

November 17th, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Hour: Please join us for another wonderful time of fellowship. Our hosts for today are *Susan & Steve Dowe*.

PWRDF Christmas Cards: “For unto us a child is born”. These are the words from Isaiah that illuminate the two lovely designs of this year’s PWRDF Christmas cards. **There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex to order cards until Sunday Nov. 17th.** Each design comes in a package of 12 cards with a minimum donation of \$25. Payment to be made on receipt of cards.

Peoples Pulpit: Submission for *the People's Pulpit* can be emailed to Mary Anne Reinhard: mareinhard1@outlook.com by **November 18th, 2024.**

PWRDF World Of Gifts: (*Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund*) A selection of items from seeds to donkeys to agricultural training sessions is now available for Christmas giving for yourself or as a gift to someone else. To see the selection, check out the PWRDF catalogue in the November issue of Crosstalk and send your order in by mail, or visit pwrdf.org/worldofgifts online and order that way.

Angel Tree: The Angel Tree is up once again as we aim to help the Stittsville Foodbank fill Christmas Food Hampers for families struggling this Holiday Season. Please take an Angel from the tree as a reminder to purchase or **order a gift card from Fundscrip.** These cards will be given to children aged birth – 18 years of age along with the family hamper. The Food Bank starts assembling these hampers **as early as November 20th.** We would like to deliver cards to them as soon as possible **and by December 15th at the latest.** Thank you for your support.

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The amen effect: If you signed up for the Advent Book Study, begin this **Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 2:00 pm, in the Sanctuary.**

Christmas Pageant: Would you like to help Merilee tell the story of Jesus's birth? We are looking for people of ALL ages to join Merilee. Please email Merilee at godsgardenstt@gmail.com or call or text her at 613-591-9351 to sign up. **Pageant Rehearsals will be on Sunday, November 24, December 1, and December 8 at 9:30–10:00 am.** The **pageant will be on Sunday, December 15, 2024.** We will get into costumes at 9:30 and the pageant will take place at 10:15 in church.

Candy Donations: We are still accepting candy donations. If you can help us, please place them in the box located in the Council Room.

Bagging Candy: If you would like to help fill candy bags, please come to the Council Room **Tuesday, November 26, 2024, @10 am – 12 pm.**

Extra Lights for Float: We are excited to be putting in another float for the Parade of lights this year. Do you have extra lights you can donate for this cause? Please bring them into the office and place them by the bench in the Council Room.

Prayer and a Pint: Our December meeting is a Dinner meeting at Irish Hills Golf course at **6pm on Thursday 5 December.** We have our own private dining room. The cost is \$33 for appetiser and main course; \$38 if you have dessert as well. Please contact William for menu details and **let him know by 21 November** if you are interested in going. (613-836-2876)

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ACW: To All Ladies of St. Thomas, you are invited to the A.C.W. luncheon at The Mandarin in Kanata on **Monday, December 2nd at 12 noon**. We hope you can come and join the group at the delicious, all you can eat buffet. Senior Discount for those that qualify. I have made a reservation for noon, and it will be reserved under ST. THOMAS CHURCH – DIANE. I must **reserve our numbers by November 28th**, so please sign the sheet in the Narthex; call or text Diane at 613-825-6223; or send her an email to bill.di@sympatico.ca. Hope to see you there.

Hot Chocolate: The annual Stittsville Parade of Lights is on **Saturday 7th December 2024**. We will serve hot chocolate to those waiting **beginning around 5.30**. If you want to help us – contact Mary Passmore 613-836-2876 or cpassmore@sympatico.ca.

Morning Prayer Services: We look forward to welcoming you to our Morning Prayer service **beginning at 10 am, in the sanctuary every Wednesday**.