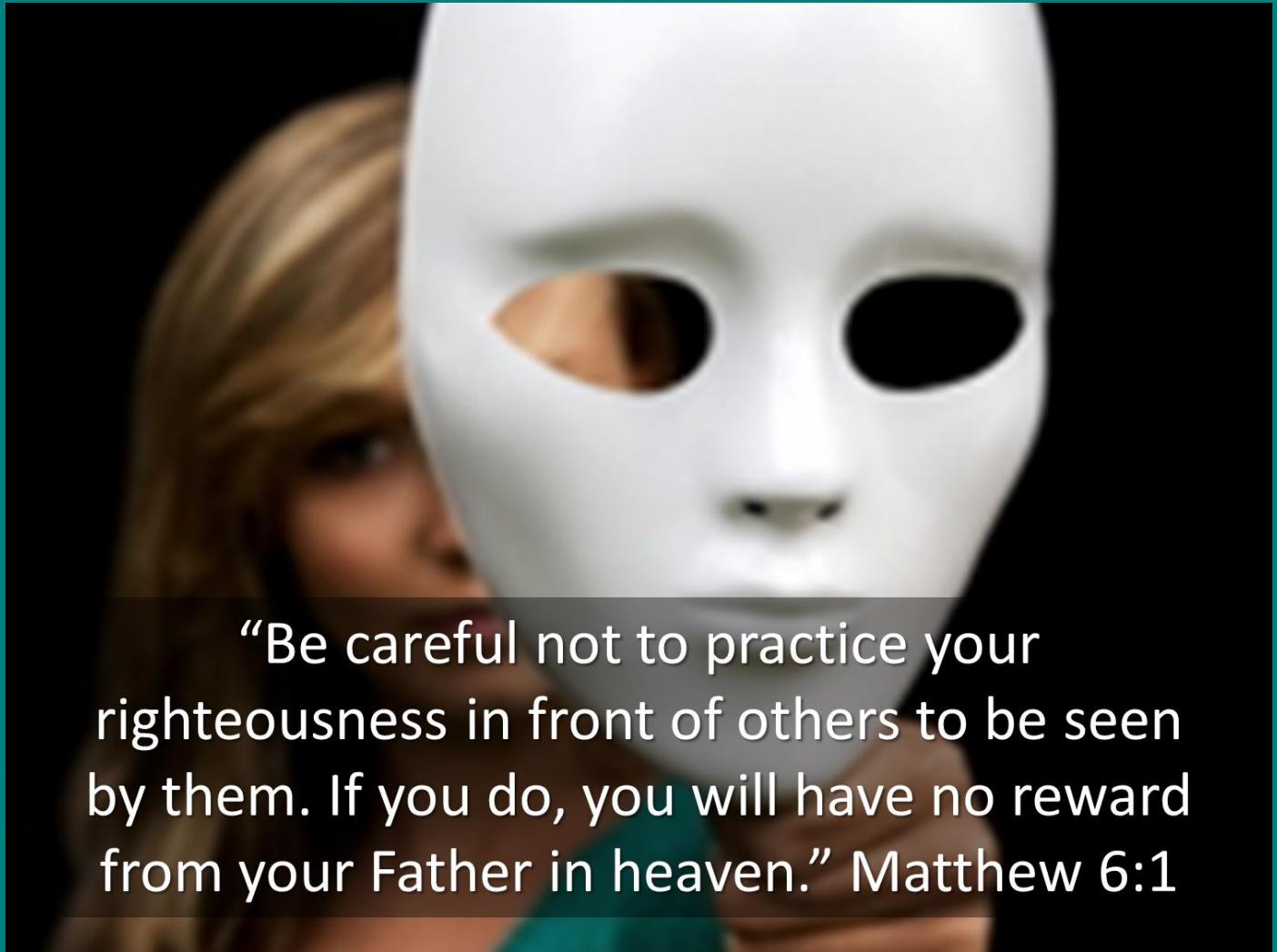


Farringdon Church



“Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.” Matthew 6:1

Sunday, January 17, 2021

Announcement:

