

April 24, 2016

Readings: ACTS 11:1-18
JOHN 13:31-35

Earth Day 2016 letter from Anglican and Lutheran leaders



Melting glaciers are one of the most visible effects of climate change.
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April 20, 2016

Dear friends in Christ:

As we observe Earth Day on April 22, we commend to you the *Storforsen Appeal*, the statement from the conference *The Future of Life in the Arctic: The Impact of Climate Change. Indigenous and Religious Perspectives* held on Sami Territory in Sweden in 2015.

The appeal calls on all of us, “to take brave action and make bold decisions on promoting climate justice.” It asks us to rededicate ourselves, “to stand in solidarity and support the peoples in the North, who are now already survivors and leaders in responding to climate change.”

We pray for the humility and discipline to use the earth’s resources wisely and responsibly; to take action with care for those who will come after us; and to continue to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

Yours in Christ,



The Most Rev. Fred Hiltz
Primate, Anglican Church of Canada



The Rev. Susan C. Johnson
National Bishop, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada



The Rev. Mark MacDonald
National Anglican Indigenous Bishop, Anglican Church of Canada

This Week at Inca



Refugee Family - Update

In February Inca was matched with a Syrian refugee family living in Turkey. In a rare turn of events our family, a mother with two small children, declined coming to Canada because she didn't want to be separated from the rest of her extended family. In late March we were fortunate to be matched with another refugee family. This family is also from Syria but currently living in Lebanon. They are a husband and wife with a 3-year old son, a daughter who turns 2 in July and a baby on the way in mid-August. The wife understands a little bit of English. Both parents have high school level education. The husband is an electrician by trade. The refugee committee is busy preparing for their arrival. Their exact travel date is unknown at this time. Our best guess is that they will arrive in Oakville by the end of June.

Thank you everyone for all the generous donations of toys, household items and furniture for the refugee family. We have almost everything that a family will need. Here is a list of items we are still looking for:

- diaper bag, activity mat, infant clothing (onesies, sleepers, receiving blankets), washcloths
- laundry basket, drying rack, iron and ironing board, plunger
- broom and dust pan, bucket and mop
- tools
- tablet
- garbage cans for bathroom and bedrooms, small garbage bags
- fire extinguisher, batteries

If you have any of these items, please give them to Leslie Hickey



Meetings:

Parish Council – Sunday, April 24 after the 10:00 Service
Please forward your reports to Jim Stevens by Friday, April 22 by 5pm



Earth Day Clean up Saturday, April 23, 9-11am

Join the Incarnation Clean-up crew. Meet in the parking lot of the church at 8:45 this Saturday and we'll carpool to the location we're responsible for. Gloves will be provided.



Choir Practice –

The choir rehearses every Wednesday at 7:30. Share your voice, all welcome.

In April, rehearsals are cancelled 27. In May the choir will meet on May 11 and 25 (May 4 and 18 are cancelled.)



Wing and a Prayer – Thursday, April 28, 2016

We meet at 6:30pm at Monaghan's. Cost: \$25 per person including food and drink. RSVP Rob Moniuk (Robert@Moniuk.ca).

Everyone is welcome!



Contemplative Fire – Sunday, May 15, 8:00pm.

Are you looking for time to reflect, meditate and recharge your spiritual life? Each meeting begins with a communal sharing of food followed by quiet and intentional reflection in the gathering area. The response to this has been very encouraging. We continue to see new faces at each meeting and look forward to growing this community. For more information, please speak to Michael. All are welcome.



Bible Study – *Raising Issues*

begins May 5 Thursday evenings from 7:30-9pm

May 5, 12, 19, 26 and June 2, in the Education Room.

