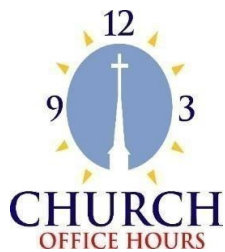




CHRIST CHURCH GABRIOLA  
ANNOUNCEMENTS  
November 4, 2018  
24<sup>th</sup> after Pentecost



Rev. Karen's Office Hours

Tuesday 11.00am -1:00pm & Wednesday 1:00pm- 3:0pm.

If these times don't work for you, please phone the church 250-247- 8633, or email her [revkarenhollis@gmail.com](mailto:revkarenhollis@gmail.com) to make an appointment.



Check out our Facebook page and become a member.

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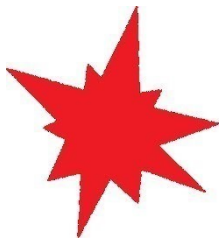




# Bake Sale and Bazaar

**Christ Church  
Gabriola  
Christmas Bazaar Saturday,  
November 10<sup>th</sup>**

There is only **one week** until the  
***30th Anniversary Christmas Bazaar on Nov. 10th***



*This is our biggest fundraiser and most extensive community interaction of the year. Funds go back to the Community, and to select Church projects.*

## An Update:

- We still need help at the Baking table on the day of the Bazaar - please see the sign-up list.
- Lisa G. has frozen tart shells available today for you to take home and fill. She will be in the lobby after the service.
- Baking, soups, granny table items, and crafts can be dropped off at the Community Hall between 11:00 and 1:00 on Saturday.

We welcome everyone to drop by next Saturday, 2-4 at the Community Hall.

Lisa Griffith at [lgriffith@telus.net](mailto:lgriffith@telus.net) or 250-247-7382 if you have questions or concerns.



## **Remembrance Day Sunday Worship Service & Remembrance Day Service**



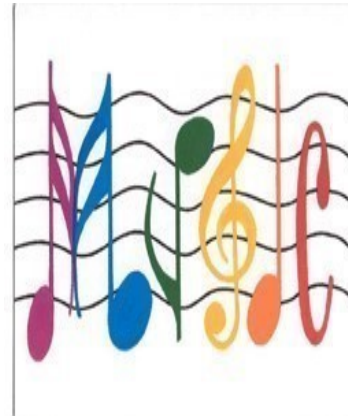
Rev. Karen has been asked to be the chaplain at the Cairn

Ceremony at 11:00am and we want CCG members to be able to attend the ceremony if they wish. We will have a quiet, reflective service lasting about 50 minutes at 9:00am at CCG, after which people can stay and chat or go to the cairn for the ceremony.

### **About the Music at Sunday Worship Service Nov. 4th**

"Meditation" by Jules Massenet and arranged by Claire W. Johnson is an instrumental interlude between acts in the opera Thais, by Massenet.

Thais, pronounced "ta-ees", is a woman who has devoted her life to the pursuit of pleasure. The opera is set in Egypt under the rule of the Roman Empire. Both the opera and the instrumental piece "Meditation" reflect the difficult decision to be made by the beautiful Thais. She must decide between continuing her life of luxury and self-indulgence - or whether to enter a convent and find salvation through God. The music builds through a period of indecision, to a climax, and ultimately to a confident calm as Thais chooses to give her life to the service of God. As you listen you might like to reflect on a difficult choice you have had to make. - Charlie Blackburn



Watch/Listen:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=luL1T1WQC2k>

**please note**

The **Shawl Ministry** Group is changing its meeting time from the third Thursday at 1:30 to the **third Monday at 1:30.**

*Prayer Shawl  
Ministry*





## Christmas Services Schedule:

December 21 - 7pm Blue Christmas

December 24 - 7pm Lessons and Carols

December 24 - 11pm Candlelight Eucharist

December 25 - 10am Christmas Morning Eucharist

## Foodbank Donations for PHC

As the weather deteriorates many of the poor on Gabriola will be looking to the PHC for help and support.



*Every little helps*

## Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child is now under way. For full details on this charitable program see the CCG website.

[www.christchurchgabriola.ca](http://www.christchurchgabriola.ca)

**Please Contact: Maureen Bryson or, the Christ Church Gabriola office.**

Shoebox Stories - Vladimir And His Dental Floss

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ASot9\\_l99F4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ASot9_l99F4)

"My shoebox gift gave me an example of unconditional love."





