



A community loving God by loving our neighbours.

At St. Andrew's, Brampton, we: learn together to know God's love through worship and study; put our faith into action by loving and caring for each other; use God's gifts to go forth to bring others to Christ.

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**Easter floral cross**  
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What does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to have kindness and to walk humbly with your God? (Micah 6:8)



# BIRTHDAYS



## May

- 1 Robert Stevenson
- 2 John Bhim
- 3 May Banks, Wayne Tedder
- 4 Petra McKittrick
- 5 Graham Shepherd, Samantha Silva,  
Steven White
- 7 Dale Sukhall
- 8 Larry Malek
- 9 Natasha Lopez
- 10 Jennifer Ellis, Stuart Johns
- 11 Kyle Boodhan, Rachna Moon, Steven Sexton
- 14 Nikhil Raj, Gary Van Bolderen
- 15 Nasreen Manuel
- 16 Ariella Huether, Sylvia Tedder, Deke Thayer
- 17 Ruth Kelly-Boxe, Jeffrey McKittrick
- 18 Lori-Anne Smith, Elizabeth Waymann
- 19 Sue Haw, Barb McMechan-Woods,  
Kaye Meadows
- 21 Barry Hutchinson
- 23 Patricia Sankar, Scott Silva
- 24 Marvin Evans, John Nicholson,  
Devon Peyer, Henry Peyer
- 25 Robert Hakim
- 26 Kwasi Adjepong-Duodu, Dorothy Wood
- 27 Michael Hylton, Madison Millar
- 28 John Urquhart
- 29 Grayson Flint, Dhanmatee Kalyan,  
Lionel Nichol, Kyle Nicol
- 30 Dale Curtis
- 31 Samantha Collins, Colin Young



## June

- 1 Belle Campbell

Birth day Blessings



# Condolences

To George Burrows and Carole Jones on the death Barry Jones, Carole's husband and George's son-in-law, on April 5.



Circle us, Lord

Circle this world with the joy of your Salvation  
 Where there is sickness and disease bring healing  
 Where there is hunger and despair bring hope  
 Where there is torture and oppression bring release  
 Lord of creation, Lord of Salvation  
**Circle this world with the light of your presence.**





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## Rosemary's Reflections



In the Seniors' Residence where I live there are three pastors. They are a key part of the daily life. They are highly visible and readily available for conversation and consultation, spiritual or otherwise. They share responsibility for regular worship services and pastoral visiting. Last year one of them devoted his time almost exclusively to ministering to the residents of the two nursing homes that are part of the complex. Both of these were at different times totally quarantined because of COVID. As a result, this particular pastor himself fell victim to the virus but thankfully made a good recovery.

One day in March some several hundred of us residents gathered to receive the Moderna vaccine. The pastors had the job of helping us stay in line, answering our many questions and generally acting as good shepherds to hundreds of elderly sheep! While I was awaiting my turn, I noticed one of the pastors quietly working in a corner disinfecting the wheelchairs that were being used to bring to the vaccination site residents who couldn't get there on their own. In the midst of all the chatter and confusion, he worked away quietly and without fuss at an essential task – keeping the equipment clean and safe, ready for use as required.

As I watched the pastor I was reminded of the story in John's Gospel of Jesus washing the disciples' feet. In the Palestine of those days, where roads were often dusty and dirty, there would be a container of water at the entrance to each home. As a gesture of welcome and to ensure the guest's comfort, it was the job of a servant to wash the feet of each arrival – just as we might offer slippers to a visitor coming in on a cold and snowy day. Jesus' interaction with the disciples was a reversal of the norm – he willingly took on the job of a servant in order to look after others. His was a gesture of both love and humility.

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## Rosemary's Reflections continued

We are called to model Jesus to everyone we meet. Sometimes that's a bit daunting. We think of Christians we look up to in and before our time. Maybe they built cathedrals or preached up a storm. Maybe they moved mountains and changed the world. Maybe their middle name was Florence Nightingale. But what have **we** to offer? I know of people who quietly bring food to those in need or offer a drive to the doctor's office. I know many who faithfully phone those who must stay home and those who stop for a word – socially-distanced, of course! – with someone struggling with sadness or grief or loneliness. I know people who shovel the snow or cut the grass for elderly neighbours. Those who respond this way don't necessarily make headlines but "of such are the Kingdom of Heaven." Like Jesus as He washed the disciples' feet, they are motivated by humility and love.

