

NEWS from the BRIDGE

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

AN INITIATIVE BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE TRANSITION TEAM

FRIDAY, JUNE 25, 2021



Sunday, June 27, 2021

Mark 5: 21-43

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

DETAILS ARE PRINTED IN THIS NEWSLETTER.

Congratulations Steve!

We are pleased to inform you that yesterday, Steve van de Hoef, BSUC's Community Engagement Programs Manager, was presented the 2021 Marsha Stephen Community Health Leadership Award from the Belleville and Quinte West Community Health Centre Board of Directors.

This award is intended to recognize and celebrate the variety of skills, energy, ideas, creativity, foresight, collaboration and partnership that people like Steve bring to issues that promote the health and well-being of the Belleville and Quinte West communities. In particular, Steve's willingness to collaborate, demonstrated by his active engagement at a variety of tables, his action-oriented approach as demonstrated by ensuring meal programs are available during COVID-19, his systems thinking as evidenced by his leadership on the Integrated Coordinated Access System Project, and his overall enthusiasm and integrity were highlighted as leaderful, inspiring and worthy of recognition.

Congratulations, Steve, on receiving this well-deserved award!

2019 ANNUAL REPORT

While our congregation has been unable to meet in person for the last 15 months or so, the work and witness of our community of faith continues in earnest.

By way of a special dispensation conveyed to the governing bodies of all congregations, the General Council Executive of The United Church of Canada has made it possible for exigent work usually entrusted to the members of the congregation to be attended to by the governing body– in Bridge Street Church's case, by the Governance Board.

The approval of the **2019 Annual Report** is one such piece of business that the Governance Board has needed to effect.

To access your copy of this document, please visit our website www.bridgestreetchurch.com under the "about us" icon. To request a hard-copy of the Report and arrange a time to pick up, please call the church office at 613-962-9178 or e-mail admin@bridgestchurch.com.

Questions regarding the Report should be addressed to Rev. King at interim.clergy@gmail.com

Information respecting other activities of the Governance Board will be communicated subsequently.



Think on this...

"Destiny is not a matter of chance; it is a matter of choice. It is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved."

- William Jennings Bryan

FROM THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA ...

Your Generosity Video...

Together, as a United Church, we raised over **26 million dollars** in 2020 to help change lives in a very difficult year. Amazing!

Click here to view a [video snapshot of your generosity](#) through Mission & Service in 2020.

In a tough year, our collective heart has never been stronger!

GOD'S MISSION
OUR GIFTS



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
June 27, 2021***

Click below to access our YouTube address ...

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCe5V3FUW19w-taYEJqIXYhA>

or go to the home page of our church website for a link, **www.bridgestreetchurch.com**.

**Available
Beginning
this Sunday,
June 27 @ 10 a.m.**

the Revised Common LECTIONARY

Mark 5: 21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea.

Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live."

So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him.

Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years.

She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse.

She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well."

Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease.

Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?"

And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'"

He looked all around to see who had done it.

But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth.

He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?"

But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe."

He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James.

When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly.

When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping."

And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was.

He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!"

And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement.

He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

HYMN: Like a Mighty River Flowing—VU #267

- 1 Like a mighty river flowing,
 like a flower in beauty growing,
 far beyond all human knowing
 is the perfect peace of God.
- 2 Like the hills serene and even,
 like the coursing clouds of heaven,
 like the heart that's been forgiven
 is the perfect peace of God.
- 3 Like the summer breezes playing,
 like the tall trees softly swaying,
 like the lips of silent praying
 is the perfect peace of God.

4 Like the morning sun ascended,
like the scents of evening blended,
like a friendship never ended
is the perfect peace of God.

5 Like the azure ocean swelling,
like the jewel all-excelling,
far beyond our human telling
is the perfect peace of God.

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HYMN: Birds Are Singing

Birds are singing, woods are ringing,
With thy praises, blessed King;
Lake and mountain, field and fountain,
To thy throne their tributes bring.

Refrain:

We, thy children, join the chorus,
Merrily, gladly praising thee;
Glad hosannas, glad hosannas,
Joyfully we lift to thee.

Waters dancing, sunbeams glancing,
Sing thy glory cheerily;
Blossoms breaking, nature walking,
Chant thy praises merrily. *R*

Angels o'er us join the chorus
Which on earth we sing to thee;
Heav'n is ringing, earth is singing
Praises to thee joyfully. *R*

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