*Your Outreach Team: Jenny, Gail, and Betty.*



### Monthly Outreach Snippets

## Empowerment, Discernment, and Community!

Our gifts for Mission & Service support events like the National Aboriginal Spiritual Gathering, where Indigenous communities can come together in solidarity and faith.

For several decades, Indigenous communities of faith have gathered nationally to discuss matters of self-determination, spirituality, and their relationship with The United Church of Canada. These gatherings are a forum for listening to one another and discerning Creator's plan for mission and ministry.

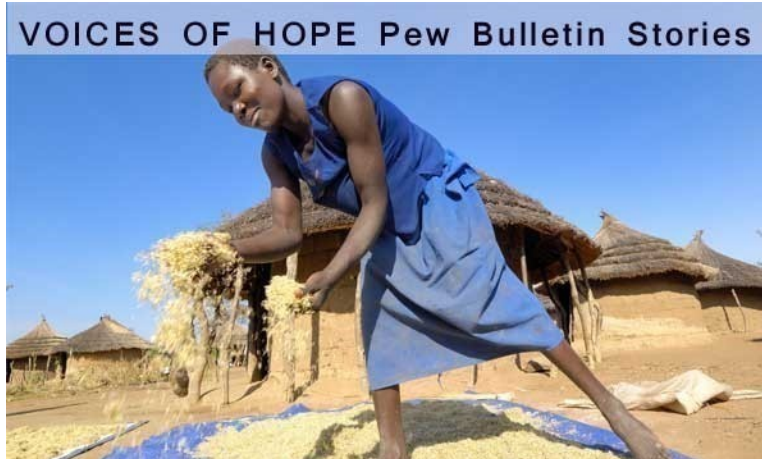
The 2017 Gathering took place July 27–30 on the Treaty One Territory (Pinawa, Manitoba). A Sacred Fire burned throughout the Gathering, with four Fire Keepers guarding it at all hours of the day. Participants came from across Canada—including youth, Elders, and ecumenical guests—as well as from the Moderator's Dialogue on Reconciliation.

The Very Rev. Dr. Stan McKay offered a Bible study, where participants reflected on biblical passages alongside the seven Sacred Teachings of Love, Respect, Courage, Honesty, Wisdom, Humility, and Truth.

Dr. Shauneen Pete, an educator from Saskatchewan, spoke of her experiences working in academic institutions on issues of workplace equity, institutional racism, and cultural competency. Connections were made between these issues and the work of reconciliation. Dr. Pete praised events like the National Aboriginal Spiritual Gathering that dig deeper into the issues and empower participants.

We are thankful for gatherings like the National Aboriginal Spiritual Gathering, and we celebrate that, through your gifts for Mission & Service, communities can look forward to the next Gathering in 2020.

If Mission & Service giving is already a regular part of your life, thank you so much! If you have not given, please join me in making Mission & Service giving a of your life of our neighbour heart of our Service.



### **Voices of Hope Pew Bulletin Stories Peru**

The more than twenty years of armed conflicts through the 1980's and 90's in Peru, Guatemala and Colombia have killed, displaced and injured thousands of people. During the 2003 report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission in Peru, PWRDF partner, Project Counselling Service (PCS) provided a program of mental health workshops to the recorders of the National Register of Victims of Huancavelica, as they were in most instances themselves victims of the violence. The workshops helped the recorders to address the emotional and psychological challenges they confronted as they took the testimonies of others.

These workshops have become a model for the rest of the region. This work to ensure that the sexual violence that occurred during the conflict was documented and included in the Truth and Reconciliation Report was a very significant contribution in the country's post-war recovery. In a country where to be a poor, Indigenous woman is to be three times invisible, and in a language (Quechua) where there is no word for rape, this naming and calling for compensation for rape victims, was a crucially important step in the healing process. More recently PCS has begun to support men to document the abuses that they also experienced.



## Lectionary Bible Study Tuesday Mornings!

Join Karen Tuesdays at 10:00 as she hosts a lectionary Bible study. This is anyone who would like to engage the weekly readings on a deeper level

Karen encourages those who are serving on the following Sunday to attend because it is helpful, particularly for those who are lectors and leading prayers of the people.

Come gather for study, prayer and a time of sharing.

