

CORNERSTONE

September, 2017

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St Paul's
ANGLICAN CHURCH



“A growing community called to know Jesus Christ and make him known in the world by our presence.”

Sunday Services

8:00 a.m. – Holy Communion Said service

9:15 a.m. – Traditional/Choral Holy Communion. Kids are invited to join the God Squad for children’s worship, crafts and games. Nursery care also available.

11:00 a.m. – Praise Music Holy Communion. Kids are invited to join the God Squad for children’s worship, crafts and games. Nursery care also available.

Other Services

10:00 a.m. Wednesday – Bible Study and Eucharist

2:00 p.m. Thursday – “Seniors’ Afternoon Out” Service and Social

7:00 p.m. every other Friday – St. Paul’s Youth (SPY) Group

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October edition deadline:
Tuesday, Sept 26, 2017

Please send submissions to:
cornerstone@stpaulshk.org



A message from Father John

The beginning of fall, and the business of the church

Return to Normal!

What happened to our summer? It was my intention to plan and organize the fall program at the church through the dog days of summer. Planning, organizing and preparing seem to have somehow gotten away from me, and we are already into September. September marks the start-up of our normal activities and the beginning of new ones. I wanted to use my letter in Cornerstone to encourage your participation in a few events this fall.

Our Open House, Sept 24 between the Services

Please consider helping out with liturgical ministries. We need help with lay assistants, prayers of the people, servers, healing prayer, sidespeople and greeters. If you want to volunteer, come and sign up and we will get you started and we will get you the necessary training. There are so many opportunities to serve the parish and community - come to the Open House and talk about where you can support the parish.

Our **Spiritual Gift inventory and database** should be up and running in September to help you discover what your gifts are and where they can be utilized. God gives us the necessary skills to do the work he

asks us to do.

Confirmation class sign up and question period Sept 17, between the 9:15 and 11:00 services. Traditionally, confirmation is a time for people to take responsibility for their own faith development. If there are young people or adults who want to explore the questions of personal faith, then come and see what confirmation class can offer. We encourage parents of younger children to join in on the first meeting. Because of the Bishop's time schedule we can only offer confirmation once every three years at St. Paul's.

Prayers of the People workshop on Saturday, Sept 23 at 10:00 a.m. A practical workshop on how to put together an integrated prayers of the people for Sunday morning worship.

Open meeting about our **Liturgy** on Saturday, Sept 23 at 11:00 a.m. A number of questions and concerns about our worship on Sunday have been brought forward and this is an opportunity to talk about what we want our liturgy to look and feel like. Come join in the conversation.

I hope and pray that we can all find God's peace in the whirlwind of September activities.

Peace, love and laughter,



From the desk of Rev. Kerri

We are all the body of Christ

I imagine summer is a challenge for some in our congregation for a number of reasons: Cottages beckon us to their shores. The heat can feel oppressive some mornings by 11:00 a.m. We don't offer the usual three services. And there is no Sunday school, which means <<gasp>> the children are in our midst in the sanctuary. During. The. Entire. Service.

Now, I recognize right off I'm one of those crazy nuts that adores when the children are in the sanctuary for the entire service. I appreciate when church gets a little louder and messier than usual. And I understand my hearing is unimpaired.

But it raises a question clergy, children's ministry leaders, and parents alike often face: "**Why don't parents leave their children in the nursery?!**"

Sometimes other people say what I would like to say better than I can say it. So I offer you this adapted excerpt taken from Christian blogger Haley Stewart:

- Because they are baptized Christians with as much right to worship as anyone.
- Because our children are part of the Body of Christ and we worship as a family, not in age-segregated rooms.
- Because we think participating in liturgy is one of the most important thing we do every week. Why

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Messy Church!

Messy Church uses hands-on activities to explore Bible stories, liturgical seasons (like Advent or Lent), liturgical feasts (Christmas, Easter, Pentecost), and to reflect on God in creative ways.

