

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Perth
September 27th, 2020
Worship Leader: Rev. Stephen Dunkin

Welcome and Announcements

- **Communion next Sunday – individual Communion package containing wafer and grape juice. No gluten free option.**

Call to Worship (Psalm 24:7-10)

Lift up your heads, you gates;
be lifted up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?
The LORD strong and mighty,
the LORD mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, you gates;
lift them up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is he, this King of glory?
The LORD Almighty—
he is the King of glory.

Prayer of Invocation

God of secret purposes and extravagant blessings,
 we come to praise you.

We come because we want to;
 we sing our songs because we are glad to;
 we pray for your grace because we need to;
 and we ask for the love of Christ in our hearts
 because without it we are a dead loss.

Please lift every shutter within our mind,
 and open every door within our soul,
 that you, the Lord of glory, the God of countless hosts,
 may come in.

Through Christ Jesus, the joy of loving hearts. **Amen!**

Hymn #13: "Ye gates, lift up your heads" (Psalm 24:7-10)

(Click on the link below to listen to the hymn. There are no lyrics displayed with this YouTube hymn.)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XLDyAo2Tcpw>

1. Ye gates, lift up your heads on high;
ye doors that last for aye,
be lifted up, that so the King of glory enter may.
But who of glory is the King? The mighty Lord is this:
even that same Lord that great in might and strong in battle is.
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2. Ye gates, lift up your heads; ye doors,
doors that do last for aye,
be lifted up, that so the King of glory enter may.
But who is he that is the King of glory? Who is this?
The Lord of hosts, and none but he the King of glory is.
The Lord of hosts, and none but he the King of glory is.

Hallelujah, hallelujah,
hallelujah, hallelujah,
hallelujah, amen, amen, amen.

Call to Confession

When we gather to praise God,
we remember that we are people
who have preferred our wills to his.
Accepting his power to become new persons in Christ,
let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Lord, we have sinned,
without considering how much you love us.
You see our sins more clearly
than we can ourselves.
Lord, you know
when we are indifferent to your Word, the Bible;
how often we forget to pray;
the times we come unwillingly to worship;
and yet we turn to you
when we are in trouble.
Lord, you know when we are untruthful
and when we think evil of others.
You see our anger and unfairness to our friends.**

**You know how hard it is for us to forgive.
 Forgive us and make us clean,
 so that we can obey your call
 to take up your cross and follow you.
 Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

May the God of mercy,
 who forgives you all your sins,
 strengthen you in all goodness,
 and, by the power of the Holy Spirit,
 keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
 Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the Evil One.
 For Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory,
 Forever and ever. Amen**

Responsive Reading

Psalm 103

Praise the LORD, O my soul;
 all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

**Praise the LORD, O my soul,
 and forget not all his benefits—**

who forgives all your sins
 and heals all your diseases,

**who redeems your life from the pit
 and crowns you with love and compassion,**

who satisfies your desires with good things
 so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

**The LORD works righteousness
 and justice for all the oppressed.**

He made known his ways to Moses,
 his deeds to the people of Israel:

**The LORD is compassionate and gracious,
 slow to anger, abounding in love.**

He will not always accuse,
nor will he harbor his anger forever;

**he does not treat us as our sins deserve
or repay us according to our iniquities.**

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his love for those who fear him;

**as far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our transgressions from us.**

As a father has compassion on his children,
so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him;

**for he knows how we are formed,
he remembers that we are dust.**

The life of mortals is like grass,
they flourish like a flower of the field;

**the wind blows over it and it is gone,
and its place remembers it no more.**

But from everlasting to everlasting
the LORD's love is with those who fear him,
and his righteousness with their children's children—

**with those who keep his covenant
and remember to obey his precepts.**

The LORD has established his throne in heaven,
and his kingdom rules over all.

**Praise the LORD, you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his bidding,
who obey his word.**

Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts,
you his servants who do his will.

