



**Christ Church Anglican Meaford
Eblast for September 15th, 2021**

Come and join us in the church!



**Sunday, September 19th, 2021, Holy Baptism
the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost**

10:30 am with interim priest The Ven. Canon Judy Walton.
See below for details.

Readings: Proverbs 31:10-31; James 3:13 - 4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:33-37

Parish Announcements



Please join us for refreshments offered outside the church doors following the Sunday service. In keeping with diocese guidelines, please remember to physically distance.



We are worshipping inside the church and continue to follow strict protocol within Huron Diocese and Province of Ontario guidelines with requirements to wear a face covering, physically distance, and using hand sanitizer. There is also single file and distanced protocol to receive the bread.



The
Diocese of Huron

Dear friends,

As we approach Labour Day weekend, we are all aware that cases of COVID-19 are once again rising in Ontario. Due to this rise, the diocese will continue to follow the Reopening our Churches Step 3 guidelines for at least the month of September. The guidelines are available at the link below. I am asking all parishes to resume in-person worship effective September 12th. Some may prefer to continue to worship outside as long as the weather allows, some may prefer smaller services at a time other than Sunday morning. If a parish in a public health unit with a weekly COVID-19 case count of greater than 40 cases per 100,000 population wishes to request a later date for the return to in-person worship, the rector and wardens must seek permission from their Territorial Archdeacon, outlining the

reasons for the request. The weekly case counts may be obtained [here](#) or directly from your public health unit.

As Christians, we welcome all in the name of Christ and so the diocese will not be requiring vaccinations for all persons attending worship. However, those in ministry leadership positions have been entrusted with responsibilities which include protection of the vulnerable. For this reason, the following people will now be required to be vaccinated against COVID-19 to serve in the Diocese of Huron during this pandemic.

All clergy who are presently in an appointment, interims, those who function as honorary assistants and who do supply

All Licensed Lay Readers

All liturgical leaders including, but not limited to, organists and choir directors, choristers, musicians, lectors, intercessors, Eucharistic Administrators, wardens, greeters and servers over 12 years of age

All Sunday School teachers and youth leaders

All pastoral visitors

To continue in these roles, all persons must have received their first dose of vaccine by September 30th and the second no later than October 31st.

Each parish will maintain a record of the lay persons in these roles with an indication that they have provided proof of vaccination. A trusted person in the parish is to be assigned to visually check each person's vaccination confirmation and record the name of each person and the date of their second vaccination. The record is to be maintained securely in a locked file or password protected computer file. A warden, Safe Church Coordinator or parish nurse may be good choices for this role. A person may access their vaccination confirmation [here](#). Once the new provincial system for verifying vaccination status is in place, parishes may use that system.

Clergy will provide proof of their vaccination to Ms. Jennifer McLaughlin jmclaughlin@huron.anglican.ca if you are uncomfortable sending a copy of the vaccine confirmation by email, please arrange to meet with Jennifer at Church House or by zoom so that she can visually confirm the document. The information will be kept in a locked file in the HR office. This will not become part of your permanent clergy file.

Those who are medically unable to be vaccinated must obtain a written doctor's note exempting them from this vaccination requirement. They will be required to provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test taken less than 72 hours before the time they are scheduled to serve in their ministry role. Stipendiary clergy to whom this applies will be required to send to Jennifer proof of a negative COVID-19 test twice weekly. Those who have a Human Rights exemption from being vaccinated for COVID-19 are to contact Archdeacon Tanya Phibbs at tphibbs@huron.anglican.ca

All diocesan staff will also be required to be vaccinated by these deadlines. While we encourage the parishes to require this of any parish staff that are not in the categories above, that is a decision of the wardens to make as they are the employers.

Some people may feel that this policy goes too far, some will think it does not go far enough. I pray that it will strike a faithful and safe balance while we continue to gather and serve in this time. Please offer one another grace if there are disagreements, keeping each other in prayer and Christian love.

Yours in Christ,
+Todd
The Right Reverend Todd Townshend
Bishop of Huron

[REOPENING OUR CHURCHES STEP 3](#)

****Please note Truda Howard will be our point person for collecting data re the above.***



Pastoral Care

The Venerable Canon Judy Walton began her interim ministry with Christ Church on June 1. She is covering any parish emergencies, pastoral needs and the various meetings that arise within the parish and deanery. Should you need to contact Judy, please call her home at 705-444-0233 or her cell phone 705-607-0870. Her email is revjudy@rogers.com. Leaving a message at the office 519-538-1330 will also be forwarded to her in a prompt manner.

Meaford Children's Choir will be continuing on Tuesdays 6:55 - 7:30 pm until September 21st.



On September 27th the choir, under the leadership of Lauren Best, will start a NEW online time. She asks for input from those interested! Lauren asks for a reply and to tell her:

- 1) If sticking with Tuesday works or if a different day would make it possible for your family to attend.
- 2) What are some possible times that would be ideal for your family? What is

the earliest and latest that works for your family with bussing etc. *Looking forward to a fun fall session!*

Please contact Lauren at meafordchildrenschoir@gmail.com.