Children and youth 13 and under are invited with their families to hear a story told in the Godly Play practice, teaching us to listen for God and make authentic and creative responses to God's call in our lives.

Trust that the morning will truly be messy and come in your comfortable clothes!

Saturday, **September 30**
St Paul's, Kanata 9:30-11 a.m.

Saturday, **October 14**
Christ Church, Ashton 9:30-11 a.m.

Saturday, **November 25**
Location TBD 9:30-11 a.m.

Saturday, **December 9**
St Paul's, Kanata 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Rev. Kerri



what a mess!

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wouldn't we want our kids to be a part of that?

- Because we want our children to understand how to fully participate in liturgy and being a part of it is the best way to accomplish that.
- Because liturgy is the only hour of their week that they will encounter EVERYONE together.
- Because we cannot silence nor send our children away and then cry out in confusion when they do not wish to participate in "our" liturgy when they're older.

Newborns to grandmothers, toddlers mid-tantrum and the bad singers and the gentleman whose hearing aid makes that high pitched sound, the person looking at their social media and the person falling asleep during the sermon – all of THIS creates the body of Christ. And it is beautiful and wonderful, sometimes noisy and disruptive.

But if nothing else, we come to worship each week to have an experience and an encounter with Christ. You are invited each week and we strive to make this space warm and welcoming for you. We must also, as Christ invited us, invite the little children to come.

Rev. Kerri

Christ Church events

For a full list of upcoming events, please visit the Christ Church (CCA) website: <http://www.ccashton.org/events>.

Social Media Sunday #SMS17, September 24

What is Social Media Sunday? It's a day when people around the world and from all denominations will be collaborating, sharing their experiences, and talking about what it means to be church - it's an invitation to share faith in the digital universe. September 24, bring your phone or tablet to church, and share your experience.

- Check in to Facebook, update your status & tell everyone you are at church
- Tweet your favourite parts of the sermon
- Instagram a selfie from church

For more ideas of how to participate, visit our Storify page for a collection of posts from Social Media Sunday 2016; <https://storify.com/OttawaAnglican/social-media-sunday-2016>.

Don't forget to include the Hashtag [#SMS17](#) in your posts!

*Please be courteous to your neighbour and turn off any sounds that your electronic devices would have the potential to make.

Simone's Ordination

September 14, 7:00 p.m.

Bishop Chapman is pleased to remind you, God willing, of his intention to ordain The Rev. Simone Hurkmans and The Rev. Rosemary Parker to the priesthood as well as to ordain Mr. Tim Kehoe a transitional deacon at Christ Church Cathedral on Holy Cross Day, Thursday, September 14th at 7 pm.

Clergy are invited to robe; the liturgical colour will be red. The Master of Ceremonies will be The Rev. Canon Catherine Ascah, assisted by The Rev. Gregor Sneddon. The Very Rev. Shane Parker will preach. A reception will follow in Cathedral Hall. All are welcome.

A summary of September events

September is a very busy month at St. Paul's! Here is a list of upcoming events (more information about these events can be found elsewhere in the Cornerstone, or by calling the church office 613-836-1001):

Date and time	Event
September 10	Welcome back! 3 Sunday Services resume
September 14, 7:00 pm, at Christ Church Cathedral	Simone Hurkmans' Ordination to the Priesthood
September 16, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm	"You want me to do WHAT?"; or, Taking your faith outside the Church (Evangelism workshop)
September 17, 10:30 am	Confirmation class information session
September 18, 7:30 pm	Christmas Bazaar organization meeting
September 20, 10:00 am	Car-pooling to John the Baptist, Richmond, for Labyrinth Visit and Meditation (everyone welcome)
September 20, 7:00 pm	SchoolBOX mission 2018 information session
September 22	Pig Roast (tickets required, contact Wayne Keech, 613-592-5069)
September 23, 10:00 am	Prayers of the People workshop
September 23, 11:00 am	Liturgy (congregational meeting)
September 24	Ministry Open House after each service
September 24	GIFT 5-year Campaign wrap-up at each service
September 26, 7:00 pm	Parish Council (everyone welcome)
September 28, 6:30 to 9:00 pm	Paint Night
September 29, 7:00 pm	SPY Group resumes
September 30, 9:30 to 11:00 am	Messy Church

St. Paul's golf tournament pictures

These photos were taken at the golf tournament organized by Gerry Grant and Ken Miller.