**Praise the LORD, all his works
everywhere in his dominion.
Praise the LORD, my soul.**

Ministry of Music: " Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me", CityAlight
(Click on the link below to listen to the Ministry of Music.)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zundjUFazfg&feature=youtu.be>

1. What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his

Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

2.The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour he will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed
To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

3.No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

4.With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me (Repeat)

Ending

When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me
Yet not I but through Christ in me

Scripture Reading:

Philippians 1:3-11

3 I thank my God every time I remember you. **4** In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy **5** because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, **6** being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

7 It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, since I have you in my heart and, whether I am in chains or defending and confirming the gospel, all

of you share in God's grace with me. **8** God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.

9 And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, **10** so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, **11** filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

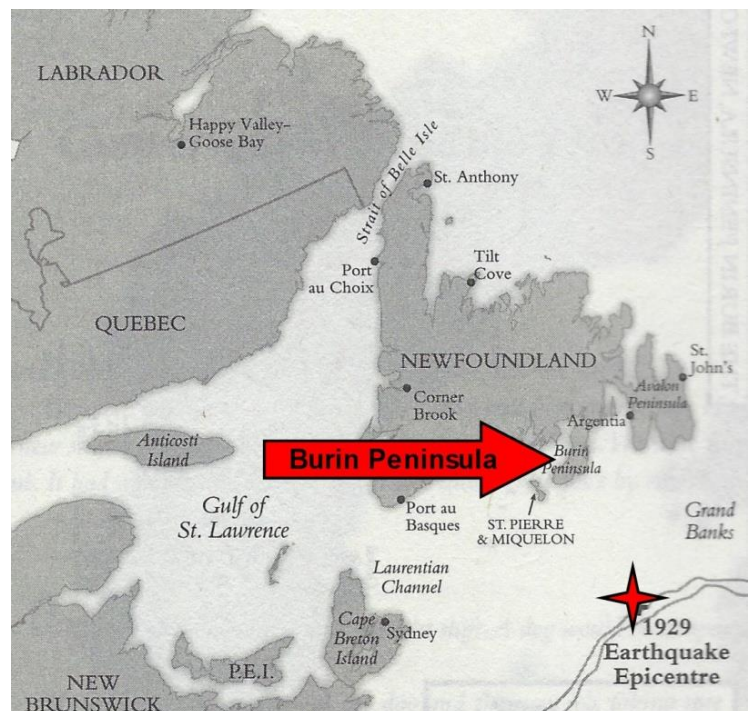
Prayer for Illumination

Lord God,
help us turn our hearts to you
and hear what you will speak,
for you speak peace to your people
through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

(Based on Psalm 85:8)

“And This Is My Prayer” Philippians 1:7-11

On November 18, 1929 at 5:02 PM there was an earthquake on the Continental Shelf off Newfoundland. The epicentre of the earthquake was 165 miles south of the Burin Peninsula on the south coast of Newfoundland. The quake measured 7.2 on the Richter scale. All by itself, the earthquake would have caused no damage. It was the tsunami that followed that caused the damage and the Burin Peninsula was the focal point of the tsunami. 27 people died in that tsunami (1 person died several months later as a result of the tsunami) and it caused \$1 million dollars damage (about \$14 million Canadian in today's dollars). It destroyed most of the fishing villages on the Burin



Peninsula, washing away stores, homes, docks, boat houses, boats, fish drying racks and all the stores that people had put away for the winter. (Click this link to watch a 9-minute video of the 1929 Tsunami.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wzfej4G9faM> . You can read about the full legacy of the tsunami in "The Wake" by Linden MacIntyre.)

