

PRAYER FOCUS



Flooding in Ottawa/Gatineau

- Pray for dry weather and moderate temperatures for the next little while, and that reservoirs and sewer systems can absorb the spring runoff.
- Pray for Lanark county, where many homes are surrounded with water; Gatineau, where 100 households are registered as flood victims; West Carleton, Cumberland, and other areas along local rivers—that God will protect homes, comfort residents, and equip friends and fellow citizens to come alongside in effective ways.
- Pray for Christians who are helping, that their light will shine and that people will come to Christ through them.

RENEW Arts + Apologetics: Songs & Sounds

Are you a musician, pastor, or theologian? Come explore questions of worldview, worship, and witness as the church renews its involvement in the musical arts. The conference takes place May 24-25 at St. Peter & St. Paul's Anglican Church (152 Metcalfe St.) For info and tickets, go to www.renew-arts.org or talk to Melody Frost.

Banns of Marriage

There is the intent of marriage between Emily Jean Kronberg of Ottawa, Ontario and Aaron Jeffrey Friesen of Westport, Ontario. The wedding will be solemnized by Rev. Kerry Kronberg at Camp Iawah in Godfrey, Ontario on Saturday, June 1, 2019. If anyone can show just cause why this couple cannot be lawfully joined together in marriage, let it be declared. (First Reading)

OUR MISSION

The Mission of Sunnyside Wesleyan Church is to be:

- A place** where we experience God's transforming love through the Holy Spirit, by faith, the Word of God, worship and prayer;
- A people** being transformed by the love and grace of Jesus as we practise authentic community;
- A presence** of God's transforming love in Old Ottawa South, across the city and around the world, through acts of generosity, compassion and outreach.

COMMUNICATION

Stay Connected!

If you would like to stay informed about church events or prayer needs, fill out a communication card or contact the office to be added to any or our church email lists.

Bulletin Announcements Deadline

Please contact the office by Wednesday at noon.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Prayer Requests

prayer@sunnysidechurch.ca

(Will be kept strictly confidential.)

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Office hours:

Mon. to Fri. 9:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

Regular Sunday Services:

9 & 11 a.m.

April 28, 2019

Easter 2



Experiencing, Embodying, and Expressing
God's Transforming Love

9 & 11 a.m.

Graduation Sunday

Pastor Kerry is speaking on

Peace Be With You

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Next Sunday:

Paul Racine will be speaking

WELCOME GUESTS!

We're happy you're here! Please pause to fill out a connection card and drop it in the offering plate or the Communication box in the foyer, or scan the QR code.



Children & Youth: A supervised nursery for newborns to age 2 is located upstairs. Early in the service, children are called to the front for prayer before going to their classes. Sunday school schedule—

- 3-year olds to Gr. 6: downstairs at 9 a.m.
- 3-year olds to Gr. 4: downstairs at 11 a.m.
- Junior high schoolers: 1st Sunday of the month
- High schoolers: 2nd Sunday of the month

All children and youth ministry volunteers have had police records checks.

Accessibility: Washrooms are downstairs; if you need to use the elevator, an usher will be happy to assist you. Portable hearing devices and binders with large print song lyrics are available from the ushers.

Giving: The operations and ministries of Sunnyside are made possible as we, out of a love response to God, freely offer our time, money, and talent. If you see God's goodness here, and if you are able to and would enjoy supporting this work we are in together, please go to our website for details about how to give online or in person.

Coming Up...

May 2, 9:30 a.m. The Been Theres

May 4, 9 a.m. Men's Breakfast

May 11, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Church Work Bee

May 14, 6:30 p.m. Board meeting

May 19, 10 a.m. Summer schedule starts (one service)

May 26 12:30 p.m. Local Church Conference

*Thank you for your faithfulness
and support in giving!*

Attendance: April 21, 2019

9 a.m.—158 11 a.m.—140



A PEOPLE...

Sunnyside Yearbook Release Party
Today after both services, join us downstairs for refreshments and pick up your copy of the new yearbook, hot-off-the-press!



The Been Theres

If you're 55+, please join us on **Thursday, May 2**, 9:30 a.m. in the church basement for refreshments, video teaching, and discussion led by Pastor Kerry.

Men's Breakfast

All men 18+ are welcome to a hot breakfast and warm fellowship on **Saturday, May 4** at 9 a.m. in the church basement. For info or to RSVP, contact gerald.pratt@sunnysidechurch.ca.



Church Work Bee

On **Saturday, May 11**, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., come on out to give our church some spring cleaning TLC—a great project for your family or small group! Coffee/tea & muffins will be provided. Please sign-up in the foyer.



Summer Camp Scholarships

If your child/youth will attend a Christian camp this Summer, scholarships are available to help cover the cost—up to half the registration fee or \$200/child. Applications are available in Elvanto; hardcopies are in the foyer. Deadline to apply: **May 1**.

Summer Student Job Opportunity

We are looking to hire a student for a minimum of eight weeks this summer to work with children. For more info and to apply, please contact Pastor Miranda.

Missions Trip Opportunity

A team will be travelling to Northern Ontario **August 3-10**. The purpose of the trip is to help facilitate a full day kids camp at Riverside Community Church.

For more info, please speak to Pastor Miranda.



SERMON QUESTIONS

This Week's Readings:

Ps 150 Ps 118:14-29 Acts 5:17-32 Jn 20:19-31

Peace Be With You

1. Read John 20:19-31. Three times in this passage, Jesus' says "Peace be with you." The Greek word translated *peace* means "every good wish, health, welfare, prosperity, every kind of good...happiness." (Zodhiates, S. Complete Word Study Dictionary: New Testament)

- What does this greeting by the resurrected Christ tell you about God's intent for our lives? How does this challenge your thinking?

2. Read v. 21. How does "peace" prepare Jesus' followers for mission?

3. Read v. 22. Jesus also breathes his Holy Spirit, his Life, on the disciples for mission. He explains the content of their mission: "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." God is the only one who can remove the sins from someone. But there is a way that we promote peace by extending God's forgiveness. To offer forgiveness is to recognize another's sin while allowing the other, through contact with you, to encounter God who can free them from their sins.

- What are some misconceptions you or others have about forgiveness? In your own words, what is forgiveness?

4. In what societal situation do you have an opportunity to be a channel for God's forgiveness, thus for God's peace?

5. Read vv. 24-29. Thomas is one more in a line of people - e.g., Mary Magdalene (20:1-18), the disciples (v. 19) - who have seen and believed in the risen Jesus Christ. Reread v. 29b. Jesus reaches forward to say "blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." You are included in the story. To be blessed in this sense is to have your "satisfaction (come) from God and not from favourable circumstances." (Zodhiates)

- How are you concretely experiencing the blessedness of relationship with the risen Christ?