Led by Mervyn Russell, discussing one resurrection passage from each of the gospels and from 1st Corinthians. A study guide available in the office and attached to this email. No previous knowledge of the bible is necessary. All views are respected. There is no charge. Please contact Mervyn if you are interested in coming at mervicia@gmail.com



Youth Group Events-

For info contact Phil Carver at incayouthprogram@gmail.com



St. Luke's Vacation Bible School

August 22nd – 26th at St. Luke's Church

For children in JK through to Grade 5, as of September 2016

Meet new people and have fun while learning about the Christian faith. Application forms are available in the office.

Community News



Piano Recital scheduled for Sunday, April 24 featuring Anna Betka has been cancelled due to scheduling conflicts. Sorry for the confusion and inconvenience.



Interfaith Peace Walk Sunday May 15th from 12:30-2:30

Organized by the Interfaith Council of Halton in partnership with various community groups, houses of worship, schools and the Town of Oakville. Meet in Centennial Square to hear some words of inspiration and music before the walk begins.



Mendelssohn's *Elijah*

Saturday, May 7 at 8pm – St. Matthew Catholic Church, Oakville
Sunday May 8 at 3pm, – Metropolitan United Church, Toronto

Presented by Masterworks of Oakville Chorus and Orchestra, with the Univox Choir of Toronto. Featuring our very own Charlene Pauls!

Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$25 for seniors and \$15 for students – children 10 and under are free. www.masterworksofoakville.ca



Canterbury Hills Camp – Summer 2016

Just 20 minutes from downtown Hamilton, this camp offers a safe and nurturing environment, where campers build friendships, self-confidence and create life-long memories.

Now accepting reservations at www.canterburyhillscamp.ca. Brochures available in the office.

This & That



Buy Good Coffee – Available in the office

Delicious, organic, Arabica coffee grown by women in Peru who are paid above fair trade prices. \$15 for a 1lb bag, \$10 for a 10oz bag.

Remember, 30% of the proceeds will be donated to the missions of Incarnation.



Computer Collection

Do you have an old PC you no longer use? Please consider donating it to Ewan Lorimer who will strip the bad parts and sell the good ones. He'll donate 25% of his profits to the church. Ewan can also rebuild old PC's so they run better.



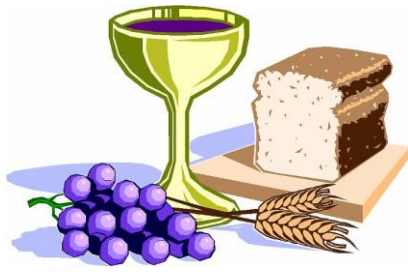
Looking to volunteer?

We have lots of way you can get involved. Positions include: altar prep, greeters, readers, hosts and coffee preparation. **Youth** can gain some volunteer high school hours. Training will be provided. Contact Claudine Boulert, at boulert@rogers.com for more information, or call 905-825-2851.



Changes to Order of Service or Bulletin News - Any changes need to be sent to the office by Tuesday, noon. office@incarnationchurch.ca

Nametags let people know who you are and make it helpful for people to put names to faces, especially for newcomers



Receiving Communion

All people at Incarnation are invited to receive the bread and wine at communion. The bread is received from the priest who stands between the servers who offer wine from the common cup; choose whatever side is free. You may choose to receive from an individual wine cups available to the left of the altar. Take one, consume the wine and replace the empty cup in the same spot. We hope this provides an inclusive approach to communion where all are welcome.

VOLUNTEER!	April 24	May 1
Bread Making	C. Surphlis	A. Moniuk
Altar Prep	A. MacNaughton	B. Hanna-Morrison
Coffee	L. Hickey	Hutchinson/Henley
Coffee	Gowing	Vanderwater
Host	D. Bold	B. Abrams
Reader 1	D. Lusby	J.Grieve
Gospel	E. Lee	G. Chambers
Prayers	J. Bowden	L. Hickey
Server 1	L. Hickey	A. MacNaughton
Server 2	B. Hanna-Morrison	A. Turner-Sommer
Wine Cups	C. Boulert	E. Lorimer
Counting	J. Raitt	J. Lockhart