

FARRINGDON CHURCH



ADVENT WEEK ONE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2021

WELCOME TO FARRINGDON CHURCH!

Thank you for being with us for our Worship Service today!

We have made some temporary organizational changes to our usual service in order to exercise health and safety protocols during the ongoing pandemic.

Pews are marked off to enable social distancing. Please follow the direction of our deacons as you are seated. If you make use of one of our pew cushions, please leave it on the pew at the end of service so that it can be sanitized before next use.

Hand sanitizers are provided throughout the building. Please be sure to sanitize your hands and refrain from hand-shaking or physical contact. **Masks** are mandatory while in the building as per city bylaws at this time.

Everything you need for the service can be found in this booklet or on the screen at the front. Hymn books and Bibles have been temporarily removed from the pews for sanitary purposes.

If you are looking for a **spiritual home**, we have a variety of services and programs to meet your needs. Please introduce yourself to the morning greeters or Rev. Mike after the service to learn more about what our church has to offer.

Washrooms are located on the lower level, either a barrier-free washroom below the Narthex, or in the Christian Education wing on the lower level – both are accessible via the elevator or stairs. Just ask one of the greeters for directions.

Children are a special part of our church family, and we do our best to make them feel at home. We include a Children's time in our Sunday morning service however, children will not be coming forward during the children's hymn.

After the Children's time, Children will then head to the conference room to Sunday School.

Sunday School will be available to children ages 5-12 with a capacity of 15 children. Priority will be given to children ages 5-10. We are not providing nursery care at this time due to health precautions. If your child wishes to remain with you in service that is wonderful, feel free to pick up a copy of the "Sermon Notes" page from the narthex to help your child stay engaged.

All parents must pick up their children from Sunday School.

The **offering** is a member responsibility. You are welcome to make a contribution. However, if you are visiting us for the first time, we don't expect you to donate – we'd rather ask you to pay attention to God's blessings in your life, return next week, and make your gift then if you so choose. The offering plates will not be passed but are located at the front and rear exits for you to leave your donation.

Corporate communion is now being held on the second Sunday of each month. This is a change from celebrating on the first Sunday of the month as in the past.

Please exit at the front or rear doors following service and refrain from gathering in the Narthex or aisle at this time. Our usual coffee hour is temporarily suspended.

If you are **visiting for the first time**, please let us know after the service, as we have a **welcome gift** for you.



WE WILL WELCOME NEW MEMBERS IN THE MORNING SERVICE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19. SPEAK TO REV. MIKE ASAP IF YOU WANT FARRINGDON TO BE YOUR NEW HOME CHURCH. WE'D LOVE FOR YOU JOIN US!

Announcements:

WELCOME BACK!! - We are happy to have been able to open our doors for in-person worship at Farringdon starting Sunday, September 19. It is 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 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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Advent 1

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2021

10:30 A.M.

'We thank you, Lord God Almighty, who was and is, because in your great power you have begun to reign.' ~ Revelation 11:17

Prelude:
Pachelbel

"Vom Himmel hoch"

by Johann

Opening Hymns:

Emmanuel

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel
God with us, revealed in us, His name is called Emmanuel*

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

*1. O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.*

*Chorus: Rejoice, Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.*

*2. O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by thine
advent here
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night and death's dark shadows
put to flight,*

*He came to love, heal and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove my Saviour lives.*

*Chorus: Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives, all fear is gone;
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living, just because He lives.*

*2 How sweet to hold a newborn baby,
And feel the pride and joy he gives;
But greater still the calm assurance:
This child can face uncertain days because He Lives.*

*3 And then one day, I'll cross the river,
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then, as death gives way to victory,
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives.*

Announcements

Old Testament Lesson: (After lesson)	Isaiah 9:1-7 read by Susan Daniels Leader: The word of the Lord People: Thanks be to God
New Testament Lesson: (After lesson)	1 John 1:1-7 by Mya Thompson Leader: The word of the Lord People: Thanks be to God
The Gospel Lesson: (After lesson)	Matthew 4:12-17 by Rev. Mike Leader: The Gospel of Christ People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ

Children Hymn: *Alleluia*

1 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia (X2)

2 He's my Saviour, He's my Saviour, He's my Saviour, He's my Saviour (X2)

Children's Time with Katelyn Hines

(Children remain in pews until Katelyn directs them for Sunday school.)



Light Advent Candle #1 (The Rattee's)



Isaiah 64:1,3,4 read by John Rattee

3 He is worthy, He is worthy, He is worthy, He is worthy (X2)

4 I will praise him, I will praise him, I will praise him, I will praise him (X2)

(last time – 'Alleluia')

Sermon: **WHY WE PUT UP LIGHTS THIS SEASON**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of light, we live in a world darkened by sin

This week sin has darkened our thoughts, our words and our deeds

We turn from our sin and turn to you.

Because of Jesus, we ask for your mercy.

Because of Jesus, remove all stain and guilt.

And help us to walk in the Light, as you are in the Light.

Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Offering: ***Please, place your Tithes and Offerings on the offering plate at the front or back of the church as you exit at the end of service.***

Offertory Prayer

Offering Response:

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow

Praise Him, all creatures here below

Praise Him above ye heavenly Host

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost

Spoken Benediction

Benediction Closing Hymn:

*Go now in peace, never be afraid;
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true;
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe;
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.*

Three-fold Amen

Postlude: *Fugue on "Vomm Himmel hoch"*

by J.S. Bach

Thank you to our Contemporary Guitar Group for their contributions to today's service music.



If you are visiting today,
welcome and thank you for joining us in worship of God!
We hope your experience at Farrington is uplifting and hope to see you again very soon. Please, sign our guest book in the Narthex!

We are saddened by the news of the passing of Tom Misener on November 20th. We extend our prayers and sympathy to Carol and the Misener family at this time. A private family service will be held tomorrow, Monday November 29th.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Assisting with Worship Service for Sunday, November 28, 2021

Door Greeters:

Tini and Arie Vanderstelt

Deacon:

Dave Kennedy

Meetings and events next week, November 29 - December 4, 2021

Sunday Nov. 28 - 10:30 a.m.

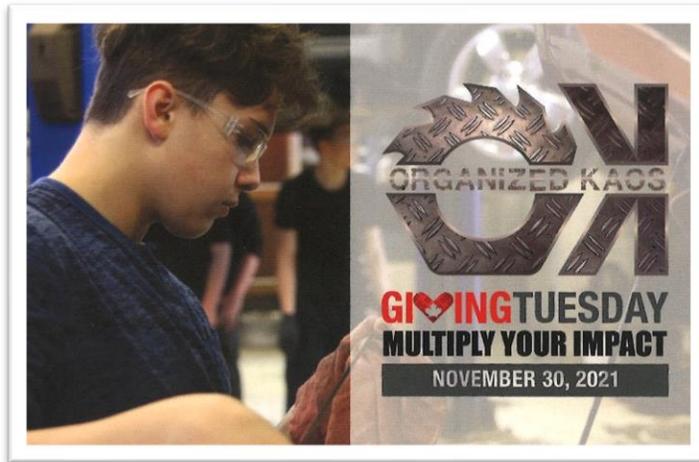
Farrington Church Service

Monday, Nov. 29 – 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Jr. High Bible Study

Tuesday, Nov.. 30- 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Kids Club & Jr. High Bible Study



This Tuesday November 30th, please donate to Organized Kaos, because your gift will be multiplied 10X by a corporate donor! For more details go to www.organizedkaos.org

If you would like 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 for approval at 226-922-1927. You can get this form on the CE wing bulletin board or in the Church Office during office hours.

Dimes For Ethan



We are resuming our dime drive for Ethan as he continues to raise money for Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis. Please view the display in the Narthex. One water bottle= \$100. Do you think we can collect five by January 2022? Let's give it a shot!

Farringdon Children's Ministries Is Collecting...

Juice Box Donations



Orange • Apple • Grape • Peach • Fruit Punch • Mixed
Berry • Strawberry Kiwi • Mango • Kool Aid Jammers

The Options are Endless. And we are not Picky.
Any kind of juice box will do.
Drop of to Katelyn, or her Office.

THANK YOU

Happy Birthday!



Celebrating Birthdays in November
30 ~ Isabel Tollar

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 Cindy in the Church Office.

For any Bulletin News or Announcements please contact Cindy Hossack at the Church Office by Thursday mornings at: secretary@farringdonchurch.com or 519 759-2495 EXT #4

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

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS MUSIC – As we approach the Advent & Christmas season, we know that many of you have favourite hymns at this time of year. We would like to include as many of your favourites as possible during our Advent & Christmas services. Please contact the office or Rev. Mike with any favourite hymns and we will do our best to include them!



LAY READERS NEEDED - With our reopening, we are 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 have reopened for worship, 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.

Barb & Dave Gilbert, of our Farrington family, tragically experienced a house fire this week. They have lost everything. Barb is currently in hospital. We will reach out in all possible ways as a church family to assist them at this time. A financial donation will be made through the Farrington Benevolent Fund. In addition, a GoFundMe page has been set up by a neighbour to support the family. If you wish to make an online donation, the website is:

<https://gofund.me/3a25e4d9>

If you prefer to make a private donation, you may mail or bring a cheque **Payable to Dave Gilbert** to the church, marked for this purpose, and we will be sure all donations reach the family. We will update the congregation with the family's future needs as we can.

Please keep the Gilbert family in your prayers at this time. Anyone wishing to send a card or note to the Gilberts can drop off at the church also and the family will pick up from there.

FARRINGTON NEXT WEEK

Assisting with Worship Service for Sunday December 5, 2021

Door Greeters:

Wendy Bethune

Deacon:

Dave Kennedy

Meetings and events next week, December 6 – December 11, 2021

Sunday Dec. 4 - 10:30 a.m.

Farrington Church Service

Monday, Dec. 5 - 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Jr. High Bible Study

Tuesday, Dec. 6 - 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Kids Club & Jr. High Bible Study

FARRINGTON CHURCH REGULAR 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

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