Fivesome: Ed Montano, Tracy Kilby, Rick Anderson, Gord Walt and John Milburn



The Winning Team: Tracy Kilby, Ed Montano, Gord Walt and John Milburn

Evangelism workshop: new date, September 16

Come and learn how to share your faith



YOU WANT ME TO DO *WHAT??*

***Or, Taking Your Faith
Outside the Church...***

An interactive workshop facilitated by Rev. Eric Morin.

Together we will:

- **Learn** an authentic language for sharing
- **Recognize** organic sharing opportunities
- **Discover** comfortable methods and approaches for your sharing opportunities
- **Practice** overcoming cultural and personal barriers to sharing

September 16, 2017

9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

St. Paul's Church, 20 Young Rd, Kanata

To register: contact Martin David at rwarden@stpaulshk.org, or
613-836-0018

Refreshments and lunch will be provided. A freewill offering to support St. Paul's Roof Fund will be gratefully received.

**How do you
answer the tough
questions?**

**How do you take
advantage of
sharing
opportunities?**

**What methods do
you use to share
your faith?**

**Is there anything
you shouldn't say
when sharing your
faith?**

**If you don't share
your faith with
your community,
who will?**

Quietude update

Sincere thanks to all those who took the time to speak to me regarding the issue of a more respectful demeanour while inside the church proper. I urge you to attend the meeting on Saturday, September 23, at 11:00 a.m. and offer up your thoughts on the issue. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Regards,
Moira Green

Paint Night

Sept 28, 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

You are invited to come to St. Paul's on September 28 at 6:30 pm to flex your creative muscles (even if you don't think you have any!), and raise money to expand the church air conditioning. The picture will be of poppies and the sun (a nice reflection for Remembrance Day). Refreshments will be served.

Cost: \$35, includes all supplies (must be paid in advance of the event).

For E-transfer: debtable@rogers.com,
or Marilyn at 613-836-5308.



Happy painting!
Marilyn Holden-Pritchard

Poppy Campaign

Volunteers needed

Across Canada, members of the Royal Canadian Legion will conduct a Poppy and Remembrance Campaign from October 27 to November 10. You do not have to be a legion member to do a shift at a Poppy table venue. Two/three hours is all that is required. If you are interested in sitting at a Poppy table and meeting lots of great people, please let me know your availability. All Poppy donations are returned to our veterans, seniors and youth in the Kanata area. I look forward to hearing from you.

In continued service,
Moira M Green
mmgreen@live.com, 613-592-3376

Ladies' Night

Oct 19, stay tuned for details!

Confirmation class info

Sept 17, 10:30 a.m.

Fr. John and Rev. Kerry have planned an information session for everyone interested in Confirmation or Reaffirmation.

Parents, please attend with your youth. Adults with questions about Confirmation may be interested in formally reaffirming their Faith. This short meeting will address all (hopefully) of your questions and set out the times and dates and number of classes.

Please note: based on the number of enquiries, we may have to find a larger room than the Boardroom. Your prompt arrival at 10:30 is appreciated. RSVP to Lorna in the church office (613-836-1001).

The meeting is currently scheduled for the boardroom at **10:30 a.m. on Sunday, September 17** (between the 9:15 and 11am services).

Confirmation Sunday has been scheduled to coincide with the episcopal visit with the Bishop on **January 7, 2018**.

Christmas Bazaar meeting

Sept 18, 7:30 p.m.

