



CHRIST CHURCH GABRIOLA



ANNOUNCEMENTS SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER May 6, 2018

**Sunday May 6, 2018 - Celebrant Karen Hollis
Sunday Service 10:00am**

Rev. Karen's Office Hours



Karen's drop-in office hours will be Tuesday and Wednesday 1:00 - 3:00.

If these times don't work for you, please phone the church 250-247-8633, or email her RevKarenHollis@gmail.com to make an appointment.

Christ Church Gabriola website- www.christchurchgabriola.ca

Food Bank Sunday is **this week** – May 6th!

The local food bank is always in need of non-perishable food items. You can also make financial donations through your Church Offerings. Through your generosity we are making a difference in our community! *"I got a tally this morning for our April contribution of food stuff to the Food Bank. We had a significant donation, sort of a one-of, which boosted our weight to 49 lb Rose"*



Scripture Readings Format Change

Starting this **Sunday** May 6, Karen will begin doing the first reading of the service (usually a Hebrew Bible Old Testament).

We're trying this change in an attempt to simplify the roster and lighten the volunteer load on Sunday mornings.

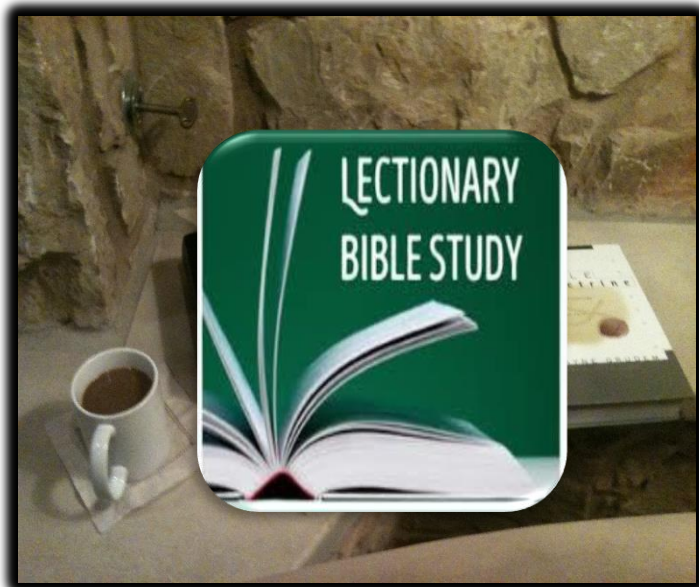
As well, the Hebrew Bible reading will now serve as a children's story when children are present and Karen will speak directly to them (although all are welcome to listen!) When children are not present Karen will tell the story to the congregation.



Safe Church Training Session

A 3-hour facilitated Safe Church training session will be held at Christ Church Gabriola on Saturday, June 16th at 10:00 am. The purpose of the training is to ensure that churches are places of safety from the harm of misconduct that can occur in situations when there is an imbalance of power. The training is provided free-of-charge by the Diocese of BC and is heartily endorsed by BC Conference. The training session is open to all members of the congregation. However, church volunteers in positions of trust and authority and those in contact with vulnerable adults are especially urged to attend.

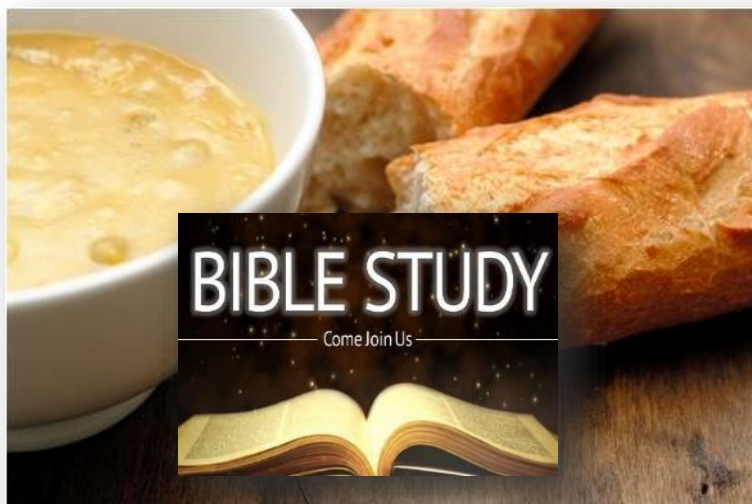
Pre-registration is necessary, so please sign-up on the sheet in the church hall. Contact Rob Brockley for more information.



Lectionary Bible Study Tuesday Mornings!

Please join us on Tuesdays at 10am for a conversation on the lectionary texts for the coming Sunday. All are welcome! Those are lectors and leading prayers that week may find attending particularly helpful for their preparation. So, come and gather for study, prayer and a time of sharing.

Friday Bible Study & Soup Supper



Friday afternoon (4:00 pm start) **Bible Studies resumed on April 13 and will continue until May 18.** We will begin at Mark 9:2 and work our way through the Gospel of Mark from there.

These studies are at the home of Susan and Rob Brockley, 465 Bruce Lynn Drive. Each study is followed by a simple soup supper at 5:30 pm.

