

Saints' Alive Lent Newsletter 2018

Services

Sunday Holy Eucharist
8:30am and 10:30am

Wednesday Holy Communion
Every Wednesday – 10am – followed by
Bible Study - 11am

Afternoon Eucharist
Every second Thursday of the month 1:30pm

Après Ski Service
Every Saturday starting
January 13th until March 10th – 5pm

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday February 14th – 10am & 7pm

Palm Sunday

Sunday March 25th

Combined Service 9:30am

Wednesday March 28th

10am Holy Communion followed by

11am Bible Study

Seder Supper

(Time and cost to be announced)

Maundy Thursday

Thursday March 29th - 7pm

Good Friday

Friday March 30th - 10am

Easter Sunday

Sunday April 1st – 8:30am & 10:30am

Upcoming Events

- **Mother's Union** – Mon Feb 12th – 7pm
- **YAD (Young Adult Group)** – Tues Feb – 13th, 20th, 27th – 11am
- **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** – Tues Feb 13th – 6pm
- **Friendship Dinner** – Wed Feb 14th - 5:30pm
- **Co3** - Thurs Feb 15th, 22nd - 10am
- **Choir Rehearsal** – Thurs Feb 15th, 22nd - 12:15pm
- **Colourful Meditation** – Sat Feb 17th, 24th – 2pm
- **Spiritual Book Club** – Wed Feb 21st – 1pm
- **Handbell Rehearsal's** – Tues Feb 20th, 27th – 7pm
- **WNG Youth Group** – Wed Feb 21st – 6pm
- **Lenten Lunch Series** – Tues Feb 20th, 27th, Mar 6th, 13th, 20th – 12noon
- **Vestry Meeting** – Sun Feb 25th – after the 9:30am Combined Service

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Lent Newsletter

As we approach this Lenten season we pause to think about how we can mark this time in a significant way. Lent is a penitential time, where we pause to reflect on Jesus' last days and the emotional and physical challenges he faced on our behalf. Tradition tells us that we are to "give something up" so that we can feel the effects of denying ourselves. Another option is to add something to our daily lives be it extra Bible study, extra time where we volunteer, extra activities where we count the cost to ourselves.

Jesus presence with us on earth made a difference. The way we count our years changed because of his life with us. We call this 2018 while our Jewish family calls this year 5778. Jesus brought a new understanding to our personal relationships. No longer an eye for an eye, we are encouraged to turn the other cheek. Above all, we now have a new relationship with our God based on love and mercy rather than punishment.

Jesus made a difference. So that is my challenge for this Lent. As we seek to be God's presence in this world let us be open to new ways of making a difference. We don't need marching bands or fireworks; we just need to hold this in the forefront of our minds. God can and will use us every day to touch another's heart and their life. Make a difference for the people that are often invisible – a cashier, a bank teller, the waitress, the garbage picker uppers, those people often ignored. Keep in mind the doctors, librarians, sales staff and politicians – in other words, everyone we encounter.

God can and will use us. To make a difference. To reach others, to encourage others, to support others, to introduce them to the amazing love we experience every day. So this Lent hold this each and every day – to make a difference for someone. Make a difference in a situation. Make a difference in a relationship. Make a difference, each and every day.

Rev Sharon



Vestry

Our annual vestry meeting will take place on Sunday February 25th after the 9:30am

Bulletins/Announcements

Items for the following - Maundy Thursday March 29, Good Friday March 30, Easter Sunday April 1 must be submitted to the office by Wednesday March 21 10am.

Easter Flowers

If you would like to decorate the Church for Easter Sunday please bring your flowers and put them in the Church anytime during the week of March 26. If you would like to put an announcement in the bulletin please contact the office **705-445-3841** or

allsaintschurch@bmts.com
by Wednesday March 21 10am

Please pick up your 2018 envelopes at the back of the Church by the Elgin Street doors.

Please dispose of any envelopes from 2017 and older. Numbers can change. Thank you.



Lent 2018 Newsletter – Community Friendship Dinner

We have started off the year with the Friendship Dinner with successful January and February dinners. We served many guests and volunteers who enjoyed Ham donated by Pilkington's and delicious food donated by the parishioners. This is such a vital and important ministry for our community.

I did a quick verbal survey at January's dinner and the majority of the guests said they attend the dinner as a social gathering and to meet new people and catch up with friends. So the fellowship part of the dinner is so important.

