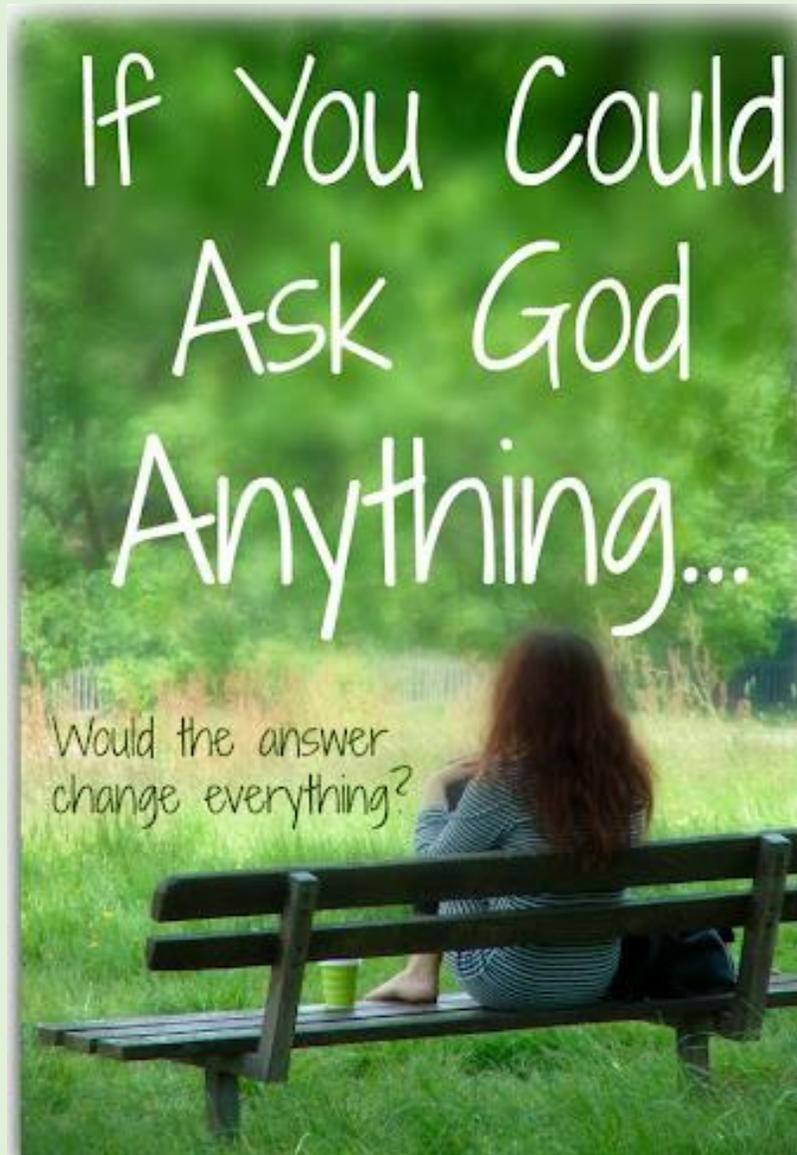


Farringdon Church



Sunday, September 12, 2021

Announcements:

WELCOME BACK!! - We are happy to be opening our doors for in-person worship at Farrington beginning Sunday, September 19. It will be so wonderful to be back together as a church family after such uncertain times. Due to the continuing concern regarding Covid cases and variants in the province, we will need to continue with precautions and restrictions in order to keep everyone safe and healthy. Please be advised of the following as we return to worship.

- Masks will be required at all times in the building, except for those speaking or singing from the chancel area. Disposable masks will be available for anyone who forgets to bring one.
- We will continue to maintain social distancing. Pews will be marked off accordingly. Those from the same households may be seated together. Once we have reached our seating capacity in the sanctuary, seating will be available in the auditorium where you may view the service live on the big screen.
- We will not resume coffee hour after church at this time. Please exit the building after worship without excessive gathering.
- We will continue to record attendance for contact tracing purposes.
- Please make use of hand sanitizing stations throughout the building.
- We will not yet be encouraging congregational singing, as this increases the spread of the virus. The choir will not yet resume. We will have weekly volunteers to lead our musical worship, with the words to the hymns available in the bulletin for you to follow along.
- We will be recording the live service each week to be posted online for anyone not yet comfortable returning to worship.

We hope that by following these guidelines, we will be able to safely worship together once again. We will keep everyone advised of any changes that may occur.

Stay safe and stay well.