Whose feet might God be calling you to wash today?



### *INSIDE ST. ANDREW'S*

PUBLISHED MONTHLY (except August) to inform our church community about activities within this congregation and the Presbyterian Church in Canada, and to provide inspiration to our readers.

Submissions can be made by email to [newsletter@standrewsbrampton.ca](mailto:newsletter@standrewsbrampton.ca), left in the office, or given to a newsletter committee member.

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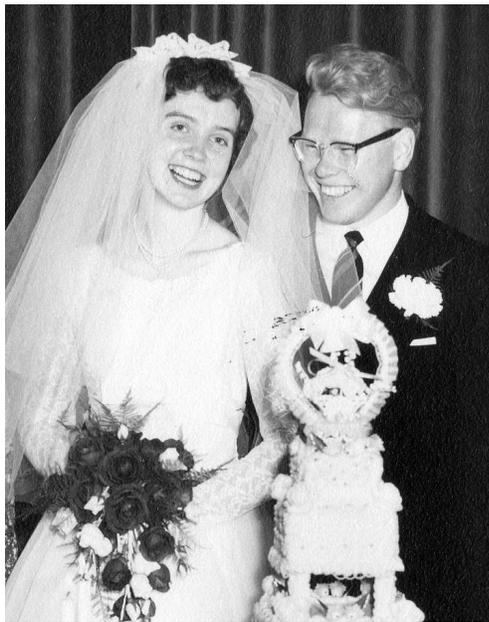
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# News from the Pews



## A short 60 years....

That's what it felt like since Alfred and Elizabeth Waymann were married on April 1, 1961 in Alfred's home church in Buckingham, Québec.



An April Fool's Day came back to bite them 60 years later. No pandemic party, not even a family gathering, but their favorite café in Erin was open for reduced seating, even a table for four, and Elizabeth had had her heart set on "high tea" for some time, so with a bit of engineering between Alfred, a couple of longtime Brampton friends and their hostess, four "diners" came seemingly out of captivity to surprise Elizabeth with a high tea nearly beyond imagination! The phone calls, emails, and cards from family and friends including those from St. Andrew's, made the celebration complete. In fact, the next day Elizabeth commented to Alfred that she had enjoyed this smaller celebration better than if it had been a larger one.

Victoria Dewar has been working with a research lab at Brock University since September 2020 and will continue to do so over the summer. She is a Research Assistant in the Developmental Processes Health and Well-Being Lab and Brock Dance Research Lab. Recently, she had the chance to present some of the lab's research from late 2018 through the end of 2019 from a study titled "Exploring the Lived Experiences of Young Competitive Dancers," where dancers and their parents completed surveys on iPads while attending competitions. This was a great opportunity for her to gain some more presentation experience in a research context.

Victoria will be returning to Brock University in September to pursue her Master of Arts in Applied Health Sciences, specializing in Sport Management, under the supervision of Dr. Olan Scott! She looks forward to continuing to develop her research skills while pursuing this graduate degree. Victoria thanks everyone who has helped her to reach this stage of her educational journey, and she looks forward to two more years as a Brock Badger!



There was lots of activity around Church and Alexander Streets on March 30. Both the interior and exterior of St. Andrew's were used in a film shoot for the Hot Zone: Anthrax TV series, as were other locations in the area. Alexander Street was closed to the public during this time.



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On Sunday, March 28 a small group of St. Andrew’s golfers became a “Socially Distanced Driveway Birthday Flash Mob” to wish Christian Shepherd a super happy 19<sup>th</sup> birthday. The group met on the Shepherds’ driveway to sing to Chris and share a few minutes catching up, at a distance, discussing school, golf, and his new job in the electrical section at Home Depot (Chris is currently attending Humber Centre for Trades and Technology to become an Electrician). Happy Birthday Chris!



During National Volunteer Week (April 18-24) this picture of Ken Jackson was posted on Facebook by Regeneration Marketplace, where a team from the St. Andrew’s Food Bank volunteers every week. Thanks for your service to the Brampton community, Ken.

In other news of Ken Jackson – his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday was on Sunday, April 11, and his wife May and his children held a “Zoom drop in” on Sunday afternoon for friends and family to celebrate with him. Here is Ken’s report of the event.

