

**THE PARISH OF HOLY TRINITY ST. STEPHENS  
ANGLICAN MEMORIAL CHURCH**

**Weekly Newsletter (August issue) - Covid-19 edition #65  
10th Sunday After Pentecost – August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021**



**Worship readings for this week's 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, August 1<sup>st</sup> are:**

*2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a; Psalm 51:1-13; Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:24-35*

**Worship readings for next week's 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, August 8<sup>th</sup> are:**

*2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33; Psalm 130; Ephesians 4:25-5:2; John 6:35, 41-51*

*As a parish family those noted below have a place of importance for us to hold in tribute and remembrance.*

**AUGUST ALTAR FLOWERS:**

**Aug 1-** Given to the Glory of God by ladies of the Altar Guild.

**Aug 8-** Given to the Glory of God by Agnes Comeau in memory of her husband, George.

**Aug 15-** Given to the Glory of God by Anne Buchanan in memory of her husband, John and her mother, Margaret.

**Aug 22-** Given to the Glory of God by Olga Stewart in memory of her parents, Dimitri & Mary Yadlowski.

**Aug 29-** Given to the Glory of God by Jan & Allison Gortzak in memory of Jan's parents, Jan Sr. & Janine, and Allison's dad, Bill.



## Returning to In-person worship at HTSSM!

We are excited to announce our return to In-person worship at Holy Trinity St. Stephen's!

Summer worship will resume Outdoors in our Veteran's Memorial Garden **every Sunday at 10am** beginning this Sunday, August 1st! \*

A service of Holy Communion will also be offered

Outdoors in our Veteran's Memorial Garden **every Wednesday morning from August 4th - 25th** at 10:30am.\* (Weather permitting, please see note below. \*)



Any updates or information on re-opening of the church will also be sent via Email as it becomes available, please contact the church office if you'd like to be added to the Parish distribution list. Please note: We are easing our way back together so health requirements are still in place as we seek to love our neighbor as ourselves.

- Services of Holy Communion will take place outdoors in the Veteran Memorial Garden and will be approximately 45 minutes.
- Masks are required to be worn during the service.
- Please bring your own lawn chair. A few chairs will be available if needed. While there is some shade a hat would be a good idea.
- Upon arrival, please try to stay socially distanced as much as possible.
- Pre-registration is not required. Be prepared to sign in upon arrival as we need to keep a tracing log.



**\*Important note about the weather.** If the forecast calls for a high chance of rain on Sunday or Wednesday mornings; service for that day will be cancelled. Unfortunately, we cannot gather inside at this time.

You will receive an email the evening before if the service is cancelled due to weather concerns. Otherwise, please check the home page on our website ([parishofhtssm.ca](http://parishofhtssm.ca)) and/or our Facebook page for updates.

We look forward to seeing each other and worshipping our loving and compassionate God together. See you soon!



# Prayer Ministry



## PRAYER INTENTIONS

***THIS PRAYER MINISTRY IS MOST IMPORTANT RIGHT NOW!  
Your prayers DO MAKE a difference. Please take additional  
time in your day and in you daily prayers for those most  
vulnerable and in need of healing.***

We reverently keep in our prayers, family, friends, loved ones, and all in need. We pray especially for those listed in this bulletin and those in our hearts and minds this day.

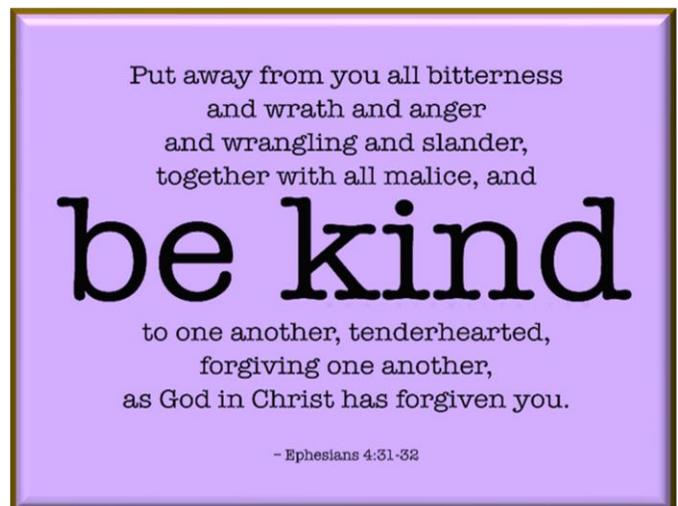
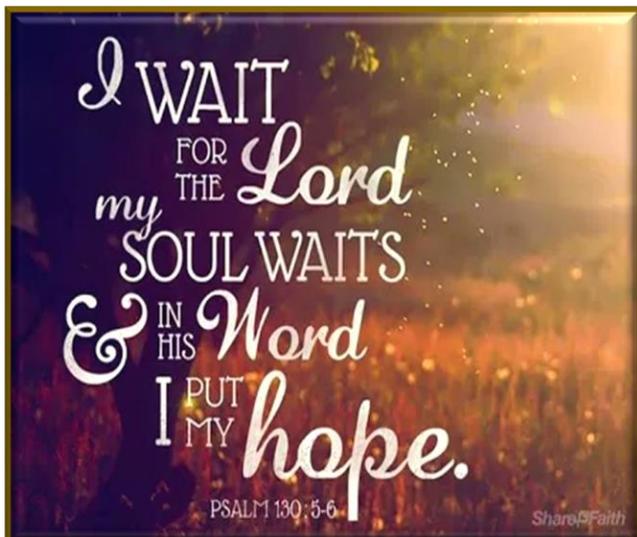
### **Prayers for those in need of Health and Healing:**

