

MISSION IS POSSIBLE: EMPOWERED BY GOD

The Anglican Church Women of the Diocese of New Westminster

Invite you to attend their Fall Gathering/Conference

Saturday, October 16, 2021

9:30 AM – 2:00 PM

Hosted by

St. Michael's Multicultural, ACW

409 E. Broadway

Vancouver, B. C.



ALL WOMEN ARE WELCOME!

With Keynote Speakers:

2020 ACW Bursary Recipients

Rev. Lorie Martin

Rev. Amanda Ruston

Luncheon Cost: \$10.00

Register at acw@vancouver.anglican.ca by October 8, 2021

September Message from Diocesan ACW President

Our Theme this year is "Give Thanks to the Lord" and we here in Canada have so much to be thankful for—freedom of speech and religion, blessings of being able to get together again, wisdom of getting our vaccine, acceptance that life will not be the same as "before" Covid. We remember to hold in prayer all those affected by wildfires, floods, hurricanes and other natural disasters around the world.

In October, we will be hosting our first fall gathering at St. Michael's Multicultural. The Board has decided to move away from area meetings and will hold 2 meetings a year, a spring AGM and a fall gathering. We would like each branch to submit the names of attendees by Oct. 8. We are pleased to have as our afternoon speakers, the Rev. Amanda Ruston and The Rev. Lorie Martin who both received our ACW Bursary in 2020. Please see the flyer in this newsletter. At this moment we are hoping that we will be meeting in person, however this may change due to any new health restrictions.

We "Give Thanks to the Lord" for the joy of being able to meet in person.

Work continued over the summer months on the bales. In the spring there was a group of three in their own "bubble" who worked together and then it was opened up more so others could come along and help as well. It is hoped that the bales will be shipped before the end of October.

We "Give Thanks to the Lord" for all the blessings of goods we receive at ACW Place.

Calendar orders have been coming in on a steady basis and the orders should be in everyone's hands before the end of October. Many thanks to Sylvia Enga for her long hours of following up on orders. There will be a few extra copies available if your branch perhaps need more.

We "Give Thanks to the Lord" for all the parishes that help support the outreach activities of ACW.

There will be a new Membership form that will need to be completed by everyone for the coming year. This is being done due to the Privacy Act. The new form will ask if you give us permission to use your photo. The form is currently being worked on and will be computer fillable and will be sent to all Branch Presidents to circulate. Once you have completed this form, you should not have to complete another one unless your information changes, ie: phone or address.

Blessings,
Gail Revitt



UPDATE: In the spring, we contributed to the PWRDF fund for "A Light for Every Birth". This program will provide 50 solar suitcases to Mozambique in rural medical clinics. Every donation to this program until the end of Sept is being matched by an anonymous donor.

A solar suitcase is a wall-mounted unit that opens like a suitcase and includes phone charging ports, a portable headlamp and a fetal Doppler to monitor baby's heartbeat that is connected to a roof mounted solar panel.

A single solar suitcase costs \$5,800. This includes: cost, transporting, installing & replacement batteries.

We "Give Thanks to the Lord" that we have been able to help.

Chaplain's Chatter

Over this past while, as with many of us, we have been doing a bit of "cleaning out". And along with many other long forgotten items, we came across my husband's Confirmation Certificate from some many years ago. Though written what might be considered rather old fashioned for today's terminology – I think that what is said is something to consider in our Christian journey. Surely, most of us have lived long enough to know that these are quite true, but a little mindful nudge during these challenging times are most apropos. And in these somewhat politically and even ethically divided times, we might do well to consider the "Rules", particularly the last three.

At the top of the page is a "picture" of a knight kneeling before an altar in what appears to be a large cathedral. The picture is accompanied by these words: In olden times, on the eve of receiving his Knighthood, the Knight spent the hours from darkness until dawn in prayer and meditation before the altar, that his spirit too might rise to the new life before him unspotted and unafraid.