~*Cyndy Kirk* ~ Senior Elder

Farringdon Church

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Administrative Coordinator: Margot Brown
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Sunday, September 12, 2021

*"Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them
and in whose spirit is no deceit." Psalm 32:2*

Prayer:

**Loving Father, thank you that your mercies are new to us today
and each day.**

**Thank you for leading us out of darkness and into your saving
light through your Word.**

**Thank you for the gift of Your Son, Jesus, who died and rose
again so we can be forgiven and become your children.**

**We pray for your Church that it would grow in love and unity and
have your protection against godless governments.**

**Strengthen her ministers and missionaries and purify her
members.**

**Lord, we pray for Canada, thanking you for our freedom and
prosperity.**

**Uphold our Prime Minister and bless the Premiers. Guide us in
this election so the right person can lead us.**

We pray for the Queen and all who have authority over us. Grant them your wisdom.

Holy Spirit, speak to me from your Word and then speak through me to someone in need today.

We pray in Jesus' mighty name, Amen.

Bible Reading: 1 Kings 3:5-14

- 5 **That night the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream, and God said, “What do you want? Ask, and I will give it to you!”**
- 6 **Solomon replied, “You showed great and faithful love to your servant, my father, David, because he was honest and true and faithful to you. And you have continued to show this great and faithful love to him today by giving him a son to sit on his throne.**
- 7 **“Now, O Lord my God, you have made me king instead of my father, David, but I am like a little child who doesn’t know his way around.**
- 8 **And here I am in the midst of your own chosen people, a nation so great and numerous they cannot be counted!**
- 9 **Give me an understanding heart so that I can govern your people well and know the difference between right and wrong. For who by himself is able to govern this great people of yours?”**
- 10 **The Lord was pleased that Solomon had asked for wisdom.**
- 11 **So God replied, “Because you have asked for wisdom in governing my people with justice and have not asked for a long life or wealth or the death of your enemies—**
- 12 **I will give you what you asked for! I will give you a wise and understanding heart such as no one else has had or ever will have!**

- 13 **And I will also give you what you did not ask for—riches and fame! No other king in all the world will be compared to you for the rest of your life!**
- 14 **And if you follow me and obey my decrees and my commands as your father, David, did, I will give you a long life.”**

Opening Hymn: I Sing the Mighty Power of God

watch by clicking the youtube url:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jD_nH8csTkQ

or read the lyrics below:

- 1 *I sing the mighty pow’r of God, that made the mountains rise,
That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at His command, and all the stars obey.*
- 2 *I sing the goodness of the Lord, who filled the earth with food,
He formed the creatures with his Word, and then pronounced them
good.
Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed, where’er I turn my eye,
If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky.*
- 3 *There’s not a plant or flow’r below, but makes Thy glories known,
And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from Thy throne;
While all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care;
And everywhere that man can be, Thou, God, art present there.*

Message: **If You Could Ask God for Only One Thing**

Closing Hymn: May the Mind of Christ, My Saviour

watch by clicking the youtube url:

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

or read the lyrics below:

- 1 *May the mind of Christ, my Saviour, live in me from day to day,
By His love and power controlling all I do and say.*

- 2 *May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph only through His power.*
- 3 *May the peace of God my Father rule my life in everything,
That I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.*
- 4 *May the love of Jesus fill me, as the waters fill the sea;
Him exalting, self abasing, this is victory.*
- 5 *May I run the race before me, strong and brave to face the foe,
Looking only unto Jesus as I onward go.*
- 6 *May His beauty rest upon me as I seek the lost to win,
And may they forget the channel, seeing only Him.*

The Sacrament of Holy Communion: (have bread and juice ready)

The Apostles' Creed:

**I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord:
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary:
Suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead and buried:
He descended into hell:
The third day he rose again from the dead:
He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty:
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead:
I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen.**

Bread:

The Lord Jesus, on the night of his arrest, took bread,
and after giving thanks to God,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat. This is my body, given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.

Wine:

In the same way, Jesus took the cup, saying:
This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed to forgive your sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.

In 1 Corinthians 11, Paul says that,

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup together we proclaim the saving death of our risen Lord, until he comes.

The Lord's Prayer:

**Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on 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. Amen**

Offering: [Please continue to send your Tithes and Offerings in the mail or drop in the mailbox at the church during office hours. Please do not mail cash or leave cash in the church mailbox for security.](#)

News and Announcements

Meetings and events this week, September 12 – September 18, 2021

Sunday, Sept. 12

Remote worship service *Online*

Wednesday Sept. 15

Noon

Trustee's Meeting – Boardroom

Happy Birthday!



Celebrating Birthdays in September

19 ~ Andrew Meijerink

20 ~ Rebecca Dumais

21 ~ Bill Lovekin

24 ~ Margot Brown

29 ~ Ross Lehman

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Celebrating Anniversaries in September

21 ~ Rod & Cheryl Vanderstelt

21 ~ Dave & Helen Kennedy

30 ~ Glenn & Ruth Ann Young

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 some are missing.