Bazaar: Friday and Saturday, November 24 and 25

Ladies and Gentlemen: As per our request for your participation in our bazaar, I am thrilled to say that not one person has responded negatively. Ergo, we assume that each and every one of you will continue to what you did last year. How super is that!

An initial meeting will be held on **Monday, September 18 at 7:30 p.m.** in the boardroom downstairs. Your presence is requested, please. Marg Burton will be looking after the kitchen end of things and I will do the rest. What can we do better? Your input is vital to our success.

Looking forward to a productive and fun event for all. Please contact either Marg or myself at any time.

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Big Fruit from the Big Give

by Craig Macartney, *Spur Ottawa* writer, August 16, 2017, submitted by Bill Ranger and Lorna Brule

A note from Bill and Lorna: Once again, thanks to those who supported the Big Give Plant Sale at St. Paul's. We were one part of a huge outpouring of God's Grace across Ontario and Canada.

*Blessings all,
Bill R & Lorna B*

This year's Big Give saw tremendous growth, increasing from 66 churches, in 2016, to 92 this year. With the growth has come amazing stories of lives touched by a united Church demonstrating Christ's love.

"As churches started hearing about the Big Give, they started calling us. That's how it spread," says Kathy Blakely, the Big Give's founder. "The number of churches that registered really surprised me. All the stories are so encouraging to me."

In Cobden, and several other communities, churches from different denominations came together to host a unified Big Give event. One guest at the Cobden event was a homeless man named Tony, who was camping in the area.

"He got a few items; one was a sleeping bag," says Laurie Briscoe, who was Cobden Pentecostal Church's point person in the collaborative event. "He came to our church the following day."

As well as the pastoral advice he was seeking, the church gave him food from their food cupboard and Briscoe says some members helped him financially.

"He came a few more weeks, consecutively, after that and I know one individual from our congregation was trying to help him find a job."

Briscoe says she hasn't seen him in the past few

weeks and thinks he left the area, but she is encouraged by how God worked and was pleased to see the collaboration among the churches.

Pickering Pentecostal Church also saw an exciting example of God's providence. One of their guests found the only wedding dress they had (complete with a veil). She was in tears when she realized it fit her perfectly. She told volunteers she was getting married soon, but didn't have the \$3,000 a dress would cost her.

Another couple had only been in Canada for one week. They were excited to find winter coats and a number of other necessities for life in Canada.

Blakely says they saw the biggest growth around Toronto. Some of the 15 new churches joining from Toronto were even visited for a CTV feature covering the events.

"One of our church members brought a neighbour who was a Muslim gal."



*"We had folks who had just moved into the community and were surprised that a church would do this."
Photo courtesy of the Big Give.*

Toronto New Covenant Cathedral prepared care packages for young women living as prostitutes and sent 40 volunteers and two boxes of supplies to St Margaret's Drop-in Centre, a homeless shelter in downtown Toronto.

They also had a free garage sale, with a barbecue, games for children, and bags of free groceries.

"We had folks who had just moved into the community and were surprised that a church would do this," says Robert Lindo, the church's Big Give coordinator. "People appreciated the groceries, especially. There were some folks who tried to force us to take a donation. We told them, 'No, this is not about a donation. It's all about giving to the needs of the community. Take whatever you need and God bless

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R2R BBQ

Sept 17, 5:00 p.m.

Kanata Legion Branch 638
70 Hines Road, Kanata, ON
K2K 2M5

An Opportunity to Support Your
Troops!

No tickets!

No Sign-up!

Donations are welcome!

Hope to see you there,
Moir Green

Please Welcome
Team R2R's participants in this year's

ROAD TO RECOVERY WALK



Sunday, September 17th 2017 at 5 pm

We are hosting
a BBQ for Team R2R
after completing their 150 km for 150 yrs march from Petawawa to Ottawa,
over several days, to raise awareness and funds for
"Operation: Leave the Streets Behind"
- Veterans facing homelessness.