Bread of Thy Body give me for my eating,
Give me to drink Thy Sacred Blood for wine,
While there are wrongs that need me for the righting,
While there is warfare splendid and divine.



Though we might have difficulty with some of the (above) images, the following Rules of Life shouldn't pose any difficulty.

Make a point of frequent attendance at the Holy Communion, remembering the need of earnest prayer and careful self-examination before-hand.

1. Be as particular in your religious duties – such as Church attendance – as you are in the other duties of life.
2. It is vital that you pray regularly and at set times, morning and evening.
3. Read your Bible regularly and intelligently. You are recommended to use a Commentary, or to join the "Bible Reading Fellowship", or take the "Forward-Day by Day" Bible Readings.
4. Remember that every Church member has certain services he (or she) can and should render. And remember you are a "steward."
5. You are unlikely to find heavenly perfection in the Church or in the Church membership. Be ready to tolerate and understand, remembering your own imperfections. Try to improve these.
6. Do your best to help others by your example, your influence, your prayers. Be charitable in your judgment of others, ready to see the good in them. Do not expect life to be easy. You will have some discouragements and heartaches. Remember such experiences can make moral muscle, and God will be with you through them all, turning the darkness into a ministry of grace.

Blessings,
The Rev. Beverly Stewart

PEACH CRISP

By Jennifer Segal, once upon a chef

Servings: 8

Prep Time: 20 minutes

Cook Time: 40 minutes

Total Time: 1 hour

Filling:

3 pounds peaches, peeled, pitted and cut into ¼ inch slices

2 tablespoons lemon juice, from 1 lemon

2/3 cup granulated sugar

2 tablespoons cornstarch

½ teaspoon vanilla extract

1/8 teaspoon salt



Topping:

¾ cup dark brown sugar

¾ cup all purpose flour

½ cup old fashioned oats

2/3 cup pecans, chopped

1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

¼ teaspoon nutmeg

¼ teaspoon salt

½ cup unsalted butter, softened

Instructions:

Preheat the oven to 350F and set a rack in the middle position. Butter a 2 quart baking dish.

In a large bowl, combine the peaches, lemon juice, granulated sugar, cornstarch, vanilla and salt. Mix well to coat the peaches evenly.

In a medium bowl, mix together the brown sugar, flour, oats, pecans, cinnamon, nutmeg and salt. Use your fingers to rub out any lumps of brown sugar. Add the soft butter and mix with a spoon until the mixture is crumbly. (Use your hands it is easier.)

