



April 28, 2021



Pastor's Parable

What word has 4 letters, begins with an L, ends with an E and may comprise our feelings about a long-term relationship or how we feel about chocolate cake? Like? Lose? Keep guessing.

What word is often overused, misunderstood and sentimentalized, yet forms the basis of all lasting relationships? How might we adequately talk about and understand something so complex and difficult to explain?

For worship on Sunday, I ask you to read the following scripture passages. Acts 8:26-39 and 1 John 4:7-2. One speaks a great deal about the subject in question. The other never mentions it by name but describes two people who exemplify its best attributes. Perhaps this is the way to better understand Jesus' words that "how we feel about God is displayed in the way that we treat one another."

Sunday, my attempt is to help us understand something that is often overused, misunderstood and sentimentalized without adding another layer to the complex mixture of thoughts, feelings, attitudes and actions. Join us Sunday as we talk about what is not easy to talk about! Were you able to guess what word begins with an L and ends with an E? Read the two scriptures and you will be ready for worship!!

On a personal note, thank you for your kindness, prayers, cards and emails over the last week as we have grieved (and celebrated) my mom's death. I was enriched and blessed to have been able to see her on a video call prior to her passing and tell her that I loved her. Feeling the peace of Christ surrounding us during her graveside service was comforting and helped us remember from where our strength comes.

May the peace of Christ be with each of you.



Some Reminders About Cyber Security



- 1) Remember to keep your computer and software apps (email, browser...) up to date and install recommended updates.
- 2) Do not open nor click on emails that look questionable.
- 3) If an email looks suspicious, instead of opening it, contact the person directly (text message, call). Do not reply to the suspicious email! This is especially important if the emailer tells you **not** to phone (this is a trick to get to you reply to the email).
- 4) If you receive a suspicious email, report it as phishing, following the instructions of your email provider ([shaw](#), [telus](#), [hotmail](#), [gmail](#))

If you have questions about suspicious emails from someone claiming to be from St. Andrew's you can always contact Martin at webadmin@standrewsvictoria.ca or contact Whitney.



2022 PCC Wall Calendar: Faith Expressed Through the Arts

"Art, in all its forms, can nourish our souls and bring us closer to God. For the 2022 edition of the PCC Wall Calendar, we are inviting Presbyterians to send us high-resolution photo submissions that showcase the variety of artistic talents within our denomination and congregations, and the ways these gifts have been used to glorify God"

The national church is looking for submissions from artists of all kinds for the 2022 calendar project. [Click here for more information](#)

We pray for PCC mission partners who are facing so many new challenges and striving to find safe and economical ways to respond to many enduring needs.



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Read From Your Bible This Week

- Acts 8:26-40
- Psalm 22:25-31
- 1 John 4:7-21
- John 15:1-85