Join us to welcome and congratulate them on their great achievement.

You can donate directly online at: <https://www.crowdrise.com/road-to-recovery-2017-canada-150>
or in person at the BBQ

Legion 

Royal Canadian Legion, Kanata Branch 638,
70 Hines Road, Kanata, ON K2K 2M5

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you.”

Lindo says they had lots of opportunities to explain that they were doing this because of the love of Jesus.

“It was one of those moments that made us feel that much more representative of Jesus,” he explains.

Ben Kennedy of Catch The Fire Toronto says their event included a “spiritual café,” where guests could receive a prophetic word.

“One of our church members brought a neighbour who was a Hindu gal. She was really blessed and touched from the prophetic word she received,” Kennedy states. “She was in tears and said it was life-giving.”

Kennedy says she told them she wanted to come to their services with her 13-year-old son.

Another lady was surprised everything was free and

told Kennedy, “It was such an incredible thing to be able to come and pick out some clothes that I could never afford.”

Volunteers delivered a number of furniture items to another guest’s house. When they got there, they realized the kids had been sleeping on the floor because they had no furniture.

The Big Give was even recognized in the House of Commons, where Nepean MP Chandra Arya thanked local churches for their generosity. Yet, more than the publicity, Blakely says she is excited by the stories of how God worked and the unity churches displayed.

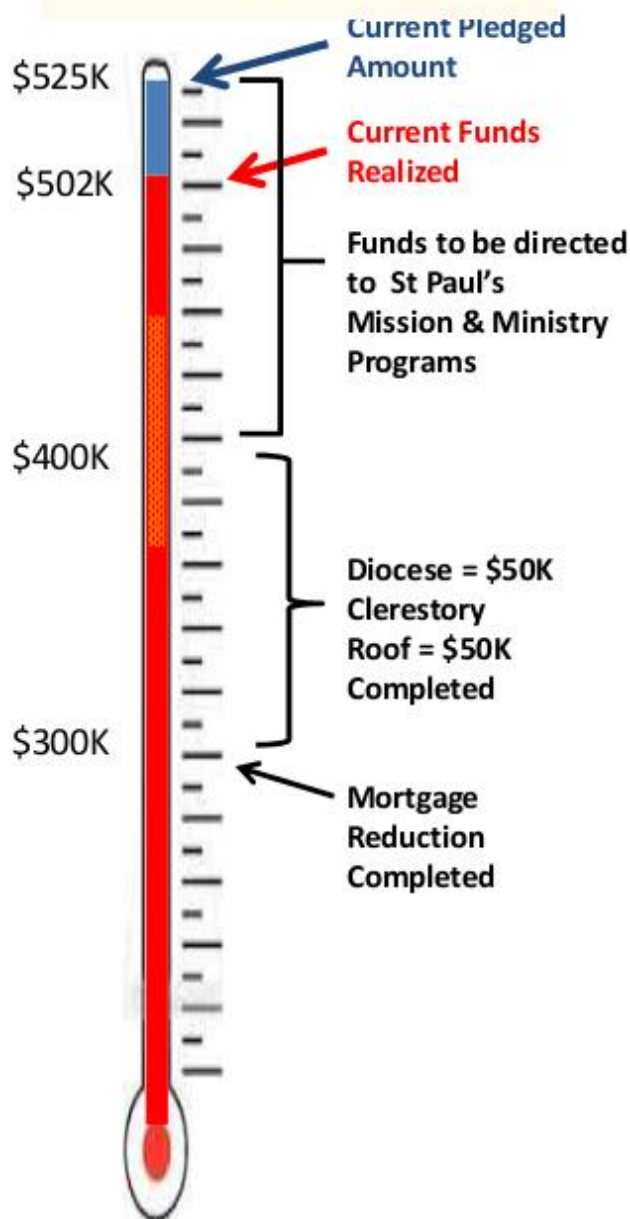
“The original dream was that the Big Give would happen in Ottawa; churches of all denominations would all do something together on the same day. To see all the denominations and communities jumping on board and wanting to be part of this is very encouraging. It’s great.”

