

Worship Notes

Our theme for worship today will touch lightly on loving God and loving our neighbour. Throughout scripture, we hear how Jesus is a friend to all even the outcasts such as Zacchaeus. The greatest commandment is this, to love God with your whole being and to love your neighbour as yourself. We first hear about loving God above all else in the Ten Commandments. In 1 John, we are reminded that we are able to love because God first loved us.

In our prayers Frank, Susan, Dolly, Judy and Bernice.

General Announcements

Dear members and friends of St. Matthews,

Due to the pandemic, all services, gatherings and meals at the church are cancelled. The office is closed to the public and the building locked 24/7. Even though the government of Ontario has allowed for churches to re-open on June 12th, the St. Matthews Board has determined it is still not safe to do so, and thus the church building will remain closed until mid-September at the earliest. A task force will be working to establish guidelines for us to reopen safely.

Our focus has shifted towards meetings online and via phone. Above all, we pray for each other and trust in God, whose mercy endures forever.

You can follow updates on our Friday email blast, website, Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube, by listening to the Golden Hour on FaithFM or by contacting us or Leanne (see last page).

All God's blessings! Pastors Sebastian and Carey

Next Sunday, July 26, will be a Golden Hour Communion Service.



The Garden: Community Gardens are an essential service to provide fresh food. We are fortunate at St. Matthews to have two small plots on Church Street started during VBS 2018. Members of the Learning Ministry committee have prepared and planted the plots. Currently, the garden has kale, rhubarb and radishes ready to harvest. Soon there will be beans, tomatoes, peppers, peas, carrots, beets and some herbs. If you are interested in helping to water or harvest the crops, please contact Karen Farrell to make arrangements on how this can be done in a safe and physically distant way.

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