



THE LIFE & WORK OF

St. James Centre for Community

FOR THE WEEK OF OCT 8 - 14, 2017

Home of St. James United Church

SUPPORTING CREATIVITY, CULTURE, SPIRITUALITY &
HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS WITH EACH OTHER, OURSELVES & THE LAND

Weekly Meetings & Events

SUNDAYS

- Worship Service (Sanctuary), 10:30 am, **All Welcome!**
- Kids Group (with Emily) during Worship Service
- Fellowship Time, 11:30, **Everyone Welcome**, Georgian Bay Hall
- Whispering River Rehearsal, 1-4:30 pm **, MB Hall
- Last Sunday of the month, Fellowship Lunch following Worship

MONDAYS

- Mary St. Boutique set up, 12:30-2:30 pm, Rainbow Café*
- Mary St Craft Group, 1:30-4 pm, White Pine Parlour
- WR String Pals Workshop, 4:15-5:15 pm, Maple Bush Hall**
- Love Peace Harmony Chant Group, 4:30-5:30 pm, Georgian Bay Hall *
- Girl Guides: Sparks, Brownies, Guides, Trex 6:30-8:00 pm **
- Narcotics Anonymous Meeting, 6:30 pm, Sumac Room**

TUESDAYS

- Mary St. Boutique, 12:30-2:30 pm, Rainbow Café *
- DROP IN w/ Rev. Monica Moore, The Country Gourmet, 2-3 pm
(Cancelled - October 10th)
- Alanon, 7:30 pm, Maple Bush Hall (recently changed rooms)**
- AA Meeting, 7:30 pm, Sumac Room**
- Country Jam Session, 7:00 pm, every other Tues., Georgian Bay Hall
- Labyrinth Walk, every alt. Tues., Georgian Bay Hall

WEDNESDAYS

- Harvest Share Community Meal (lunch), Maple Bush Hall**
- PS Choral Collective, 4-9 pm, Sanctuary***
- Whispering River Advanced String Club, 7-9 pm, Maple Bush Hall**
- AA Meeting, 8pm, White Pine Parlour**

THURSDAYS

- Men's Breakfast, 9 am, Sumac Room
- Learning Circle with Rev. Monica Moore, 10-11:30 am, White Pines Parlour
- Hospitality Lunch, 12 noon, Maple Bush Hall
- Alanon, 12-1:00 pm, Sumac Room**
- Whispering River Orchestra, 6-8:30 pm, Maple Bush Hall**
- 1st Thurs: Habitat for Humanity Meeting, 6 pm, GB Hall**
- Bahai Devotional Gathering, 7 - 8 pm, White Pine Parlour**
- Joy in Sobriety (AA), 8pm, Sumac Room **

FRIDAYS

- MAGIC WITH FOOD (Community Kitchen), 11 am, Maple Bush Hall
- PS Choral Collective, 4-9 pm, Sanctuary***
- Narcotics Anonymous Meeting, 6:30 pm, Sumac Room**

SATURDAYS

- Joy in Sobriety (AA), 8pm, White Pine Parlour**

* Outreach Ministry of St. James where we partner with others.

** St. James partners with event organizers through use of building.

*** Space rented to others for community building events.

UPCOMING Events

You are also invited to...

Country Jam Session
every second Tues. (next Oct. 10th)

Labyrinth Walk
alt. Tuesdays (next Oct. 17th)
Georgian Bay Hall

Listening for the Soul
& Richard Rohr Discussion Groups
(see last page)

Learning Circle
with Rev. Monica Moore
Thurs. mornings (starts Oct. 12th)

YOGA
Starting Soon!

See posters on the Bulletin Boards
for details on these and other events!

HI, EVERYONE! My name is Sandra Houzer. I am your new Office Administrator. Please pop in any time to say "hi" and THANK YOU for your warm welcome & assistance with settling in!! 😊

Happening NOW at St. James Centre for Community

ORIGAMI PAPER IN YOUR "CLOSET OF UNFINISHED CRAFTS"?

Monica is looking for donations of origami-type paper for the upcoming "Peace Crane Project". If you have any lurking in your closets, by all means bring it in to the office.

ADVENT CHOIR

Are you interested in singing in our Advent Choir? Led by Bill McArton, this choir will participate in our worship services from Advent I on Dec. 3rd through to and including all Advent Sundays, and the 7:00 pm Christmas Eve services. As far as is possible, we would like participants to commit to all five services, as well as Thursday night practices from Nov. 23 to Dec. 21, 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Please contact Bill (@wmcarton@gmail.com), if you are interested in this time-limited offer! It should be great fun!

REMIT #6

Information for Remit #6 (One Order of Ministry) is available in the lobby on our information table. If we run out of copies, Sandra can make you another if you contact the office. Ask Monica about this if you have more questions.

TIME TO RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION TO THE OBSERVER

To all of those who have a current subscription to The Observer **PLEASE NOTE!** It is time to renew your subscription. Please contact Sandra in the Office with your \$25 Cheque (made out to St. James Centennial United Church) if you are interested in renewing for another year. We only have a few short weeks to get these renewed. THANK YOU!