“I had the joy of hitting my three score years and ten on April 11, and having the **best** birthday despite COVID conditions. May, Sean and Chantal planned a wonderful day with all the trimmings, including Zooming with relations in Ireland, as well as friends here. Topped off with a dinner better than the Keg! Thank you to all who made it a day to remember.”



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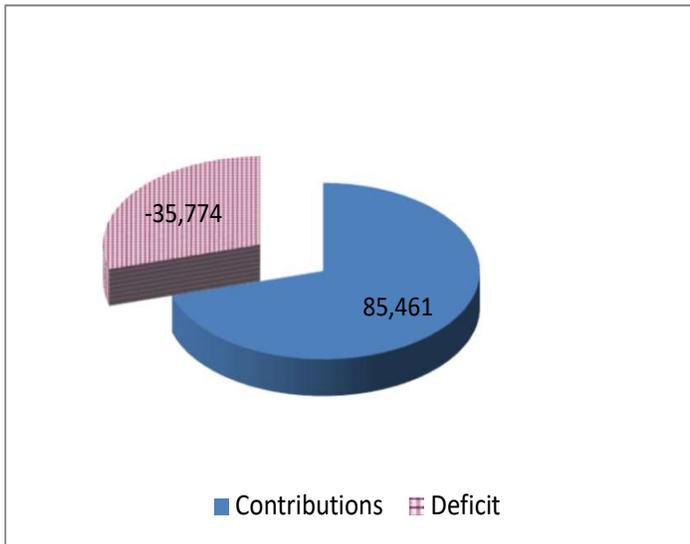


**Mother’s Day - May 9, 2021**

# Church Finances

## Shortfall Pie Chart

Purpose of this chart is to show in a graphic form the shortfall of contributions to expenses as of April 20th.



Currently general offerings from January 1 to April 20 up 25% over last year with all other donations decreased by 5 % for the same period. Thank you all for your generosity at this difficult time.

You can contribute by credit card through our website, mail a cheque, do an Interac e-Transfer or go on Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR).

To process an Interac e-Transfer: Go to your banking website, select Interac e-Transfer, enter the amount you wish to donate and in the message area indicate your name, envelope number and how you want the donation distributed i.e. amount for general funds, Presbyterians' Sharing, PWS&D and Food Bank. If you do not indicate a split your entire donation will go to the general operating fund, **this cannot be changed later. It is vital that you use the email [treasurer@standrewsbrampton.ca](mailto:treasurer@standrewsbrampton.ca)**

I have held many things in my hands, and I have lost them all. But whatever I have placed in God's hands, that I still possess." *Martin Luther*

May the peace of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour be with you.

## Contributions & Expenses Comparative

	1 Jan - 20 Apr 21	1 Jan - 20 Apr 20
<b>Contributions</b>		
Offerings	73,063.86	57,634.24
Other Revenue	12,397.00	7,500.00
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>85,460.86</b>	<b>65,134.24</b>
<b>Expense</b>		
Education	967.84	946.59
Mission	1,841.22	200.00
Property	66,060.58	27,616.34
Stewardship	48,089.15	67,366.99
Worship	4,276.44	2,446.87
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>121,235.23</b>	<b>99,523.38</b>
<b>Net General Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>(35,774.37)</b>	<b>(34,389.14)</b>
<b>Presbyterian Sharing donations*</b>	6,335.64	6,186.39
<b>PWS&amp;D donations*</b>	1,921.64	1,526.64
<b>Food Bank donations*</b>	9,440.85	10,840.20

\* NOTE: Presbyterian Sharing, PWS&D and Food Bank are not included in the Offerings numbers above.

# ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL HANGING BASKET FUNDRAISER

Please help support St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church by purchasing our beautiful hanging baskets. We are working with the same nursery as last year. We are offering 10-inch mixed coloured hanging baskets and a 10-inch pot of caliente geraniums in red, lavender, or coral/ fuchsia. **The plant sale commences Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 until Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – the deadline. Pick up for your order will be in the Church parking lot on Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>. Details of pick-up times to be given out closer to the pick-up date.**

Anyone wishing to purchase flowers can do so in three ways. The **first option** is to mail the order form plus cheque - no cash please – to the Church address. All mail at this time will be redirected to Kim Shepherd – Clerk of Session. **PLEASE DO NOT PUT ANY ORDERS IN THE CHURCH'S LOCKED MAILBOX. As well, please label all mailed plant orders to the attention of Helen Collins.** The **second option** is drop off the cheque or cash, with the order form, through the mail slot at my home at **10 Parkview Place**. I live in the hwy 10/Steeles area – the Old Peel Village. The **third option** is to e-Transfer the money to [treasurer@standrewsbrampton.ca](mailto:treasurer@standrewsbrampton.ca). **In the message area state the funds are for the hanging basket fundraiser.** You can then either phone or email me your order. If you have any questions, please contact Helen at (905) 450 – 6314 or anyone on the Stewardship Committee. Note: Please if paying by cheque make it payable to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church with your order. All taxes are included. Orders **cannot** be processed **without** cash or cheque (s) included. No post-dated cheques please.

**Thank you to everyone who supports this fundraiser.**

Helen Collins  
Chair, Stewardship Committee



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<b>REC'D:</b>
<b>PAID:</b>
<b>INITIAL:</b>

**PLANT SALE ORDER FORM**

CONTACT INFORMATION	
<b>FIRST AND LAST NAME:</b>	
<b>PHONE NUMBER:</b>	
<b>EMAIL(OPTIONAL):</b>	

MIXED COLOURED BASKETS	SIZE	COLOUR/ DESCRIPTION	PRICE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
	10"	MIXED COLOURED BASKETS	\$20.00		
CALIENTE GERANIUMS	SIZE	COLOUR/ DESCRIPTION	PRICE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
	10"	RED	\$20.00		
		LAVENDER	\$20.00		
		CORAL/ FUCHSIA	\$20.00		
				<b>TOTAL # OF PLANTS</b>	<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ON CHEQUE</b>

**Note:** If paying by cheque please make your cheque payable to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Please label all mailed orders to the attention of Helen Collins. All taxes are included. Orders **cannot** be processed **without** a cheque(s), cash or eTransfer. No postdated cheques please. All plants come with a pot cover. E-Transfers are to [treasurer@standrewsbrampton.ca](mailto:treasurer@standrewsbrampton.ca) only. Please specify in the message section that the funds are for the hanging basket fundraiser. Thank you for your support!

# north country meat & seafood



## MacGregor's North Country Meat and Seafood is back!

Orders will be accepted from April 9 up to and including Wednesday, May 12. Pick up will be on Thursday, May 20, so you can still place your order and receive your meat/fish order in time for the May long weekend. On April 18 an eblast was sent out with the order form and details of the products offered.

You will be notified by email or phone the time of pick up at the church.

If you find that a box is too much for you then share a box with a family member or friend.

If you have any questions you can send an email to [macgregorsfundraiser@standrewsbrampton.ca](mailto:macgregorsfundraiser@standrewsbrampton.ca)

The Stewardship Committee thanks you for your participation. The proceeds will go to the ministries and work of St. Andrew's.



## Stewardship Corner

On behalf of the Stewardship Committee I would like to thank everyone who has purchased flowers and/or meat from our two fundraisers. For those of you who haven't, and would like to, the deadline for ordering flowers is Sunday, May 9 (Mother's Day) and for North Country (MacGregor) Meats the deadline is Wednesday, May 12.

Thank you to those who are able to give their gifts of time to the various committees.

We all hope and pray the pandemic moves on and out, sooner rather than later, so we will be able to gather in the Sanctuary and Great Hall once again.

Blessings,

Helen Collins, Chairperson  
Stewardship Committee



We have researched alternatives to credit cards, so we have now also set up the ability to accept **Interac e-Transfers**. Go to your banking website, select Interac e-Transfer, and enter the amount you wish to donate. **It is very important that in the message area you indicate your name, envelope number and how you want the donation distributed: i.e. how much to General Funds, Presbyterians' Sharing, PWS&D and Food Bank.** If you do not indicate a split your entire donation will go to the general operating fund, and this cannot be changed later. **Another very important part is to use the email: [treasurer@standrewsbrampton.ca](mailto:treasurer@standrewsbrampton.ca)**

Also, for those who donate online through our website, you will receive your tax receipt from Canada Helps. It will not be included on your receipt issued by the church.

