

## 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

### Covid-19 Lockdown



Government leaders throughout our country need God's wisdom as they wrestle with lifting the COVID-19 lockdown. This week, our city, provincial and federal decision-makers are at the centre of our prayer requests. Please pray for...

- God's wisdom to penetrate the decision-making on lifting the lockdown.
- Our leaders to base their decisions on the best information available.
- Key leaders to listen carefully to different points of view and choose the right path for their jurisdictions.
- Canadians to support the decision-makers, recognizing that they have our best interests in mind.
- Christians in positions of authority to be filled with God's love and supernatural insights as they contribute to decision-making.
- Your own MP, MPP, and city councillor, that they will have wisdom, peace, and endurance.
- Protection for front-line workers as they continue to work during the lockdown.

From [Love Ottawa](#)



## CONTACT INFORMATION

### Prayer Requests

Submit yours [here](#).

(Will be kept strictly confidential.)

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### Sunnyside Wesleyan Church

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Office hours:

On-site presence in emergencies only.

Phones and email checked regularly.

Sunday Services:

10 a.m.

Online only, until further notice.

Request the link to Sunday services [here](#).

You will need the *Zoom* app.

## 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 practice 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.

**May 10, 2020**  
**Easter 5**



Experiencing, Embodying, and Expressing  
God's Transforming Love

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Sunday Service: 10 a.m.

Mothers' Day

Kerry Kronberg continues our series on 1 Peter:

*What Does it Mean to Grow into Salvation?*

Next Week:

Rick Hiemstra will be speaking

## WELCOME GUESTS!

**Once on-site services resume:** 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) - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at 9 a.m.

*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](#).

## LAST WEEK'S NUMBERS

- Sunnyside's weekly budget is \$8,259.
- Last week, Sunnyside received \$8,135; \$150 was for missions.
- Year-to-date giving is \$125,820, which is \$5,760 less compared to this Sunday last year.

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

**Attendance, May 3:** 218



## A PEOPLE...

### This Week's Readings:

[Ps 31:1-5,15-16](#) [Acts 7:55-60](#) [Jn 14:1-14](#) [1 Pet 2:1-10](#)



### A New Way of Gathering Together

We are holding our Sunday services, small groups, and other gatherings via *Zoom* online video conferencing until further notice. [Go to our website](#) for details, or [contact the office](#) if you wish to receive Pastor Kerry's weekly updates with log-in info.

### Sunday School

Sunday School for grades 4-6 is available at 11:15 a.m. taught by Simon via Zoom. For a link to "send" your child on May 3, [contact Pastor Miranda](#).



Ages 20-40: our next Online Gathering is this **Friday, May 15** at 6:30 p.m. At this event we will check-in with each other, hear from Derek Stride, pray together, and hang out and play games. Bring your own snacks! [Click here for Zoom link](#).

### Do you need help or wish to offer it?

Sunnyside has linked arms with [Respond Ottawa](#) to ensure that urgent and critical needs arising from the Covid-19 crisis are being met. Feel free to contact them in order to offer or receive assistance.

### Membership Renewal

If you're a member of The Wesleyan Church, you received an email with an opportunity to renew for 2020/21. Please click "Yes" or "No" on the form, or [contact the office](#).

### Micro-Groups

Our Community Life pastor, Gilles Doucet, says a whole lot of friendship, encouragement and growth can happen in what he calls [Micro-Groups](#): small groups of 3 to 4 people. Please [contact Gilles](#) if you're interested.

### Pastor Kerry's Weekly Email

During this time when we're not able to physically congregate, Pastor Kerry has been sending regular updates which include Zoom links to our services, articles, encouragement, and church news. The content is available [on our website](#), but you may request a copy for your inbox by [clicking here](#).

## SERMON QUESTIONS

*What Does it Mean to Grow into Salvation?*

1 Peter 2:1-10

1. Read all four of this week's readings, keeping in mind the question: "What is salvation?" Notice references to and aspects of salvation in each text.
2. It is clear that salvation is secured through Christ (1:18, 19a): "You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ..." He later describes his readers' state in Christ: "you have been born anew."

Consider the following definition of salvation, which aligns with Peter's idea of being born anew. Salvation is "the redemption of the whole [person], lifting [their] entire being into the orbit of grace" (Mildred Bangs Wynkoop, *A Theology of Love: The Dynamic of Wesleyanism*, 1972).

- How do we sometimes reduce salvation to less than the definition above?
3. Read 1 Peter 2:1. How are the behaviours listed in this verse opposed to salvation?
  4. Keep in mind Peter's earlier reference to being "born anew." (1:23) Growth is impossible without nourishment. Read v. 2.
    - What does he mean and what does he not mean by "newborn infants"?
    - What does it mean for his readers to "like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk"?
  5. Several commentators equate "spiritual milk" to the "living and enduring word of God" in 1:23. How does this pure, spiritual milk promote your growth into salvation?
  6. Share a scripture verse that has helped you grow into salvation.