

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

Jeff & Jess Clochesy (Navigators)

Please pray...

- As we purchase a home, that the inspection and all the closing details to come together.
- For the advance of the Gospel of Jesus in Ottawa and throughout Canada. (I've been working on plans for the year with campus Navigators all over Canada.)

Alaina Johnston (InterVarsity)



Please pray...

- For lasting, positive impact of last week's campus leadership team meetings.
- That I continue to feel at peace and able to speak up appropriately.
- That the transition from sabbatical back to work goes well, and that I learn to thrive in my new role as Director of Strategic Growth/Multiplying.

Praise God for the **Flynn's** faithful involvement in ministry in Mississauga this summer! Let's ask His blessings on **Paul Racine's** ongoing ministry relationships there.

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 29, 2019



Experiencing, Embodying, and Expressing
God's Transforming Love

9 & 11 a.m.

Pastor Kerry is speaking on
Faithful Presence Series: Week Four
The Practice of Reconciliation

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Next Sunday:
Pastor Matt 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 (Communion Sunday, to Gr. 5)
- 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. There are several ways to help support this work we're in together: text "swcott" to 77977, use an offering envelope (located in the pew), or go to our website: sunnysidechurch.ca/giving.

LAST WEEK'S NUMBERS

	Last Week	Year to Date	YTD Budget
General	\$5,419	\$275,254	\$313,899
Missions	\$225	\$14,711	\$13,100



Thank you for your faithfulness and support in giving!

Attendance: Sep. 22
9 a.m.- 99 11 a.m.-138

A PEOPLE...



Thanksgiving Food Drive

Between now and Thanksgiving Sunday, we're receiving donations on behalf of the Carleton Food Centre to help those students experiencing food insecurity. Please refer to the flyer in the foyer.

Christianity Explored

This 7-week course gives people time and space to think about the big questions of life and explore the life of the man at the heart of the Christian faith. It will be held **Thursdays, Oct. 3-Nov. 14**, 7:15-8:45 p.m. in the basement. We start with dessert, then explore Mark's Gospel with a short video presentation and small-group discussion. To register, go to the church Facebook page or website. For info, contact Beth in the church office. *Feel free to take invitation cards, available in the foyer.*

The Been Theres

If you're 55+, join us on **Thursday, Oct. 3**, 9:30 a.m. in the church basement for refreshments, video teaching & discussion led by Pastor Kerry.



Newcomers' Coffee Reception

Next **Sunday, Oct. 6** after both services, enjoy coffee in the foyer as we get to know our newest Sunnysiders!



Fall Work Bee

Bring your elbow grease as we spruce up our church building together on **Saturday, Oct. 19**, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Ways to Serve

Are you looking for ways to get involved as we jump into our fall ministries? Feel free to grab a purple flyer from the foyer and pray about where God wants you to plug in.

Coming Up...

- Oct 1** Restoring Hope ministry training, 7 p.m.
- Oct 3** Been Theres (50+), 9:30 a.m.
Christianity Explored, 7:15 p.m.
- Oct 4,5** Navigators *Disciple!* Conference (Bilberry Baptist)
- Oct 6** Newcomers' Coffees, after both services
- Oct 8** Board meeting, 6:30 p.m.

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.

The Practice of Reconciliation

(The questions relate to Ch. 4 of *Faithful Presence*.)

1. During Paul's previous visit to Corinth, someone from the church wronged him. The whole church was in on the conflict. All is not resolved. Paul has delayed his visit to them, sending letters instead. Hearing this backstory, and reading the first chapters of 2 Corinthians, we may conclude that:

- Conflict happens.
- It has ripple effects. (2:5)
- Only Satan stands to benefit when we don't try to work it out. (2:11)
- It's not all on us. God is merciful and works to raise us (and our relationships) to life. (4:2)
- It takes time. Endurance is necessary. (5:2)
- We have hope. (5:4)
- God has reconciled us to himself; we are made new. (5:17)
- We work for reconciliation in all relationships: human to God, human to human.

Which of the above points encourages or challenges you most? Why?

2. What is good about conflict?

3. Read Matthew 18:15-20. In your own words describe and discuss the steps toward reconciliation.

- How do you know that this passage is not about ostracization? What is the priority?
 - What are some principles of reconciliation?
4. "Too often, I contend, leaders foreclose the discipline of reconciliation in their need to take control, act from the top, and impose a policy they think will solve the problem. But we can see...how God indeed transforms people's lives through the practice of his presence through reconciliation." (Fitch, 85)
- How might the practice of reconciliation change the way Christians work through conflict within the church and wider culture? Give examples.

This Week's Readings:

Psalm 146, 2 Corinthians 4:16 - 5:21, Matthew 18:15-20