Community Announcements

An invitation from Dave & Elaine Young's family.....

Hello Friends of Pastor Dave and Elaine Young,

Bursting with pride and excitement, Dave and Elaine's children would like to invite you to an online retirement party for them both. For those of you who knew them, you know they always worked as a team: Pastor Dave was preaching, praying with you at home or in the hospital and leading Bible studies and prayer breakfasts; Elaine was leading music, women's ministries and often the children's programs and

community events. Please, join us for a quick online chat to congratulate them on their retirement and to share your best wishes, fondest memories, and perhaps a funny story.

As this is completely online due to Covid and some have asked about giving gifts, we will have a money tree for Dave and Elaine. We all know they love traveling together and this will be a great gift to help them do what they enjoy together in their retirement. Please feel free to send EMTs to DAVEELAINERETIRE@GMAIL.COM

Based on RSVPs, we will schedule small groups to join Dave and Elaine online; times and the link will be provided closer to the event based on RSVPs...so PLEASE respond to let us know if you would like to participate. **Please reply to revannejones@gmail.com to participate.**

Fall Spiritual Care Training programs begin. This program is designed as an introduction to Spiritual Care visiting; in home, in hospital and long-term care, and virtually. This is not a professional training and would be good for those people who are supporting their faith communities with some pastoral/spiritual visiting, or who may be interested in volunteering in hospital or long-term care.

The cost for 4 sessions is \$75.00 which should be sent with registration to the Spiritual Care office, attention: Evelynne Hazen. Cheques can be made out to Grey Bruce Spiritual Care Council, or e-transfers can be arranged. Evelynne is copied on this email. Registration should be in by September 27th.

All sessions are from 1 - 3:30 p.m. by Zoom. Link will be sent at the time of registration.

Dates are as follows:

October 6
October 20
November 3
November 17

The above info provided by Grey Bruce Health Services
T 519.376.2121 x2861
www.gbhs.on.ca/spiritual-care/

Contact Info

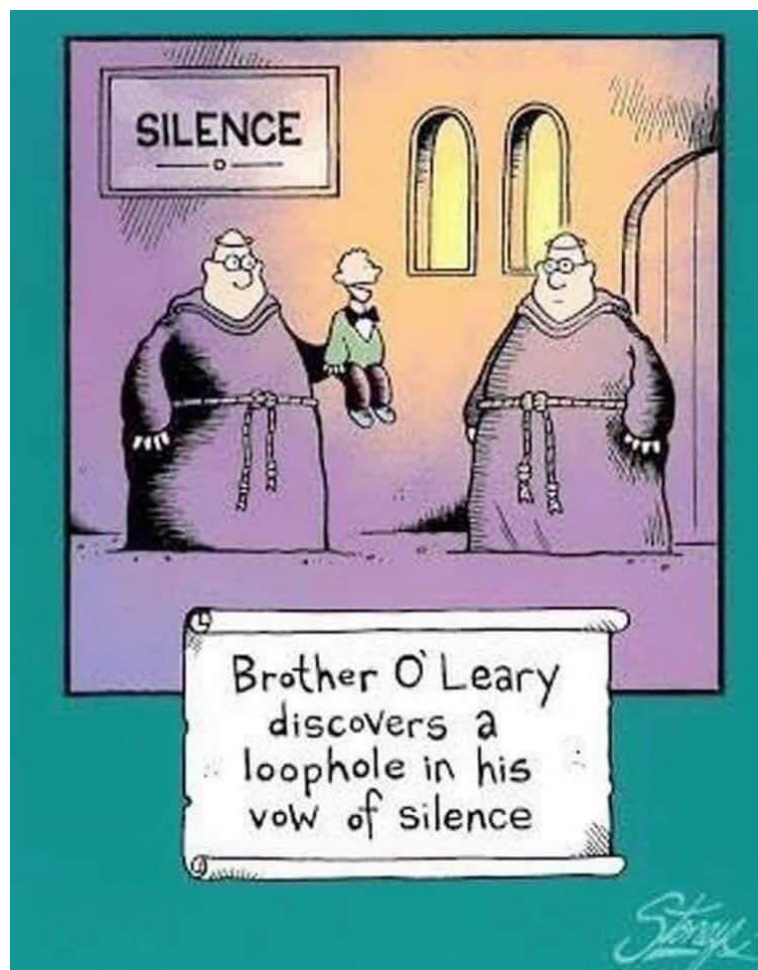
Church office.	519-538-1330	office@christchurchanglican.ca
Rev'd Judy Walton	705-444-0233 (home) 705-607-0870 (mobile)	revjudy@rogers.com .
Truda Howard, warden	519-538-9032	trudahoward@gmail.com
Donna Thompson, warden	289-259-0558	dthompsonca@yahoo.com

The church office is open Tuesdays from 9:00am to 12:00noon or leave us a message to call you back promptly – 519-538-1330.

You may also watch us here



Today's Chuckle.....



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