



Caradoc Presbyterian Church

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What's your favourite summer activity?

What I learned from my favourite summer activity?

When I was a teen and even as a young adult my favourite summer activity was to float! It still is ... floating out in the middle of the lake laying in the bottom of a canoe! You can also find me floating on the top of water in the lake or even laying on the floating dock during the day or even at night. Want to know what I'm actually doing? I'm taking in the *Wonders of God!* I realized this once while reading scripture, I love taking in the *Wonders of God*. The beginning of Psalm 19 talks about exactly this ... the sky! *I love taking in the sky!*

Psalm 19 :1-6 - The Wonders of God

The heavens keep telling the wonders of God, and the skies declare what he has done. Each day informs the following day; each night announces to the next. They don't speak a word, and there is never the sound of a voice. Yet their message reaches all the earth, and it travels around the world. In the heavens a tent is set up for the sun. It rises like a bridegroom and gets ready like a hero eager to run a race. It travels all the way across the sky. Nothing hides from its heat.

What is it about the sky's unspoken message to us that says, "The Wonders of God"? The sky was born the first day of the week and has obeyed God's command ever since. "The sky does it simply, naturally day by day by day. The sun does it joyfully, like someone in love, like a runner on the starting line. The sky, the sun, they just can't help themselves. No loud voices, no grand

speeches, but everyone sees, and is happy with them."

I think I float and look longingly at the sky because I long to obey God, to love God how the sky loves God. A love that is always on beautiful display, that is filled with joy each day, that is eager to love the way God loves each day and that everyone who sees me just knows.

A prayer:

Make us like that, Lord, so that our faith is not in our words but in our lives, not in what we say but in who we are, passing on your love like an infectious laugh: not worried, not threatening, just shining like the sun, like the starry night, like the lamp on a stand, light for life - your light for our lives. Amen.

Friends, take in the wonders of God, float on the water or lie down in the grass and take in the wonders of God! Joyfully live in God's light each day and put God's love on beautiful display!

Peace & Health, *Rev. Shelly*

Quote and prayer are from: *The Pattern of Our Days - Worship in the Celtic Tradition* from the Iona Community, ed. Kathy Galloway, Paulis Press, 1997.

Worship

Caradoc Presbyterian Church



ON
FACEBOOK
EVERY SUNDAY

*let's worship
together*

Join us at 11am
Rev. Shelly and Franck LIVE from home

Join us for worship on FaceBook Live this Sunday June 14th!

You may wish to prepare a worship space with a candle, and a cross.

Our Order of Worship & worship resources for worshippers of ALL ages can be downloaded from links below:

[Order of worship | June 14 2020](#)

[Worship bulletin for young worshippers](#)

Don't forget to let us know you're watching!

Offering & Donations

If you are not on PAR, please send offering by Cheque via mail to: c/o Brian Huston at 8677 Glengyle Drive, Strathroy, ON, N7G 3H3.

Cheques will be deposited to the bank on a bi-weekly basis.

OR

We are accepting eTransfers: e-transfers can be sent to the treasurer's email address for direct deposit. treasurer@caradocpresbyterian.ca

If you wish to donate using electronic transfers please contact Joanne Grivich at treasurer@caradocpresbyterian.ca for instructions.

We are sincerely thankful for your continued support.

Thank-you, Rev. Shelly, Caradoc Session and Board of Managers

Reaching out



NEXT COLLECTION IS
JUNE 15-21

**Caradoc Presbyterian Church
Food Drive**

Drop off non-perishable food items
at 3 Queensway Drive - Kocis family home



JUNE'S SPECIAL OFFERING

**STRATHROY MIDDLESEX
GENERAL HOSPITAL
FOUNDATION - COVID19 FUND**

Thank you to ALL Healthcare workers
during this covid19 pandemic!

Click the picture for more info!

Staying Connected

Caradoc Coffee Break

**Coffee Break this Wednesday June
17th 10:30am**

Join friends for coffee break this
Wednesday on Zoom. It's super easy!
RSVP via email:



More info on Coffee Break Click Pic!

rev.kocis@caradocpresbyterian.ca OR comment in next week's Facebook invitation in order to receive information to join.

I Miss Your Face! Campaign

If you haven't checked it out do so by going to our website ... consider sending Rev. Shelly a photo and be included!

Paying attention



Presbyterian Indigenous Ministries

This week we are highlighting, The Kenora Fellowship Centre. KFC

provides a place of safety and a sacred space for healing and wellness. It operates as a drop-in centre and offers basic essential services such as food, shelter, showers, clothing, laundry, transportation and various other kinds of support. KFC's mission is "to clothe the naked, to help the helpless, to feed the hungry, to love the unloved, to guide the lost." A weekly worship service sometimes includes a healing and wellness circle, drumming and the sharing of traditional foods.

During the covid19 crisis challenges to this ministry have multiplied and funding has been problematic like many charities which provide essential services to communities where poverty and crisis are often a part of everyday life.

[More info on Kenora Fellowship Centre](#)

How do we make changes and help undo racism in our country?

There are many conversations happening today about racism in our country and

in the United States. You may be wondering, how do we, a mostly white, euro-ethnic church help? Here are three ideas. *First*, if you want to be involved in active work against racism play a supporting role, learn how to be a good ally, listen and follow those who know and who have experienced racism in their lives. *Second*, challenge people about racism- help them see the problem, challenge peoples perceptions! And *third*, share your truth that connects - personal narrative, personal story that connects us to the problem - talk privileges offered to us and not to people of other races. For example, when my son began to drive I spoke to him about respecting police if he was ever pulled over I told him he was not to be smart-aleck or disrespectful. I explained if he was he could be arrested or get a large fine/ticket so he should just keep his mouth shut and be respectful - I did not have to tell my son to be respectful or you may be beat up, arrested without cause or die. As you consider these three ideas remember to do all you can to identify your own biases and work on changing them for the better.

Update



VBS - KOTR Cancelled

One of our greatest disappointments of COVID19 is that we will need to cancel our onsite VBS – Kintail on the Road program. However, Rev. Shelly and a small team are willing to provide resources (at no cost to the families) for VBS to be an activity done

at home!

Follow the link to read a preliminary outline of how **VBS at Home** might work. The curriculum for this program “Compassion Camp” has been created for this style of VBS and the theme is a timely one, addressing through scripture lessons the kind of compassion that Christ teaches us to model in our lives!

If your family is interested or you know a family that may be interested please email Rev. Shelly by June 15th to indicate your interest.

[More info for "VBS at Home" follow this link!](#)

Peace & Health Friends!

Stay well! Stay safe! Stay Home!

Wash your hands!

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