



**Let's Keep Praying For**

- Dale's health
- Kathy's co-worker, Jen – stage 3 cancer
- Ron C stroke recovery
- Marion's health
- Ruby's health
- Joan's recovery
- Brian as he struggles with health issues
- Cancer patients: Tim F, Franco, Chad's cousins Grace & Harold
- Betty, in long term care home
- Chad's parents Marilyn and Roy. Health issues

**December Birthdays and Anniversaries**

- 20 Ruby
- 28 Art and Ruby

**Those Scheduled to Serve:**

	Today	Dec 19	Dec 26
Song Leader		Glenn	Glenn
Communion	Chad	Art	Chad
Preaching	Art	Chad	Art

**Contributions:** send to churchcollege@yahoo.com or leave in box in foyer.

**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).

# Kingston Church of Christ

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Email kingstonchurchofchrist@yahoo.com for zoom link to Bible study at 7:00 pm Wednesdays.

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**“Quote”** of the week

"Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around."

—Leo Buscaglia

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

In these days of social distancing, we may not hug 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. Please let us know of any way we can serve you.

## A Believer's Last Day, His Best Day

Most people think about their own death as a fearful prospect, but the title of a famous Puritan funeral sermon offers a pleasing alternative: a believer's last day on earth is his or her best day. Following are some excerpts from that sermon in 1651.

*Death is a believer's coronation day and marriage day.*

Death is a change of our imperfect and incomplete enjoyments of God, for a more complete and perfect enjoyment of him. As no believer has a *clear* sight of God here, so no believer has a *full* and *perfect* sight of God here. In Job 26:14, how little a portion is heard of him—speaking of God—and of that is heard, ah how little a portion is understood! It is an excellent expression that Augustine has: "The glorious things of heaven are so many—that they exceed number; so precious—that they exceed estimation; so great—that they exceed measure!" Bernard says, "For Christ to be with Paul was the greatest security—but for Paul to be with Christ was the chief happiness!" ...

When death shall give the fatal stroke, there shall be an exchange of earth—for heaven; of imperfect enjoyments—for perfect enjoyments of God; then the soul shall be swallowed up with a full enjoyment of God; no corner of the soul shall be left empty—but all shall be filled up with the fullness of God. Here in this present world, they receive grace—but in heaven they shall receive glory.

The best of Christians are able to take in but little of God; their hearts are like the widow's vessel, which could receive...But in heaven God will communicate himself fully at once to the soul! Grace shall then be swallowed up of glory!

Death is another Moses: it delivers believers out of bondage, and from making bricks in Egypt. It is a day or year of jubilee to a gracious spirit—the year wherein he goes out free from all those cruel taskmasters which it had long groaned under.

Death is a believer's coronation-day, it is his marriage-day. It is a rest from sin, a rest from sorrow, a rest from afflictions and temptations, etc. Death to a believer is an entrance into paradise, into the "New Jerusalem," into the joy of his Lord Christians! what is your whole life—but a day to fit for the hour of death?



**Meagan** told us last Sunday about her friend Shannon (single parent) who recently lost her job and has some current needs. Her 4-year-old daughter is well off clothes wise. Their needs seem to centre around food and toiletries as well as ongoing bills. How can we help her?

**Petition:** Attached to a letter from Garnett Genius, an MP from Fort Saskatchewan (on the back bulletin board) is a petition related to the possible revocation of charitable status to organizations opposed to abortions. If you wish, you may sign the petition. It will be mailed by the end of December.

**Camp Omagh:** One of the discussions at the recent Annual General Meeting centered around the housing developments that are starting to surround the camp which lead to the question of whether or not the current camp programs could fit in an urban environment. The board will be considering whether to recommend that the camp move or stay at the current location.

**From page 2** What is your great business in this world—but to prepare and fit for the eternal world? It was a sad speech of Caesar Borgia, who being on his deathbed said, "When I lived, I provided for everything but death! Now I must die and am unprovided to die." Ah, Christians! you have need every day to pray with Moses, "Lord, teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts to wisdom," Psalm 90:12.

See that Christ be your Lord and Master, ... and then your dying-day shall be to you as the day of harvest to the *farmer*, as the day of deliverance to the *prisoner*, as the day of coronation to the *king*, and as the day of marriage to the *bride*. Your dying-day shall be a day of *triumph* and *exaltation*, a day of *freedom* and *consolation*, a day of *rest* and *satisfaction*!

*-adapted from an article by Leland Ryken*