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weekly news



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This Sunday at Beach

November 27, 10:30

Advent 1 Preacher: Jim McKibbin & Liturgist: Barry Truscott
"Act Out!" shares their scripture interpretation

November 27, 4:00

Take time for quiet meditation, spiritual singing, and community prayer in a Taizé style. Join us in the St Aidan's Sanctuary.

Upcoming Worship

December 4, 11, 18, 10:30 **Advent 2, 3, & 4**

December 18, 4pm

Candlelight & Carols (St Aidan's Sanctuary)

December 24, 4pm

**St Aidan's Family Service with Pageant
*(St Aidan's Sanctuary)***

December 24, 7pm

Beach UC Family Service *(St Aidan's Sanctuary)*

December 24, 11pm

**Ecumenical Candlelight Communion Service
*Shared with St Aidan's***

December 25, 10:30am

**Ecumenical Christmas Day Service
*Shared with St Aidan's***

Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree What better way to decorate for Advent/Christmas than with a real Christmas Tree. Is there someone willing to supply a tree in December? Thanks in advance for your generosity. Please contact Abigail

Jazz Vespers **Saturday, Dec 3, 4:30pm**

Carolyn T describes herself as singer, front woman, bandleader, voice coach, motivational speaker, and actor. Her wide-ranging style spans Jazz, Soul, R&B, Pop, and Funk. Check out her web site: <http://www.carolyntband.com/>

Upcoming Events

2012 Offering Envelopes And Par: 2012 Offering Envelopes will be prepared during the next few weeks. If you currently do not have a set and would like one, or, if you would like information on PAR (Pre-authorized Remittance) please call the Church Office at 416-691-8082 (Ext. 0) or Amy Truscott at 416-699-7532.

We're on the Move and you can help. We need to pack many items from the church before it goes under construction either in storage or for donation. On Sunday, please bring LCBO boxes with the flaps attached. Such boxes are small enough to be lifted when packed with dishes and the flaps can safely seal. Please bring the boxes with you to St. Aidan's on Sunday. Thanks—Jane Dickson

UCW Southeast Presbyterial invites all women to meet on Mon Nov 28 at Knox United Church (2569 Midland Ave at Sheppard Ave East, Agincourt). Gather in the Christian Education room at 12 noon with a bagged lunch. Refreshments will be served. Program is "CHRISTMAS IN NOVEMBER." Bring adult winter wear eg: scarf, gloves hat to be donated to Knox's Out-of-the-Cold Project.

Women of Beach UC Save Thurs Dec 8 at 6pm to enjoy each other's company and share in a Christmas program and Potluck Supper. Everyone is invited. Bring your favorite (or easiest!) dish.

Music News

Chrys Bentley: Music Guy

Hand Bells We have two vacancies for the Hand Bell Choir. Anyone interested can speak to Chrys Bentley, or any members of the Hand Bell Choir, or leave a message with Judi in the office. Anyone interested in forming a new ensemble, please speak with Chrys. Our Hand Bells will ring next on Advent IV: Sunday, December 18th, at morning worship and at Candlelight & Carols Service, at 4pm.

Advent Choir Advent is fast approaching. Would you like to sing Christmas music with our Choir? Please join us for four weeks during Advent. Ability to read music is not necessary. Joy of singing is our only prerequisite. Speak to Chrys or just come and join us for rehearsal at 7:30pm.

Christmas Eve Choir On Christmas Eve, 11pm, Beach United and St Aidan's Anglican will worship together in the sanctuary. A joint choir will offer music and lead congregational singing. Joy Horswill, St Aidan's choir director, warmly invites singers to joint choir rehearsals on December 8 & 15 from 8:30 until 9pm. Joy also adds, "We, of course, would be delighted if they wanted to come for the whole practice." Let us raise the roof with joyous voices.

Update from Council

Lee Muirhead, Jane Dickson, Jim Winn Karen Watson [HOMe]

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, Dec 4, directly following worship

Service

Beach UCW supply nut free cookies and squares (cut in small pieces) for Christmas parties with **Elizabeth Fry Society** clients, in and out of prison. Will you bake for us? Bring your goodies, packaged to go, on Sunday December 11, for pick-up on Monday December 12. Telephone Jean Collins: 416-694-5969

Occupy Toronto Invitation Occupy Toronto Outreach Committee invites members of faith communities to gather with Occupy Toronto on Community Outreach Day, Sunday November 27, 1pm at St. James Park, Adelaide or King St.E, just east of Church St. This gathering will be a peaceful witness against the growing gap in our city between the few who are very wealthy and the many who are poor. This will be a family friendly event.

Inter-faith Christmas Lunch will be served on Thursday December 22nd, 11.00 – 1.00 pm. Our guests receive a special gift so please bring donations of toiletries on Sunday Dec 18th at either the 10:30am service or the “Candlelight and Carols” concert at 4pm.

On regular Thursday’s we need donations of apples, oranges, bananas and home-baked cakes. Please drop these off at Memorial Hall kitchen at St. Aidan’s on Thursday between 8.00 – 10.00am

Out of the Cold The Beach “Out of the Cold” program at St. Aidan’s Church need volunteers to donate 3 hours of service once per month on a Monday afternoon/evening or Tuesday morning for the season. To make a difference, contact us at: outofthecold.beach@gmail.com

Learning & Growth

Council Contact: Wendy Johnston

Bible Study with Scholar, Amy-Jill Levine, on **Tuesday, 7-9pm New Location: 9 Boardwalk Dr.** Go to the multi-purpose room. Underground parking is available but check with the concierge.

St. Aidan’s—Advent Retreat Time Saturday Dec 3 from 9am to 1pm join Rev. Lucy Reid of St Aidan’s Church. Lucy will lead a meditative retreat to explore meditation as a way to draw closer to God. We will use mindfulness breath prayer, centering prayer, and meditation through art/creativity. This is a free retreat. To take part please register by calling St Aidan’s office at 416-691-2222.

Christmas Shopping with a Conscience

What do you get for the person who has everything? Does your child’s teacher need another “Greatest Teacher” mug? How do you balance seasonal commercialism with a deeper desire to find meaning in Christmas? Try shopping with a conscience. A number of worthy organizations offer gift buying project that give food, water, education, and hope to people in various parts of the world.

Check out Ten Thousand Villages, a program of Mennonite Central Committee. From animals to clean water to accessible education for children, you can help entire communities achieve great self-sufficiency through their Living Gift Festival. www.TenThousandVillages.ca Or consider Plan Canada’s *Because I am a Girl* gifts. Whether chicks to start a business, sanitary products and latrines to ensure girls stay in school, clean water or fuel efficient stoves, offer a gift specific to female needs.

See possibilities at:

http://plancanada.ca/giftsofhope/shopdisplayproducts.asp?id=4&cat=Gifts+to+support+girls&WT.mc_id=RTFY11GHWEB

Congregational Development

Council Contact: Mary Anne Lemm

Cooking with Soul Gather on Nov 26 at 9am in Memorial Hall kitchen. Let’s cook, enjoy community, and eat lunch together. We will make enough food for our Interfaith Lunch Program in the following week. Contact Mary Anne Lemm at maryanne.alton@sympatico.ca

St Aidan’s Highlights

Wednesdays, Nov. 30, Dec 7, 14 & 21: Advent study 7:30pm

Sunday, December 18th Advent4: Annual reading of Charles Dickens’ “A Christmas Carol” at 7 p.m. in the Lounge

Christmas Day, Sunday, Dec. 25: Annual Christmas Day Dinner in Memorial Hall. Volunteers needed to help serve & clean-up