

NOTICES FOR AUGUST 31st

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and in celebration of
the 60th Wedding Anniversary of:
~John & Sheila Howard~

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English Conversation Café Volunteer Opportunities!

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- Coloured pencils, pens & pencils
- Small pencil sharpeners
- Glue sticks
- Pencil cases
- Lined note paper & notebooks

Upcoming Readings – Sunday September 7th

Jeremiah 18: 1-11

Psalms 139: 1-5, 12-17

Philemon 1: 1-21

Luke 14: 25-33

Chancel Team #2

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sep. 1 - *St. James Office Closed for Labour Day
- Sep. 2 - *St. James Community Foodbank – 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the Upper Hall
*English Conversation Café Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Lower Hall
- Sep. 3 - *Wednesday Morning 10:00 a.m. BCP Service
*Christian Meditation at 4:30 p.m. in the Nave
- Sep. 4 - *Celtic Worship Service on ZOOM at 10:00 a.m.
*Choir Practice at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- Sep. 5 - *Treasure Hunt Bible Study at 10:00 a.m. in the Club Room
*Coventry Litany of Reconciliation at 12:00 p.m.
- Sep. 6 - *Christian Meditation at 10:30 a.m. in the Nave
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*Holy Eucharist at 10:30 a.m.
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