We serve an average of 100 guests each month. This ministry is successful because of the wonderful volunteers. Thank you to all who donated food and/or volunteer each month. Also the monetary donations make the difference.

Let me know if you would like to be added as a volunteer and to be added to the email list. New Volunteers are always needed! We need your help!

Susan Scouten

susan@scouten.org

Coordinator Friendship Dinner



AWARE is a retreat for women of all denominations and ages. It is a week-end of spiritual refreshment and challenge. It is a weekend that includes an excellent speaker, small group discussions, worshipful music, fun and fellowship, or the blissful solitude of sitting beside the lake and listening to the loons.

This year's theme is

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest"

Friday, May 4 – Sunday, May 6

Watch for more details in the weekly bulletin or call Sharon 705-441-2577

To all the crafters of our shawls, this ministry would like to thank each and every one of you for your skills and prayers that you have said for an unknown recipient as you have knitted or crocheted each one.



The Prayer Shawl Ministry is continuing to grow and has proven quite successful. Since our first Blessing of the Shawls in May of 2014, we have gifted approximately 130 shawls and children's "hug rugs" to parishioners and non-parishioners in need of comfort and love! Each recipient has expressed their deep appreciation of the shawls as they experience their warmth and the blessings that they have received from them. We don't often know the individual tastes of the person that the shawl has been chosen for, but we frequently are told how the colours have been just perfect for them!

We are so truly grateful for your generosity of spirit, may you be as blessed as those that you have gifted with your kind-heartedness.

Moira Southwell

COME
MEET A FRIEND AT

Co3

Coffee, Cookies, Conversation
(Tea, juice, hot chocolate also served)

Enjoy games, knitting and bingo

Plus lots of fun and laughter

THURSDAY MORNINGS

10am - NOON

All Saints' Anglican Church

32 Elgin St., Collingwood

NO COST INVOLVED

Some Roof Maintenance



Music at ALL SAINTS' and Beyond

You will notice that the Music for Sundays in Lent and the special services during Holy Week are a little different. Although Gloria and Alleluia will be absent, all music including the organ postlude will have a strong Lenten theme. This music will offer an open invitation for quiet meditation and reflection.

Après Ski Service, Saturdays at 5pm, prelude at 4:40pm. This is a quiet candle-light service where you will experience a time of reflection with Taizé music sung by All Saints' Chamber choir members. These services will continue until March 10th. This last service will feature Cantorum, early music choir.

Alter all, we look forward to a great celebration of **Easter Sunday** on April 1st with a blast of music. And our Easter celebrations continue with our annual **Easter Pageant** on Sunday April 8th at 10:30am. This is our Family service.

Thank you All Saints' Musicians for practicing hard and getting ready for the season. Thank you All Saints' family for your support and participation. May you all have a blessed Lenten season.

Keiko Kuepfer
Director of Music / Organist



All Saints' International Dinner 2018

Each year the committee tries to provide a world class dinner and entertainment for our congregation and friends.

Many of you told us last year, "It will be hard to top this dinner"! Well, we are always trying and this year we hope 2018 will be the best yet, with professional entertainment and a sumptuous meal, the date is Sept. 14th, 2018 - so keep this date open for a special event.



YOU ARE INVITED

To a Young Adult Drop-in
(Ages 19 to 35)

Every Tuesday from 11am – 2pm

Light lunch served

All Saints' Anglican Church

32 Elgin Street

Please use door at top of ramp on south side of the building (by the parking lot)

Questions?? Call 705-445-3841



Young Adults Lunch Drop-in at All Saints'

Check out our website at

www.allsaintscollingwood.com

John 5:6 "When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, He said to him, 'Do you want to be made well?'".

Shakespeare was on to something: 'To be or not to be' really is the question. Nobody knows that better than Jesus, who preaches a "be attitude" instead of a "not to be attitude" throughout the gospels. "Stand up", Jesus urges the man lying on a mat beside the healing waters just outside Jerusalem's wall, "and walk". Healing the man is that easy—and that difficult. Jesus knows that a "be attitude" is vital.

We may not be cured of the causes of our physical or emotional suffering. Being healed and being cured are two very different outcomes. Cures are not always possible; healing always is. Looking back at the mats we leave behind after accepting Jesus' healing blesses us with empathy for others. We follow Jesus and become agents of His healing.

(Who have been agents of healing in your life? Call or write them today to offer thanks.) *From Forward Day by Day—Tuesday, Jan. 23/18*

All Saints' Christmas Pageant

