

June 5, 2020

Dear Friends,

Sunday Online Worship Gathering at 10 a.m.

We've arrived at Trinity Sunday. God – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit – is relationship. God is Love. To identify with God is to say that God who is Love names us: Beloved. And, God who is Love sets us on a mission to “to love your neighbour as yourself.” (Matthew 22:39) There is no room for isolation from others when one identifies with God. We are called to love. No virus can stop us.

Please contact [me](#) to join our 10 a.m. service, either by phone or Zoom online conferencing.

For this week's scripture readings and other announcements, go to [Sunday's bulletin](#).

Tuesday Prayer Gathering: June 9

You are invited to submit your requests for prayer to prayer@sunnysidechurch.ca in advance of Tuesday's meeting (11:30 a.m.).

A Letter to the City

You may be interested to read [An open letter from Christian leaders of the National Capital Region responding to the COVID-19 crisis](#) published in the Ottawa Citizen on May 30.

Behind the scenes at Sunnyside there is some work being done to consider critical questions. In view of COVID-19, how will we decide our way forward such that we are compliant with government standards and faithful in our witness to Jesus Christ?

Will you consider revisiting the articles and questions I put to Sunnyside Wesleyan Church in my [May 15 letter](#)? (The two articles are also linked in the bulletin.) Feel free to offer your input to the following questions:

- What have we done well so far?
- What do we think will be different in our future? What do we know will be different in our future?
- What might we leave behind?
- What must we bring with us?

You may be encouraged to know that, though life seems on hold in many ways, we have formed a strategic planning team who will work hard in weeks and months to come – starting June 11 - to consider Sunnyside's missional future in partnership with others. COVID-19 or not, we were at a point where it was time to strike such a team. I said at our March 1 budget meeting that it is my hope to work with a strategic team, with staff and Board, and with the congregation toward a clear strategic plan to clarify Sunnyside's unique identity and mission by winter 2021. All we can do is our part; we entrust the outcomes to God.

Keep praying and dreaming.

With love and prayers,

Pastor Kerry Kronberg (with the whole team)