

Monthly Highlights



May 2021

*so in Christ we, though many, form one body,
and each member belongs to all the others.
Romans 12:5*



Weekly Lessons in May

Sunday, May 2nd

1st Lesson: Acts 8: 26-40

Psalm 22: 25-31

2nd Lesson: 1 John 4: 7-21

Gospel: John 15: 1-8

Prayers of the people, this week we are praying for:

Retired Clergy: The Rev. Arthur Bromley, The Rev. Bob Flowers, The Rev. Bob Hartley

Barbara Gill, Garnet & Barb Graham, Bill & Mary Hall

Gail Kollaard, Bruce Miller

We pray for our troops wherever they are posted.

Sunday, May 9th

1st Lesson: Acts 10: 44-48

Psalm 98

2nd Lesson: 1 John 5: 1-6

Gospel: John 15: 9-17

Prayers of the people, this week we are praying for:

Retired Clergy: The Rev. Peter Marshall, The Rev. Canon Gloria Master, The Rev. Marvin McDermott

Lakefield Community Church – Pastor Crystal Moore

Nancy Hanes, Bob & Mary Hartley, Bill Harvey

Dorothy Moss, Don Rose

We pray for our troops wherever they are posted.

Sunday, May 16th

1st Lesson: Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26

Psalm 1

2nd Lesson: 1 John 5: 9-13

Gospel: John 17: 6-19

Prayers of the people, this week we are praying for:

Retired Clergy: The Rev. Ron Meacock, The Rev. Bill Montgomery, The Rev. Mike Schroeder (Lutheran)

Deb Harvey, Catherine Hawley, Ross & Margaret Henning

Evelyn Underhill, Bonnie Barnes

We pray for our troops wherever they are posted.

Sunday, May 23rd

The Day of Pentecost

1st Lesson: Acts 2: 1-21

Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b

2nd Lesson: Romans 8: 22-27

Gospel: John 15: 26-27, 16: 4b-15

Prayers of the people, this week we are praying for:

Retired Clergy: The Rev. Munroe Scott, The Rev. Steve Smith, The Rev. Doug Woods

Harold and Susan Hoar, June Houlton, Ted & Rene Jackman

Dorothy Blewett, Grace Bolton

We pray for our troops wherever they are posted.



Sunday, May 30th

Trinity Sunday

1st Lesson: Isaiah 6: 1-8

Psalm 29

2nd Lesson: Romans 8: 12-17

Gospel: John 3: 1-17

Prayers of the people, this week we are praying for:

All Saints', Peterborough – The Rev. Samantha Caravan, The Rev. Suzanne McMillan

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church – (Interim??)

Ann Jakins, Mike & Gail Kollaard, John & Velta Krastins

Betty Deane, Liz Gammack

We pray for our troops wherever they are posted.



Reminder:
Prayer requests
for those who
have desired
prayers for special
needs.

Forward names to the church office at stjohnslakefld@nexicom.net or call 705-652-8302 to have the person's name added to the intercessory prayers. It will also be sent to Ann Jakins and shared with the prayer team.

To contact Rev. Peter, you can call the church at 705-652-8302, messages will be monitored. You can call him directly at 705-977-5401 or email him at gpeterkins@gmail.com.



Please note...

Due to the current lockdown conditions, the church office is temporarily closed. Jayne will be in the office on Wednesday and Friday mornings primarily to answer the phone and emails. Her other hours are worked from home. Refer to the St. John's website at <https://www.stjohnslakefield.ca> for up to date information.

A good reminder and words of encouragement for us all, thank you Velta!

For your encouragement I am attaching a document I came across in my file that I was given when I first joined either Worship Committee or GFT.

It appears it was written in 2017 and it laid out the vision for worship at St. J's in 2022.

We should be very encouraged by what God has done since then....whom He has raised up and brought to St. J's to help fulfill this vision (God had a better idea for staff: volunteers driven by love and passion). And it's still only 2021!

But the greatest change I have seen here is God drawing each one of us closer to Himself. It's like I feel a growing hunger in our midst to really know Him more...building our faith and our reliance on Him.

I do believe this is why God allowed St. J's to go through all we went through in the past couple of years...that above all we really want His presence...then call on Him to act in our midst and see His hand at work.

May God continue the good work that He has begun in us, that His plans come to fruition and He gets all the glory.

A Five-Year Vision for Worship

(where we see ourselves in 2022)

St. John's Community gathers for inspiring worship using three different worship styles, targeting diverse cultural needs yet providing for a full sacramental life within each setting. These worship experiences include:

1. An early service on Sunday morning using a traditional liturgy and music style that provides for a traditional Anglican experience.
2. The second service on Sunday morning is more contemporary in its language and musical expression and uses a variety of liturgies, including contemporary forms of both Eucharist and Morning Prayer. Junior Church is offered during this service except during a monthly family service where children participate.
3. Another gathering for worship occurs at a time other than Sunday morning to provide an alternative time and experience of worship and is designed specifically for those who would not be culturally acclimatized to a Sunday morning worship experience.

These 'congregations' gather as one several times a year for shared worship together.

Each service provides opportunities for the sharing of testimony and witnessing to what God is doing in our lives. There are opportunities for various members to preach, lead, etc., as their gifts are identified and encouraged. The teaching and preaching includes topics that are relevant to daily experience.

St John's has increased its staff, which provides support for the variety of musical expressions in the services as well as preaching support. Many forms of music are utilized in worship and those gathering at each service view the music as enhancing the worship of God.

St. John's has recognized the need for, and planned, the renovation of the worship space to allow for greater variety in liturgical and musical expression.