ORGANIZATION NAME : \_\_\_\_\_

SELLERS NAME : \_\_\_\_\_

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	CODE	PORTION	lb/ Wt	PRICE	Quantity	TOTALS
<b>FEATURED ITEMS</b>						
CAB Top Sirloin Roast 2/case 	14222	2 x 907gr	3.99 lbs	\$ 59.00		\$ -
Canadian Lobster Tails 	80032	4 x 4-5oz	1.23 lbs	\$ 50.00		\$ -
Chicken Souvlaki	65632	15 x 2.3oz	2.15 lbs	\$ 22.00		\$ -
Fully Cooked Chicken Wings	92872	random	2x3.0lbs	\$ 49.00		\$ -
Old Fashion Hardwood Smokie Sausage	96012	7inch/3/lbs	10lbs	\$ 52.00		\$ -
CAB Chuck Burger	46102	20x7oz	8.8lbs	\$ 57.00		\$ -
<b>STAPLE ITEMS</b>						
<b>BEEF</b>						
CAB Top Sirloin Steak 2pc/pkg 	14662	16x6oz	6.00lbs	\$ 84.00		\$ -
CAB Striploin Steak 2pc/pkg 	14382	10x10oz	6.25lbs	\$ 110.00		\$ -
B/ W Tenderloin Steak 2pc/pkg	14962	20x4oz	4.98lbs	\$ 68.00		\$ -
Niman Ranch Natural Ground Beef	46132	6 x 500gr	6.61lb	\$ 48.00		\$ -
Steakhouse Burger	40002	24x6oz	9.00lbs	\$ 48.00		\$ -
Steakhouse Burger	46342	40x4oz	9.96lbs	\$52.00		\$ -
Slow Cooked Beef Pot Roast	92042	8 x 20.28 oz	10.15lbs	\$ 83.00		\$ -
Italian Style Cooked Meatballs	90052	450 x .35oz	9.92lbs	\$ 44.00		\$ -
All Beef Hot Dogs	64222	30 x 7in	6.61lbs	\$ 35.00		\$ -
<b>CHICKEN</b>						
IVP Just Chicken Breast (B/S)	77162	6-8oz	8.8lbs	\$ 78.00		\$ -
Breaded Chicken Fingers <b>**Par-Cooked</b>	71025	random	8.8lbs	\$ 58.00		\$ -
<b>SEAFOOD</b>						
Smokey maple bacon wrapped salmon 	88602	10x5oz	3.13lbs	\$ 48.00		\$ -
Atlantic Salmon Portion(B/S) 2pc/pkg 	88661	20x5oz	6.22lbs	\$ 90.00		\$ -
Butterfly Garlic Shrimp 16-20 per lb	81272	36x.88oz	2.00 lbs	\$ 30.00		\$ -
<b>PORK</b>						
Smoked Pork Back Ribs BBQ sauce	92862	6x21oz	7.87lbs	\$ 55.00		\$ -
Niman Ranch Pork Rib Chop	61962	10x8oz	4.96lbs	\$ 66.00		\$ -
Thick Cut Peameal Bacon	60062	8pc/pkg	6x500gr	\$ 45.00		\$ -
Thick Cut Canadian Sliced Bacon	60022	6x500gr	6.6lbs	\$ 45.00		\$ -
Spring/Summer 2021				<b>TOTAL</b>	0	\$ -

# faith in ACT!ON 21/LIVE JUSTLY

by Robyn Kirkpatrick

This year, our annual faith in ACT!ON campaign will begin on April 25<sup>th</sup>. The faith in ACT!ON 21 theme will focus on what it means to “**LIVE JUSTLY**”. Using a passage from Micah, and Jesus’ parable of the “judgment of the nations,” our series will remind us of how God calls us to “**LIVE JUSTLY**” by doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly in our daily life as we seek to put our faith into action by loving our neighbours. Join us each week as we explore what God requires of us as we seek to **LIVE JUSTLY**.

**Saturday June 5<sup>th</sup>** will be our faith in ACT!ON 21/**LIVE JUSTLY Donation Collection Day** where church members can drop off towels, sheets and blankets for the Brampton Humane Society, appreciation cards for Front Line Workers and toiletries for Ellen House.