The results of this tsunami were paltry when compared to the tsunamis of recent years. The Japanese Tsunami of 2011 caused just under 16,000 deaths and the Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami killed approximately 230,000 people. But the Newfoundland tragedy will do just fine for our purposes this morning. Without minimizing this tragedy, one would think that slowly over time the people of the Burin Peninsula would have been able to rebuilt their lives and return to fishing which had been their way of life for centuries. Unfortunately, when the tidal wave receded, the fish went with it. The fishery totally collapsed and families had to exist on Government of Newfoundland assistance – “the dole” – of less than \$2 per week. Men were desperate for work, but there was no work to be had.

Then an unscrupulous mining developer showed up. A mineral named fluorspar had been discovered in the Burin Peninsula. This was a mineral that was in great demand by industrialists even in the midst of the Great Depression. With no possibility of other work, the local men were willing to work for no pay to get this operation started with the belief that they would reap rewards in the future once the enterprise was established. Payment was a long time coming and even then, it was intermittent. The men worked with no safety equipment at pay rates much below that

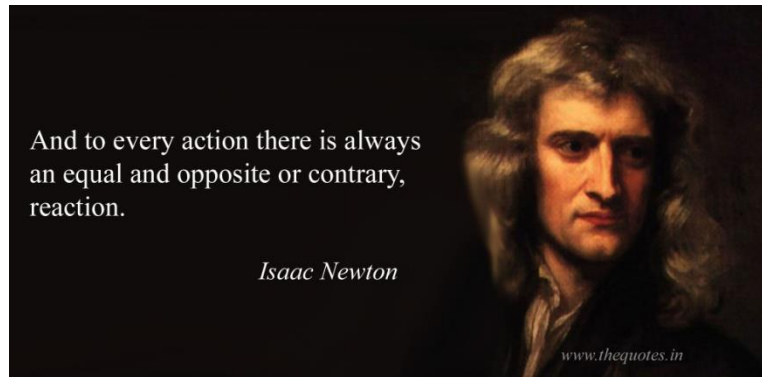


of other miners in the Crown Colony of Newfoundland and the other Atlantic Provinces. Starting 10 to 15 years after the first pick went into the ground, the men began coming down with a mysterious disease that prevented them from working and eventually killed them. The disease was silicosis. As of 2007, the unofficial numbers of miners who had died from work-related accidents and illnesses in the fluorspar mines of the

Burin Peninsula had reached 313, and of that total, 191 had died “hard” from lung cancer resulting from silicosis. There were a lot of widows in those communities. One man recalled that when he graduated from high school in 1969, 26 of the 44 students in his class were fatherless.

Can you see the impact that one earthquake 165 miles out to sea and 12 miles below the surface of the seabed had on the Burin Peninsula? The suffering continues to this day. I have quoted to you before Newton's Third Law of Motion which states that "For every action there is an equal and opposite reaction." I have shared this story with you because I wanted you to see just how great the reaction can be to every action. I want to apply this same law to matters that relate to the Christian

faith. Jesus Christ was born in a manger in Bethlehem. He lived on this earth for 33 years and his ministry lasted a mere 3 years. Then he was crucified on a Roman cross and died a criminal's death. Three days later he rose from dead. That is the action in our application of Newton's Third Law of Motion. What is the opposite or contrary reaction to this? Well, you might say, it is that we have forgiveness of our sins and the gift of eternal life. You would be quite right. Jesus was not just any man who died on a cross. He was the Son of God. He was God come in the flesh. If he was just an ordinary mortal, then his death could not provide forgiveness of sins, nor could it open for us the gates of heaven and the certainty of eternal life. But this was the Son of God – a member of the Godhead or Trinity – who died and bore on his Person all of the sins of mankind.



However, if we think that the opposite reaction ends here, then we are greatly mistaken. If the Gospels of the New Testament spell out the action of the birth, life,



death, resurrection and ascension of Jesus, then the Epistles of Paul, Peter, James and John spell out the equal and opposite reaction. And it is so much more than we normally talk about. As we proceed with our studies in the Book of Philippians, I want you to see just how much more is the reaction that results from the life and death of Jesus. The legacy of Jesus is huge and we tap into only a small part of our inheritance as those who have been redeemed by his Blood. The Bible refers to the legacy of

the death of Jesus as “**so great a salvation**” (Hebrews 2:3). Let us begin today to understand just how great that salvation is!