RevKarenHollis@gmail.com to make an appointment

## November Birthdays

Blessings on your special day.

Nov 1 Corinne Carlson

Nov 7<sup>th</sup> Dwight Ivany

Nov 13<sup>th</sup> Linda St Clair Nov.19<sup>th</sup> Susan

Murray

Nov 27 Paddy Waymark





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](mailto:christchurchgabriola@gmail.com)

#### **PRAYER WHEEL**



*Pastoral Care*  
Team

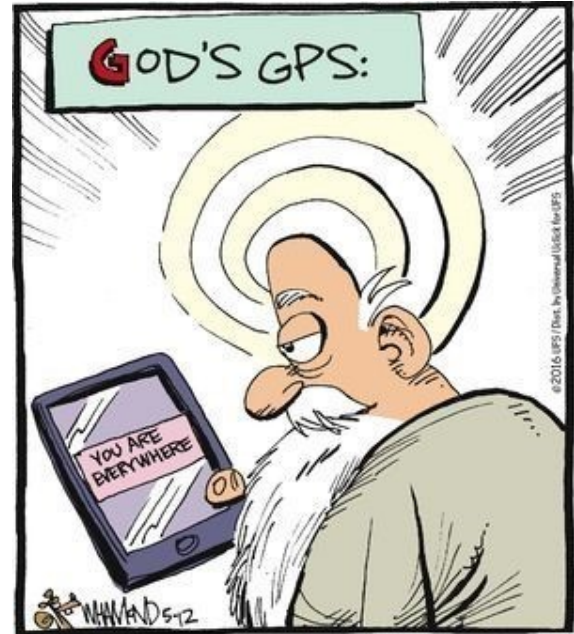
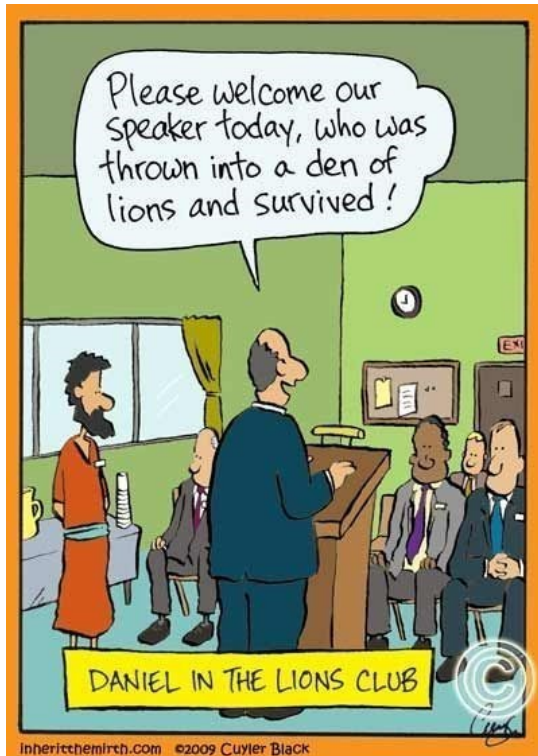


PRAYER WHEEL To request prayers for someone OR to become a member of the prayer wheel and pray for others as requested, please contact Susan Brockley: or phone **the church office** ph # 250- 247-8633

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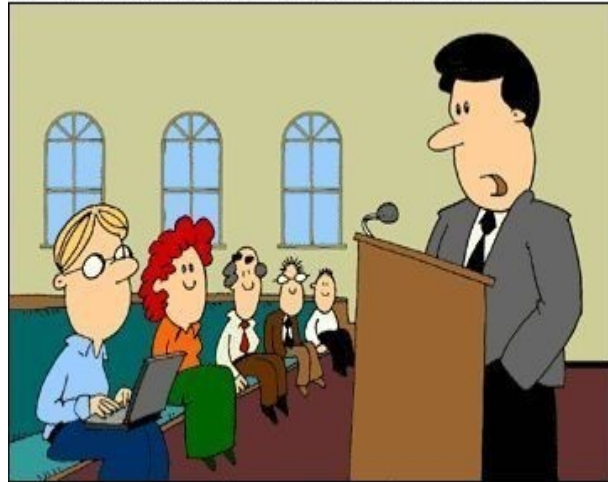


# Church Humour





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***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.*

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