

Our Faith In Action

May 2, 2021

We hold in our prayers the family & friends of Anne Squires who passed away Apr 16/21. We also pray for Amelia (Marcus) Heyink, Shelley Wilkins, Charles Keller, Lisa (Downie) Power, Eva Cryderman, Corinna Asdal, Rev Richard Golden (chaplain at Four Counties) & all those going through trials & challenges.

As part of the C-K Prayer Circle Church Community we keep in our prayers this week **Refugee Families. Rev Annalee talked recently to Habib & family who say "Hello" to everyone.**

Please Note: During this time of virtual & mailed church services please mail your tithes & offering envelopes to: (Wabash) David Martin, 11956 Baseline Rd, RR7, Thamesville, N0P 2K0; (Bothwell) the church office, PO Box 187, 178 Elm St, Bothwell, N0P 1C0.

Bible Study—Tuesdays 1:00-3:00 pm

The "Little Caring Cupboard" a small, free, urgent food cupboard available 24 hrs, 7 days a week at the side lane of the Bothwell UC just outside of Rev Annalee's office. Any & all donations are appreciated.

The May-June Upper Rooms, are available. In Wabash they are at the back door & in Bothwell they can be picked up Tues 9-Noon.

Visit Wabash UC website, wabashunited.org Check it out, see what's new, read Ruthie Reid's blog & Rev Annalee's "The Good News" each week.

Church Office Hours: Tuesdays 9 am - noon. Church phone 519-695-2921 email bothwell1@bellnet.ca . If someone is in hospital or in need of pastoral care phone Rev Annalee 519-365-5511 leave a message if not in. Her office email is kerr.annalee@gmail.com .

Thought For The Week

"When I am anxious, God offers me peace."

Mikaela Horwath

The Upper Room, May-June 2021

1 John 4:7-21

⁷Beloved, let us **love one another, because love is from God**; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸**There is no fear in love**, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love^o because he first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters,^o are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister^o whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: **those who love God must love their brothers and sisters^o also.**

John 15:1-8

¹**"I am the true vine**, and my Father is the vinegrower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes^o to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed^o by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵**I am the vine, you are the branches.** Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷**If you abide in me**, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and **it will be done for you.** ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become^o my disciples.