Timothy Topics

Newsletter

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Fun Fact!

We are in the midst of the Easter Season, or Eastertide. It lasts 50 days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost. A time to reflect on what Christ's resurrection means to you.

> Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen Indeed!

Sunday Worship Service 10am

Minister's Corner

Besides our immediate family, we socialise in communities like work, school, churches and clubs. Within these communities, we connect with other people, exchange ideas and discuss everyday events. These communities might differ greatly among themselves on how to understand and react to changes, yet being part of a community that receives and interacts with what life throws at us, it is very important to our sanity and sense of safety. This belonging gives us a roof over our heads and a solid ground under our feet.

Today, life is not the same under physical distancing. And an outcome of physical distancing is social distancing.

Social distancing is not a static measure, it's going to change in intensity and meaning the more we stay apart. Just like carrying a backpack when hiking, what starts as an easy assignment, becomes more challenging as the backpack feels heavier with time. Social isolation becomes more difficult with every sunset.

So, let me assure all individuals and families connected to St. Timothy's in any way or frequency that even though we are not able to get to meet and see each other in person for the time being, we still think of all of you as our family and community who provides our life with meaning and context. You fulfill us socially and spiritually. Together we are the family of Christ. Stay safe and strong until our family comes together in person again. "Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." (1 Cor 12:27). Rev. Reine

Virtual Sunday Worship 10am

Rev. Reine and her husband, Rev. Feras Chamas, lead Sunday worship via a virtual service. To participate, go to www.sttimsottawa.com and click on the video available under "Worship" or "Coming Events"; or access it from our Facebook page. Rev. Reine hopes that we "gather" as a Church at 10am on Sunday morning. Virtual services will continue until further notice.

Stewardship

Salaries, utility bills, maintenance contractors still need to be paid. Please consider sending in your offering one of 3 ways:

- Donate via the website (www.sttimsottawa.ca)
- Enrol in PAR by contacting church office and requesting an enrolment form (613-733-0131)
- Mail cheque made out to St Timothy's Presbyterian Church at 2400 Alta Vista Drive, Ottawa, ON, K1H 7N1.

Pastoral Care

Physical distancing, for many, has led to social distancing. If you are in need, please contact your Elder or Rev. Reine at 613-255-6787. Consider making a 5-minute phone call to someone you know is alone, it will brighten their day.

HEFC

HEFC sees so many struggling with food insecurities, and the number of families struggling has increased due to this pandemic. Please consider supporting our local food bank by donating at www.hefc.ca

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. 1 Thessalonians 5:23

St Tim's Pictorial: How I spent my time of physical distancing











Ernie works in the garden

