

HAPPENINGS ON-THE-HILL
Week of October 06 to October 12, 2024

TODAY

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Prayers for the Week

Household Prayer: Morning

Help us, God, as we rise this day, to seek out your will as we enjoy the good and suffer through the bad. Prove us, O God, and try us so that we can learn the steps we need to take to follow your ways. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

When I felt like a dejected child, rejected and lost, your comfort surrounded me, and I felt as if I was home. Thank you for your embracing heart, for making me feel special and loved, for helping me up, and for saying that you are my brother, my saviour, my friend. Thank you, Jesus. Amen. (from *Feasting on the Word*, Year B, Vol.2)

A Prayer for the Mission of the Church

Draw your Church together, O Lord, into one great company of disciples, together following our Lord Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving him in his mission to the world, and together witnessing to his love on every continent and island. We ask this in his name and for his sake. Amen.

THIS WEEK @ ST. PHILIP'S

Tuesday Youth & Drama programs

Wednesday 7:30-9:00 pm, bi-weekly – Bible Study on Zoom

Thursday 6:45 am – Men's Bible Study on Zoom

10:00 am – Women's Bible Study

Saturday 5:00 pm – Evening Prayer on Zoom

Sunday 10:00 am – Sung Eucharist; Children's Worship; Cemetery Service

10:00 am – Mandarin Gathering, in-person and on Zoom

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October 14 Thanksgiving Day

October 19 Memorial Concert for Nina Cotton

October 27 Youth Sunday with drama

November 2 Ordination of Rev. Ajith Varghese to the priesthood, SPOTH

November 15 Gala!

Happy News!

The search committee, wardens and I are pleased to announce that Mr. Kenny Risk began his ministry as Christian Education Minister on October 1, 2024. Kenny comes to us with passion for Christ and Christian service. He grew up

in Orillia and graduated from Tyndale University with a BA in History and Theology. He is currently enrolled in divinity studies at St. Augustine's Seminary in Toronto and will soon be confirmed in the Anglican Church of Canada at St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church in Toronto. Kenny is married to Chelsea and lives in Stouffville. In his own words:

"I love teaching, leading, Christian education, and spiritual formation. I have a deep, growing relationship with Christ. My work experience ranges from sales, customer service, and retail to Christian education, tutoring, pastoral ministry, and leading children, youth, and young adults. I have experience as a pastor, a leader, a tutor, and a volunteer at various camps and churches. These experiences have established a strong foundation for communication, organizational leadership, and recruiting volunteers to become a strong, spiritually healthy team to conduct various ministries and events."

Kenny is on retreat this weekend. We welcome Kenny to our team and look forward to serving together. We appreciate your warm welcome of him, as well as your support and prayers. May the Lord bless his ministry amongst us.

Offering Envelopes

We are ordering offering envelopes for 2025. If you did not receive a box of pre-numbered envelopes for 2024 and would like a box for 2025, or no longer require envelopes, please contact Joanne Millett or the Church Office at 905-477-1991.

One of our goals is to reignite our fellowship. Our small group ministry is a great way to make friends and grow in faith. Please consider connecting with one of our small groups this fall. Contact Stephen+ and he will connect you with a leader....

Loaves and Fishes Poetry Circle meeting 7:00 PM online one Monday a month...a creative writing and sharing group...leader Anne Kern.

SPOTH Wednesday Evening small group is studying "The Lord and His Prayer" by N.T. Wright. The group meets online 7:30-9:00 PM every other week...Leaders Betty Taylor or Claudette Rawlins.

Men's Breakfast Bible Study meets Thursday 6:45 AM for a quick bite to eat with a study of 1 Thessalonians, starting Sept 19th...contact Stephen+.

Mandarin Bible Study Thursday 7:00 PM meeting on ZOOM, starting Sept 19th...contact Esther+

Women's Study the Gospel of John: God's Love Letter to Us...starting in-person at the church, Thursday Sept 19 10:00AM...leader Anne Kern.

Bible study is not reserved for the "super-spiritual" but for all Christians....Let's reignite the fire of our faith and fellowship.

THANKSGIVING DONATION

The Chancel Guild has been extremely grateful over the years for your generous contributions of thanksgiving to Yellow Brick House. We are, once again, asking for your generosity to help the staff of Yellow Brick House with the resources to allow them to prepare Thanksgiving dinner for their residents.

If you would prefer, they would gladly accept gift cards to Walmart, Shoppers Drug Mart or Longo's, or you could click on "give" on SPOTH website and under General Note put "Yellow Brick House." If you would prefer, donations by cash or cheque can be made in the offertory plate, by mail or hand delivered to the office by no later than Sunday, October 6, 2024, so that they will receive our donation in time for Thanksgiving. Kindly mark 'YELLOW BRICK HOUSE' on the envelope. Donations received after October 6 will be directed to FaithWorks.

Your generosity will be blest by all. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Carol Dykeman,
on behalf of the Chancel Guild.

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