GIFT 5-year campaign almost complete

Celebration on Sunday, Sept 24, at each service



St Paul's
GIFT Campaign
5th Anniversary Update
September 2017



Five years ago this month, we officially initiated our GIFT financial Campaign, in partnership with the Diocese of Ottawa, with a goal of \$400,000. We are indeed blessed at this 5th anniversary to report that we have already received funds totaling \$501,900 with more than \$20,000 yet to come by year end from the fulfilment of outstanding pledges. To have exceeded our original goal by more than 25% is a testament to the generosity and faithfulness of this Parish working to fulfil God's plan for us.

Accomplished so far with the funds received is a \$300,000 reduction in our building mortgage, a \$50,000 contribution to various Diocesan GIFT initiatives, and \$50,000 to complete a replacement of the clerestory roof. The remaining funds (over \$120,000) have been designated specifically for Mission and Ministry programs at St Paul's, the details of which will be decided at Vestry.

While there are still a few Campaign donations yet to be received, this 5th anniversary of GIFT at St Paul's is well worth recognizing. You are invited to join us on Sunday September 24th at our regular services to celebrate this remarkable financial campaign accomplishment.

Well done St Paul's. God certainly does provide for more than we could ever ask or imagine.

GIFT CELEBRATION !
Sunday September 24th
at your regular Worship Service.

SchoolBOX 2018 mission update (Father Rick's school)

by Ray Brule

For most children in North America, this week is back to school. Most children in North America have new clothes, new supplies, a short walk or bus ride to a weatherproof building and individual classrooms for each grade: blessed with abundance.

In Nicaragua, things are much different, but change is happening to get children into schools with new supplies, one classroom at a time, with SchoolBOX.

A notebook and pencil.

While in a tiny village in Northern Nicaragua, Tom Affleck, SchoolBOX founder gave two young girls a notebook and a pencil. One of their fathers, seeing this simple gift smiled broadly and said "Now that you have a notebook and a pencil you can go to school this year." This simple statement profoundly impacted Tom and eventually led to the creation of SchoolBOX.

Making Education Possible.

A handful of years later, SchoolBOX is 'Making Education Possible' by helping thousands and thousands of kids go to school. What began with one man's quest to find healing and meaning has grown into a movement involving individuals, families and organizations across North America, Europe, and Central America. Dubbed the "little organization

that could," SchoolBOX is a wonderful testimony to what can be achieved through love, perseverance and community.

Five members of St. Paul's headed to Nicaragua in 2016 to experience the giving of time, talent and treasure to help see a village get two classrooms that are the whole school. The plan is to go back in 2018 to build a classroom in another village to help more children. This one, though, will be personal. The school will be built in memory of Father Rick Marples, who served at St. Paul's for over 10 years.

The build will cost money. Some donations and fundraising activity have happened to get the build started. The latest event was "The Boot Sale" (garage sale from the back of a car) held on August 19.

The weather, although cloudy, was perfect. A total of 11 "boots" had reserved spots, and a popcorn and beverage table doubled as an information station.

There was a steady stream of shoppers. It was not crowded, but there always seemed to be some people looking around. We were blessed to have some really great conversations with some of the folks that came, and we had a few people just give a donation to the cause.

The sellers were appreciative of the organization of the event and of the fact that they didn't have much to do but come drive into their spot. Everyone sold stuff, but no one sold out.

A total of \$580.00 was raised for Father Rick's school build, which brought the total to just under \$7000, for which we thank God and thank St. Paul's community for the support.

We learned a lot in this first boot sale event and will put that knowledge to work for at least one more next spring.

Now that we are back to "business as usual," the focus begins to turn to planning the build trip. The trip dates for the Father Rick School volunteer group are: August 16-25, 2018.