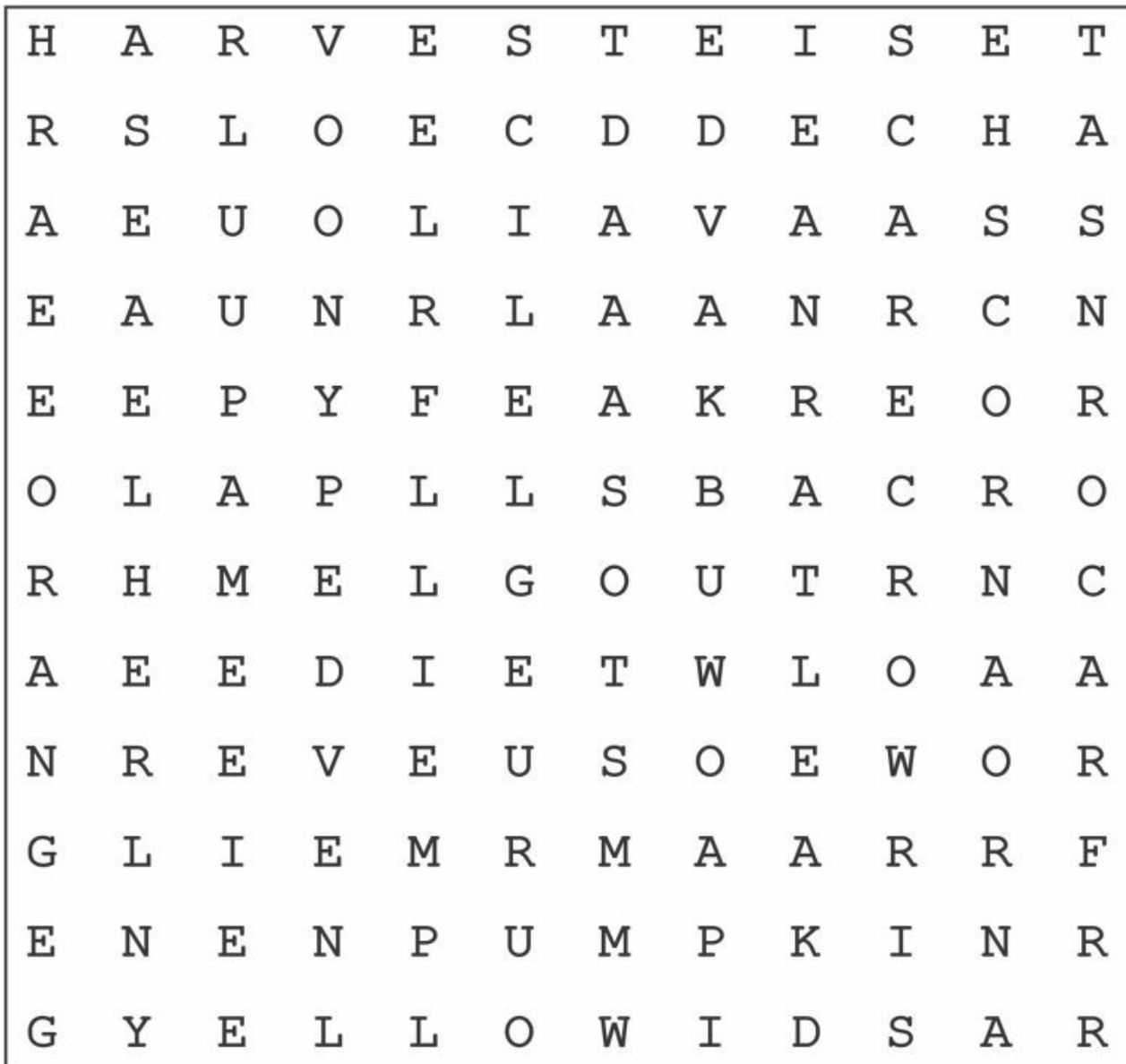
Transfer the peaches to the prepared baking dish and press into an even layer. Sprinkle the streusel evenly over top. Bake for 40 to 45 minutes until the topping is golden brown and the filling is bubbly. Remove from the oven and cool for at least 20 minutes before serving.

Serve with vanilla ice cream or sweetened whipped cream.

Submitted by Gail Revitt

FUN FALL WORD SEARCH

Find each of the fall words hidden below.



WORDS TO FIND:

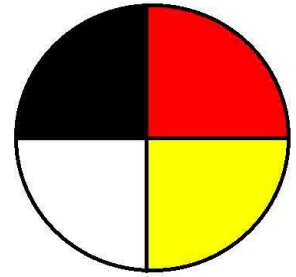
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All My Relations - Four Directions Prayer

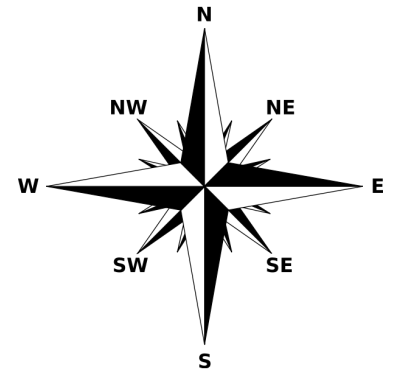
Written in June 2020 by the late Rev. Vivian Seegers

Jesus Christ is the light of the world
A light no darkness can extinguish.
We thank you Creator for the Medicine you send
from the Four sacred directions.
The medicine You send in Your Son Jesus Christ,
The Medicine You send in the Sacred Drum,
The Drum that brings us one heartbeat.
One heartbeat into unity with all of Creation.



