

## 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.

## PRAYER FOCUS

### Children



The COVID-19 pandemic is infecting some children. Others miss playing with friends and studying in school. Some face rising stress, and even violence, in families struggling with school shutdowns and job problems. Public authorities are grappling with how to deal with the resurgence of coronavirus variants while trying to ease restrictions as much as possible. As one step, Premier Ford said that summer camps may open for children.

Please pray...

- That the Lord will bring an end to the pandemic.
- That the vaccination of Ottawans will be completed soon.
- For children's camps—especially Christian camps—to hire sufficient summer staff quickly.
- For troubled families to receive the emotional and other help they need.
- That children will be able to play with their friends without pandemic restrictions soon.
- For churches and Christian ministries to receive permission to hold summer activities for children.

- [Love Ottawa](#)

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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[Click here](#) for staff contact info.

### Sunday Services:

10 a.m.

Online only, until further notice.

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

You will need the *Zoom* app.

### Office hours:

On an as-needed basis during provincial stay-at-home order.

Email and phone checked regularly.

*Closed Victoria Day (May 24)*

### Prayer Requests:

Submit yours [here](#).

(Will be kept strictly confidential.)

### Bulletin Announcement Deadline:

[Contact the office](#) by Wednesday noon.

**May 23, 2021  
Pentecost**



### Experiencing, Embodying, and Expressing God's Transforming Love

Sunday Zoom Service: 10 a.m.

Kerry Kronberg is speaking on Part 1 of our Galatians Series:

*Keeping in Step with the Spirit of Christ*

Next Sunday:

Rick Hiemstra will be speaking.

## WELCOME GUESTS!



### Sunday Services

We are holding Sunday services on-line via Zoom until further notice. [Go to our website](#) for details. Our transition team is working to help guide us through the Province's Stage 3 phase; [contact them](#) if you have questions or concerns.

**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

**Attendance, May 16:** 126

Last week, Sunnyside received \$7,370, of which \$725 was for missions. Year-to-date giving is \$153,556 which is \$9,267 above last year.

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

### Resources

- The *New York Times* recently published [an article](#) about "languishing": that in-between, dull, lack of motivation feeling. Ongoing grief and loss, along with the constant experience of being out of control, set the conditions for languishing.
- *Focus on the Family* offers a new [resource on grief](#) to help us as we keep walking through it.
- If you would like to receive a hardcopy of the *Our Daily Bread* devotional booklet, please [let us know](#) how many you need for yourself, friends, or family, and we'll pop them in the mail.

## A PEOPLE...

### Pastor Kerry's Weekly Email

During this time when we're not able to physically gather, Pastor Kerry is sending regular updates which include Zoom links to our services, articles, encouragement, and church news. The content is available [on our website](#), or [click here](#) to receive it by email.



### Online Gathering

If you're 20-40ish, join us this **Friday, May 28** at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom ([contact Jesse](#) for the link). Titus will share from Psalm 131, and we'll have time for catching up, praying, and hanging out together.

### Local Church Conference

The SWC community is encouraged to attend our annual meeting next **Sunday, May 30** at 11:10 a.m. (after the service) via Zoom. We'll hear updates from ministry leaders, reconnect with our church's vision and priorities, pray, ask questions, and members will be able to vote to fill vacant ministry positions. [Contact the office](#) if you wish to receive an Annual Report. (Members will receive theirs this week.)



### Fall Retreats

If provincial guidelines allow, we've tentatively booked a women's retreat for **Oct. 15-17** and a men's retreat for **Nov. 5-7**, at Silver Lake Wesleyan Camp. The cost would be \$125/person (includes five meals and accommodations.) Before moving ahead with planning, we'd like to determine the level of interest. Please indicate your interest by [submitting this form](#).

### Church Parking Lot Closure

A project to waterproof the church foundations and repave the parking lot will be in progress **until May 31**. Please note that our parking lot will be closed until then.

### Student Accommodations

Joshua Peters (the son of former Sunnysiders) is looking for a place to rent while he attends university in Ottawa this fall. If you have leads on a place, [please email him](#).

## This Week's Readings

[Psalm 104:24-34](#) [John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15](#)  
[Acts 2:1-21](#) [Galatians 1:1-12](#)



## A PRESENCE...

### 2021 Missions Directory

Our missions team has prepared a brand new Missions Directory, listing the missionaries and outreach organizations that SWC supports through your offerings. You can [access it here](#), or [request a hardcopy](#) from the office.

### ESL Courses

One of our Sunnysiders is part of an outreach team offering free online ESL conversation groups. They meet **Thursdays, 7:30-9 p.m.** and **Saturdays, 10-11:30 a.m.** Feel free to share the [registration link](#) with those you know who may be interested.

### Emergency Disaster Relief Training

In collaboration with World Hope Canada, the Salvation Army is looking for volunteers with their Emergency Disaster Services department. Free online training dates are to be announced. If you're interested, please [email Melody](#) to get your name on a contact list.