Paul is writing to the believers in Philippi and in verses 9 to 11 he details just what he is asking God to do for them. Paul’s prayer, the first element of which actually begins back in verse 3, centres first on thanksgiving. **3 I thank my God every time I remember you. 4 In all my prayers for all of you...** This is where prayer rightfully begins. It begins with thanksgiving. It may seem odd to us that Paul would come out and actually tell the Philippians why he is thankful for them, but he spells it out because he wants to show that **God** is the originator of their partnership. Again, it might seem odd to us that in verses 9 to 11 he spells out exactly what he is asking God to do for them, but his purpose is the same. He wants to show that **God** is the decisive cause of all that happens and we pray because **God** acts in response to our prayers.

Verses 9 to 11 form the second part of Paul’s prayer and constitute what we would call “petitions”. A petition is simply a request. We petition a court because we want to see some action on a certain issue. We sign a petition with a group of other people because we want to see a specific course of action followed or a project blocked. Petitions or requests form a legitimate part of our prayer to God. Again,



and it may seem odd to us, Paul proceeds to tell these people exactly what he is praying for them – what requests he is making on their behalf. This is to show that prayer is not just a nice exercise – a commendable religious thing to do – but these are requests that are being put before a real God who is King of this Universe and who is the decisive cause of all that happens and who actively responds to our prayers. You may think that making requests to God is no different than handing him a shopping list. If that were true, then you could format this prayer as a series of bullet points. But what I want you to notice is how these requests or petitions are woven together with logic.

9 And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight (discernment), 10 so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, 11 filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.

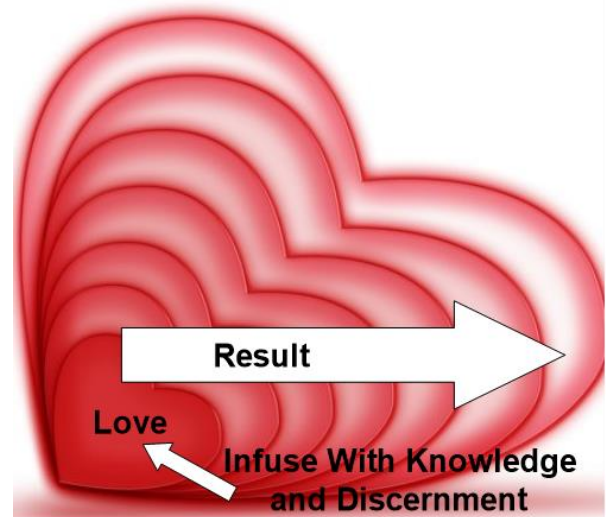


Let's delve into the prayer. **9 And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight...** What exactly is the focus of the first part of this prayer? Is the focus on love or is it knowledge and depth of insight? What is abounding? What is increasing? Love is the subject of the verb "**abounding**", so it is love that Paul desires to see grow or increase. Love is to get bigger and more intense. But it is not love for one another that is abounding. It is a love that relates to knowledge and discernment. The knowledge that is referred to is the knowledge of

God. Today more knowledge is available to us in more forms and at faster speeds than ever before. It can be available at our fingertips in seconds, but we are not getting wiser. In fact, things are going the other way. For all the knowledge that is available we seem to be making worse decisions and believing stupider things. What is lacking is knowledge of God and his ways.

