



SEVENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST



CHRIST CHURCH GABRIOLA July 8th, 2018



Communion Services are held on the First and Third Sunday of the month.

Rev. Karen's Church Office Hours

Karen's drop-in office hours

Tuesday 11.00am -1:00pm & Wednesday 1:00pm- 3:0pm.

If these times don't work for you, please phone the church 250-247- 8633, or email her revkarenhollis@gmail.com to make an appointment.

Check out our NEW Facebook page and become a member.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/443844412742289/>

Christ Church Gabriola website- www.christchurchgabriola.ca



From the Desk of Rev. Karen



SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICE

A few times each year we have a 5th Sunday of the month, which the worship committee has designated as an opportunity to be creative with our communion service and try some new things. On July's 5th Sunday (7/29) we will have a special Summer Worship Service to welcome a fresh and creative take on our familiar worship elements. Join us at the end of July as we experience the Holy Spirit who creates and inspires, blow through our worship! If you have ideas you'd like to try, let Karen know!

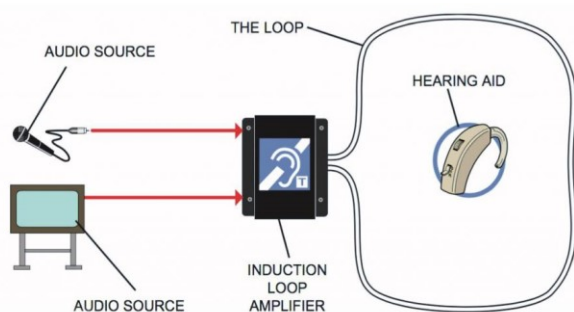


VISION FOR MUSIC

The worship committee is working on a draft vision for music at CCG, following an inflow of feedback over the past 2+ months. We will schedule a time to share this vision in person (probably after worship on a Sunday), as well as in writing. We will have more on that in the coming weeks.

Induction Loop System Survey

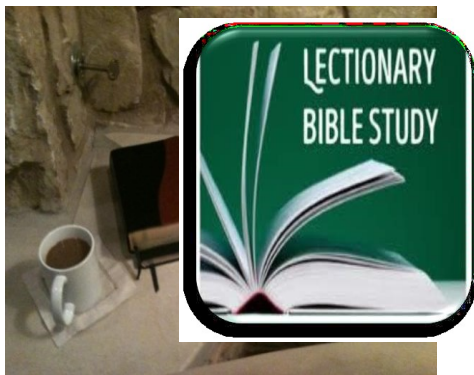
The main elements of an audio-frequency induction loop system



Induction Loop System Survey

Christ Church Gabriola is looking into the possible installation of an induction loop system which will allow those with hearing aids with T-Coil settings to hear the service more clearly. Those with hearing aids will be asked to fill out a survey, to be filled out after the service or later. This will help us in finding ways to improve the quality of sound for all during a service.

Lectionary Bible Study Tuesday Mornings!



Please join us on Tuesdays at 10am for a conversation on the lectionary texts for the coming Sunday. All are welcome! Those are lectors and leading prayers that week may find attending particularly helpful for their preparation. So, come and gather for study, prayer and a time of sharing



Food Bank total for June.

Our donations were on the light side for the month of June - 9-3/4 lbs. but all donations go a long way to help those in need.

“Give to others, and God will give to you. Indeed, you will receive a full measure, a generous helping, poured into your hands--all that you can hold. The measure you use for others is the one that God will use for you.” **Luke 6:38**



“What Do You Post On Your Church Facebook Page?” by John Fong

[HTTP://PRESNB.COM/2017/WHAT-DO-YOU-POST-ON-YOUR-CHURCH-FACEBOOK-PAGE/](http://presnb.com/2017/what-do-you-post-on-your-church-facebook-page/)

Now that you have a Facebook Page, what do you want to say? What should you post? How often should you post?

