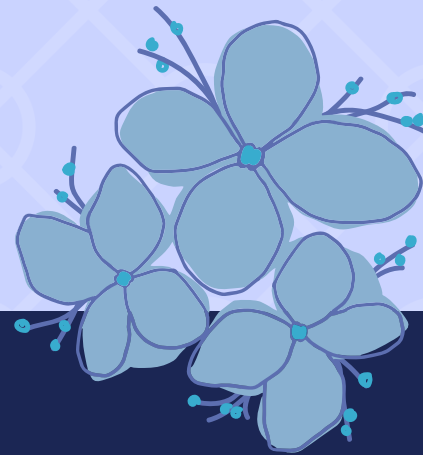


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## This Week at St. Andrew's

May 13, 2020



### A Little Music History

This week Christine has recorded the hymn Like a Mighty River Flowing (#741) plus Healey Willan's chorale prelude on this hymn tune (Quem Pastores).

In the German Baroque period, a chorale prelude helped to introduce a congregation to a hymn. However some composers started getting so creative when writing the preludes, to the point where congregations would get confused about which hymn was being introduced! Listen to the pieces and see if you can pick out the melody.

[Click here for the video](#)

*Praise our God,  
all peoples, let the  
sound of his praise  
be heard*

### Read From Your Bible This Week

Acts 17:22-31  
Psalm 66:8-20  
1 Peter 3:13-22  
John 14:15-21



Just for fun...

Did you know that there is a  
cheerleading squad in Arizona  
that you can only join if you're  
over 55 years old?



### Getting Groceries

While getting our groceries has been a little more complicated the past few months, we have it easy compared to a shop owner in a community of about 440 people in Alaska. Every week the shop owner takes a small barge on a 7 hour voyage to get supplies from a Juneau Costco. This is a labour of love for the shop owner who has very tight profit margins. The entire town is grateful that the third generation shop owner takes such good care of them!



# Pastor's Parable

8 weeks and counting. Sunday, March 10 marks our 8th week of the quarantine. You have been patient and supportive. You have endured the obstacles caused by this deadly virus. As Dr. Bonnie has affirmed, "We have stayed at home and flattened the curve." Over the coming days, we within the province and we at St. Andrews will continue to assess what steps are next as we claw our way back from this unprecedented pandemic.

The St. Andrew's Session will meet Tuesday, May 19 to begin the conversation regarding our next steps regarding how we begin to emerge from our isolation. I can guarantee that we will not rush to judgment nor rush back into our building before it is safe to do. We will take every safety precaution necessary in order to not put anyone at risk as we eventually gather. I would welcome your feedback as to your questions or concerns as we dialogue in the coming days as to the "What if's and the What is next" for us. Call me (250) 883-4132 or email me [pastor@standrewsvictoria.ca](mailto:pastor@standrewsvictoria.ca) anytime with comments or questions.

In the meantime, we would like to thank you for your faithful viewing of the worship services each week. We see that you are tuning in and for that we are grateful. In addition to the taped services that are being offered, I would like to propose a live call next week for anyone who would like to join a "drop-in" video call to hear a scripture and prayer, a musical selection and to be able to see the others from St. Andrew's who join the call. The goal is to connect in a way in which we might finally, after two months, actually "see" one another by way of a video call.

I would propose Wednesday, May 20 at 11:00 AM for our Drop-In Video call. We will be using a Zoom link which some of you have used and others have not. Below is a link which when you click on the link will connect you to a secure video call on your computer/phone or iPad. Once on the call the screen will enable you to see the others who have joined the call as well. If you would like to practice using Zoom prior to our call on Wednesday, give me a call and I will be happy to work with you to get you comfortable using Zoom.

The success of such a call might enable us in the coming weeks to try something similar on Sunday mornings during which we might be able to provide a live worship service and view it from our computer screens from the comfort of our own homes. All that is required is to click the meeting link (or copy and paste it into your web browser) around 11:00 AM on Wednesday, May 20, 2020. I suspect the call will last approximately 30 minutes.

Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81788332035>

Meeting ID:

817 8833 2035

**We need people willing to record themselves reading prayers or scriptures for our Sunday service. You just need a smartphone, tablet or computer with a microphone and the ability to send us your recording. Email the office to sign up! We'd also love to share your photos as part of our Sunday worship service videos. Pictures of God's creation, a favourite piece of art in your home, from your travels... whatever you think might suit a service. Please email photos to the office.**