Announcements July 14—20, 2025

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The flowers in the church today are given to the Glory of God by Paul Reece & family in loving memory of parents Earl & Reta, brothers Gary & Philip, and grandparents May Ellen & Charters Reece.

As you prepare for worship...Proper 15C

Deuteronomy 30:10-14: In this reading Moses reaffirms God's commitment to His people Israel. It is God who will give them the means to love Him with all their hearts. Moses exhorted them therefore to turn to the Lord with all their hearts and souls and to observe the Laws (the "10 Commandments") God had given them. What God asks, Moses tells them, is not too onerous or beyond their understanding.

Colossians 1:15-20: Paul had told the Church at Colossae that he had heard of their deep faith ("trust") in the Lord. They are facing some sort of "deviant" teaching (perhaps to adhere to the Law?) so Paul prayed they may persevere in the faith. Our reading today is considered by many an early hymn about Christ: affirming Christ's divinity, his place in creation, his current reign, his being head of the Church, and the reconciliation he accomplished through the cross.

Luke 10:25-37: Jesus had sent out his disciples on missionary journeys. Perhaps this "Lawyer" (which means an expert in the Old Testament Law, not as we understand the term) had heard of this and is confused to the point of asking Jesus what he must do. Jesus asked him what the Law says and the Lawyer responds correctly: Love God, love my neighbour. The religious leaders apparently had many loopholes which denied "neighbour status" to those they deemed unworthy, so Jesus told him a parable in which the least likely person (a despised Samaritan) is the neighbour to one whom the religious leaders would have left for dead.

Genesis 18:1-10a; Colossians 1:21-28; Luke 1:21-28

Activities this Week Jul 14 Monday 1:30 pm—Bible Crossword, Rectory 7:00 pm—Group Meeting, Basement Jul 15 Tuesday 7:00 pm—Bluewater Chordsmen, Parish Hall Jul 16 Wednesday 10:00 am & 7:00 pm—Bible Study, Rectory Jul 18 Friday

8:00 pm—Group meeting Parish Hall **Jul 20 Sunday** 8:00 am—Holy Eucharist BAS 10:30 am—Holy Eucharist, BAS

If you are a new member of the congregation please contact the office (519-344-5167) or one of the wardens with your contact information. Email, mailing address and phone number. Thank you and Welcome.

Anyone interested in joining a great group of women in the Alter Guild please contact Deb Heaton or Carole James-Airey. (Two consecutive weeks every two & a half months is the necessary commitment)

Readers and Greeters

We are always looking for more people to take part in doing the Readings, Prayers of the People and Greeters. If you are interested please contact the office (519-344-5167) or one of our Wardens.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS—During the period from July 16 - August 5, the office will be open Wednesday - Fridays. Exceptions are: Wednesday, July 16, when the office will be closed. All other Wednesdays, it will be open from 10 am - 12 pm. All Thursdays & Fridays it will open from 10 am - 1 pm.



OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday - Friday: 9am-1pm. **Steve Harnadek** - Tues - Fri: 10 am - 12 Noon (Day off: Mon) (These are estimated times and do fluctuate, depending on circumstances. It is best to call first!)

It has come to my attention that some of our newer members don't know what the Slice is nor what Creative Word is.

The Slice: On the 4th Friday of the month we gather at 5 PM at a restaurant in Sarnia or Corunna (the location is on the announcement page. Well, usually). Around 6:30 we gather in the lounge of the Parish House with one of our former organists, Lois Lafond (now at St Andrew;s Presbyterian) for a hymn sing. I always go home with a smile on my face!

Creative Word: On the second Friday of the month we gather at 7 PM in one of our homes with wine and cheese (of course) as we discuss whatever book we are reading.

This is announced on the announcement page (well, usually). It is a very fun event. Come and join us!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

PLEASE NOTE **

(Every Tuesday, 11 am Walking Group meeting at the Animal Farm parking lot with a 12:15 pm Lunch. This week is TBA.

(**Every Wednesday**, 10 am & 7 pm - Bible Study at the Rectory.

Jul 25 5 pm – The Slice, TBA 6:30 pm – Hymn Sing

Aug 8 7 pm—Creative Word, TBA

Aug 11 1:30 pm—Bible Crossword, Rectory

Aug 22 5 pm—The Slice, TBA 6:30 pm—Hymn Sing

Sep 8 1:30 pm—Bible Crossword, Rectory

Sep 12 7 pm—Creative Word, TBA

Sep 15 1:30 pm—ACW meets, Parish House



Food Bank Sunday

The first Sunday of each month will be food bank Sunday. All items collected will be donated to the St Andrew's Food Bank in Corunna.

Much needed items are canned fruit, snack crackers, Manwich, canned chili, canned pasta with meat, juice boxes, men's and women's deodorant, shampoo & conditioner. At this time they do not need canned beans, or soup. They do not take clothing or empty containers.



Bible Crossword events will be held on the 2nd Monday of each month at 1:30ish, at the rectory. Next month will be on July 14th.

The next Creative Word will be **August 8th**, **7 pm** location TBA.



The Slice. We'll gather for dinner at 5pm on **July 25th.** Location TBA. Then back to the Parish House for a hymn sing around 6:30 pm.



Donations Envelopes & Pre-Authorized Donations

Any parishioners needing envelopes or wishing to donate via pre-authorized payment, please see Leigh Carson after the service or leave a message in the office Tuesday through Friday.



"From the Pantry"

Available now, homemade soup, \$6 and dinners \$12 each. Includes various soups, mac & cheese, dinners and more to come.

Serving Schedule:

PA Monitor: Andi Beer

Greeters: Angela Palumbo & Jane Morgan