Here's a simple framework that I suggest to all my churches. Give each day a theme, and when it comes to how often to post, most of my churches have decided to post every day. The idea behind posting every day is that church is not just on Sundays, but every day. And for people checking out your church it's an impressive way to show activity, growth and ministry beyond the walls. After a while you will discover people will start looking for your daily post for a daily respite to their busy lives.

Here are my suggested themes for each day and always include an image/photo with your posts.

Monday – An inspirational, motivational post or post a prayer. For some of my churches/pastors the post offers a review or expands on Sunday's sermon.

Tuesday – Post photos from last Sunday's service or photos from your archives. People love seeing photos of themselves and others they know. These photos can be powerful positive reinforcement to come to church and connect with friends.

Wednesday – Post an engagement post. For example – What shall we pray for today? In this post you are asking people to participate. You will find over time Followers/people on your Facebook page will begin to share more and offer one another support directly on your Facebook page.

Thursday – Post an upcoming event/activity. Do you have something from your music ministry, youth ministry and/or Christian education?

Friday – Post Good News from your community and/or from around the world. It reminds us all it is Thank God is Friday! TGIF!

Saturday – For most of my churches and pastors, Saturday is their sermon preview day. It could be as simple as a question or the seed of a thought that hints at Sunday's sermon. Most of the churches and pastors I have been working with are doing Facebook Live post. These are short 60 second Live video post that offers a preview of their Sunday sermon. Facebook Live gives you a lot exposure and will help reach your greater community, more than your average post, and it offers a personal connection that invites Followers/people to come to church.

Sunday – Most of my churches are scheduling an early morning post to remind Followers/people to come to church with an image of a sunrise and church bells.

More tips:

- Spread the posting responsibility around. Maybe your office assistant can post for you on Mondays and Wednesdays. Someone else can be in charge of finding old photos to post or take new photos from coffee hours, of Sunday volunteers to post on Tuesdays. Your music leader, your youth leader and Christian educator can be responsible for other days.
- Did you know you can schedule all your posts on Facebook page at one time? So you don't have to manually post every day, Facebook will automatically post for you every day if you schedule ahead of time. Note-Facebook Live posts are done Live, there is no scheduling for Live post.
- Establishing a theme-based posting schedule is what's called an editorial calendar. This calendar will help keep you organized and simplified your outward facing/public communications. Facebook not only speaks to your members but also speaks to your greater community because so many people in your community communicate through Facebook every day.

Please let me know what you think about this article...Hilary



If you, or someone you know, requires emergency pastoral care please **phone the church office** ph # 250-247-8633 for further contact information. The Pastoral Care Team will continue to provide regular pastoral care for members of the congregation. Email: christchurchgabriola@gmail.com



To request prayers for someone OR to become a member of the prayer wheel and pray for others as requested, please contact Susan Brockley: or phone **the church office** ph # 250-247-8633 Email: christchurchgabriola@gmail.com

Church Humour & ETC.

Submitted by a church member...Do you have something you would like to share?



SUITABLE ADVICE ABOUT A TEST OF FAITH

I was listening to a lady who called a radio pastor. The pastor was a wise, grandfatherly gentleman who had that calm reassuring voice that can melt all fear.

The lady, who was obviously crying, said, "Pastor, I was born blind, and I've been blind all my life. I don't mind so much being blind but I have some well-meaning friends who tell me that if I had more faith I could be healed."

The pastor asked her, "Tell me, do you carry one of those white canes?" "Yes I do," she replied. "Then the next time someone says that hit them over the head with the cane," he said. "Then tell them 'If you had more faith that wouldn't hurt' "!

***All Are Welcome to Worship
Together at Christ Church
Gabriola***



A Collaborative Anglican – United Church

Open to All

We gather on the ancestral lands the Snuneymuxw people.

We welcome you, whoever and wherever you are, to join us on a journey. We strive to accept each other as we are and welcome the ministry and participation of all persons regardless of age, gender identity, health, race, sexual orientation, differing abilities, religious or ethnic background or economic circumstance.

We hope that in all that we do, in our worship and community life, that the Creator's unconditional love is experienced.

We do this trusting The Creator is with us on the journey.

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