We thank You for the reminder
that we are one with Mother Earth and with all of Creation.
We thank You for the Medicine You send
In the Four Sacred Directions of the Wind.
Wind that brings us changes of season, changes in our lives.
It allows us to mature, adapt,
Become more compassionate and loving to each other.

We thank You Creator for the Medicine that You send in the Water,
The Water in our bodies and the Water of our Mother Earth.
We thank You for the strengthening that You give us
From these Four Sacred Medicines.
We ask You to remind us always to be humble
To walk gently on the back of Mother Earth
To remember that we are pitiful
Like an infant without its mother
We are pitiful without You
And we need You
In every way, in every day.



We pray today for the strengthening
the health and the wellbeing
of the two-leggeds, the four-leggeds
Those that creep, those that swim, those that fly.
The male and female of all creation
Water People, Rock People, Star People.
We ask especially for our awareness and actions.
For the cedar trees in our area
Here on the west coast
Remembering that they need a rainforest that is healthy.



What does All my relations mean? (Added by Beth Fortin)

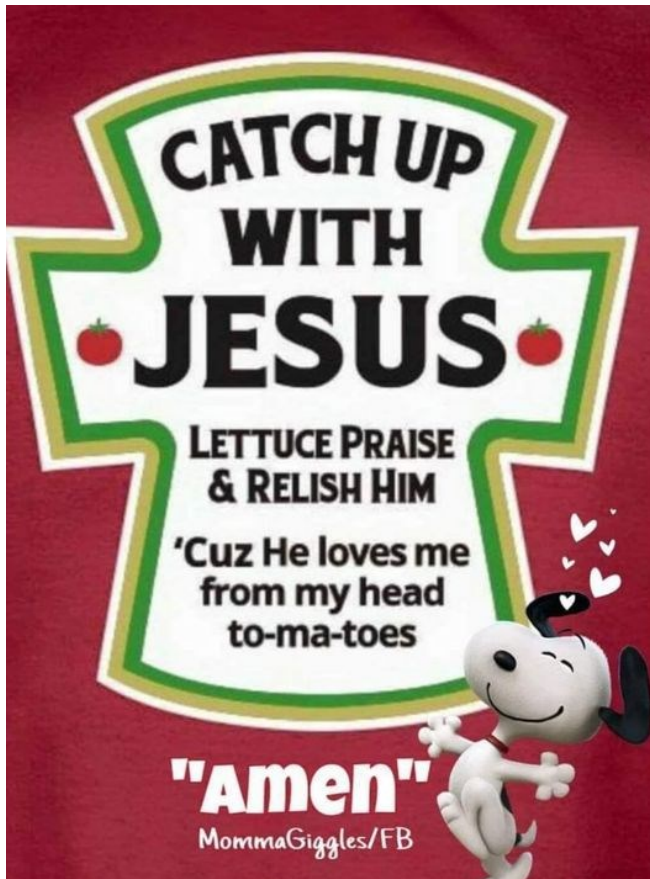
We are all related or all are related. It means that all living things are connected, to each other and to the Creator, the Higher Power. Everything we do has an affect on others and on our world. Some wish to acknowledge that if an error was done, it was not done in any callous manner. We all wish to walk the good path. I also use this salutation in my work emails, from St. Cuthbert's.

Christmas Bazaars

St. Thomas: 2444 - E. 41st Avenue, Vancouver
Saturday, November 27, from 10am to 2pm.
Jam, jelly, and fudge, and much, much more.

St. George: 9160 Church, Fort Langley
Saturday, December 4,
More details to follow...

St. Helen: 10787-128 Street, Surrey
Saturday, December 4, from 11am to 2pm.
St. Helen's is planning a smaller version of our Annual Christmas Bazaar on home baking, previously-loved jewelry, Christmas décor/items, raffle (prizes: \$300.00 cash; pair of premium Canucks tickets; 2 passes to the Audain Art Museum in Whistler) AND **Christmas TEA ROOM.**



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