MARY STREET HOSPITALITY LUNCHEONS

The Mary Street Hospitality Luncheons have returned on Thursdays! Joining us for lunch, bringing a friend, and/or making a donation are ways you can support the Lunch Bunch team and folks in our community!

SUNDAY MORNING STORYTIME

There will be an opportunity over the Fall to have the congregation sing your favourite hymn during one of our worship services. The catch is that you will have to tell us why it is your favourite. Speak to Monica if you have a hymn to share with us.

UCW NEWS

Get a jump on your holiday shopping! Come on out to the 6th Annual Christmas Marketplace at Bracebridge United Church on Saturday, November 18th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. What will you find? Delicious baked goodies, jams & jellies, Christmas swags and decorations, handmade gifts in our craft and sewing shop, artwork, scarves & jewelry, unique items in Re-gifting of the Magi and Treasure Room, and a Silent Auction. Bring the kids and decorate cookies with Mrs. Clause! Enjoy a variety of musicians providing seasonal tunes and partake in a tasty lunch in our Tea Room. Celebrate the season with one-stop shopping for all the family and friends on your Christmas gift list! For more information: 705-645-5713 or buc@bellnet.ca.

THE COMMUNITY KITCHEN

The Community Kitchen seniors program is up and running with Co-ordinator, Fathiyeh Gainey. Come on out twice a month (Tuesdays) to help prepare a healthy meal and enjoy it in fellowship with others! **MAGIC WITH FOOD** is in full swing Fridays from 10-1 pm. Both of these programs, use the same format, and are hosted in partnership with Georgian Bay Biosphere Reserve with government funding. For more information, call 705-746-8553 or email stjames@cogeco.net.

COUNTRY JAM AT ST. JAMES! Every *other* Tuesday night @ 7 pm (Oct 10, 24; Nov 7, 21; Dec 5, 19). A night of music and fun. Open to all - beginners to advanced players. Bring your own fiddles, guitars, mandolins and harmonicas and join right in, or just come to listen and enjoy! \$5 Cover Charge. Refreshments included. Call Michelle for more information @ 705-774-9251. Proceeds donated to St. James!

MARY STREET CRAFTERS

Mary Street Crafters have started up again on Mondays at 1:30 pm. Everyone welcome! Come out with your own projects or work on the crib quilt (no experience necessary) for the hospital gift shop. There is always someone available to teach knitting, crocheting or just come for a social afternoon. Contact Valerie Cramp. For more information please call 705-771-9256.

LEARNING CIRCLE WITH REV. MONICA MOORE

Monica's Learning Circle starts on October 12th and will be held every Thursday from 10-11:30 am. For the Fall, we will be looking at the Report of the **Truth and Reconciliation Commission**, and the 94 **Calls to Action**. This Royal Commission gave Canadians a very clear and helpful blueprint to effect reconciliation with our First Nations neighbours who suffer from the legacy of the Residential School policies of our governments and churches. The United Church of Canada is one of the groups which ran the residential schools, and so we have a special responsibility to seek reconciliation. The documents can be downloaded from the website at trc.ca. Anyone interested please contact the office @ 705-746-8553.

Listening for the Soul: *"When we catch sight of the soul, we can become healers in a wounded world-in the family, in the neighborhood, in the workplace, and in political life-as we are called back to our "hidden wholeness" amid the violence of the storm."*

[*Parker J. Palmer, A Hidden Wholeness: The Journey Toward an Undivided Life*](#)

The sessions are taking place on alternating Tuesdays between 6:45 and 9:00. Remaining are October 17; November 14 & 28; and December 12. For more information, please contact Pam or Merry (705-938-8912).

Discussion Group: Richard Rohr: "The Naked Now": A group has started to learn about, discuss, and try out some of the practices outlined in Richard Rohr's book/DVDs "The Naked Now". The group meets **every other Tuesday**. Attending once a month is absolutely possible! On **Tues., Oct. 10, Nov. 7, and Dec. 5**, the group will watch the DVDs and engage in some discussion questions. On **Tues., Oct. 24, Nov. 21**, the group will get together to discuss excerpts from the book and to try out some of the suggested practices. So, if you are available only once a month to watch the DVD's, you can still participate without having to commit to twice a month or miss any of the material! These sessions will held in the Tamarack Rm. from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at St. James Centre for Community.

Happening in Our Community

14TH ANNUAL BARB KERR 50 PLUS LIFESTYLE EXPO

This year's Expo will be held on Wed., Oct. 18, 2017 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Charles W. Stockey Centre. All proceeds go to Hospice West Parry Sound. Anyone interested in reserving a table (\$20 Donation/Table) to showcase your events/activities or attract new members/volunteers please contact Barb Kerr @ 705-746-8753 or barb.kerr@investorsgroup.com.

WEST PARRY SOUND DISTRICT COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

Please see our Bulletin Board in Mill Lake Landing for CCS's September/October 2017 Newsletter. Anyone interested in getting involved in the Community, CCS is in need of volunteers.



*“Come, little leaves,”
said the wind one day,
“Come to the meadows
with me and play;
Put on your dresses
of red and gold,
For summer is past,
And the days grow cold.”*

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