Come when you can: to one session, a few sessions, or all six. All are welcome. Susan Brockley

(For more info contact the Church Office ph # 250-247-8633 or email christchurchgabriola@gmail.com)



If you, or someone you know, requires emergency pastoral care please **phone the church office** ph # 250-247-8633 for further contact information. The Pastoral Care Team will continue to provide regular pastoral care for members of the congregation. Email: christchurchgabriola@gmail.com

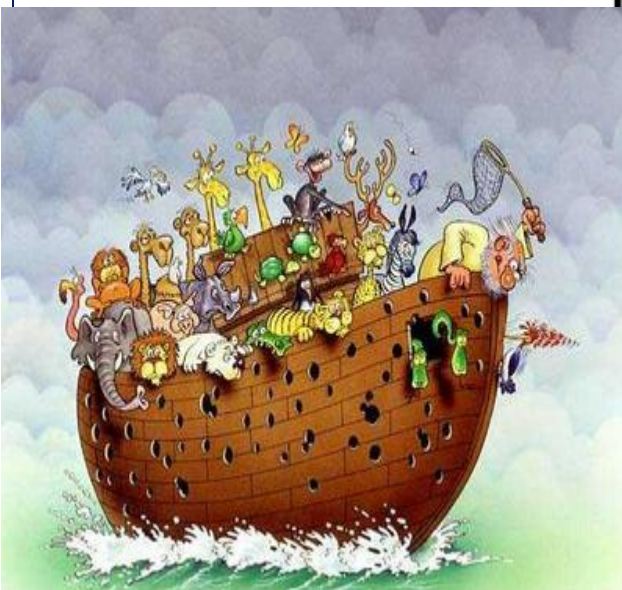


PRAYER WHEEL

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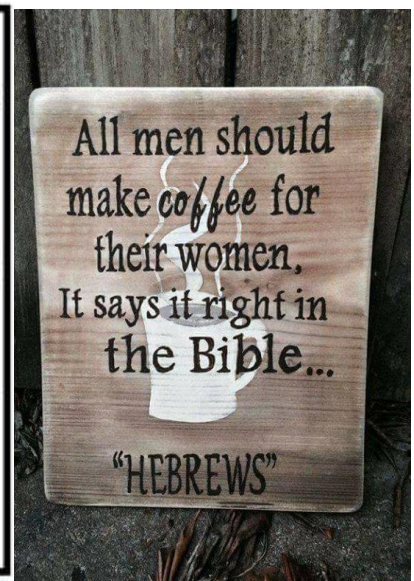
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Church Humour



"Those are the Saints. One day, they just came marching in."

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A pastor I know has a standard liturgy for funerals. To personalize each service, he uses the Find and Replace command on his computer to replace the name of the deceased from the previous funeral with the new name.

The next morning, the funeral was going smoothly until the Apostle's Creed. "Jesus Christ," the congregation read from the program, "born of the Virgin Edna.."

- Coming Up—Theological Open House. We discuss thought-provoking topics. Your opinions are hardly welcome.
- All singles are invited to join us Friday at 7 p.m. for the annual Christmas Sing-along.
- Thursday night – potluck supper. Prayer and medication to follow.
- Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our church and the community.
- For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
- The rosebud on the altar this morning is to announce the birth of David Alan Belzer, the son of Rev. and Mrs. Julius Belzer.
- This afternoon there will be a meeting in the south and north ends of the church. Children will be baptized at both ends.
- Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. there will be an ice cream social. All ladies giving milk will please come early.
- Wednesday, the Ladies Liturgy Society will meet. Mrs. Jones will sing "Put Me In My Little Bed" accompanied by the pastor.
- Thursday at 5:00 p.m. there will be a meeting of the Little Mothers Club. All wishing to become little mothers, please see the minister in his study.
- This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mrs. Lewis to come forward and lay an egg on the altar.
- The service will close with "Little Drops Of Water." One of the ladies will start quietly, and the rest of the congregation will join in.
- Next Sunday, a special collection will be taken to defray the cost of the new carpet. All those wishing to do something on the new carpet will come forward and get a piece of paper.
- The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind and they may be seen in the church basement Friday.
- A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.
- At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What Is Hell?" – come early and listen to our choir practice.
- Our youth basketball team is back in action Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. in the recreation hall. Come out and watch us kill Christ the King.
- Miss Charlene Mason sang, "I will not pass this way again," giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.
- "Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands."
- The sermon this morning: "Jesus Walks on the Water." The sermon tonight: "Searching for Jesus."
- Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.
- Barbara remains in the hospital and needs blood donors for more transfusions. She is also having trouble sleeping and requests tapes of Pastor Jack's sermons.
- The Rector will preach his farewell message after which the choir will sing "Break Forth into Joy."
- Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.
- Eight new choir robes are currently needed, due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.

All Are Welcome to Worship Together

We welcome you, whoever and wherever you are, to join us on a journey. We strive to accept each other as we are and welcome the ministry and participation of all persons regardless of age, gender identity, health, race, sexual orientation, differing abilities, religious or ethnic background or economic circumstance.

We hope that in all that we do, in our worship and community life, that the Creator's unconditional love is experienced.

We do this trusting The Creator is with us on the journey.

We gather on the ancestral lands the Snuneymuxw people.

Rev. Karen Hollis

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