

St. George on Yonge – Labour Day Weekend edition – September 4 2020

To our St. George on Yonge Parish Family and Friends,

New feature... the “I read it” quiz.

Congratulations to Kay... she was the first to get her answers in for last weeks “I read it” quiz. (Followed closely by Zoi, Clavel and Janet!) Who’s going to be first this week? Will it be YOU??

Submit the correct answers to office@stgeorgeonyonge.ca and if you’re first we will congratulate you in the next issue.

1) Who is celebrating a milestone birthday on September 6th?

2) What book is the bible verse from?

3) What are you supposed to do before leaving your home to come to an in-person service?

Bonus question: What year did Labour Day start in Canada?

***Please join us for worship**

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** The Sunday service for September 6 is being streamed live on the St. George on Yonge Facebook page at **10 a.m. ET:** <https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgeonyonge/>

Watch with your fellow parishioners!

The entire video will also be available on the page immediately after. Please invite your friends and family and let's watch, pray, sing and react together!

Starting September 13th the recorded services will be available in the afternoon on our website and Facebook page.

*The bulletin is attached.

* You can continue to access the service at <https://stgeorgeonyonge.ca/sermons> after 11 a.m. for September 6th and then in the afternoons starting on September 13th. Services for previous Sundays can be accessed from the website by clicking on *Sermon Archive*.

* You can hear the sermon by calling the church phone number and choosing option 8.

Thank you

Thank you to Kay for her work as a Deputy Warden. Kay has resigned from this position as of August 20. We thank her for her insights, support and assistance. She is continuing with the Reopening Team's work and her ministry of sending greeting cards and the telephone tree.

The repair of the leak in the sanctuary has been completed, with the assistance of members of our Persian Ministry, Living Water. Eric and his team of volunteers did the work for a reasonable fee. This was not an easy feat, with the height of the damaged area. We really appreciate all their efforts to have this done before reopening.



Eric and the lift



We are happy to welcome back the groups who use our facilities

Living Water Ministry - starting September 11

Bypass A A - September 14

Toronto Korean Methodist Church - September 20

AlAnon Serenity Group - November, they are having success with their Zoom meetings until then



Phoneathon –

Thanks to all who did calling for this important initiative. It was great to connect with the majority of our parishioners in this way. We have had positive feedback about our weekly emails and online services.

RE-OPENING

If you are coming to any in-person service, please read the attached information for what to expect when you arrive at the Church.

Please do this covid-19 assessment (from Toronto Public Health) before leaving home.

Do you have any of the following:

Fever

Cough

Difficulty breathing

Sore throat, trouble swallowing

Runny nose

Loss of taste for smell

Not feeling well

Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea

Have you been in close contact with someone who is sick or has confirmed COVID-19 in the past 14 days?

Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the past 14 days?

If you answered YES to any of these questions, stay home & self-isolate right away. Call Telehealth or your health care provider, to find out if you need a test.

For more information go to www.Toronto.ca/covid19

VIRTUAL CHILDREN’S PROGRAM



Hey Parents and Kids,

I have wrapped up the summer virtual children’s program. Hope everyone has a good long weekend.

Starting on September 13th with our in-person services, we are not permitted to offer a children’s program at this time, but there will be Children’s Activity bulletins available at the screening table. If possible, please bring your own pencil and markers.

If you are not planning on attending in person, please let me know if you would like to receive the weekly story and activity bulletins by email. fambail@hotmail.com

Thanks! Kathy

Would you like to know what everyone's been doing? Connect with others you haven't seen for a long time? Learn about places in the community to visit? Have a laugh or two?

Why not join us for **Lemonade on the Lawn**, via Zoom. See below. (Please note: Lemonade is not mandatory to join us! And you don't have to have a lawn either!)



VIRTUAL LEMONADE ON THE LAWN – Sunday, September 6 at 1 p.m.

Join us for a virtual social time this Sunday. If you have a reading, song or something else to share, that would be terrific.

To join by phone – Call **647-374-4685** When prompted to enter the Meeting ID number, enter **4136849381** Then press #. If prompted to enter a participation ID, just press # and stay on the line.

To join by computer, tablet or smart phone – Go to the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4136849381> You may have to download Zoom.

If you would like to practise signing on, or need any further information, please contact Lorraine at 905-881-1465 or lbaillie@rogers.com. On Sunday if you have any trouble getting on, please call Lorraine.

Bring your beverage and treats to the chat!



Special Happy Birthday to Muriel who celebrates a milestone this Sunday, September 6.

Any more September birthdays? Please let us know.

Reminders

*We understand that the pandemic has caused financial hardship to many, and the church is no exception. With the reduced income from rental groups and the daycare, and some extra costs for building maintenance, the parish finds itself dealing with a significant deficit, and the end is not in sight. We want to assure you that we have been applying for government assistance with the wage and rental subsidies, however these are limited forms of assistance.

*Please remember that stewardship is a Christian discipline, and contribute what you are able, in addition to maintaining your regular offering. Please consider using PAR if you have not already signed up; the Envelope Secretary can help with this (Anne Baillie at family.baillie@sympatico.ca). We can also pick up your donation and save you a stamp. Leave a message on the church voice mail.

* Until Anglican worship resumes in-person on September 13, anyone visiting the church for any reason must be registered in a log book as required by public health directives. Visitors should call the church before coming, and inform Rev. Leonard or the Office Administrator or a Churchwarden that they wish to visit St. George.

Church Contact Information

Even in phase 3 of COVID-19 management, the church remains closed. If you need to contact the office, please e-mail or leave a voice message. The church phone number is **(416) 225-1922**.

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Important Links

*For regular updates on COVID-19 from Toronto Public Health, or for updates on the impact of COVID-19 on City services, please visit www.toronto.ca/covid19. This link will also connect you to Provincial and Federal information.

*For information and updates from the Diocese, please visit www.toronto.anglican.ca

Happy Labour Day... celebrated since 1894 in Canada!

**“For where two or three come together in my name,
there am I with them.”**

Matthew 18:20

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