

# THE KING IS HERE

April 5, 2020



**PORTAGE  
AVENUE  
CHURCH**

**10:00 AM – WORSHIPPING TOGETHER ONLINE**

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Praise & Worship

**Hosanna (Praise is Rising)**

**Hosanna**

Scripture Reading: Psalm 118 : 1 - 2, 19-29

1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever. 2 Let all Israel repeat: "His faithful love endures forever."

19 Open for me the gates where the righteous enter, and I will go in and thank the LORD. 20 These gates lead to the presence of the LORD, and the godly enter there.

21 I thank you for answering my prayer and giving me victory!

22 The stone that the builders rejected has now become the cornerstone. 23 This is the LORD's doing, and it is wonderful to see.

24 This is the day the LORD has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it. 25 Please, LORD, please save us. Please, LORD, please give us success.

26 Bless the one who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the house of the LORD.

**Holy Lord**

**Nothing But the Blood**

Church Life Prayer

Sermon — The King Has Come!

Sermon Text — Matthew 21 : 1 - 11

Benediction



# WHAT'S HAPPENING

**Care Givers of the Week:** Peter & Justina Suderman

## Letter from Cory & Masami Giesbrecht

Have you ever had a prayer that you did not quite dare to pray? No God, I want that too badly! I can't dare to hope for that...

We have had more answered prayers. Answers to prayers that we had stopped having the faith to hope for!

I recently did a [33 Minute Samurai](#) challenge with two men from our Ishibashi family and they were both completely changed by Jesus. From confusion to clarity, from apathy to passion, from timidity to boldness, from shame to freedom, from secrecy to vulnerability!

Now this group of three men has multiplied into three groups of three as we are doing the challenge again with others. Please pray for more transformation as we have a worship and confession evening Mar 16 and a two-day camp on the 21st and 22nd.

I asked Masa and Masashi whether I could share about them in our prayer-letter and their responses blew me away!

Masa said: Tell them that "desperation leads to deliverance" and "don't give up hope that life can be different"

Masashi thought for a long time and then said:

"Paul says in Corinthians 'I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow.' Tell the people back home that I thank them for the role they have played in my transformation."

Your prayers are making a difference here in Osaka!

I often feel that asking others to pray is like calling in air support. It's like soldiers on the ground who are facing impossible obstacles radioing for the air force and saying: "blow that stronghold up!". (2Cor.10:4)

As I was writing this letter I saw a kind of a vision which I will share with you.

I saw a person who "fell among thieves" while travelling. (perhaps a Pastor or a Christian like Masa or Masashi who has been wounded by the thieves of this world) I saw Jesus come as the "Good Samaritan" and lovingly care for the wounded person, bandaging the wounds, applying oil and wine, putting him on his donkey and hurrying to the inn to further tend to him there. I was the innkeeper, and I was touched and transformed as I watched Jesus caring so tenderly for the wounded person. I was devastated when he turned to me and said that he had to go. But when he gave me two coins and asked me to care for the wounded person until he came back I somehow believed that I could do it.

Thank you for praying,

Cory & Masami

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## Need Help?

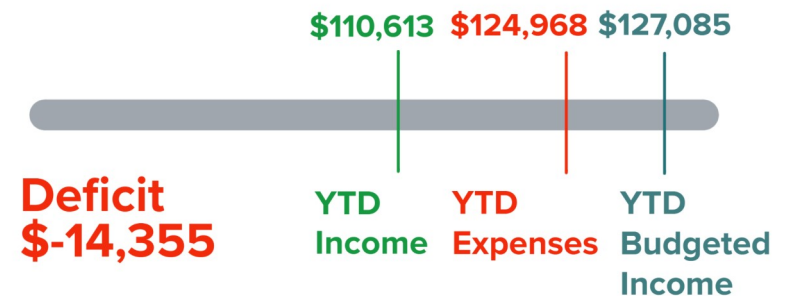
During this time of social distancing we would like to reach out to our church family. If you are elderly, have a pre-existing health condition making you vulnerable to illness, or are under self-quarantine, we would like to offer you help in this time of need. We have individuals who are looking to serve by helping to pick up groceries or prescriptions, run errands, or assist in other tasks you may not currently be able to do yourself. Please email or call the office if you need help or can offer help. We, as a church family, are committed to serving each other during these times.

