## September 15, 2023 This Week's News

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Worship 🗸				
Sept. 17	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	In person	10:00 a.m.	
Sept. 20	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.	
Sept. 21	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.	
Sept. 24	Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost	In person	10:00 a.m.	
Sept. 27	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.	
Sept. 28	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.	

Other Events/meetings				
Weekly	Coffee Hour	in person	after the Sunday service	
Weekly -	ESL Classes	in person	10:00 a.m. – Noon	
Wednesdays				
Sept. 24	Pot Luck lunch	in person	after the Sunday service	

#### HOW TO JOIN ST. GEORGE EVENTS ON ZOOM AND FACEBOOK

**ZOOM:** To join by computer, tablet or smart phone – Go to the following link: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/5482169827">https://zoom.us/j/5482169827</a> You may have to download Zoom. Passcode: 1922 To join by phone – Call **647-374-4685.** When prompted for the Meeting ID number, enter 5482169827 then press #. If prompted to enter a participation ID, press # again and stay on the line. Passcode: 1922

Please remember that the Sunday services are live on Facebook, not on Zoom.

**FACEBOOK**: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgeonyonge">https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgeonyonge</a> and can be watched anytime afterwards as well. Sermons can be heard on the phone by calling the church number and pressing extension 8.

## **Parish Announcements**

## **RETIREMENT OF REV. LEONARD LEADER**

Rev. Leonard Leader read out a letter after the service last Sunday that stated he will be retiring as of September 30<sup>th</sup>. His last service here at St. George on Yonge will be on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

After the service we will be having a pot-luck lunch in honour of his retirement. You can sign up after the service on September 17<sup>th</sup>, or email the office administrator (office@stgeorgeonyonge.ca) to let her know you will be attending and what food items you will be bringing. Appetizers, main dishes, side dishes (salads, vegetables, etc.), and desserts are needed. Cake, coffee, tea and juice will be provided.



#### CHILDRENS PROGRAM

Kathy and Clavel welcomed the children back to the program on Sunday. We are hoping to grow our children's program but in order to do that we need to have more teachers. Please speak with Clavel or Kathy, or email Kathy at <a href="mailto:fambail@hotmail.com">fambail@hotmail.com</a> if you would be able to help out with this ministry. All teachers must complete a police record check and take the Sexual Misconduct Policy online training.

We are using the Sermons 4Kids program. Each week they provide a daily discussion that can be used throughout the week relating to the theme of the Sunday lesson. We can have them email you the daily discussion questions that relate to the theme of the Sunday lesson. Please let us know if you would like me to add your email address to their email list for this.

## **DONATIONS OF FOOD AND ESSENTIAL ITEMS**



The grocery cart in the narthex is for donations of non-perishable food and other essential items. The donations will help support the St. George on Yonge Gift Card recipients, as well as the NeighbourLink food bank that helps the needy in Willowdale and the wider North York area. October 3<sup>rd</sup> is our next grocery card distribution day. Please help fill up the cart for them.



## SAVE THE DATE: CONCERT ON NOVEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup> 2023

The Marion Singers of Toronto, under the direction of Christopher Dawes, will be giving a benefit concert at St. George on Yonge at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup>. Our partner for this concert will be the Willowdale Church Coalition. Ticket price is \$20 and information for purchasing tickets will be provided soon. The Marion Singers of Toronto is donating their services. For more information on The Marion Singers please see their website at https://www.marionsingers.com/dev/.







Coffee Hour resumed last Sunday. It would be wonderful to have enough teams of two or three people to host once every 6 or 8 weeks. All supplies and training are provided. New to hosting? We can pair you with someone who has experience!

Please contact Lorraine Baillie or Nancy Dodsworth if you would like to be part of this important ministry, or leave a message at the Church Office.



#### **CHURCH LIBRARY**

Check out the books in the Church Library. Our library is getting restored by Damiana. Books are getting reorganized into subject areas that will be easy to access. For the present time, please see the cart of suggested books which will be outside the library each Sunday morning. If you wish to borrow a book, please fill in the sign out sheet in the red binder. We ask that books be returned within a month.

#### **ESL CLASSES IN-PERSON AT ST. GEORGE!**

ESL sessions are at St. George on Yonge, 5350 Yonge Street, on Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. to noon. No preregistration required.

