

FORGIVENESS

Isaiah 1:18

¹⁸ “Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.”

Isaiah 43:25

I, even I, am he who blots out your transgressions, for my own sake, and remembers your sins no more.

Psalms 86:5

You are forgiving and good, O Lord, abounding in love to all who call to you.

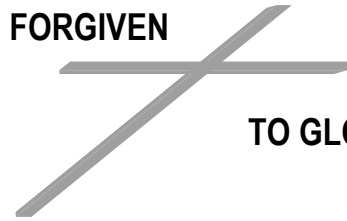
Romans 5:1,6,7,8

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

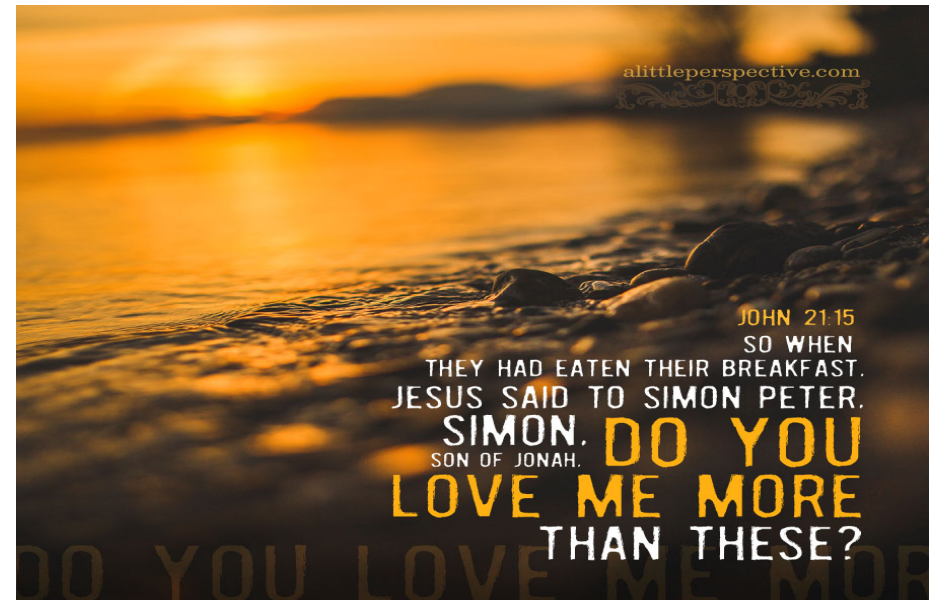
Colossians 3:12-14

¹² Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³ Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

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Rev. Dr. Mark S. Richardson

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Sarah Pottier

Sunday 28th January 2024 10:30 am

*The community of faith Celebrates the Good News
In the Spirit, the Presence, and the Power
Of the risen Lord Jesus
To discover New Dimensions of & New Possibilities for
Living the Christ-Life*

Celebrating the Truth of the Presence of God – Alleluia!

Call to Worship:

Praise: “Shout to the Lord” SB #54

Welcome, and announcements:

Celebrating the Truth of Forgiveness – We Receive New Life!

Praise: “Great God of wonders” BP #81

Prayer, and the Lord’s Prayer:

Celebrating the Truth of God's Word! - We are Listening!

Scripture: St. John 21:15-19 NLT

Message: “Revolutionary Forgiveness!”

Celebrating the Truth of God’s gifts to us – We Are Accountable

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings:

+ Offertory

Doxology: “My tribute” SB #45

Prayer of Dedication

Praise: “Down in my heart” SB #21

Celebrating the Truth of our Going Forth – We Leave for Ministry

Benediction:

Interpersonal Benediction: “The Blessing”

WORSHIP AND SACRAMENTS TEAM: PRAYER REQUESTS

Warnock Aitken – St. Joseph’s Life-Care Centre, Brantford

Frank De Vries – at home

Pearl Howden – Trinity Village LTC

Bob Kenzie – Sunnyside Home

Mary Master – Conestoga Lodge

Dolly McCormack – Court at Laurelwood Retirement Home

Marg McCorriston – at home

Terry McCorriston – at home

Julie Phoenix – Southbridge London Long Term Care Home

Curt Ryan – AgeCare West Williams LTC

Shirley Steinberg – Highland Place Retirement Residence

Glen Verheye – at home

Sunday School:

We are having bi-weekly Sunday School running in 2024:

February 4, & 18; **March** 3, 17, & 31; **April** 14, & 28; **May** 12, & 26; **June** 9, & 23. We have split the group: Grade 5 and under, and Grade 6 and up, to create a more engaging experience for our older children.

