



The Church of St. John the Evangelist, Kitchener

ON EAGLE'S WINGS

March 28, 2021

Available online at StJohn316.com/OEW

Canterbury Cathedral Morning Prayer

Dede Boulden (Kingston)

Since the beginning of Lent I have been watching a program on YouTube that has become part of my daily routine. It appears shortly after lunch when I appreciate a quiet time (actually, most times are quiet around here). The broadcast is from the Dean's garden at Canterbury Cathedral.

The Dean is Dr. Robert Willis who sits in a garden chair next to a table that is set for tea.

The garden is large and enchanting, so that a different section is on view each day. Now that spring is in full bloom there in Kent, we can see the daffodils one day, and the violets the next.

Another feature is the domestic life that appears and vanishes at will. One of the three cats, Leo is a regular visitor, often leaping onto the Dean's lap in the midst of a prayer. There are three pigs, whitish with blotches of black. They pass into the picture from time to time, the leader is called Clemmie Where her name came from is not certain (you can see them on March 6th for sure).

The Dean opens the service with a welcome to his viewers in Great Britain and many other countries. He usually has remarks about the importance of that particular day, and of some current event before he begins with a prayer. Next, he reads the psalm for the day and from the Gospel of St. John. The Dean then gives us his interpretation of the reading that relates to the time leading up to the crucifixion. After another short prayer Dr. Willis has prepared a list and details about people, events and history relating to that particular day, and they are all interesting. The morning ends with a prayer, appropriately, and sometimes a quick anecdote. I think that many members of St. John's would find this an uplifting program as I do.

Altar Flowers

Enid Emery

We are in the season of Lent when we do not need flowers for the Altar. However, I have completed the list of donors for the remainder of the year and we have quite a number of Sundays which are still open. If anyone is considering putting flowers on the Altar in memory of a friend or family member, please let me know. I can be reached at 519-896-0637 or by e-mail: davidemery@rogers.com.



The next issue of On Eagle's
Wings will be available on
April 25th

Bales

Rosemary Cliff

The logistics to collect clothing for the Bales was a little different/difficult this year but we managed it and a good number of boxes were finally delivered to Home Hardware on Thursday March 18th for the journey to Kenora. Thank you to all those who contributed new and used clothing. It was very much appreciated. As well, a big thank you to those people who helped with packing and to those who offered but whose services were not needed.



Community Gardens and the Marks of Mission

Ann Coughlin

- *To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation*
- To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

The Community Garden Council (or Network) of Waterloo Region helps support individuals and communities who wish to participate in community gardening. Some community gardens allow individuals to “farm” their own plots, while others are communal efforts. You can visit their website (<https://sites.google.com/view/community-gardens-ca/home>) or their Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/WaterlooRegionCommunityGardens/>) to learn more.

Please check these out if you have a passion for gardening and would like to learn more about becoming involved. I have been speaking with Doug Jones, the Chair of the Council, and currently, they are looking for people who would like to join them in this supporting role – working with volunteers, providing accounting skills, helping with social media, etc.

This could be an opportunity to express our Marks of Mission locally.

New from Omas Siskona KW—Virtual Concert—Save the Date!

You are invited to a virtual concert. Please save the date!

“Together in Concert: In Solidarity with African Grandmothers”

Omas Siskona KW, is one of 160 grandmother groups from across the country who are planning a 90-minute online concert called **Together in Concert: In Solidarity with African Grandmothers**. Plans are well underway for the launch on April 15, 2021 at 7.30 pm EDT. You must register to attend the concert. Admission is free, and once you register, you will be able to access the link for a 72 hour period after the official launch on April 15. It includes music, dance, storytelling and drumming from acclaimed artists across Canada. To register, see the list and profiles of the performers, and to get more information, go to our concert website www.cdngrandmothers.com.

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Canadian grandmothers walk in solidarity with African grandmothers who are raising the next generation while two pandemics intersect, HIV and AIDs and COVID-19. The need is greater than ever to ensure that community-based organizations have the resources they need to support their communities.

Donations are appreciated. 100% of funds raised go to the Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign of the Stephen Lewis Foundation.

The Stephen Lewis Foundation launched the Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign in 2006, in response to the emerging crisis faced by African grandmothers as they struggled to raise millions of children orphaned by AIDS. Canadian grandmothers began forming groups to raise money in their communities for African grandmothers and a **grandmothers movement was born**. And 15 years later we continue, because we won't rest until they rest.

SLF champions health and human rights with community-based partners to respond to the AIDS pandemic in sub-Saharan Africa. It is a progressive, feminist organization rooted in the principles of social justice, international solidarity, and substantive equality. The SLF was created with the express purpose of supporting community-based organizations working on the frontlines of the AIDS pandemic in sub-Saharan Africa. They work in 6 key areas. You can read more here: <https://stephenlewisfoundation.org/areas-of-work/>.

All funds raised by the Canadian grandmothers support one specific area - the Grandmothers and the children in their care. Grandmothers across sub-Saharan Africa have stepped in to care for millions of children orphaned by AIDS, many after losing their own children to the pandemic. Stephen Lewis Foundation partners provide resilience-building support, often led by grandmothers, including healthcare, grief counselling, parenting assistance, leadership training, and income-generation. Grandmothers are developing networks and organizing to claim their human rights and collectively advocate for secure futures at local, national and international levels. You can read more here: <https://grandmotherscampaign.org/>.