Below is a list of our ‘Service Projects’. **Note:** Due to COVID19 all of our ‘Service Projects’ have been designed to follow the necessary protocols.

**24 Hour Prayer:** Volunteers will be participating in a 24-hour prayer vigil where they will spend one hour of the day praying remotely at home for our church, our community and our world.

**Brampton Humane Society Donation:** We will be collecting old towels, sheets, blankets, pet toys and unopened pet food for the Brampton Humane Society throughout the campaign.

**Appreciation Cards for Front Line Workers:** Help St. Andrew’s show our appreciation again to an expanded list of frontline workers who have worked tirelessly to keep Brampton running and safe.

**Ellen House Toiletry Kits:** We will be collecting much needed toiletries for Ellen House, a half-way house for women that is managed by the Elizabeth Fry Society of Peel-Halton.

**Bethell Hospice Virtual Hike:** Join in a Virtual Hike for Bethell Hospice to raise money for the continued operations of their no-fee residential and community-based palliative care units.

**St. Andrew’s Gardening:** Volunteers will be planting flowers around our church property on **Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup>**.

Further information about each project and how to sign up will be available on the faith in ACT!ON section of the church’s website.

Once again, we are excited by what we have been planning to do with this year’s campaign! Please consider how you can take part and sign-up with the project of your choice. Together we can make a difference in our community. Don’t just go to church – BE the church during our faith in ACT!ON month!

# LIVE JUSTLY



# St. Andrew's-Pringle Women's Missionary Society

## April 2021

It is with prayer that this newsletter finds all our WMS members well and staying safe during this crazy time of the COVID-19 pandemic. It is hard to believe that we have been away from the church for a full year now. I pray that most, if not all of you, have received your first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine.

On Saturday, April 17, 2021 approximately 70 WMS members gathered together, all across Canada, to join together for the WMS Synodical meeting. The theme for this year's Synodical was Our New Normal – Listening for God's "New Normal." The meeting started with a bible study, led by Rev. Dr. Patricia Duthcer-Walls, Professor of Hebrew Bible, Vancouver School of Theology. The bible study was based on Isaiah 43:14-21. We all had a great discussion and put the passage of Isaiah 43:14-21 into today's pandemic world.

On Sunday, April 18, 2021 the St. Andrew's WMS led the worship service for Mission Awareness Sunday. The service was written by the Rev. Dr. Blair Bertrand. Many of you may remember Blair who was a minister at St. Andrew's. The theme for Mission Sunday was "What Can We Learn." The service was written about a stained glass window in a church in Malawi, where Blair and his family were missionaries (through the PCC). The stained glass window depicts the story of Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch.



Jean Bradshaw assisted with the service by leading the See & Hear. The See & Hear was written by Colleen Wood. How many of you found where Malawi is?

It was a blessing to lead the service with the Rev. Rosemary Doran. It was so good to not only see her, although on video, but also hear her.



Debbie Warwick led us in the Word Proclaimed as we entered into the Sermon.

Thank you ladies for being a part of the service. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Shelagh Tyreman for her Music Ministry during this service, and Peter Shepherd for the technical side.

Our next WMS meeting will be on May 4, 2021 (via ZOOM) at 7:00 pm, we hope you can join us.

If any of our members have any suggestions or enquiries, please send an email to: Kim Shepherd, President, ([kimbers1269@gmail.com](mailto:kimbers1269@gmail.com)).

Let us close with the Mizpah Benediction:  
**May the Lord watch between me and thee, while we are absent one from another.**

Kim Shepherd  
President





## Call to Prayer

by Ray Scanlan

The L6X/L6Y GRACE Group Zoom Meeting was cancelled this month, due to Doreen and Ray still recovering from COVID-19. However, Doreen and Ray decided to call everyone in our GRACE Group so that we would be able to pray more specifically for their needs. We found one member was recovering from a flood that went from her condo down to the two floors below. Two of our members had bad reactions to their Pfizer vaccination, but are fine now. One member has a brilliant five-year-old grandson who can do 2000-piece jigsaw puzzles! Other members have different health issues that we will bring to God in prayer. Most of us are weary of lockdowns, but grateful for the availability of vaccines. We look forward to meeting again on Zoom next month.

