



**Let's Keep Praying For**

- Alex re illness
- Anne, healing from fall
- Joan
- Brian as he struggles with Tinnitus
- Jerry M, Glen P and Doug M
- Betty, in long term care home
- Dan's father, Tim F
- Francesca
- Ruth Zimmerman COVID protection in PNG



Use this space to note an idea from the sermon that you would like to remember:

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*Every member a minister*

Sept 6, 2020

**“Quote”** of the week

"The kingdom of heaven is not for the well meaning but for the desperate."  
 —James Denney

**Those Scheduled to Serve:**

	Today	Sept 13	Sept 20
Song Leader	Glenn	Glenn	Glenn
Communion	Chad	Art	Chad
Preaching	Art	Chad	Art

**You may send contributions to**  
churchcollege@yahoo.com

**Key to the Kingdom** – Fridays 8:30 am on Vision TV

**Bulletin:** If you have news you would like to see shared in the bulletin, please get it to Art by Thursday noon (kingstonchurchofchrist@yahoo.com or 613-876-4605).

**Visitors, Welcome to our gathering! Join us in worship and fellowship**

In these days of social distancing we won't hug you or shake your hand, but we welcome you into our gathering.

Please join us in worshipping God as we sing, pray and read the Bible. We also share communion each Sunday remembering the sacrifice of Jesus who gave himself to die for our sins. If you wish to partake with us, you are free to do so.

We hold the Bible to be God's inspired message for us and hold it in highest esteem.

If a question comes to mind, please ask it. We will try to help you find answers from God. If you would like to request a special prayer, please let us know.

## The Gift (4)

What a wonderful giver God is! He always seems to know just the perfect Gift.

When the Spirit comes into our lives and we are cleansed, and God brings us to enter into a relationship with him in his Kingdom. Not only are we part of the kingdom, but we also become children of God (1 John 3:1). Can there be any greater cause for joy?

God wants us to have happiness and joy as a result of being in relationship with him. Christians have often so miscommunicated this truth, and as a result the world has heard that being a Christian and attending worship is a real burden in life. Stephen Leacock is reported to have written that he “went to church today and surprisingly didn’t come away depressed!” I hope I am not presenting that view of my relationship to God. That was never part of the plan.

Paul describes God as being the one “who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine” and who “is at work within us.” Can there be a grander reason to be joyous?

The gift of God brings joy and freedom. We are urged not to give up our joy and freedom for a system of legalism. In Galatians 5:1, Paul affirms, “It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.”

Acts 13:52 describes the disciples as being filled with joy and the Holy Spirit. Why? They have the gift of God. For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit, because anyone who serves Christ in this way is pleasing to God and approved by men. (Romans 4:17-18)

Since we too have the gift of God, let us show it to the world by our joy.

–Art

The road is long, the rocks are large,  
But we needn’t go ‘round them all,  
For if we muscle, and keep on moving,  
We’ll gain more strength for the haul.

The road is tough, the rocks are many,  
But they needn’t cause us to slip,  
For if we’re careful where we tread,  
We’ll more quickly learn how to grip.

The road’s winding, the rocks, unsafe,  
But they needn’t bring useless bane,  
For when we learn the best steps used,  
Though more taken, the more we gain.

The road’s uncertain, the rocks, e’er present,  
But we needn’t tread without trust,  
The Lord will shine and He will guide,  
And the rocks will soon turn to dust!

~ Edd Sterchi



## NEWS & notes

### Upcoming Birthdays and Anniversaries:

Sept 10 Robyn  
Sept 16 Marion

**Alex** made it home safely.

**Robyn** is unwell today. Praying she will feel better soon.