
St. John's Anglican Church West Toronto

Inclusive & family-friendly community



July 28, 2010

Dear Friends,
There's always something new here. Thank God!

WORSHIP WITH US THIS SUNDAY

Sunday, August 1

8:30 Early Eucharist; **10:30** Holy Eucharist with Music.

Scriptures: Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9,43; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21

Musicians: Jaroslaw Czerwinec, accordion; Marilyn Kluykens, cello.

APPOINTMENT OF OUR NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL COORDINATOR



We are pleased to announce that Shanelle Smith will be joining us in September as our new Sunday School Coordinator. Shanelle brings a wealth of experience in community work, youth program development, and youth engagement. Shanelle also has extensive outreach and volunteer coordination experience.

Much of Shanelle's previous experience has been in not-for-profit organizations, including Parkdale Community Information Centre, Scadding Court Community Centre and Woodgreen Red Door Family Shelter. Shanelle has gained valuable teaching experience at Dundas Street Public School.

Shanelle holds a Bachelor's degree in Social Work and will be entering teacher's college in September.

Shanelle lives in Toronto's West End and is familiar with the St. John's neighbourhood. Please join us in welcoming Shanelle to our community.

Marilyn Kluykens & Gary van der Meer



Colin Mohler grew up in f our special-needs friendly community at St. John's. Now, as a young man in his 20s, he enjoys weekly visits to the farm. Accompanied by his father, John Mohler, Colin helps with the hay, feeds the animals, and enjoys the beautiful countryside near Innisfil, Ontario.



*This week, we accompanied Colin: Gary and John shear the sheep.
We have no idea what we are doing...
but a great day for Colin is a great day for us.*



BOOK STUDY

Our most recent book, "The Bishop's Man" by Linden MacIntyre brought about rich discussion, stories of personal journeys and struggles, and reflections on being Sanctuary - church as a safe space for all. Now we turn to how busyness and speed shape our lives.



IN PRAISE OF SLOW:

"how a worldwide movement is challenging the cult of speed"

By Carl Honoré

The book jacket reads: "In a world where speed rules and everyone is under pressure to go faster, anything that gets in our way or that slows us down becomes an enemy. Thanks to speed, we are living in the age of rage. In Praise of Slow heralds a growing international movement of people dedicated to calming down the hectic pace of our lives, striving for a new balance between fast and slow, and helping us all enjoy a richer, fuller life as a result." The book includes chapters on the slow food movement, doctors and medicine, sex and lovemaking, leisure and the importance of rest, and "raising an unhurried child."

Tuesday, September 21

6 PM Dinner (Potluck) 7 PM Discussion

Hike the Bruce Trail

Our next hike departs from the church at 9 AM sharp... Shared rides, coffee stop, hike, picnic, Earth Blessing, pub, drive home by 5 PM.

Saturday, August 21, 9:00 AM

Messy Church

Worship for 2-6 year-olds and their families.

We are introducing the Eucharist especially for children!

Carry a candle, a streamer, or the cross. Hear about the meals Jesus shared with his friends. Eat together.

Saturday, August 21, 3-5 PM

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Best wishes, **Gary+**

Check our website. www.sjwt.ca

And remember this!

Building up with God!

The mission of St. John's Church is to build a community of caring believers committed to Christ, to work for justice and service to all in need. We gather to praise God, and to give and receive support to meet the challenge of our daily ministries. We call on all who will to come and join us.

We are not a building. We are an accessible, accepting, diverse community. We are young and old, able-bodied, and disabled, employed and unemployed. We are married, single, divorced, straight and gay. We are from all over the world, yet we could live next door. You will find open minds and open hearts at St. John's.

