

# NEWS from the BRIDGE

*Life @ Bridge Street United Church,  
Belleville, Ontario, during COVID-19*

AN INITIATIVE BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE TRANSITION TEAM

FRIDAY, MAY 7, 2021

*Worship*  
WITH US ONLINE

We premier our weekly online worship services on  
**YouTube, Sundays @ 10 a.m.**

**DETAILS ARE PRINTED IN THIS NEWSLETTER.**



Sunday, May 9, 2021  
6th of Easter

Love one  
ANOTHER  
as I have  
LOVED  
you  
-JOHN 15:12

*John 15: 9—17*



*Christian Family Sunday*



Effective Sunday, June 6, 2021, BSUC's recorded worship services will be viewable on our very own YouTube channel.

Stay tuned for more details about this exciting development.

This initiative is brought to you by members of the Worship & Music Team.

*Thanks Rev. David for hosting us on your personal page for well over a year.*

**C-E-L-E-B-R-A-T-E G-O-O-D T-I-M-E-S...**  
**COME ON... LET'S CELEBRATE!**



**HAPPY 94TH BIRTHDAY  
MADELAYNE ROLLINS!**



### **A WARM "HUG" WITH PRAYERS KNIT INTO EVERY STITCH...**

In Knitter's United convenor Elizabeth Ewashki's Update #15 to fellow knitters, she states, "As the pandemic continues, we have found ourselves if anything more in tune with our fellow knitters. We needed each other in new ways and many have reached out to others in support of many kinds. Thank you each for these kindnesses."

Veronica Leonard's response to Elizabeth's e-mail is noted below:

*When I was in BGH in January with COVID, the negative air system they use in COVID patients' rooms was never warm enough, except when I was sitting looking out the window under a shawl my daughter gave me years ago. As soon as I was discharged from hospital, I started plans to knit a prayer shawl (with Elizabeth's advice and encouragement). All of the yarn I used was from KU donated wools, and for 2 1/2 months I knit and prayed into the coloured bands of stitches. Two weeks ago I approached the Manager of BGH's fifth floor and asked if I could donate it to a COVID patient who, like me, was continually cold. She was happy to accept it. Chances are it would only go to one patient, and it would either be taken home or discarded, but for ten days, at the lowest point in someone's illness, it would have served its purpose to help someone. Veronica goes*



*on to say "there are a lot of mistakes, quite a few dropped stitches and my own pattern that just sort of grew as I knit. I have never knit something this size before so for me it's been a real accomplishment." (You will be pleased to hear that Veronica states she has "recovered with very little repercussions from the COVID" (virus)).*



This week you are invited to pray for the following individuals and their circumstances.

As seems right, please pray for their strength, pray for their soul to be comforted, and pray for a different and better future than is their current circumstance.

#### WE LIFT BEFORE GOD:

**Those** whose health is imperiled.

**Those** who are experiencing anxiety brought about by the challenges of life in the time of a pandemic.

**COVID-19 doubters and deniers** that they might come to a more fulsome understanding of the challenges that still beset the world, our country, our provinces, and our cities.

**Folk** who are poor, hungry, homeless or provisionally housed, as they live with uncertainty and fear.

**Those** whose challenges have yet to be conveyed to us and yet are so very real.

***Rev. David welcomes news of those for whom we can pray.***

***Please reach out and advise.***

***interim.clergy@gmail.com or 1-905-375-7369***



***... for the week of  
May 9, 2021***

**Click below to access Rev. G. David King's  
YouTube address ...**

**<https://youtube.com/channel/UCt8ig2lpQ8ILzRfKjNmCuSw>**

**or go to the home page of our church website for a  
link, [www.bridgestreetchurch.com](http://www.bridgestreetchurch.com).**

**Available**

**Beginning**

**this Sunday,**

**May 9 @ 10 a.m.**

the Revised Common  
LECTIONARY

**John 15: 9—17**

These then are the words accredited to Jesus:

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love.

If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love.

I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.

You are my friends if you do what I command you.

I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father.

You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.

I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

**HYMN: Take Up His Song — MV #213**

Take up his song of peace\*  
and go into the world.  
Take up his song of peace\*  
in ev'ry moment.  
In ev'ry moment of the journey,  
we're laying down our lives;  
lay them down, in peace\*,  
lay them down, and take up his song.

**\*additional verses:** "hope," "faith," and "love"

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## **HYMN: Worship the Lord—VU #401**

### *Refrain:*

*Worship the Lord (worship the Lord)  
worship the Father, the Spirit, the Son,  
raising our hands (raising our hands)  
in devotion to God who is one!*

- 1 Raising our hands as a sign of rejoicing,  
and with our lips our togetherness voicing,  
giving ourselves to a life of creativeness,  
worship and work must be one! *R*
- 2 Praying and training that we be a blessing,  
and by our handiwork daily confessing:  
we are committed to serving humanity,  
worship and work must be one! *R*
- 3 Called to be partners with God in creation,  
honouring Christ as the Lord of the nation,  
we must be ready for risk and for sacrifice,  
worship and work must be one! *R*
- 4 Bringing the bread and the wine to the table,  
asking that we may be led and enabled,  
truly united to build new communities,  
worship and work must be one! *R*
- 5 Now in response to the life you are giving,  
help us Creator, to offer our living,  
seeking a just and a healing society,  
worship and work must be one! *R*

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## **HYMN: MV #145 - Draw the Circle Wide**

### *Refrain*

Draw the circle wide. Draw it wider still.  
Let this be our song, no one stands alone,  
standing side by side, draw the circle wide.

1. God the still-point of the circle,  
'round whom all creation turns;  
nothing lost, but held forever,  
in God's gracious arms. *R*



2. Let our hearts touch far horizons,  
so encompass great and small;  
let our loving know no borders,  
faithful to God's call. *R*
3. Let the dreams we dream be larger,  
than we've ever dreamed before;  
let the dream of Christ be in us,  
open every door. *R*

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# Happy Mother's Day!