We don't print the year ☺ Please provide the dates to Margot in the Church Office



We are so excited to welcome everyone back to church on Sunday September 19! Not only is this our first Sunday back in several months but it is also Rally Sunday! All are invited to join us for our Sunday service at 10:30am which is the kickoff for our fall youth activities. Since we were unable to have our church picnic last year, we thought this would be a great time to gather for a picnic after worship. Due to Covid restrictions, each family needs to bring their own picnic lunch and lawn chairs. We will gather on the back lawn, weather permitting, for lunch and a time of fellowship following the service. Please confirm your attendance for the picnic by emailing (or calling if you don't email) the office so that we can be sure to remain within the allowed outdoor gathering restrictions currently in place for the province. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to Farrington!

Farringdon Next Week

Meetings and events next week, September 19 – September 25, 2021

Sunday Sept. 19 10:30 a.m. Farringdon Church Service in person
And Rally Sunday Picnic!

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 on the website. You will receive a temporary password via email which can be changed when you log in

If you want to use the church hall for an event, please complete a "Building Use Request Form" and forward it to the Board of Deacons c/o, Chair ~ Wyatt Thompson 226-922-1927. You can get this form on the CE wing bulletin board or in the Church Office during office hours.

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



LAY READERS NEEDED - With our reopening planned for September, we will be once again inviting members of the congregation to participate in the service as lay readers. You would be scheduled approximately once every 2-3 months to read one of the scriptures during the service. Rev. Mike will provide you with the reading in advance. You will also receive a readers' schedule so that you can trade dates with someone if you know you will be away on a given Sunday. If you would like to be added to the lay readers' list, or if you are currently on the list and are unable to continue, please contact Cyndy Kirk.



SINGERS NEEDED! – Although we are reopening for worship on September 19, due to pandemic precautions we will not yet be resuming our choir or congregational singing. Therefore, we would like to have two or three volunteer singers each week to lead the hymns from the chancel area. You would only need to volunteer occasionally depending on the number of volunteers we have. You do not need to be a choir member. Derek will arrange a time to rehearse the hymns with you prior to the service. If you would like to volunteer for this music ministry, please contact Derek.

It is with regret that the Farringdon Joint Board has accepted the resignation of our administrative assistant, Margot Brown. Margot's last day in the office will be November 19. Margot and Rick have purchased a lakeside home on Rice Lake where they have decided to begin their retirement dream. We wish Margot and Rick all the best as they begin this next chapter in their lives. We have begun the process of seeking potential candidates to fill this position at Farringdon. The job posting is printed below.

Farringdon Church and Burial Ground
Office Administrator/Secretary

We are an independent Christian congregation seeking an individual with general office experience, preferably in a religious, charitable, or non-profit organization. You must possess excellent organizational skills, a working knowledge of accounting processes, proficiency with Microsoft Office applications including Excel and Word, proficiency with electronic meeting software such as Zoom and proficiency with web-based applications such as email and YouTube.

We value interpersonal skills, tact and confidentiality, positivity and a willingness and ability to learn and innovate.

The position is daily part time with a usual 25-hour work week with occasional need for additional hours. The position reports to the Senior Elder with regular working relationships with other board, congregation, and staff members.

The current salary range for the position is \$21 to \$25 per hour.

Please submit your resume to the attention of Cyndy Kirk, Senior Elder via email david.cyndy.kirk@gmail.com not later than 5 p.m. Friday, September 24, 2021.

We thank all applicants for their interest. We will be contacting only those candidates to be interviewed at this time. A detailed job description will be provided ahead of scheduled interviews.

Dear Farrington Family,

As posted above, I regretfully have to leave my job at Farrington. My Husband Rick & I decided that he could retire early, as we have realized just how short and precious life is. We have been unexpectedly given the gift of a wonderful opportunity of our dream to buy a house on a lake and start a new chapter of our lives and so, it couldn't be passed up. I had expected to be here at Farrington for another decade and so this unexpected decision, as exciting as it is, leaves a sad, little hole in having to leave Farrington. I have been so happy here.

I hope to return on an occasional Sunday for a visit so this is only farewell for now. Thank you to everyone for your kindness and generosity with me throughout the last 4½ years.

Sincerely, with love,

Margot 

Farrington Church regular office hours Sept. 5 - Sept. 11, 2021

<i>Monday</i>	<i>~ Closed ~Labour Day</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>~ 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>~ 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>~ 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>~ 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.</i>

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

Farrington Church



Come and see

Pictures provided by Ross and Shirley Lehman; "Ruby throated hummingbird; Hummingbirds migrate to Mexico and south. These are 2 pictures of the Hummingbird filling up in our yard, ready for their trip. The Baltimore Oriole left the feeder on August 28th to head south, we checked with another feeder and they had not seen them since then."