

ANNOUNCEMENTS – January 8th 2017

HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes go out this week to Martin B., on January 11th, and Jack M., who turns 14 years old on January 13th! We wish you both a fabulous day!!!

A big **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY** to Rev. Jim & Ann M., who celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary today! Congratulations and blessings on this milestone occasion!

A FRIENDLY REMINDER! At this time of year, we sometimes have difficulties regulating the temperature in various areas of the church building. If you have to open any windows, due to excessive heat, please remember to close and lock the windows when you leave. This is imperative for security reasons, and we don't want any bad weather coming inside! *Thank you, from the Board of Managers*

The **DUTY ELDER for JANUARY** is Cathy R! The Duty Elder is responsible for staying in the Sanctuary following Sunday's worship service to see if there is anyone in need of prayer or assistance. Should you wish to pray or speak with the Duty Elder, please remain in your seat following the service and the Duty Elder will come to you.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: We gather every Wednesday morning, in the church Parlour, at 10:00am, under the leadership of Corina B. We are currently studying the book of Acts, after which we will study the prophet Daniel. We do not purchase any literature, but use questionnaires, which are distributed to each attendee free of charge. Our group is supporting a missionary of Child Evangelism Fellowship, by the name of Trudie van Niekerk, for which we do accept freewill offerings—it is by no means compulsory to contribute anything. For further information or clarification as to where the money goes, please speak to our Treasurer, Mary A. For further information on the mission we support, please see the website at <http://www.cefcanada.org/statement-faith.html> — *Thank you, Corina*

Please be aware of the **HOT LUNCH PROGRAM** still being conducted at St. Mark's United Church, 201 Centre St S, Whitby! St. Mark's host a hot lunch on Monday, January 30th, at 12:00noon. Please call their church office, at (905) 668-3091, if you wish to reserve a seat!

NEW YEAR START-UP DATES for the various groups in our church will be as follows:

- Liturgical Dance - January 10th , 7:30pm
- Tuesday evening Bible Study - January 10th, 7:30pm
- Wednesday morning Bible Study - January 11th, 10:00am
- Praise Team - January 12th, 7:00pm
- Delta Kids Club - January 14th, 9:00am

LIVING FAITH

In every generation, the church needs to confess its faith anew. That confession must, at one and the same time, be the ancient faith of the church and yet spoken into the mood and questions of its own time. "LIVING FAITH" endeavors to do that. This Statement of Christian Belief was prepared under the direction of the Committee on Church Doctrine of The Presbyterian Church in Canada. It has been received by the General Assembly of the church and commended as an acceptable statement, and as useful in both worship and study.

7.1: The Church

7.1.1—7.1.4: The church is **Christ** together with His people, called both to worship and to serve Him in all of life. The church is **one**. It is one family under God whose purpose it is to unite all people in Jesus Christ. The church is **holy**. It is set apart by God through the Holy Spirit, to be a chosen people in the world. The church is **catholic**. It is universal, including all people of all time who affirm the Christian Faith.

COMING EVENTS!

Jan 8th	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary
Jan 9th	— 7:30pm	Board of Managers meeting, in the Parlour
Jan 10th	— 2:00pm	Ladies Afternoon Group, in the Parlour
	— 7:30pm	Liturgical Dance practice, in the Sanctuary
	— 7:30pm	Tuesday evening Bible Study, in the Parlour
Jan 11th	— 10:00am	Wednesday morning Bible Study, in the Parlour
Jan 12th	— 7:00pm	Praise Team practice, in the Sanctuary
Jan 14th	— 9:00am	Delta Kids Club, in the Hall
Jan 15th	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary
	— following service	Little Harmonies practice, in the Sanctuary
Jan 17th	— 7:30pm	Liturgical Dance practice, in the Sanctuary
	— 7:30pm	Tuesday evening Bible Study, in the Parlour
Jan 18th	— 10:00am	Wednesday morning Bible Study, in the Parlour
Jan 19th	— 7:00pm	Praise Team practice, in the Sanctuary
Jan 20th	— 1:00pm	Community Outreach food bank, in the Hall
Jan 21st	— 9:00am	Delta Kids Club, in the Hall
Jan 22nd	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary
	— following service	Little Harmonies practice, in the Sanctuary