



# St. George's e-Touch

Friday September 21, 2018 – Saturday September 29, 2018

**This Sunday Pentecost 18  
September 23, 2018:**

**Services at 8:00 and 10:00 am**

**Presider:** Rev. Dr. Neil Mancor

**Preacher:** Susan Winn

**MC:** Sandra Holmes

**Readings:** Acts 1:1-11  
Galatians 5:13-26

**This Week:**

Tues: 5:30 UBL Workshop  
7:00 Alpha

Wed 1:00 Pizza Lunch  
5:00 Messy Church

Thurs 7:15 Choir Practice

If God can rest, there is no excuse that we cannot take 24 hours off to rest... to rest with God.

## Messy Church



Join us this **Wednesday September 26 at 5:00 pm** for another lively, fun and messy time.

September's theme is "**Safe and Sound**" and we will celebrate the fact that God's love will always come and rescue us.

"Suppose one of you had a hundred sheep and lost one. Wouldn't you leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the lost one until you found it? When found, you can be sure you would put it across your shoulders, rejoicing, and when you got home call in your friends and neighbours, saying, 'Celebrate with me! I've found my lost sheep!' Count on it—there's more joy in heaven over one sinner's rescued life than over ninety-nine good people in no need of rescue.'

Luke 15:4-7 (MSG)

## Food Cupboard

Of immense need at this time – canned meat and fish, peanut butter, soups of all kinds (except tomato), juice, or any other item that you can spare. If you would like to volunteer please speak with Lori – the commitment is 1-1/2 hours every 6 – 8 weeks.

## PWRDF

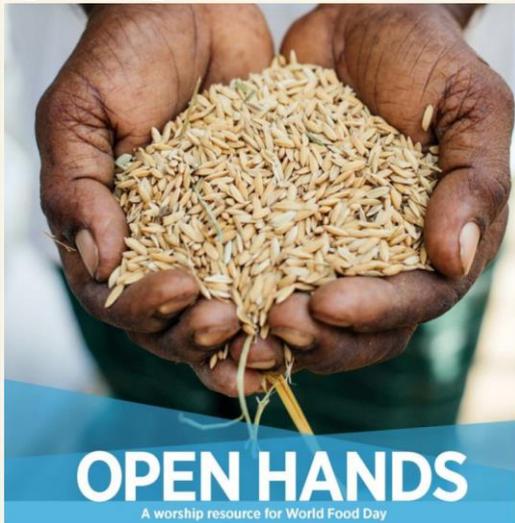
### Mission Statement

As an instrument of faith, PWRDF connects Anglicans in Canada to communities around the world in dynamic partnerships to ADVANCE development, RESPOND to emergencies, ASSIST refugees and ACT for positive change.



***Coming soon... PWRDF has a new website and a new logo!***

### Upcoming Events



**Oct. 16, World Food Day**

**Watch for more news on this from PWRDF.**

## Volunteer Opportunities

Our community thrives because each of us contributes not only dollars, but our hands, hearts, and time to building and sustaining the community in which we make our home. The more we each engage with the work of building community, the stronger our community becomes – and the deeper the gifts we each receive from our participation. This is true in any congregation, but especially true in a small congregation like ours which depends on volunteer energy and effort.

**Greeters** welcome people to morning services. Duties include welcoming people and especially newcomers, handing out bulletins, setting out wine and host for Communion, taking attendance and cleaning up. Greeters can choose the frequency with which they are scheduled. We are in need of more greeters.

**Counters** work in teams of two to count and prepare the bank deposit for the collection. Do you like to keep things in order and work with numbers? We are in need of more counters. Counters can also choose the frequency with which they are scheduled.

**Messy Church** is in need of volunteers to do one task only for one Messy Church only this fall. If you would like to help with food or a craft please see Kisha.

**Choir** Do you love to sing? We rehearse weekly on Thursday evenings at 7:15 pm and sing during the 10:00 am Sunday service. If you are interested, please speak with Jean-François or a member of the choir for more information.

Please contact Neil, a member of Leadership or Lori in the office at [office@stgeorgesanglicanchurch.org](mailto:office@stgeorgesanglicanchurch.org) if you would be interested in volunteering or learning about volunteer opportunities. We would love to have you more involved!

## Announcement from the Bishop September 10, 2018

Dear Colleagues,

I wish to announce that I have appointed The Reverend Dr. Neil Mancor as Congregational Development Coordinator for the Diocese of Montreal, effective October 15th. Neil has served at St. George's, Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue for the last 10 years and has been the Regional Dean.

Neil will work with parishes on congregational development and their financial stewardship. He will also oversee the Fresh Start Program with clergy and parishes and work with the Vicar General on the Post-Ordination training for new ordinands. Neil has training in Godly Play, Natural Church Development and Restorative Practice as well as Messy Church. Please pray for Neil and his family and parish in the transition.

A reminder that the Ordination of deacons takes place on September 30 at 4pm at Christ Church Cathedral and that the colour of stole is white.

I have appointed Joel Amis to serve as assistant curate in St. Michael and All Angels Parish, and Tania Lesack to serve as assistant curate for the Regional Ministry of the Laurentians. Jhon Steeker Saint-Clair will be ordained to the permanent Diaconate and will be based in Église de la Nativité.

Yours faithfully,

+ Mary

## Reflections of Love

*We know that Jesus valued regular opportunities to take time apart, in the midst of a busy and peripatetic public ministry. Retreats and quiet days are part of our community life--and offer support to our personal prayer practice. Coming together in a group, and learning from skilled resource people, help us explore, re-launch, or deepen that vital, regular practice of personal prayer that has nourished centuries of Christians in all parts of our tradition.*

We would like to give you the opportunity that Jesus so valued. **On Saturday, October 13 the Spiritual Direction Group is sponsoring a Diocesan Quiet Day called REFLECTIONS OF LOVE. The day is planned both as an introduction for new pray-ers and as a refreshment for experienced ones.**

**AGENDA:** Themes for the day are (1) Opening the Door to the Quiet (2) Healing of the Heart, and (3) Meditations on Divine Love. Lunch and coffee will be provided; freewill offering; we will conclude by celebrating the Eucharist, led by Bishop Mary Irwin-Gibson. Please register at [spiritualdirectiongroup@montreal.anglican.ca](mailto:spiritualdirectiongroup@montreal.anglican.ca) by October 1. We will gather in Fulford Hall at 9:30, each of the short talks will present material or questions to explore during the subsequent silence, supported by each other in prayer. (Parking is available on Saturdays underneath Cathedral Place (entry from Union just south of De Maisonneuve) at the cost of \$8 for the whole day.)

**WHAT WILL HAPPEN:** The day will take place in silence, with recorded music during the mealtime. There will be space to move around; the Cathedral will be available, including its small Chapel containing the Reserved Sacrament; a book table will be provided, and so will art materials and a meditation space. The day will conclude with a celebration of the Holy Eucharist, led by Bishop Mary Irwin-Gibson. This will wrap up by 3:30.

**LEADERS:** Our Diocesan Spiritual Direction Group was established over twenty years ago, and includes nearly a dozen trained and experienced Directors who have provided individual spiritual direction and led parish and other retreat groups in and beyond our Diocese.

***All are welcome. Please join us.***

