



The Vine May 2021
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*The Rev. Canon Peter Lackey &
The Ven. Susan Churchill-Lackey
Photo: Close up of 'Spirit Alive' veil
by fabric artist Rachel Mathews*

Almighty and everliving God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal, keep us in the unity of your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Worship Online: sthelens.ca

Sunday, May 2 Fifth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 9 Sixth Sunday of Easter, Mother's Day
Sunday, May 16 Ascension Sunday
Sunday, May 23 Pentecost (Holiday Weekend)
Sunday May 30 Trinity Sunday

Thank You Thanks to Lorna for the new Readers schedule and to all of our Readers for their participation; to Derek and *Emmaus* and Emily and the choir for their music ministry and to Derek for his production of our recorded worship. Thanks also to Ian for managing our website and YouTube platforms.

Chair of Worship: The Venerable Susan Churchill-Lackey

Discipleship

Children's Ministry Families with younger children: Please check for incoming mail, in time for Pentecost!

Youth Ministry On-line and socially distanced activities.

A new Quiet Garden Devotional for Spring is now on our website.

Bible Study On break.

Chair of Discipleship: Jeff McRae

Stewardship

Finances Thank you to those who have continued to give to the church financially. If you have not done so since Covid 19 began, we encourage you to respond, so that the church will be there for us all when this is 'over'! To pick up your 2021 church envelopes please call the church office (613-824-2010) or send an e-mail to st.helen@on.aibn.com and we will make arrangements for you to collect them.

Please consider PAR(Pre-Authorized Remittance) as a tool to support your church financially. Call the church office (613-824-2010) or send an e-mail to st.helen@on.aibn.com

Other Options: Use the Canada Helps button on our website.

Legacy Giving Setting up your Will or making changes to it? Read the Legacy Giving section of Stewardship on our website.

Lawn and Property Care Willing friends needed to cut the grass on the church property. Fresh air, exercise and service to the community! Please volunteer to the church e-mail or to Colin Taylor. Thank you to those already hard at work and in the Quiet Garden.

Chair of Stewardship: Colin Taylor

Outreach

Outreach Collection: Prior to the latest stay-at-home order, churches were asked for personal care items for Community Ministries: to include shampoo and conditioner, body wash(in small containers), medium and large sized men and women's underwear, towels, disposable razors. All items to be new. We now have a collection box at the servery door at the **back** of the church to receive these items. When it is again allowed, they will be delivered for distribution.

Chairs of Outreach: Carol Danson & Sharon Tremaine

Community

St. Helen's Virtual Fine Art Fair

St. Helen's Art Fair closes on May 24 so if you haven't selected a piece of art for your home or as a gift, now is your opportunity. You will not only be contributing to the church's ministry but helping to sustain our local artists during this time when most galleries where they normally sell their art are closed. Take a look at the work of these six artists, among others. I'm sure you will find something that pleases your senses.



The delivery of the art to St. Helen's will take place on Friday, May 28 only and buyers will pickup and pay for their art on Saturday, May 29 only. Both delivery and pickup will set up as curb-side outdoor service, weather permitting. Please see the Art Fair website or announcements on the St. Helen's website for any changes that might be necessary due to changing COVID restrictions.

Volunteers have been identified for the key positions but one or two more would be welcome.

Brian Glenn: Art Fair Committee
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www.facebook.com/sthelensartfair

Quiet Garden Memorial Stones The order for Memorial stones has been placed. The blessing of new stones in the Quiet Garden will take place when Covid restrictions allow.

Pastoral Care Ministries

Visits If you would like a virtual visit simply e-mail the church to request one and we will spend time 'together apart'!

Pastoral Care Team The work of the Team continues, primarily through telephone calls. Thanks to John Leech for hosting our monthly zoom meetings.

The **Prayer Chain** is prepared to offer intercessions on behalf of others for God's blessing upon any number of concerns, needs or issues. Please e-mail the church office at st.helen@on.aibn.com or Maggie Lorimer for pastoral care or prayer support mlorimer@rogers.com

Covid 19 Update: The church remains closed for in-person worship, business and visits. Ministry of all kinds continues! As we try to beat this third wave of the pandemic, please observe all safety protocols (strict social distancing, masks, sanitizing, hand washing), even if you are with people who have either recovered from Covid or have been vaccinated. If you are eligible to receive a vaccination please endeavour to get an appointment.

Safe Church: Screening in Faith We are updating our files concerning Police checks for volunteers and staff working with the vulnerable sector. If this pertains to you and your ministry you will be receiving communication from us shortly.

Chair of Community: Lorna Ponting

Diocesan News

Christ Church Cathedral: The Thousand Doves Project Refugee support initiative. Please see the Cathedral's website for ways to participate.

Shape of Parish Ministry consultation (SPMC) A Diocesan-wide consultation in 3 stages (April 2021-October 2022) exploring the shape of parish ministry now and in the future. Stay tuned for more information or explore the Diocesan website at ottawa.anglican.ca



38th Annual and 1st Virtual
Bishop's Gala
May 27, 2021, 7 PM

Proceeds benefitting

All Mothers and Children Count COVID-19 Extension Fund (an initiative of PWRDF) for which Global Affairs Canada will match donations 6:1, and, **Virtual Therapy for Disabled Children** in our partner diocese of Jerusalem at the Princess Basma Center.

For Tickets: bishopsgala2021.eventbrite.ca