accountancy and statistics for the Board of Education, City of Toronto.

During his life he enjoyed attending musical and dramatic performances, cycling, swimming, canoeing, gardening, and painting. Internment at Beechwood Cemetery took place on December 9th. Visiting will be welcome before the celebration of his life to take place at the main Chapel of the Hulse, Playfair and McGarry funeral home, December 14, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations to the charity of your choice would be welcome."

NEWS and REFLECTIONS:

Annual Seniors Service and Luncheon

Residents and staff from local retirement and nursing homes once again enjoyed the May service and luncheon at The Salvation Army Church. Supported financially and by numerous volunteers of the three Anglican Parishes, the Anglican Ministry to Seniors in the County coordinates this annual event.

The one hundred and twenty-five residents, staff and volunteers enjoyed the service presided by Archdeacon Charles. Michael Goodwin and the choir provided music enjoyed by all those present. This year's guest preacher, The Right Rev. Don Davidson, Dean of the Cathedral of St. George in Kingston, touched many hearts with his wonderful sermon.

We are so very grateful for the dedicated volunteers who each year look after so many tasks: from arranging transportation to setting the attractive tables; from the kitchen crew who keep things moving smoothly to the servers on the beverage carts; from those who make and drop off sandwiches, cheese and grapes to our greeters and directors. The help of so many wonderful volunteers makes this event a very special day for many of the shut-ins of our County who look forward to this outing and talk about how much they enjoyed their time together for days after the event.

What a blessing to bring joy, fellowship and laughter to some of the most vulnerable in our community! May God continue to bless us as we work to serve him among the elderly in Prince Edward County.

With thanks and blessings,
Rev. Fran Langlois

News from Noel and Maria

Josef asked me* if I could contribute to the newsletter so if you can put up with the ramblings of an old man here goes. I do think that you are very brave Josef to do the "El Camino de Santiago" but I am sure you will do fine.

It was really good to see old friends at the Corn and Pork Roast. The congregation at St Philip's is an inspiration for all. The tables all looked very nice and festive, especially the flowers!

Something that really impressed Maria and I was the fact that Maeve, Kate, and Diane's granddaughter Lucy were all helping out and doing their thing, it was very nice to see! (Another thought Maeve you will have to stop growing soon).

We saw that all the old gang were cooking the pork, scraping the dishes, cooking the corn and generally having a good time.

A note to Bill (and anyone else that appreciates a good single malt scotch) This is Canadian scotch. It is called Glen Breton - Fiddlers Choice - from Nova Scotia. I can vouch for it. Apparently they raised the ire of a few scotch producers but after they won a couple of awards for their single malt the fuss died down.

Anyway it was really good to see you all - 'till next time.

Noel and Maria

* At the Pork and Corn Roast

Editor's note:

Thank you to all newsletter contributors for their inputs.

Josef Cihlar <robat58@kos.net>

P.S. Sally Cowan, Emily Cowan and Martin Smit provided the pictures.