

The Parable of the Sower

Mark 4:1-20



some seeds
fell on the
path and were
eaten by birds



some seeds
fell on rocks
but dried up
because they
had no root



some seeds
fell among the
thorns
and were
choked out



still others fell
on good soil and
they produced
100 x more

Welcome

North Grenville Community Church

May 28, 2017

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For First Time Guests:

It is a pleasure to welcome you this morning! Children are welcomed to remain with their families for the service this morning. We have activity bags to help keep them entertained. A juice box and a small snack is included with the activity bag. Please let us know if your child has allergies. The service is audio is broadcast into the foyer and that area is available for little ones who need more room to move.

You will see a table in the centre aisle, with Bibles on it. These bibles are for your use during the service, kindly return them to the table when the service is over. If you do not have a Bible and want one, please contact the Church office.

Today:

We welcome Pastor Liz to the pulpit this morning. May you be blessed as you spend time in His presence today.

Thank you for choosing to spend Sunday morning with us. In your bulletin you will find a Connect Card. For those who are visiting with us the Connect Card can be used to let us know you were here. For those who consider NGCC their home Church the Connect Card can be used to request information, submit a prayer request or connect with the pastoral or administrative staff.

Following the service today, join us for lunch in the lower auditorium. Everyone is welcome, there is no charge for lunch except of a smile for the Pastoral Care Team who are catering the lunch today.

Pastor Thomas will be out of the office until Wednesday. For pastoral care needs or to make an appointment with Pastor Thomas when he returns, please call Susi at 258-4815 x 100 or office@ngccfm.ca.

Celebrating this week:

Happy Birthday:

Lia Wall (Today!)

Linda Schmidt (30th)

Lise Lennox



Happy Anniversary:

Joe & Jan Kupecz (1st)

Clinton & Kim Carnegie (2nd)

If we missed mentioning your birthday or anniversary, please let us know at 258-4815.

This Week, Please Pray For:

Families:

- Eileen Mahoney & family
- Dawna-Llyn Marshall & family

Pastoral Families:

- Pastor Thomas & Amy-Beth, Joel, Julia, Macy Eng
- Pastor Elizabeth Stewart
- Our Official Board Families

Overseas Missionaries:

- Rev. David & Jennifer Wright (Niger)
- Rev. Dean & Stephanie Babcock (Malawi)
- Rev. Sok Em (Cambodia)
- Rev. Debbie Hogeboom (Kenya)

***“Prayer does not fit
us for the greater
work; prayer is the
greater work.”***

Oswald Chambers

The prayer chain can be initiated by calling the Church at 613-258-4815 x 100.

The prayer team meets at the Church on Tuesdays at 11 AM.

Prayer Requests:

- The Kerith Debt Freedom Centre as it ministers to our community. Please pray for our coaches as well as the clients they serve.
- That God would continue to provide for the needs of the Church.
- Those who struggle with addictions and their families.
- Those in our Church family, and community that struggle with health issues, especially our seniors.
- Pray that Brenda Leach physio treatment would be effective in reducing pain.
- Those who are battling cancer; Audrey Moden's brother Peter, Cathy MacDonald, 14 year old Tanner, and Trudy Arnaud's sister Barbara, May Louise's daughter Marcie,
- The upcoming yard sale & Kingdom Bound trip
- Those in Ottawa and Gatineau affected by the flooding.
- Please pray for continued healing and strength for Eileen Mahoney as she continues to recover.
- Linda Moore needs knee surgery that her doctors are not sure how to perform without aggravating a very rare pain syndrome that she has. Please pray that her doctors will be able to develop a method to do the surgery that will not result in a lifetime of pain for Linda.
- Praise that General Conference 2017 was well received by the pastors and delegates who attended. Please pray for wisdom to use what we learned at conference in our local Church. Please also pray for our new bishop Rev. Cliff Fletcher as he adjust to his new role.

May Bible Memory Verse

Pastor Liz is continuing with a monthly bible memory verse for the whole congregation, not just the kids.

Kids/Teens/Adults:

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near.

Philippians 4:4-5(NIV)

Library Corner

Debbie would like to inventory the library books. If you still have a library book that you took out **before** February 2017, kindly return them to the library by June 4th so that it can be counted. If you have books that you took out **after** February 2017, you can continue to borrow them.



If you have Christian books that you no longer read, they would be helpful to the Christian Salvage Mission. For more information please see Debbie Stewart.