The province of Ontario is currently under strict lockdown restrictions for the foreseeable future. Therefore, the Farringdon Advisory Board has made the decision that we will be unable to conduct our Annual General Meeting as usual. Restrictions will not allow us to meet for in person meetings, even in small numbers. Therefore, we have decided that the Annual Report will be prepared as usual, with committee reports and other pertinent information. The Annual Report will then be printed and sent out by mail or email to all members. The Advisory Board is approving an interim budget being prepared by our treasurer, based on current financial reports. After receiving the Annual Report, members may direct any questions to the appropriate committee member. We hope to have the committee reports submitted by the end of February, so that the Annual Report can be compiled and printed as soon as possible thereafter. If the need arises for a congregational meeting when it is again safe to meet, arrangements will be made to do so. We appreciate everyone's understanding as we continue to navigate through these times to the best of our ability. ~ *Cyndy Kirk, Senior Elder*

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Sunday, January 17, 2021

"God is our hope and strength: a very present help in trouble." – Psalm 46:1

Pray:

Holy God, Creator of all that is, and Giver of Life:

**We come to you, honestly confessing our sins
and grateful that you love us.**

We have failed to love and obey you this week.

Lord, have mercy.

We have failed to love our neighbours as you command.

Lord, have mercy.

**We ignored opportunities to do what is right
and just for the oppressed.**

Christ, have mercy.

**We praise you for being rich in mercy
and eager to forgive our sins.**

Because of Jesus, wash us clean and make us whole.

Fill us with his risen holy presence today.

**Empower us to do your will
especially when we feel 'it's not convenient'.**

Give us grace and courage, Lord, for the living of these days.

**We ask the same for those serving you in the church, in politics,
and in the caring professions.**

**Bring an end to this pandemic and we will give you the praise,
our Healer.**

Through Christ, we pray. Amen.

Listen to: ‘Day by Day’ by clicking the url link - or read the lyrics below

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AzrhqjzQCi4>

- 1 *Day by day, and with each passing moment,
strength I find to meet my trials here;
Trusting in my Father’s wise bestowment,
I’ve no cause for worry or for fear.
He, whose heart is kind beyond all measure,
gives unto each day what He deems best,
Lovingly its part of pain and pleasure,
mingling toil with peace and rest.*
- 2 *Every day the Lord Himself is near me,
with a special mercy for each hour;
All my cares He fain would bear and cheer me,
He whose name is Counsellor and Pow’r.
The protection of His child and treasure
is a charge that on Himself He laid;
“As thy days, thy strength shall be in measure,”
this the pledge to me He made.*
- 3 *Help me then, in every tribulation, so to trust Thy promises,
O Lord,
That I lose not faith’s sweet consolation offered me within
Thy holy Word.
Help me, Lord, when toil and trouble meeting, e’er to take, as
from a father’s hand,
One by one, the days, the moments fleeting, till I reach the
promised land.*

Bible: Matthew 6:1-8, 16-21

- 1 **Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.**
- 2 **“So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. 3**

- 3 **But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing,**
- 4 **so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.**
- 5 **“And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full.**
- 6 **But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.**
- 7 **And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words.**
- 8 **Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.**
- 16 **“When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full.**
- 17 **But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face,**
- 18 **so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.**
- 19 **“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.**
- 20 **But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.**
- 21 **For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.**

Sermon:

An Audience of One

by Rev. Mike Rattee

Listen to: 'Oh My Soul' by Casting Crowns by clicking the url link
- or read the lyrics below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DjNZf878ISQ>

1 *Oh, my soul, oh, how you worry.
Oh, how you're weary from fearing you lost control.
This was the one thing you didn't see coming
And no one would blame you, though, If you cried in private
If you tried to hide it away, so no one knows.
No one will see, if you stop believing.*

chorus: *Oh, my soul, you are not alone.
There's a place where fear has to face the God you know.
One more day, He will make a way.
Let Him show you how, you
can lay this down 'cause you're not alone*

2 *Here and now, you can be honest
I won't try to promise that someday it all works out
'Cause this is the valley and even now,
He is breathing on your dry bones
And there will be dancing; there will be beauty where beauty
was ash and stone. This much I know*

bridge: *I'm not strong enough, I can't take anymore
(You can lay it down, you can lay it down)
And my shipwrecked faith will never get me to shore (You can
lay it down, you can lay it down)
Can He find me here? Can He keep me from going under?*

Pray:

**Our Father, who art in heaven.
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive them that trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever.**

News and Announcements

- ❖ Virtual, on-line Worship Service for Sunday January 17, 2021
- ❖ Meetings and events this week – January 17 - 23, 2021

All midweek children and youth programming is online once again.