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On **September 20 at 7:00 p.m.** we will be holding a general information meeting about this trip with SchoolBOX. I encourage you to look at the [SchoolBOX.ca](http://schoolbox.ca/volunteer/) web page: <http://schoolbox.ca/volunteer/>.

Come to the information night to mingle with those who went last year and hear some details as you consider joining us from **August 16 to 25, 2018**. Call Lorna during the week at St. Paul's office (613-836-1001) if you have any questions.

Ray Brule



FLAME Men's Weekend November 3-5, 2017

**How battles are really won (and lost!)
on and off the field.**

Saul, the first king of Israel, a military hero, had everything going for him. He started on the throne with great promise, but came to a very bitter end. Join us as we look at four of his key military battles to reflect on what really makes a man ready for the everyday struggles we face.

Speaker: Rev. Joel Coppieters,
B.Th., M.Div.



Joel was born and raised in Quebec's Eastern Townships in a ministry home where his parents modelled a deep love for the Church. Joel went on to develop a business career and a small consulting practice that allowed him to serve in Bible teaching and lay administrative posts with several churches and a number of para-church ministries.

After a series of personal tragedies shook his faith, God pulled Joel through a season of doubt and then slowly into the Reformed tradition. Theology courses taken at first to deepen his own understanding led to preparation for ministry at Presbyterian College, and in 2012 to ordination, when he was inducted as Minister of Côte-des-Neiges Presbyterian Church - a growing urban congregation in Montreal striving to make the love of God relevant to one of the neediest areas in Canada.

FLAME: A weekend of spiritual enrichment, refreshment and fellowship for men at:
Ermitage Ste Croix
21269 Gouin Blvd West, Pierrefonds, QC

To register (by October 14), contact
Roger Spack 514-684-4356
roger.spack@sympatico.ca
or Andre Hammond 438-492-9569
andrehammond@videotron.ca

Questions? To speak to a member of St. Paul's who has attended several FLAME weekends, please contact Dave Stortz at 613-599-7176, or dstortz@magma.ca.

Iris 3-year mission to South Africa

by Laurie-Ann and Tony Copple

I've been part of St. Paul's since November, 2000. During these years, one question has been asked again and again: "When are you going on another mission trip?" I was even asked this when I attended Algonquin College for radio broadcasting. You knew my heart then, and you still do. Well, now Tony and I are being called overseas for three YEARS. This is not a short-term mission.

I've now been on ten short-term missions - seven of those involving St. Paul's through prayer, encouragement and finances from my loving St. Paul's family. Most of those ministry trips were in Africa: Kenya, Sierra Leone and last year to Mozambique and South Africa. Last year, my husband, Tony, and I fell in love with South Africa - the landscape, food and especially the people. Our hearts were especially tugged by those we call the "latch key" orphans of the poor neighbourhoods and townships. These children had sad, empty eyes, and often missed their parents, who were usually working a number of low-paid service jobs just to make ends meet. I couldn't get the image of them out of my mind, as I sensed a calling that had been hinted at in a series of dreams given to both Tony and myself last year.

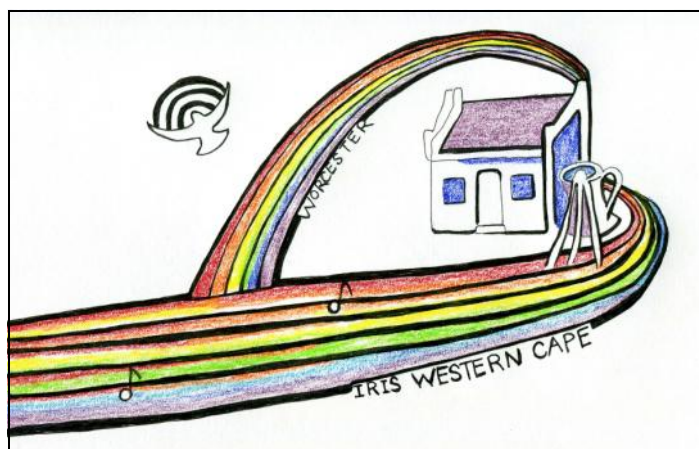
The first such dream was given to Tony - who dreamed I had a baby. Babies in dreams often signify the beginning of a new ministry. Since we were in Africa, it was natural to assume that the baby would be black. When I asked Tony the baby's ethnicity, he told me that he was so distracted in the dream that he didn't actually SEE the baby. So I asked God to give me the dream. I was given a pic-