## Giving Options

1. mail in cheques
2. contact the office to set up a Pre-Authorized Withdrawal from your bank account
3. e-transfer to [payments@pachurch.ca](mailto:payments@pachurch.ca)
4. go to [pachurch.ca/donate](http://pachurch.ca/donate) and donate online via credit card

Thank you for your faithful giving!

## Financial Position As at March 31, 2020



## Missionary Support As at March 31, 2020



NB: Quarterly support payments are sent only once pledge has been met.

**Other Mission Income Received \$29,469**



## BIBLE READING PLAN

Sunday	March	29	Leviticus 1	John 20
Monday	March	30	Leviticus 2-3	John 21
Tuesday	March	31	Leviticus 4	Psalms 1-2
Wednesday	April	1	Leviticus 5	Psalms 3-4
Thursday	April	2	Leviticus 6	Psalms 5-6
Friday	April	3	Leviticus 7	Psalms 7-8
Saturday	April	4	Leviticus 8	Psalms 9
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Leviticus 9</b>	<b>Psalms 10</b>
Monday	April	6	Leviticus 10	Psalms 11-12
Tuesday	April	7	Leviticus 11-12	Psalms 13-14
Wednesday	April	8	Leviticus 13	Psalms 15-16
Thursday	April	9	Leviticus 14	Psalms 17
Friday	April	10	Leviticus 15	Psalms 18
Saturday	April	11	Leviticus 16	Psalms 19
Sunday	April	12	Leviticus 17	Psalms 20-21
Monday	April	13	Leviticus 18	Psalms 22
Tuesday	April	14	Leviticus 19	Psalms 23-24
Wednesday	April	15	Leviticus 20	Psalms 25
Thursday	April	16	Leviticus 21	Psalms 26-27
Friday	April	17	Leviticus 22	Psalms 28-29
Saturday	April	18	Leviticus 23	Psalms 30

## Weekly Prayer Night

**Fridays at 7:30pm**

## PRAYER ALERT

### *Pray for those who are shut-in*

**At home** – Peter Brown, Erna Friesen, Rudy & Susanne Thiessen

**Bethania** – Jake & Betty Suderman, Mary Unger

**Bethel Place** – George Petkau, Agnes Pauls

**Concordia Place** – John E. Friesen

**Concordia Village** – Margaret Pospishell, Martha Thielman

**Donwood Personal Care** – Elvira Loewen, Louise (Lois) Peters, Martha Reimer, Helen Wiens, Peter Klassen

**Donwood Manor Apartments** – Arnold Teichrieb

**Pembina Place** – Helen Doerksen

**Poseidon Personal Care** – George Schmidt

**Riverwood Square** – John W. Sawatzky

**Riverwood Square (Harmony Court)** – Mary Bergen

**Sturgeon Creek Retirement Residence** – Bertha Toews

**Tuxedo Villa Extended Care** – Cornie Schroeder

### Daily Bread, Bulletins & Library Books

Please let us know if you need a paper copy of the Daily Bread, bulletins or library books and we will do our best to drop those off for you at your home.

### Donwood 50th Anniversary Fundraising Banquet—UPDATED

We sincerely hope you will join us from the comfort of your own home for a 45-minute online event revolving around the theme “A village without the elderly is like a well without water” (African proverb), featuring live music from Steve Bell, a message from Carolyn Klassen, and sharing from family members of Donwood residents.

Now, more than ever, we invite you to partner with us to provide financial support for the continuation of spiritual care and other key Donwood Foundation services during this challenging time for our most vulnerable population.

Please join us for a live event on Monday, April 27, 7pm. Simply go to <https://donwoodmanor.org/events>. Can't make it that night? No problem! Donations can be made directly on our website or you can mail in a cheque to the Donwood Foundation, 171 Donwood Dr, Wpg, MB, R2G 0V9. A charitable tax receipt will be issued for the full amount of your donation. A recording of the event will be made available on our website after the event.