Discernment is extremely important in life. The unfortunate thing is that we employ more discernment in purchasing a house, a car or a dress than we do in pursuing God's way for our lives. Discernment for the Christian is a gift of the Holy Spirit which is developed by employment. In Hebrews 5 Paul speaks to **14 ... the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish (discern) good from evil.** So, if love is the subject of the verb **abounding**, then what do **knowledge of God and discernment of the Holy Spirit** do? Diagrammatically it looks like this, If you take a small heart of **love** and infuse it with increasing **knowledge and discernment**, then that heart is going to grow. As the knowledge of God and discernment of the Holy Spirit grow, then love also grows and you end up with a much bigger heart of love.

What is the purpose of this? I have already told you that these are not just a group of unrelated bullet points. All of its points are woven together with logic. Paul desires that we **abound** in all three of these areas – love, knowledge and discernment - **10 so that you may be able to discern (approve) what is best (excellent) and may be pure and blameless for the day of**



Christ... The purpose of this love, knowledge and discernment is so that you may be able to test, try and examine the things that you are confronted with and determine what is best or excellent. In a world of infinite choices where we face not just one fork in the road but must choose between a wide variety of paths to follow, Paul's desire is that we will approve or accept that one Path which is best.



Jackie Pullinger was a graduate of the Royal College of Music in London. At the age of 22, she felt called to be a missionary. The obvious approach if one feels this call is to approach different missionary societies to determine which is the best fit. Missionary societies are in the business of training and sending out missionaries. The trouble was that every one she applied to turned her down. Finally, she spoke to a vicar who gave her this advice. "Buy a ticket for as far as you can get and pray to know when to get off the boat!" She ended up in Hong Kong with only \$10 to her name. She found a job teaching music in a private girl's school, but eventually she quit her job to minister to drug addicts, gang members and prostitutes in the lawless Walled City of Kowloon in the very midst of Hong Kong. Her mission was to lead these people to Jesus and for them to find freedom from a life of dependence on drugs. As she abounded in love

and grew in the knowledge of God and depth of insight, she discovered what was God's best for her. Now 76, she has given her life ministering to the rejects of society.

However, there is more here than just discerning what is excellent and God's best for us. The next logical step in Paul's prayer is that we [10](#) ... **may be pure and blameless for the day of**

Christ... What is the day of Christ that is referred to here? It is the last day – the day when Christ returns to gather his elect people from every tribe and nation. It is the day when Christ returns to separate the sheep from the goats and the wheat from the chafe. It is the day when Christ returns in might and power to rule the nations. How do we want to be found on that last day – the Day of Christ? We want to be found **pure**

and blameless. We need to remember that as Paul writes this letter he is in prison



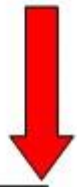
and chained to two guards, one on either side of him. He has no idea how long he has to live, but you can be sure that he lived every day in the hope that **“the day of Christ”** would soon arrive. In 1 Corinthians 9 he talks about the prize that God has for him and he wants to make sure that he qualifies for that prize. Nothing else matters if you don't get the prize because that prize is [25](#) ... **a crown that will last forever.**

Paul has lived his life in such a way [27](#) ... **so that after I have preached to**

others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize. On that last day he wants to be found pure and blameless and he wants us to be in that same position.

I want to make it very clear to you that by **pure and blameless**, Paul does not mean sinless. If we flip over a couple of chapters to Philippians 3, we will see that Paul did not consider himself to be sinless. [12](#) **Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.** His goal was to walk fully with Christ in all obedience experiencing the purity that Christ had already imparted to him, but he

“The Day of Christ” - The Last Day



wasn't there yet. However, that did not stop him from pressing on to grab hold of that for which Christ Jesus had grabbed hold of him on the road to Damascus.

Finally, we come to the end of Paul's prayer for us. It is to be **11 filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God**. I trust that all of you desire to live fruitful lives. This verse helps us to understand the place of good works in our lives. Fruit or good works in this case does not come before or produce salvation. Rather they are the results of salvation. They are the fruit of righteousness. You might remember that Jesus spoke about fruit and trees. In Matthew 7 he says: **17 Likewise, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit**. The question arises: Can a bad tree by trying harder bear good fruit? No, it is impossible. **18 A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit**. – no matter how hard it tries! The fruit of righteousness only comes through Jesus Christ. It only comes through faith in him and repentance before him. What did we sing during our ministry of music? ***When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat, yet not I but through Christ in me***. Everything that we have and are we owe to Jesus. And everything that we do is **to the glory and praise of God**.

