

December 31, 2021

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year's Eve! Also, it is the Seventh Day of Christmas, which means you really do not need to rush to take down your decorations. It also means that in Sunday's services, we will continue to enjoy traditional and contemporary Christmas carols. Let's keep relishing the Season!

**Sunday Worship Gatherings: In-Person Registration (9 a.m. or 11 a.m.) or Livestream Link (11 a.m.)**

Dr. Steve Brown, President of Arrow Leadership, will bring us a video message with biblical teaching and a challenge for 2022 on *Four Key Questions at the Gate of a New Year*.

If you wish to join one of our services in-person, please [contact the office](#). [Provincial guidelines require that all present must pre-register](#) to maintain our maximum capacity of 75 people in the sanctuary.

[Join the 11 a.m. Livestreamed service online here](#). When you click on the link above, this will launch the SWC Livestream homepage. From there you may need to click the "Videos" tab to access this Sunday's Livestream.

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

**Sermon Follow-Up Resources**

Steve Brown has provided a variety of fabulous resources to help us dig-in to his message. After you've taken in Sunday's service, [use this link](#) to go in-depth with the Four Key Questions, corresponding readings, and responsive prayers. You may also want to take advantage of Steve's [year-end reflection tool](#) as you consider the close of 2021.

**End-of-Year Giving Thank You!**

The Sunnyside board and staff extend our deep gratitude for your generosity all year 'round, and especially for your December gifts. The Pastors' Christmas Gift was a special blessing for the staff as you showed your love and appreciation in such a practical way.

**Psalm 16 Reflection**

For Christmas I received a collection of devotionals based on the Psalms, called *The Psalms Project*. This excerpt from [Lorna Dueck's](#) reflection on our [Psalm for this Sunday](#) is fitting for us as we launch into the New Year:

*The author, David, is hurling himself at God for refuge from crazy things, and this struggle is rich with clues for how to navigate with hope. Even at night, with plenty to be shaken about, David reminds us to have our eyes focused on God, to choose to speak positively, to look for how to take God's counsel amid discouragement. Daily my cup shows up empty in my hands, daily it needs to be refilled with the choice to lift it up to God.*

May we keep our eyes focused on God so that, when we need to find refuge from whatever crazy things 2022 has in store, we'll know exactly where to turn!

Blessings,

The Sunnyside Staff Team