

**HAPPY Thursday!**

Here are some things you should know

**This Sunday!!!!**

**Annual Christmas Luncheon**



After the 10AM service on December 17 there will be a Christmas finger food pot luck luncheon in the hall. Please bring your favourite finger food to the hall before the service. After the lunch Dean Ken will lead us all in a Carol Sing. For information phone Roger Parkes 250 299 1863

**In remembrance of the Rev Canon Tom Sugden**



<http://www.territoryofthepeople.ca/news/celebrating-the-life-of-tom-sugden>

### 2018 Envelopes



The envelopes for 2018 will be available at the back of the church on Sunday, December 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st. Because your envelope number may change from year to year, please remember **as of January 1, 2018, do not use your 2017 envelopes.** **(Throw them into recycling).**

### Children, Youth and Young People Ministry



**Children's Ministry** join us this Sunday during the 10am worship service for Sunday School. This week we will be making a card for Harrison who is being baptised, we will join the congregation for the service. For those who will be part of the Christmas Eve pageant we will be choosing parts and costumes during Sunday School too (don't worry, if you can't be there there will still be a part and costume for you!). AND we will be choosing items from the Gifts of Mission gift guide with the offering donations that have been made in Sunday School over the year. Come help choose where our offering will go this year!

**Youth Ministry** meets on Friday, December 15 from 6-9pm at the Cathedral for dinner together followed by Advent and Christmas Stations. Please let Melissa know if you can join us for this final gathering of 2017!

**Young Adults** meets for dinner, prayer and conversation on Sunday, December 17 at 6pm. Please let Melissa know if you can attend.

**Christmas Pageant** needs you to be part of it! Let Melissa know if you and your family are planning to be there!

If you would like to be on the email list for children, youth and family ministry programs please email Melissa.

If you have any questions or would like more information about the mentioned programs please contact Melissa Green at [stpaulscathedralyouth@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulscathedralyouth@gmail.com) or call/text [250-682-4866](tel:250-682-4866).

**A note from Sorrento Centre  
Gifts of Welcome**

December is upon us and the snow that arrived in early November is long gone. We find ourselves sitting with the promise of the snow that will soon arrive to cover the site with a gentle blanket; bringing with it the arrival of winter. Our last retreat group was on site just last weekend and we now work to close up the site and take part in a deep clean of this holy space. We are grateful to each of you that joined us at this holy place of Sorrento Centre this year.

Sorrento Centre has been a gift that God has continued to provide to the world and to us. Over 4000 people received a holy welcome at Sorrento Centre this year. Each with our own story have received part of the gift Sorrento Centre offers. The gift of learning, the gift of rest, the gift of belonging, the gift of healing, the gift of friendship, the gift of deep pause and on and on and on. We invite you to reflect on the gift that Sorrento Centre has shared with you this year.

As you plan your giving this coming Christmas and Epiphany, we invite you to consider giving the gift of Sorrento Centre to someone on your list. The practice of Alternate Gift Giving has become a lovely way to support a meaningful ministry or organization. Below you will find a list of some of the needs that Sorrento Centre presently faces that could, through your donation, be a gift given to someone special in your life. Or, you could simply make this a direct contribution to the Centre. The list is quite varied, ranging from the seemingly small to the rather large. All of them are Gifts of Welcome. All of them will help this “holy place of transformation” continue to be a place of hospitality, openness, rest, learning, renewal and refreshment. If one or more of these identified “gifts” are something you would like to support financially, information about how to give is listed below. A card to give to your recipient can be sent to you by email. Contact the Sorrento Centre office at

[reception@sorrento-centre.bc.ca](mailto:reception@sorrento-centre.bc.ca)

Thank you so much for your support.

### **Gifts of Hospitality**

Children's Books for Program Spaces: 15 books at \$15/book  
White Plastic Hangers: need 12 packages of 18 hangers at \$28/package  
Glass Wall Shelf for Richardson Lodge room 13: \$55  
Metal Bed Frame: need 5 at \$99/each  
6 foot tables with folding legs: need 32 at \$60/each  
Toilet Paper Holders: need 10 at \$9/each  
Accordion door: need 2 at \$85/each  
New lamps in Richardson Lodge rooms: 13 rooms at \$50/room  
Water Crock for conference rooms: need 2 at \$50

### **Gifts for the Kitchen**

Commercial Wooden Spoons: need 5 at \$20/each  
Silverware Caddy for Dishwasher: need 3 at \$26/each  
Sharpening Steele: \$30  
Large Coffee Urn: \$200

### **Gifts of Space**

10'x10' canopy for the farm: \$290  
10'x20' snack tent: \$255  
Paint for Caritas Conference Room: \$300  
Tent for our Outdoor Dining Room eating area: \$5000

### **Gifts of Supply**

4lb sledge: \$30  
Chop Saw: \$250  
Office Supply Storage: 2 at \$350/each  
Flip Chart: \$199

### **To Make Your Gift**

Gifts can be sent to Sorrento Centre by cheque or called in with a credit card number. Please clearly mark in the memo line what gift(s) you are purchasing. For more information please contact the office:

Phone: 1-866-694-2409

Email: [reception@sorrento-centre.bc.ca](mailto:reception@sorrento-centre.bc.ca)

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