Help Needed

Help is needed to remove the rust and paint the railing at the front of the Church. If you are able to assist or would like more information, please see Richard Moore or the Church office.

Sunday Night Prayer Meeting

Sunday May 28th, 6-7:30 PM at Stuart & Susi's home, 41 Colonel Drive Kemptville. Everyone welcome. Pastor Liz will be facilitating and we will celebrate communion.



What's happening at Church this week?

Sunday—Prayer meeting 6-7:30 PM at the home of Stuart & Susi, 41 Colonel Dr. Kemptville,

Tuesday—Why Faith? Real Questions Over Lunch— 11:15-Noon @ Church with Pastor Liz

Tuesday - Fellowship of the Mat Men's Group—7:30 PM @ Church

Wednesday—Ladies Bible Study— 10 AM - The Gospel of Mark @ Church

Wednesday Night—Families with Kids Care Group at the home of Pastor Thomas & Amy Beth, 6:30-8:30 PM, 2518 County Rd. 21, Spencerville.

Thursday—Lunch with Liz—11:15-Noon @ Church with Pastor Liz.

Thursday—Small Group at the home of Lia Wall 24 Emily Lauren Cres. Kemptville. Study will be facilitated by Joe Kupecz.

Friday—Yard Sale donations received at Church from 7-9 PM

Saturday - Yard Sale 8 AM @ Church 8 AM—2 PM Rain or Shine. Proceeds to support the youth trip to Kingdom Bound.



Membership Course

Afternoon of Sunday June 4th.

For more info or sign up please speak to Pastor Thomas or Susi.

Save the Date:

Our annual Society Meeting or AGM will take place on Sunday June 25th as part of the Sunday Worship Service. Join us to celebrate what God has been doing in this local Church. Following the service there will be a Church picnic, more details to follow.

Yard Sale, BBQ & Bake Sale

Saturday June 3rd

The youth will be holding a yard sale, BBQ and bake sale on Saturday June 3rd from 8 AM-2 PM.

This event will be a fundraiser for Kingdom Bound. Donations of gently used household items, furniture, clothing, sporting goods, toys, games and electronics will be gratefully received at the Church starting Tuesday May 30th. Donations of baked goods will be received at the Church on Friday June 2nd between 7-9 PM.



Also, if you have a canopy that the youth could borrow for the sale, please let Pastor Liz the Church office know.

If there are youth that are still interested in going to Kingdom Bound, there are 3 spots still available. Please see Pastor Liz for more information.



For those youth who would like to attend Kingdom Bound a \$75 deposit is due on May 15th. If you would like to go but still have not paid your deposit, please speak to Pastor Liz

There is a sign up sheet in the foyer for those who would be willing to donate baked goods for the sale. Thank you for investing in the lives of our youth!

So what's up with the driveway?

You have no doubt noticed the barrier that has been put up on the driveway beside the building on the east side.

Many people from the community use our parking lot when accessing the hospital. This is a good thing, as it helps those in our community for whom paying the hospital parking fees would be a financial burden. There is also good will in the community for our Church because we have made our parking lot available.

However, our gravel driveway is not adequate to the volume of traffic that has been using it, also there are concerns about the speed at which vehicles drive through from Concession Road to the back parking lot.

In consultation with the North Grenville Fire Prevention Officer, it was determined that the driveway that runs beside the building would not be used as a fire route and could be removed. In the event of a fire, Concession Road and Dr. Gordon Drive would be used by the fire department, not the driveway beside the building. The driveway/fire route was necessary when the Church was built in 1986, as Dr. Gordon Drive did not exist at that time.

The barrier has been erected as a "pilot project" to reduce the amount of through traffic from Concession Road to the parking lot. Vehicles can enter the front horseshoe to drop people off at the front door, but will need to go back out to Concession Road to Dr. Gordon Drive to access the parking lot. People who wish to park in the Church parking lot are requested to access the lot via Dr. Gordon Drive.

It is hoped that by directing the traffic to use Dr. Gordon Drive as much as possible, it will allow us to get ahead, and stay ahead, of the potholes that regularly appear at the front of the horseshoe. The cost of paving the front horseshoe, driveway and back parking lot would be in excess of \$100,000 and is not in the Church budget at this time.

It is also hoped that the blocking off of the driveway will not be an undue inconvenience to the Church family. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Church office. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Our Mission:

To be a loving and healthy community, reaching others by knowing, loving and serving God.

Our Vision:

To live and love like Jesus (with Jesus)

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Serving This Week in:

Kidz Worship & Nursery Everyone's Upstairs
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