Philip W., Raymie D., Ted M., Judy D., James L., Nancy, Marilyn A., Al & Yvonne, Kelly M., Sandy M., Len W., Linda R., Steve I., Kathryn H., Kathy G., Molly Rose, Jennifer A., Bea, Luke, Lucy, Edi, Jerry, Carol, Hiba, Petra, Hailey, and Jeff P.



### **Prayers for those in Long Term Care or Seniors Homes:**

Wayne, Diane, Noreen, Jim M., Gene, Evelyn, Dave, Shirley, Leona, Junia, Cliff, Shirley Mac, Florence, Gloria, Joanie T., and Bob.



## YARD SALE! SAVE THE DATE! Sat Sept 18!

We are eager to be proceeding with reopening activities including planning a date for our annual Yard Sale.

**This date is set for Saturday, September 18, 2021.**

Please consider going through your closet, basement, garage, and shed for any donations. Please kindly remember that all items need to be in good shape, and whatever you donate must fit into a car so it can be taken away when purchased. We are also well underway with sorting, pricing, etc. and any help would be very appreciated. Please contact either Jeanette at 226-456-8776 for more information. Thanks in advance for all your support!!



## Outdoor Coffee Group in the Memorial Garden

Weather permitting we are holding another coffee hour in the Veterans Memorial Garden in August. Stay tuned for the event date and time. Please rsvp to Sharron via [sharron.pirrie020@sympatico.ca](mailto:sharron.pirrie020@sympatico.ca) or leave a message at 519-681-4071 so we know who and how many to expect. Look forward to catching up together again!



## **10:30 am Eucharist** **Every Wednesday Morning in August**

Mid-week Outdoor Services  
From August 4<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> will be held  
in the Veterans Memorial Garden\*

☞ Please wear a Mask and Bring a Lawn Chair ☞

\*Weather Permitting. Please check our website ([parishofhtssm.ca](http://parishofhtssm.ca)) and/or our Facebook page for updates.



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Softcover \$1 each, 7/\$5



## **EXCITEMENT IS IN THE AIR!!!**

**The HTSSM Rectory Book Shop (aka The Book Nook)  
Is Now Open For The Summer!!**

**OPENING TIMES ARE:**

**MONDAYS- 10-2** (CLOSED SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>\*)

**TUESDAYS- 1-4**

**THURSDAYS- 4-6:30**

**SATURDAYS- 10-2**

**Covid 19 precautions are in place. Masks must be worn at all times.**

*Everyone visiting the Book shop is expected to follow Public Health Guidelines including social distancing, hand sanitizing, and providing contact tracing.*

**Please adhere to posted signs regarding maximum patrons allowed.**

**If anyone is interested in volunteering to host in the Rectory Book store please contact Pat at [patredgerton@execulink.com](mailto:patredgerton@execulink.com).**

*\*Please note we will be closed on all Statutory and Public Holidays.*

**All revenues will be directed in support of our Parish projects!**

**From Pat, and the Cover-to-Cover Team**

Happy Summertime! Hopefully everyone is enjoying pleasant holidays, time to relax, and blessed time with Family and Loved Ones. Peace, Luv & Hope, from Allison!

## How Do I Grow In Christ

[www.elkhartlife.com](http://www.elkhartlife.com) | Posted on Aug 16, 2016.

**Growing In Christ!** How can I grow strong in Christ? Is Spiritual growth a mystery that only a few can figure out? What are the keys to growing in Christ?

**Know Jesus Christ!** Our highest priority in living for Christ is knowing who he is. The more you know and understand Christ, the more effectively you can follow him. Start by reading His word. There are 66 books in the Bible, 27 in the New Testament, and 39 in the Old Testament. The truths of the New Testament are built upon the teaching of the Old Testament, but to start with, your goal is to know Jesus Christ. To learn who he is, what He taught, and begin to follow His teaching. Read the four Gospels. They tell the story of Jesus. You won't fully understand everything for a while, but that's OK. You will begin adding to your basic knowledge and understanding of God. After reading through the gospels a couple of times, you can get a better picture of who Jesus is.

Matthew presents Jesus as a king to a mostly Jewish audience. Mark presents Jesus to a Gentile audience. Luke presents Jesus to a Gentile audience as a Healer. Luke also writes the historical account of the birth of the church, the book of Acts. Finally, John writes of Jesus as God in flesh, saviour of the world. Get to know who Jesus is by reading these varied accounts of his life and teachings. Begin to model them in your life.