We are looking for more Sunday School teachers, helpers, or back-ups to join the team. If interested, please contact Cathrine (gcejtaylor@gmail.com), Nicolene (nclemens7@yahoo.ca) or Johnson (srikanthjohnson@gmail.com).

We can’t wait to share and grow with the children this year.

Peace and Joy, Cathrine, Nicolene, & Johnson

Worship & Sacraments Team: Soup Luncheon Fundraiser:

to be held on Sunday 18th February 2024 following the worship time together, and at the start of our Annual Meeting.

If you would like to contribute a pot of soup, or have any questions, please speak with Marg Fannon or anyone from the Team, and sign up on the list on the bulletin board.

Mission & Outreach Team will be meeting in the Fireside Room on Sunday 11th February following the worship service.

Mission Moment – Sunday 28th January 2024:

In Nepal, Nirba struggled with an undiagnosed skin condition that kept her inside. In addition to her health struggles, Nirba grappled with financial instability. Because she couldn't afford medical assistance, Nirba borrowed money from friends and relatives. Thanks to a clinic set up by the International Nepal Fellowship (a PWS&D partner), Nirba was able to meet with a dermatologist, receive a diagnosis of leprosy and begin treatment. The clinic's support also provided financial aid for Nirba's child's education. Nirba expressed profound gratitude for this assistance as it not only helped her son but her own health situation as well.

From the Finance Team: Offering Counters:

We'd like to add a few team members and provide full training & support to help new team members become established. We hope you will consider offering your talent for this role at a KEPC and can contact Barb Cook (519-998-2183) or Rob Gloin (519-781-4379) to discuss further.

From the Finance Team: options for financial giving to KEPC:

- 1) **Canada Post:** send your offering envelope in an envelope addressed to the Church: 10 Zeller Dr, Kitchener, ON, N2A 4A8
- 2) **E – transfer:** This involves using your online banking application using the e-transfer option & sending the transaction to the Church email: kepc@golden.net
- 3) **PAR: pre-authorized remittance.** This is set up once and an amount is withdrawn from your bank account monthly until you choose to stop it or change the amount. Contact Chris Clemens clemensc78@yahoo.ca and he can set you up.
- 4) **Tithe.ly** on our website, (click on the menu “Donate Now”) and donations can be through your Visa, Mastercard, or Debit.
- 5) The locked, **black box** on the wall of the sanctuary by the main doors for your offerings.

Thank-you for your ongoing and prayerful support of the mission and ministry of KEPC.

Congregational Financial update:

Here in the early days of 2024, we find that we ended the year 2023 with an \$7,400 deficit. Thank-you so much for helping us to bring it down from roughly \$30,000 earlier this in 2023 to this new amount!!

We will continue to keep you informed of the financial situation and ask that you join us in praying for guidance and solutions to address the current situation. Thank you.

Offering Envelopes: 2024 Offering Envelopes can be picked up in the front foyer, please let Chris know if any updates are required. If you are interested in having assigned envelopes for 2024 and are not on PAR, please reach out to Chris.

For anyone that changed addresses in 2023, please let Chris and Mark know so that we can check our records and update them as required.

Grocery Cards:

We are participating in the grocery gift card program in our Region. If you would like to purchase grocery gift cards for the PC group of stores, and/or the Metro group of stores, please speak with Barb Cook, Rob Gloin, or Emmie Richardson. They are available every other week. We receive a small amount back from the Community Charity Services, for each card we sell.

KEPC Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday 18th February 2024 following the morning worship service, with a soup fundraising luncheon to start the meeting in the Gray Hall. Annual reports are due in to Barb Cook, email her at: mjbldcook@outlook.com by 31st January 2024.

EVENTS THIS WEEK: 28th Jan. – 04th Feb. 2024

- Sunday:** 10:30 am – Sunday Worship Service
1:30 pm – KEPC leading worship at Sunnyside Home
- Monday:** 1 pm – Music Therapy
- Tuesday:** 9:30 am – Bible Study via Zoom
11:45 – 1:30 Music Therapy
6:30 pm – Sparks
- Wednesday:** 7 – 9 pm – Scouts in Gray Hall
- Thursday:** 9 am – Sonshine Corner in the Gray Hall
- Friday:** 10:30 am – 12:30 pm Music Therapy
- Sunday:** 10:30 am – Sunday Worship Service; Sunday School; Coffee & Conversation