Kid's Club meets online

Tuesdays 6:00-6:45p.m.

Youth Group meets online

Thursdays 7:00-8:00p.m.

Katelyn can be contacted for further information regarding ages, content and zoom links and passwords!

ANNUAL REPORTS – COMMITTEE CHAIRS ARE ASKED TO SUBMIT THEIR ANNUAL REPORTS TO MARGOT NO LATER THAN FEB. 26 FOR INCLUSION IN THE ANNUAL REPORT. SUBMISSIONS BY EMAIL ARE PREFERRED. IF YOU REQUIRE MARGOT TO PRINT YOUR SUBMISSION, PLEASE SUBMIT AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE. WE REALIZE THAT MANY COMMITTEES HAVE BEEN RELATIVELY INACTIVE THIS YEAR, SO A BRIEF OR NIL REPORT IS CERTAINLY ACCEPTABLE.

Some of you may have heard that Jean MacDonald, unfortunately experienced a serious fire at her home recently. Jean is safe and well but her home sustained severe damage. She currently has temporary accommodations and is being assisted by her family. It may be several months before she is able to return home. Please keep Jean in your prayers but please refrain from phone calls as she is overwhelmed with calls at this time.



Thank you to my Farringdon Family for the lovely flowers I received. I am on the mend and doing well.

Hazel Fallis

For any Bulletin News or Announcements please contact Margot at the Church Office by Thursday mornings at: secretary@farringdonchurch.com or 519 759-2495



DIMES FOR ETHAN – For the past few years, our congregation has been collecting dimes to contribute to Ethan Golden, a young man who is raising funds for Juvenile Arthritis Awareness. We normally invite Ethan in the spring to present our donations. Due to the church closure we were unable to do so this year. We hope to set up a date in the spring to bring Ethan back. This is a reminder to please continue to collect your dimes until then!

Church Offerings

Offering Envelopes for 2021 have arrived but in light of recent Covid restrictions from the Ontario Government, they will be available to be picked up when the “Stay at home” restrictions have been lifted. You are welcome to send your Offering in a regular envelope for now or by E-transfer and I will ensure it is attributed to the correct envelope number.

***Please Do Not use last years' envelopes. ***

If you have been thinking about providing your Church offering by PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) but would like more information about how it works, please let Margot in the Church office know and she can provide information about how to provide your offering in this convenient way

Celebrating Anniversaries in January



23 - Rebecca & John Dumais

Happy Birthday !



Celebrating Birthdays in January

3 - Scott Sangster

4 - Angela Stubbert-Beaton

5 - Pat Trevor

9 - John Rattee

13 - Peter Wright & Derek Tiller

15 - Michelle Petrella

16 - Richard Carter

19 - Nathan Spragg

23 - James Locke

29 - Khloe Jackson

31 - Karen Thompson

Birthdays and Anniversaries - Do we Have Yours?

If your birthday, family members' birthdays and/or anniversaries are not in our newsletters or bulletin and you would like them to be, please make sure we have them. We know from the list we have that many are missing. We don't print the year

⌚Please provide the dates to Margot in the Church Office.

Farringdon Next Week

❖ Virtual, on-line Worship Service for Sunday January 24, 2021

❖ Meetings and events this week – January 24 - 30, 2021

All midweek children and youth programming is online once again.

Kid's Club meets online

Tuesdays 6:00-6:45p.m.

Youth Group meets online

Thursdays 7:00-8:00p.m.

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Farringdon Church regular office hours

During the Government restrictions for Covid, please do not come to the Church. You are welcome to call during office hours.

Monday	~ Closed ~
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Thursday	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Friday	9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Office: 519 759-2495

If calling after hours, please leave a message and your call will be returned the next business day. Rev. Mike can be contacted on his cell phone when the office is closed at 1-226-339-4340

Website Address and Social Media

Check out the Farringdon website and Facebook page for all updates and information. Our website address is www.farringdonchurch.ca. To access Member's content, you need to register at the new site. You will receive a temporary password via email which can be changed when you log in.