## **JOIN OUR ESL TEAM!**

We urgently need help with our ESL program. One of our dedicated leaders is currently away until November which leaves our two new teachers to run the program on their own and one will be away for 2 weeks in October. We do have a lovely host helping but she's going to be away for the month of October. Help please.

Email the church office (office@stgeorgeonyonge.ca) if you're able to help. Please note that volunteers for ESL must take an online Sexual Misconduct Policy training that takes about an hour before starting to volunteer (it can be done at home or at the church). Thank you.

## "KEEP THE LIGHTS ON" CAMPAIGN MESSAGE



The leadership of St. George on Yonge has asked members of the parish to consider donations to our campaign called "Keep The Lights On". Over the past few

months we are pleased to report that many in our church family have answered that need but more help is always needed.

We are also pleased to report that further efforts to raise funds are in negotiations currently, with hopefully two upcoming concerts being planned here at St George on Yonge as well as several possible new users inquiring about our facilities.

All donations received, no matter if from a member of our parish family or not, in any amount, as long as the donor provides details such as name and address for our Envelope Secretary to record, qualify for an income tax receipt that helps to reduce your income tax for the 2023 tax year.

We are very grateful for those who have already come forward with additional funds; these gifts are really appreciated but everyone's continuing support is needed. We would like to remind everyone about the opportunity to remember loved ones expressed in the video listed below as well. Without increased financial support, from everyone as they are able, St. George cannot exist here much longer.

Please check out this link for the "This Little Light of Mine" memorial donation opportunity. <a href="https://stgeorgeonyonge.ca/stewardship/">https://stgeorgeonyonge.ca/stewardship/</a>

Your Wardens

## We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .

## **Worldwide Anglican Cycle**

The people and leaders of The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

## **Canadian Anglican-Lutheran Cycle**

**ACC** The Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon **ELCIC** The dean, council, and congregations of the Southern Interior Region of the British Columbia Synod

## Outreach prayer cycle

*Pray for* St. Paul, Newmarket, its support of the local food bank and Inn from the Cold program, Karanda Mission Hospital in Zimbabwe, Elimu education programs in Kenya, and school knapsacks for St. Vincent and the Grenadines;

for St. Paul, Uxbridge, its participation in a weekly community lunch, Orange Shirt Day and education for reconciliation, refugee sponsorship, and support for the Loaves and Fishes food bank;

and for St. Peter and St. Simon the Apostle, its after-school program, support of Codrington College in Barbados, and the local food bank, refugee sponsorship, advocacy on poverty, food security, and housing issues, its work with St Simon's Clubbe House, Men's Shelter, and education on Indigenous and Right Relations issues.

#### **Diocesan Cycle**

The people and leaders of Victoria & Laliburton Deanery

#### **Deanery Cycle**

The people and leaders of St. Theodore of Canterbury

#### **Congregation Cycle**

Joanie P / Krystal P & Family / Rudy P / John & Laura P / Selvin K

## **Community Events**

# SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER 20<sup>TH,</sup> 2023 7:00 P.M. THE BISHOP'S COMPANY DINNER IS BACK IN PERSON!



The Diocese of Toronto is grateful for your past support of the Bishop's Company. You may have attended one of our annual dinners, contributed to our ministries, or even viewed our online Cabaret over the last three years. Now is your chance to come together and reconnect with members of our community, breaking bread with one another while supporting a great cause.

## Business leader and philanthropist Blake Goldring, CM MSM CD CFA ODT & Executive Chairman of AGF Management Limited will be this year's Guest Speaker.

Dinner includes a performance by jazz guitarist Nathan Hiltz and will be hosted by The Rev. Roshni Jayawardena.

Funds raised by The Bishop's Company support the Bishop's ministries, provide emergency care for clergy in need, and gives bursaries for religious education. Tickets are \$175 each or \$1,600 for a parish table of ten. Cocktails start at 6pm, with dinner at 7pm. Have your guest's **menu** selections ready when you purchase your tickets. For more details and tickets go **here** and follow us on **Facebook**.

They look forward to seeing everyone in person again on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

#### A LITTLE INSPIRATION



## A LITTLE HUMOUR



Um... what???