

Update from All Saints' Email to the Parish 9 September 2021

Hello Everyone: Helen again, writing on Chris's behalf, hoping you are enjoying this lovely, sunny day!

Last week, we sent you the last video of the Summer Sunday School season, and today we have the exciting news to share: **in-person Church School is back!** (sort of 😊). We are planning to offer a relaxed return to in-person Church School, beginning on Sunday, September 12th, during the 9:30 am service.

School-aged children who come to church will be invited to join us in the hall. Julie (and her helpers) will be finishing the Creation theme that began in Summer Sunday School. **Please note: The Nursery is not yet open, so any children who are too young for school will need to remain in the pews with their parents.** As the children won't be permitted to gather at the back of the church during the service, we will try and keep them engaged in the hall until just before Communion.

There is still plenty of space available for our service on Sunday (September 12th)—Bishop John Chapman will be leading the services in Chris's absence. If you are going to join us on Sunday morning for **in-person worship**, please register (if you are bringing children, please indicate, in the notes section, whether they will be attending church school) by tomorrow (Friday) at 12:00 noon using this link: www.allsaintswestboro.com/register-for-sunday-service/

The **Diocese of Ottawa Collaborative Book Study** will be on Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm starting September 22nd. It will run for six weeks and will use Barbara Brown Taylor's, *An Altar in the World*. If you asked me to order a book for you, and you haven't already picked it up, I have it for you in the office. If you haven't yet ordered your book, there is still time to do so. You can email me at office@allsaintswestboro.com to order a book or for more info. You will receive the Zoom link when it has been sent to us.

A prayer for today (*from the Canterbury Cathedral*):

O God, from whom to be turned is to fall, to whom to be turned is to rise, and in whom to stand is to abide for ever: Grant us in all our duties your help, in all our perplexities your guidance, in all our dangers your protection, and in all our sorrows your peace. May God enfold you in his love and guide you in his ways, today and every day. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Stay safe and stay well!

Helen