

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 of our church email lists.

Bulletin Announcements Deadline

Please contact the office by Wednesday at noon.

PRAYER FOCUS

International Students



For local initiatives which invite international students to experience Canadian Thanksgiving traditions in Christian homes or community settings, please pray that...

- More Ottawa families will invite international students into their homes during holiday times.
- Canadian Christian college/university students will establish deep friendships with international students.
- The Holy Spirit will stir the hearts of international students, prompting them to find out more about Jesus.
- Christian families will be blessed as they serve the Lord by inviting students into their homes.



Ottawa Civic Prayer Breakfast

Come hear our own Paul Racine, keynote speaker, on **Friday, Oct. 25**, 7:15 a.m. at the Ottawa Conference and Event Centre (200 Coventry Rd.) Early-bird pricing ends Oct. 16. For info: www.ottawacivicprayerbreakfast.com

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.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Prayer Requests

prayer@sunnysidechurch.ca
(Will be kept strictly confidential.)

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Sunnyside Wesleyan Church

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Office hours:

Mon. to Fri. 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Sunday Services:

9 & 11 a.m.

September 15, 2019



Experiencing, Embodying, and Expressing
God's Transforming Love

9 & 11 a.m.

Pastor Kerry is speaking on
Faithful Presence Series: Week Two
*The Church as a Way of Life:
From Separatism or Activism to Faithful Presence*

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Next Sunday:
Communion
Pastor Kerry 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. All other programming takes place downstairs. Early in the service, children are called to the front for prayer before going to their classes.

Sunday school schedule:

- 9 a.m. - Age 3 to Gr. 6 (to Gr. 5 on Communion Sunday)
- 11 a.m. - Age 3 to Gr. 4
- Youth (Gr. 7-12) - 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, from a love response to God, freely offer our time, money, and talent. If you're able to help support this work we're in together, please go to our website for details on how to give online; or place your gift in an offering envelope, located in the pew.

LAST WEEK'S NUMBERS

	Last Week	Year to Date	YTD Budget
General	\$8,198	\$252,574	\$297,126
Missions	\$255	\$13,151	\$12,400

Thank you for your faithfulness and support in giving!

Attendance: Sep. 8
9 a.m.-125 11 a.m.-139



A PEOPLE...

Men's Breakfast

All men 18+ are welcome to a hot breakfast and warm fellowship this **Saturday, Sep. 21** at 9 a.m. in the church basement. RSVP via Elvanto or contact Gilles Doucet: gdoucet1@gmail.com.



Protection Policy Training

This **Saturday, Sep. 21**, we will hold a mandatory training for everyone working with the vulnerable sector (children, youth, adults), also recommended for parents.

12:30-2:00, protection policy
Schedule: 2:00-2:15, coffee break
2:15-4:00, ministry specific meetings
4-4:30, prayer

20 to Life: New Ministry for 20-40's

Our Kick-Off BBQ is **Sunday, Sep. 22** at the Duncan's (703 St. Guillaume Rd. Embrun). Volleyball, a bonfire, and burgers will be provided. Bring your lawn chairs, a side dish or dessert to share, or any games you may want to enjoy with each other! Register via Elvanto, Facebook, or see Jesse Duncan for details. (Rides can be arranged.)



Sunnyside Women's Retreat

Ladies, save the date: **Oct. 25-27** at Silver Lake Camp. Our speaker is former SWC staffer, Tracy Curle. Look for more info in the weeks to come!

Ministerial Student

Today we welcome Jesse Duncan as our new ministerial student. Jesse's responsibilities include oversight of 20 to Life (for ages 20-40) and worship leading at least one 11 a.m. service per month. Under the supervision of Pastor Kerry and District Board of Ministerial Development (The Wesleyan Church, Central Canada District), Jesse is actively discerning a call to be a minister. He received his ministerial license at district conference in June.

This Week's Readings:

Psalm 46, Exodus 33:12-23,
Ephesians 1:15-23, Matthew 28:16-20

SERMON QUESTIONS

Sundays, Sep. 8 to Nov. 10

A sermon series titled *Faithful Presence* informed by scripture and by David Fitch's *Faithful Presence:*

Seven Disciplines that Shape the Church for Mission.

(These questions relate to Ch. 2 of *Faithful Presence*, to get your small group started.)

- 1) Do either of the following extremes describe your experience with the church? Have you experienced the church as a group that isolates from the culture to keep itself doctrinally and morally pure (separatism), or as a group that seeks justice within the culture (activism) to the point of leaving behind Christian faith? Offer stories or examples.
- 2) Do you think it is possible for the church to be both faithful to God and effectively present within North American culture? Why or why not?
- 3) Read Matthew chapter 28. Focus on vv. 16-20. Jesus commissions a regrouped bunch of disciples who, just two chapters earlier, thought their Jesus-following days were over (see 26:56).

- Notice that Jesus sends them on a mission (verse 19, "Go...") and that Jesus promises his presence (verse 20, "I am with you always...").
- When the church lives as sent ones who are attentive to the presence of God we avoid the extremes of separatism (maintenance mode) and activism (exhaustion). Why? (See Fitch, pp. 41-43.)

4) What changes might we make in the network of Christ-followers (called Sunnyside church) in order to move from separatism or activism toward being a faithful presence?

Coming Up...

- Sep. 17 & 24** Restoring Hope ministry training, 7 p.m.
- Sep. 21** Men's Breakfast, 9 a.m.
Protection Policy training, 12:30 p.m.
- Sep. 22** 20 to Life BBQ, 1:30 p.m.
- Oct. 3** Christianity Explored, 7:15 p.m.

