



## *St. Andrew's United Church*

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### **OCTOBER 2018**

**Minister:** Rev. Tim Bowman

**Music Director:** Deborah Handley

**Musician:** Jacob Greenan

**Bookkeeper:** Angela Darychuk

**Church Administrator:** Eileen Arnold

#### **OCTOBER READERS**

Oct. 7 – Catherine

Oct. 14 – Beate

Oct. 21 – Cherie

Oct. 28 – John

#### **OCTOBER GREETERS**

Oct. 7 – Russell & Dennis

Oct. 14 – Russell & Dennis

Oct. 21 – At Gladwin Heights UC

Oct. 28 – Russell & Dennis

#### **MEMBERS OF JOINT COMMITTEES WITH GLADWIN HEIGHTS UC**

**Joint Board** - Judith, Myrna, Beate

**Joint M & P** - Cherie, Lyle

**Joint Worship** - Linda, Charlotte, Deborah

#### **MEMBERS OF LIAISON COMMITTEE WITH ALL SAINTS**

Linda, Myrna

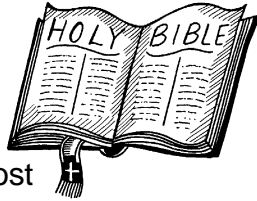
## OCTOBER LECTIONARY

### October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Thanksgiving Sunday and  
World Communion Sunday  
Job 1:1; 2:1-10  
Psalm 26  
Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12  
Mark 10:2-16

### October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018

World Food Sunday and  
22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
Job 38:1-7, (34-41)  
Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c [VU 826]  
Hebrews 5:1-10  
Mark 10:35-45



### October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday After Pentecost  
Job 23:1-9, 16-17  
Psalm 22:1-15 [VU 744]  
Hebrews 4:12-16  
Mark 10:17-31

### October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Peace Sunday and  
23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
Job 42:1-6, 10-17  
Psalm 34:1-8, (19-22) [VU 761]  
Hebrews 7:23-28  
Mark 10:46-52

## Fraser Presbyterial UCW FALL RALLY

“Into the Unknown”

Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018

9:30 am – 2:30 pm

at Peninsula United Church, 8855 – 156 Street in Surrey

Guest Speaker: Rev. Sally McShane

Registration & Lunch - \$10.00



## Gladwin Heights Affirming Ministry Celebration

Sunday, October 28, 2018, at 2:00 pm

A celebration to be declared an Affirming Ministry will be held for Gladwin Heights United Church, 3474 Gladwin Road, Abbotsford, BC.

We would love to have you join us to share in our celebration.

If possible, please RSVP to Eileen at the Gladwin office by October 14, 2018.

## All Saints Annual Christmas Bazaar with St. Andrew's Cookie & Preserves Table

Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> – 12 noon – 3:00 p.m.

Mark your calendar!



## EVENTS & MEETINGS IN OCTOBER



- Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>** - 1:30 pm – Interfaith Sip & Stitch at Carrington House
- Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>** - 11:30 am – Meet & Eat at The Blackberry Kitchen  
- 7:00 pm – Choir Practice - Sanctuary
- Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>** - 9:00 am – Centering Prayer & Lectio Divina – Sanctuary
- Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>** - 10:00 am – Decorating the church sanctuary for Thanksgiving
- Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>** - 10:45 am – Joint Coffee & Fellowship time – Downstairs Hall  
- 11:30 am – Thanksgiving Sunday & World Communion Worship Service (no Sunday School)  
- 12:30 pm – M & P Meeting – Office
- Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>** - 1:30 pm – Interfaith Sip & Stitch at Carrington House
- Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>** - 7:00 pm – Choir Practice – Sanctuary
- Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>** - 7:30 am – ROMEO Breakfast at JoJo's Bana Restaurant, Abbotsford  
- 9:00 am – Centering Prayer & Lectio Divina – Sanctuary
- Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>** - 10:45 am – Joint Coffee & Fellowship time – Downstairs Hall  
- 11:30 am – Worship Service with Sunday School
- Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>** - 9:30 am – UCW Fall Rally at Peninsula United Church, Surrey  
- 10:15 am – Special Events Team Meeting – Office  
- 1:30 pm – Interfaith Sip & Stitch at Carrington House
- Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>** - 7:00 pm – Choir Practice - Sanctuary
- Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>** - 9:00 am – Centering Prayer & Lectio Divina – Sanctuary
- Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>** - 9:30 am – Joint Worship Service at Gladwin Heights UC, Abbotsford
- Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>** - 1:30 pm – Interfaith Sip & Stitch at Carrington House
- Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>** - 1:30 pm – Executive Board – Church Office  
- 7:00 pm – Choir Practice – Sanctuary
- Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>** - 7:30 am – ROMEO Breakfast at JoJo's Bana Restaurant, Abbotsford  
- 9:00 am – Centering Prayer & Lectio Divina – Sanctuary
- Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>** - 10:45 am – Joint Coffee & Fellowship Time – Downstairs Hall  
- 11:30 am – Worship Service with Sunday School  
- 2:00 pm – Gladwin Heights UC Affirming Celebration
- Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>** - 1:30 pm – Interfaith Sip & Stitch at Carrington House  
- 7:00 pm – Fraser Presbytery Full Court Meeting at The United Churches of Langley
- Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>** - 7:00 pm – Choir Practice

## **MINISTER'S MESSAGE**

*But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet.*

*They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus.*

*Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). - John 20:11-16*

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

A while ago I was visiting someone who had difficulty speaking above a barely-audible mumble. I was becoming frustrated with myself and my inability to communicate; I didn't think I was doing them any good. After I apologized for the second time, they smiled and patted my arm to tell me that it was okay.

In that moment, they reminded me that pastoral care and discipleship is not a one-way street. In that moment, they were Christ to me.

I wonder if that is the reality we proclaim during the Easter season when we say, "Christ is risen!" Here is the Good News of the Resurrection: despite all the mess and cruelty we may find in the world, we still have unexpected encounters with him. None of the troubles in the world are strong enough to keep Christ locked in the tomb.

Could there be another level of meaning beyond the literal in John's account of the resurrection experience? Perhaps Mary mistakes Jesus for the gardener because he is in fact the gardener. But through the power of the Spirit, Mary is able to look again and see that he is also Jesus. In my visit, I saw someone I was unable to help. But through the power of the Spirit, I was encouraged to look again and saw that Christ was ministering to me.

As the natural world dies off and slows down for the winter, and as stress levels mount with Autumn's increasing tempo in the human world, may you also experience the good news of the resurrection: that Christ is with you in and through and despite the worst that life can throw at you.

Yours in Christ, Tim