

WATERDOWN FOOD BANK: Food with Grace, Waterdown Food Bank is open from 2 - 6 p.m. every Tuesday. Your donation dollars will go to purchase food to supply our pantry for our clients. We have many more families that we are serving here in Waterdown, and the number of children is growing.

Volunteers are needed for the Fortinos Turkey Drive December 8th & 9th, for 2 hour shifts between 10a.m. and 4 p.m. Contact Lena Aggus to sign up.



Too Deep for Words

Thelma Hall's book, "Too Deep For Words" retrieves from obscurity the lost art of contemplative prayer as practiced for sixteen centuries in monastic tradition. We will use this book to guide us as we slow down and explore our spirituality during Advent. Join Sue-Ann from noon until 1:30pm each Sunday in Advent (Dec. 2, 9, 16, 23). Cheese, bread, fruit and beverages will be provided. You are welcome to bring a brown bag lunch. Please RSVP as early as possible so that we can order enough books. A donation of \$20 would be appreciated.



Many parishioners have chosen to support the ministry of the church by giving by PAC (Pre Authorized Chequing). It is very easy and safe to use, and you may still keep your envelopes and number for extra givings. It is a tremendous help to forecast the Parish budget. If you have not already done so, please consider switching to PAC. You may speak with the Rector or Cindy so that they may answer any questions you may have. PAC forms are available in the office.



Friendship Circle meets in Noble Hall for euchre every Friday from 10:30am to 2:00pm at Grace Church Hall. Please bring a brown bag lunch. Coffee, tea and cookies will be supplied. For information phone Shirley Carson at 905-689-5080.



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Office Hours: Tuesday 11:00am to 5:00pm & Wednesday & Thursday 10:00am to 3:00pm

Please submit weekly announcements to the office by Tuesday, 4p.m.

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Weekly Announcements December 2, 2018 Advent I



The Flowers on the Altar are given to the glory of God by Ruth Pasquier in loving memory of her mother Irene Mary Pasquier.

"Oh, for the touch of the vanished hand and of a voice that is now still." by Tennyson

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: Mel and Marilyn Hawkrigg; John and Bette Hepburn; Clarence Hofstee and Tammy Strome and children Ava and Tristan; and Bonnie Hoy.

In the Diocese of Niagara: All Saints, Erin, the Reverend Joan Dunn, Priest-in-Charge, the Reverend Deacon Irene Walback, Vocational Deacon, and the people of that parish.

In the Diocese of Cuba: The Missionary Station of San Pedro in Jobabo; the Reverend Miguel Armando Martin Ardao, Rector, and the people of that parish.

Thank you very much to those who provided leadership to our worship today:

Altar Guild:	Lena Aggus and Betty MacArthur
Warden on Duty:	Melody Kennedy
8:30 a.m.	Sides persons: Diane Saunders Reader : Diane Saunders
10:00 a.m.	Sides persons: Sue Dodds and Phil Watson Reader : Ann Watson
	1 Thessalonians 3. 9 - 13

Audio Visual: Remy Pravato



Nursery Care is available with a staffed attendant.

Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after the 10 a.m. service in Noble Hall. Our hosts today are Betty Beer and Karen Moffat.

Soul Food... Dinner and Worship. Come and enjoy a gathering designed to feed the body and spirit of people of **all ages**. Next service is December 6th at 6 p.m.

'Soul Food' logo created by Jasmine Adomeit.



Christian Disciples ... Transforming Lives ... Building Community

Mark Your Calendars



- Christmas Market wrap up meeting Dec 2, 11:30 a.m.
- Advent series 12- 1:30pm each Sunday in Advent (Dec. 2, 9, 16, 23).
- Corporation Meeting Wednesday Dec 5, 7 p.m.
- Soul Food December 6 at 6 p.m. in Noble Hall.
- Seniors Cooking Club December 13 in Noble Hall at 11 a.m. RSVP.
- Lessons and Carols Service December 16 at 7 p.m.
- Parish Council December 18, 7 p.m. in Guild Room. Budget planning.
- Longest Night of the Year service December 19, 2 p.m.
- Building Committee Meeting January 8, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.
- Vestry 2018 Sunday Feb 10, 2019 following the 10a.m. service.

Vestry Reports—Due Jan 10, 2019

Name Tags - Everyone is encouraged to wear the name tags available to you in the Narthex. Please advise the Office or sign the list in Narthex if you need one made .

With Grace Pin - Please wear your With Grace Pin wherever you go. It is a great conversation piece to share with others and show support for the Narthex. If you do not have yours yet, see Sue-Ann, Tracey or Leslie to arrange for one.

Calendars - 2019 Church Calendars are now available in the office for \$5.00.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

December 16 at 7:00 p.m.

A Service of Lessons and Carols

December 19 at 2 p.m.

Longest Night Service



December 24 at 4 p.m.

Family Christmas Service

December 24 at 10:00 p.m.

Candlelit Holy Communion

December 25 at 10:00 a.m.

Christmas Day

“Longest Night Service at Grace” (Blue Christmas) is to be held December 19th at 2:00pm, followed by tea, coffee and dessert. This service is dedicated to all who mourn at this time of year & those for who the Christmas season brings sadness.



MEN OF GRACE All men are welcome to Saturday breakfast on the following dates in 2019: Feb 2nd, Mar 2nd, Apr 6th and May 4th. All breakfast events are at Grace, and begin at 8:30AM. RSVP to Rev. Deacon Paul Bates at batesp@mcmaster.ca.



Donations to St Matthew's House. Toiletry bag items and CLEAN AND GENTLY USED winter items and socks can be deposited in the barrel in the Narthex.

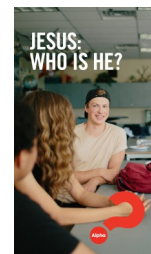
Thanks everyone for the contributions to St Matthews House. For more information please contact Barb Allemang at 905 689 8972



YOU'RE INVITED TO COME & SHARE IN A Community Seniors Cooking Club

2nd Thursdays monthly at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Come and share ideas and learn from each other as we prepare a meal in our new kitchen that will be shared together . Hosted by GRACE ANGLICAN CHURCH WATERDOWN 2nd Thursday of each month. **RSVP the office.** Next date is **December 13, 2018.**



Explore life's biggest questions

1st Thursday of each month, 6-7 p.m., DINNER INCLUDED, NO CHARGE @ GRACE ANGLICAN CHURCH

Join us as we explore the ALPHA series at our monthly Soul Food each month. Next date December 6th.



GRACE CHURCH BIBLE STUDY on Thursday afternoons **2:30 - 4:30**

pm. For more information call Lyn Ansty at 905-689-5161. In the event of inclement weather, please check with Lyn as Bible Study may be cancelled. A warm welcome awaits you.

Tree of Angels

Will be located in the Narthex soon. Please plan a gift and select an Angel from the tree and return the age applicable unwrapped gift with the Angel attached under the tree by **Dec 9th**, for delivery to St. Matthew's House.



Anyone wishing to put flowers at the altar for an annual or single memorial, or for a one time celebration of a special event, please contact the Flower Convenor, Sally Bates, for available dates. Sally may be reached at [905-689-4368](tel:905-689-4368), or sally_ebates@hotmail.com.



The Graceful Needlers meet Thursday afternoons in the Guild Room from 1:30 to 3:30PM. All those who do any kind of hand needlework would be warmly welcomed for coffee and cookies.

Phone Toni-Lynne at 905-689-5001 for more information.