ture of the baby during a time of worship a day later. After I asked to see the baby, the baby was black - at first. The baby's colour kept changing and I was clueless on what that meant.

Johan and Marie, the directors of the South African Iris base, are gifted in the area of dream interpretation - and I shared this dream, as well as others. Johan laughed when I shared about the baby. He told me, "That's a rainbow baby. Do you know what South Africa is often called? The RAINBOW Nation." Both confirmed our call to South Africa - and began to pray about our part in helping expand their base. Some of the other dreams and confirmations are noted on my website (coppleswesterncape.ca, on the dreams page). Iris also signifies RAINBOW in Greek (in Greek mythology, Iris is the personification of the rainbow), and Portuguese (Arco-Iris - Rainbow). That's the rainbow again. Then there is the image of the rainbow that keeps showing up in my latest drawings, drawn in the context of worship. Not only is it a biblical promise, like it was in Genesis, but it's a reminder of the ministry and place where we are being called.

The Iris Western Cape base is actually a farm, mountain retreat and winery between Robertson and Worcester on Highway 62 in the beautiful Breede River Valley. This is a part of the Cape Winelands district of Western Cape (to the south west of South Africa). It's an incredibly beautiful and fruitful area. We will expand the work of the base from the farm and nearby Robertson to the small city of Worcester. We plan to have a Kid's club, teach art, the love of God, radio and many practical things as we settle in the area. We will support and work with the base in administration, pastoral care ministry, and local mission trips in the province. We plan to hold Bible studies, prayer groups, Alpha, prison and hospital ministry, and network with a local Youth with a Mission base in Worcester.

So, when do we leave? We leave November 8, via Toronto, Paris and Cape Town, although our send-off Sunday at St. Paul's will be October 22. We would love people to regularly pray for us, and for some to give financially. Donations are tax receipt-



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able through Iris Ministries Canada. If you do choose to support us, please add a note that the donation is for Tony and Laurie-Ann Copple, and mail it to:

Iris Ministries Canada,
10-1425 Abbeywood Drive,
Oakville ON L6M 3R3

Meanwhile, we would love you to come and share free coffee, tea and cake with us at St. Paul's on **Saturday, October 14 at 7:00 p.m.**, and we will share

some of our heart for South Africa. We'll also have some of my art (if you'd like to take a piece of art home with you). But most of all, we want to see YOU. I'm going to miss St. Paul's during the next three years (although you are most welcome to come visit us).

To learn more, you can visit my website <http://www.coppleswesterncape.ca/>

Love,
Laurie-Ann Copple
kootenaysprayer@gmail.com

You're invited to Coffee, Cake and the Copples!

St. Paul's Anglican Church—Rutter Hall
Saturday, October 14, 2017 7:00 p.m.



Tony & Laurie-Ann have been accepted by Iris Ministries Canada as **long term missionaries** at the Iris Western Cape base in Robertson/Worcester, South Africa. They leave in November from Ottawa. Please come hear their story and have FREE coffee, tea and cake!

You can find out more on the Iris Ministries Canada website: <http://irismin.ca/>
or the Copples' website: www.coppleswesterncape.ca

Any donations will be received by Iris Ministries Canada.

Organ Recital

Wesley R. Warren organist

will perform a sixty-minute
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