**Pray!** Prayer is not just requesting things, like the drive up window at Burger King. It is a conversation between brothers, and friends. God loves us, and wants to spend time with us. Prayer also means worship. Worship is an acknowledging of God's glory and power. Read the psalms to hear how David worshipped God. Many of the psalms as meant to be sung. They speak of the grandeur that is God. They also show David humbled himself, and asked for God's help and favor when dealing with disagreements and complications that life throws in our path. Many people do not know how to pray, so here is a simple guide. We have a prayer wheel that breaks prayer up into 12 five minute segments. It makes praying for an hour a simple directed process. Obviously, you do not have to pray for an hour every time you pray, but this guide gives you guidance on things to include in any time you have with God in prayer.



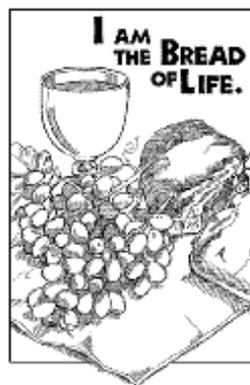
1. **WORSHIP** – Always start your prayer with a time of worshipping Him, acknowledging God’s goodness and mercy. David said in [Psalms 100](#), “*Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise. Be thankful unto him, and bless his name.*” ([Psalm 22:3, 63:3; Hebrews 13:15](#)) Begin all prayer with praise. Whatever your ultimate goal may be, first praise God. In praise you esteem God for His greatness and virtues.
2. **FORGIVENESS** ([Matthew 6:14-15](#)) Nothing will block your spiritual progress more fatally than an unforgiving spirit. Forgiving is a complete “pouring out” of any feelings that might have developed against anyone during the day. Even a small “root of bitterness” will grow quickly into a serious problem.
3. **CONFESSION** ([Psalm 139:23-24, 66:18](#)) Early in the complete prayer clock we deal with sin. Un-confessed sin is the greatest hindrance to prayers. Rid yourself of sin by confessing and seeking forgiveness and you will clear the road for powerful praying.
4. **PETITION** ([Matthew 6:9-13; James 4:2-3](#)) “Ye have not, because ye ask not. Ye ask and receive not because ye ask amiss.” This aspect of prayer deals with our personal needs. You may feel confident to pray for your personal needs.
5. **INTERCESSION** ([Matthew 9:37-38; I Timothy 2:1-2](#)) Intercession is praying for the lost and involves the most intense dimension of prayer. Intercession is God’s love flowing through us.
6. **BIBLE READING** ([II Timothy 3:16](#)) It may surprise you to hear the suggestion that you should read your Bible during prayer. However, the Word is enlightening to the eyes ([Psalm 19:9](#)). When you read the Bible new possibilities are made clear.
7. **MEDITATION** ([Psalm 1:1-2, 77:12](#)) Take time to “think on these things.” God will open your understanding.
8. **THANKSGIVING** ([Philippians 4:6](#)) Although thanksgiving should be sprinkled throughout your prayer, spend a special period of thanking God out loud for all the things in your life.
9. **PRAYING THE WORD** Personally apply, out loud, the precepts of the Bible.
10. **SINGING** ([Psalm 100:2; Ephesians 5:19](#)) Singing refreshes and comforts the soul, and one of the greatest thrills of singing is to sing in the Holy Ghost, “a new song,” during prayer.
11. **LISTENING** ([I Kings 19:11-12](#)) Prayer is not all talking to God. It also involves listening. When we listen we receive direct orders from the Holy Spirit.
12. **PRAISE** ([Matthew 6:13](#)) We conclude every prayer session with praise. Again we exalt the nature of God.

Even if you don’t include every one of the 12 items every time, every one of them is a powerful piece of your prayer toolbox, and you should learn to use them when you pray.

# Looking for a Sign

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty. John 6:35 (NIV)

Based on John 6:24-35 (NIV)



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LIFE	HEAVEN	LOAVES	TRUTH	FATHER
ETERNAL	TRUE	MANNA	DESERT	MOSES
SIGNS	FILL	THIRSTY	LAKE	BREAD
RABBI	BELIEVE	LIFE	HUNGRY	FOOD

# Don't forget to check out the Vicars' Crossing Podcasts on any of the following:

iTunes, YouTube or Soundcloud



Have you checked out Rev Rob's latest YouTube worship video? Simply go our **Parish Website Home page** and click the YouTube button, or go to Rev Rob's Corner and find the latest edition!

## Prayer

*Lord God, Father of mercy and source of life, You call us from the whole world to celebrate with renewed fervour the great mystery of the Eucharist, memorial for all time of the Passover of Your Son.*

*With gratitude in our hearts for the salvation which has been given us, we ask You confidently at the dawning of the third millennium: by our sharing in the one Bread and one Cup, make us one Body in Christ: may we live the divine life which He obtained for us at the price of His Blood.*

*Enlivened by His Holy Spirit, we will proclaim to the world the wonders of Your love.*

*We make this prayer through Jesus Christ Your Son, who was born of the Virgin and who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.*

*Amen.*

## HTSSM's Social Media!!

Be sure to always stay connected and share our events with your friends and family through our Parish Website and Facebook page.



## Salt and Light by Jonny Hawkins



"The Reverend used to be a geometry teacher. That's why he goes off on so many tangents."

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