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Hymn: "Here is love, vast as the ocean" - Robin Mark
(Click on the link below to play the hymn. The lyrics are on the screen.)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v8YOPj5TnUM&feature=youtu.be>

Here is love vast as the ocean,
Loving kindness as a flood
When the prince of life our ransom,
Shed for us His precious blood

Who his love will not remember,
Who can cease to sing His praise?
He will never be forgotten,
Throughout heav'n's eternal days

On the mount of crucifixion,
Fountains opened deep and wide
Through the floodgates of God's mercy,
Flowed a vast and gracious tide

Grace and love like mighty rivers,
 Flowed incessant from above
 Heavens peace and perfect justice,
 Kissed a guilty world in love

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Offering

Presenting our tithes and offerings is an act of worship. I want to encourage you to write a cheque and drop it in the mail to the church using your envelope, if you have one. (St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, PO Box 161, 1 Drummond St W, Perth, ON K7H 3E3) We also have another option for you for giving and that is you can make an e-Transfer. This note from our treasurer.

E-transfers are now accepted. Please note the new email address for this purpose only. standrewspertthoffering@gmail.com Please include your Offering Envelope # in the message section of the INTERAC transfer page you fill in. If you wish any part of your donation to go to a specific fund (eg Presbyterian Sharing) please mention this in your message.

Invitation to Offering

As recipients of abundant life in Christ,
 Let us now offer our gifts to God.

Offertory Prayer

God of glory, receive these gifts
 and the offering of our lives.
 As Jesus was lifted up from earth,
 draw us to your heart in the midst of this world,
 that all creation may be brought
 from bondage to freedom,
 from darkness to light,
 and from death to life,
 through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers for the People By The People

In response to the Covid-19 Pandemic:

- For the **leaders in our Government** (federal, provincial, municipal).
- For the **Education system**, that safeguards will be put in place to protect the students, teachers and staff.
- For the **Frontline workers**.
- **For the spread of the gospel.** In this time of great anxiety, pray that God's people would be ready to meet the world with the comfort and hope that only the good news of Jesus Christ can offer.
- For **peace** in our town, country and in our world.
- For **St. Andrew's Church and its leadership**.
- For **families** adjusting to new ways of life.
- **Shut-ins and Nursing Home residents and in hospital** - Elva Fair, Audrey Ferrier, Germaine Vanderklok, June O'Hara, Gwen Travis, Lyn Harrington, Bing Juen, Jo Mott, Ruth McTavish, Jackie and Brian Stapleton, (Karen McKim's parents), Nellie Larabie, & Lyn Harrington (Shelagh's Steven's mother).

Please continue to pray for:

- **Stuart McKim**
- **Jeff Earl** - has been diagnosed with melanoma and it is "not the good kind". At this point doctors don't know if or how much it has spread. His surgery has been postponed to Thursday October 1st. Hopefully that surgery will provide some answers. Right now, he is facing a lot of unknowns. Please hold Jeff up to our mighty Saviour and Healer, praying that God would fill him with comfort and peace. Pray too that Jeff would be able to get quick and good care from the medical professionals and that the cancer would be treatable.
- **Louise Burke** – I ask for prayers for my son Harold Burke. He was diagnosed with sugar diabetes and has it under control. A couple of months later, a sore formed near his right eye. It has been removed and has proven to be skin cancer. He starts radiation treatments on the 15th. of September. Please pray for him and continue to pray for me. Also pray for my sister Irene Richardson who had laser surgery for her eye on Wednesday, please pray that her eyesight will be restored. Thanks.
- **Ann Savage** - I had a consult with my nurse practitioner this week. There has been some growth of my tumours but they don't seem overly worried about it. We are going to continue with the same treatment that I have been doing.
- **Rick and Colleen Richardson and their daughter Deborah** - I had a telephone conference with a neurological specialist yesterday. He told us that he has reviewed the results of the MRI, the cat scan, ultra-sound and 2-week heart monitor and has determined that my heart has not been damaged. He is still trying to find the reason for the small stroke and will keep looking until he does. He also told me to go back on my pain medication and I am euphoric this morning. I know that I am in God's hands and have always been. He is and has always been my guide and refuge in all kinds of troubles. Love Colleen