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Once again in April the L6T/L6P group met over Zoom to catch up on the past month. Many of us have been able to get a first shot of a COVID-19 vaccine. Those who haven't yet received a shot have one scheduled or are planning to as soon as they are eligible. We encouraged everyone to participate in the **faith in ACT!ON** activities and noted that Robyn and Suzzy Kirkpatrick and Molly and Mike Harvey helped to distribute Easter flowers on the grave markers of veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces. (see story on page 15 of this newsletter). We are all concerned about the disturbing reports of the increasing cases of COVID-19. It is always comforting for all of us just to talk to our friends.



It has now been over a year since we started to pray every week for an end to this pandemic. It has been more than one hundred years since the last pandemic caused millions to perish around the globe and we are still not aware of the long-term effects for those who have been hospitalized during the past twelve months. Here we are in our second year and tens of thousands are testing positive every week. Nor do we fully understand the stress this has placed on our health care system as hospitals cancel elective surgeries and convert every available bed to COVID-19. Just this week Toronto Sick Children's Hospital has converted more ICU beds as we approach the point where we do not have the capacity to meet our needs. A dire situation to say the least.

As we started to pray for the many aspects of the pandemic we had a sense that God was listening, leading to the development of a vaccine in record time. But the human and logistical issues persist, along with some serious supply setbacks and ad hoc groups who have set themselves up to "fight" the vaccination effort. We need God's help as none of us can solve the issues that arise, so we continue to send out by email the link to the **World News in Prayer** for the week. If you would like to be included in the email distribution list, please let me know. The weekly prayer petitions contain information on the needs of communities and countries around the world and we just cannot afford to stop praying for these important developments.

As we are now into our second year of fighting this pandemic it is sometimes difficult to find the right words, as millions of people around the world are suffering in a plethora of ways.

Every Friday at 3 pm we continue to pray as a virtual group for all the issues around the pandemic as well as for other world developments. If you cannot find the "right" words, we hope that the information in the weekly **World News in Prayer** can get you started, however, we can always pray through the Holy Spirit who turns our groanings, our thoughts and our concerns into our prayers.

If 3 pm is not a good time for you God will hear you as you join prayer at whatever time you set aside.

God has answered our prayers for a vaccine and now we have four. Praise the Lord as we pray for patience as distribution ramps up across Canada and the world.

## EASTER FLOWERS

Last Easter Sunday we missed out on the floral cross because the service was conducted from the Ross family dining room. This year, thanks to the direction of Colin Young and the understanding of our florist, we had a beautiful array of flowers for our Easter Sunday cross. Pam Loree delivered the flowers to the church parking lot on Saturday where Paul Willoughby, Lisa Cristiano, and Molly Harvey cut the stems to length. On Sunday the Ross family placed the flowers on the cross. Because we are not allowed to deliver flowers to parishioners the Worship Committee decided to place bouquets of flowers on graves of veterans at the Brampton Cemetery, The Korean War Memorial Wall at Meadowvale Cemetery and at the Brampton Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Robyn and Suzzy Kirkpatrick, Molly and Mike Harvey, and Geoff Ross placed about 30 bouquets and note cards on various veterans' graves and war memorials.



*Flowers placed by Molly and Mike Harvey on the grave of Bea Embling's uncle, Alexander Embling,*

Easter flowers from St. Andrew's floral cross were taken to the Meadowvale Cemetery and some were laid at the Korean War Memorial as part of faith in ACT!ON/ Live Justly 21.

While placing the flowers on the memorial, Suzzy and Robyn Kirkpatrick met two veterans from the Princess Patricia's Regiment in Hamilton who were visiting the site, looking for Princess Patricia members buried at Meadowvale. They were so appreciative that we were delivering flowers to the memorial and honouring the veterans this Easter.



Geoff Ross delivered Easter flowers from the St. Andrew's floral cross to the Memorial Cemetery at Bovaird and Chinguacousy Roads, and laid them at several graves of WWII and other service men and women as part of faith in ACT!ON/ Live Justly 21. It was bit of a puzzle to find the various graves - but worth it to know that they were being remembered and thanked!



# EASTER AT ST. ANDREW'S



Valerie Martin, Eunice Boyd and Marilyn White pick up palms, and Molly Harvey shows her faith on her front door



Good Friday Service



8 am Easter Sunday Communion Service



Readers for our Easter Services



No comment!