- **Joanna Savage** - We are waiting to hear from the surgeon to discuss next steps regarding the removal of the primary tumor in her intestine now that the liver tumor has reduced in size. Marilyn
- **Paul Thompson (eye condition)** - Next appointment in September.
- **Dave (Parkinson's) and Anne Crawley (foot infection)** - Dave had an appt with his Neurologist last week. His medication has been adjusted and Added a different kind Of Parkinson's pill. He just started this one so we are waiting to see how effective it will be. Otherwise he is doing fairly well.
Anne recently saw an Orthopaedic Surgeon and an Infectious Diseases Specialist. After many tests the infections were diagnosed as Chronic Osteomyelitis (bone infection) related to a very old injury in her foot from a motor vehicle accident. She is back on another round of antibiotics. The foot looks and feels much better. Thank you all for your prayers for both of us.
- **Our Students** – Let's keep our students in prayer as they return to their classes, friends and teachers or to online learning. We ask for the Lord's protection from the Virus for all involved.
- **Angus Funston** – Angus is going to Sick Kids next week. I hope he gets a good report. He is doing very well but some days he is very tired. I want to thank everyone who is praying for Angus. Thank you, Carole
- **Eric and Laurie Cosens & Family**- We ask for peace to surround us. Colleen is recovering from shingles and has settled into residence and classes.
We need prayers for my mother, Anne Rolston. She was taken by ambulance to the hospital on Saturday evening after falling. She is home now, after a CAT scan there are no signs of a brain bleed. There is soft tissue damage on her elbow. She has a cut near her eye and on her elbow. She is weak and confused. Thank you to all our church family for their prayers and we can be reassured that our God is listening as we see His mercy and love surrounding our lives. Prayerfully yours, Lorrie and family.
- **Fabiola's mother, Sofia Flores** - Has been scheduled for an endoscopy this coming Saturday, Sept. 26. Please pray that according to the Lord's Will & Plan, the doctor will be able to provide proper diagnose and treatment; that the Lord's healing hand will give her physical and spiritual strength. And that my mom would get closer to Him.
- **Jan Kuehn** - The fibro and chronic pain continue to be an issue in my daily living, I will need a right hip and knee replacement. My eyesight has continued to be a concern. My eye Dr in Ottawa confirmed that the cataracts are indeed a lot worse. Please pray to get an appointment soon and that at least one eye may be able to be done soon.

Closing Hymn #300:
(Click on the link below to play the hymn.)

“Father, We Love You”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x1JilxU-F7o>

1. Father we love You
We worship and adore You
Glorify Thy name in all the earth
Glorify Thy name
Glorify Thy name
Glorify Thy name in all the earth

2. Jesus we love You
We worship and adore You
Glorify Thy name in all the earth
Glorify Thy name
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Glorify Thy name in all the earth

3. Spirit we love You
We worship and adore You
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Benediction

Go now to will and to work for God's purposes.
Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.
Be filled with the same love
and look to the interests of others.
With reverence for God, work out your salvation.

And may God quench your thirst with love and consolation;
May Christ Jesus strengthen you and encourage you;
And may the Holy Spirit lead you on and make your joy complete.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.