

Please WATCH FOR AN EMAIL FOR Sundays Service – also on the website
<https://wesleyunitedchurchstandrewsbytheseanb.ca/>



Photo taken from
<https://beststudytopics.blogspot.com/2014/03/abou-ben-adhem.html>

Greetings to Everyone

It was so good to see so many of our Wesleyites at the picnic on Sunday at the Point. It is hard not to hug or at least hold on to another's arm while in conversation. But the 'personal touch' will have to wait for now.

In the meantime... I wonder how many of you ever had to study this poem or remember it from years ago. It surfaces in my head every so often and has been bouncing around in there for a couple of weeks. It was written between 1834 and 1844 by James Henry Leigh Hunt.

ABOU BEN ADHEM AND THE ANGEL

Abou Ben Adhem (may his tribe increase)
Awoke one night from a deep dream of peace,
And saw, within the moonlight in his room,
Making it rich, and like a lily in bloom,
An Angel writing in a book of gold:--
Exceeding peace had made Ben Adhem bold,
And to the presence in the room he said,
“What writest thou?”---The vision rais'd its head.
And with a look made of all sweet accord,
Answer'd, “The names of those who love the Lord.”
“And is mine one?” Said Abou. “Nay, not so,”
Replied the angel. Abou spoke more low,
But cheerily still: and said, “I pray thee then,
Write me as one that loves his fellow men.”
The angel wrote, and vanish'd. The next night
It came again with a great wakening light,
And show'd the names whom love of God had bless'd,
And lo! Ben Adhem's name led all the rest.

Maybe a little dated in the language but a goal to keep in mind and one that Wesleyites demonstrate daily. (non-biased opinion!)

Till we meet again in person or on zoom, Take Care and keep being Kind.
Carolyn

Labyrinth

"We are slowly finding our way into the church building again as we adjust to the pandemic precautions. The **Wesley labyrinth** will be open for individual walkers on **Tuesday afternoon, August 25**. There will be half-hour time slots between 1:00-4:00 pm. If the demand is sufficient, we will also open on the **26th**. Please email Francie Howard at francie.rosie@gmail.com if you wish to sign up for a time slot to enjoy this meditative walk. It is so peaceful to be in that sanctuary alone!"

Face to Face St James

St James people, please mark your calendars: We have been missing each other so we are planning a face to face gathering once it's cooler but still fit to be outdoors.

Sunday September 20, 11:30 a.m., Scotch Ridge Hall parking lot. Short worship and picnic, please bring your own chair and your own food and drink. Physical distancing and other safety protocols to be followed. [Rain date: September 27] We will remind you again nearer the time!

United Church Appeal for the Devastation in Lebanon

The tragic explosion in Beirut on August 4 caused immense destruction, and the death toll continues to rise. You can help those affected by donating to our appeal. Your donations will be matched by the Canadian government until August 24, 2020.

The United Church of Canada has been in contact with our Mission & Service partners in the region about how best to respond to this tragedy. Please continue to pray for the injured and those who have lost their lives, as well as the families, communities, and first responders to the disaster.

https://www.united-church.ca/lebanon?mc_cid=72c1800fcb&mc_eid=53786d38a3

Stewardship Message June 2020 – please click link

<https://wesleyunitedstandrewsbythesea704293189.files.wordpress.com/2020/06/stewardship-message-june-2020.pdf>

In case of pastoral emergency, contact Rev. Jane Doull

at 529-3474 or email me or text at 467-1494

Any other matters please contact Barb Sheen, Chair of the Worship Committee on 469-4631.

We will continue with our Zoom and Home Worship weekly services and we will soon have news of a few other events.

Events:

Sunday, 16th August **10 am** **Worship service via Zoom with Jane Doull**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3067392185> Meeting ID: 306 739 2185
Feel free to share the Zoom link with anyone else who wants to come

Sunday, 16th August **Home Worship**
a home worship service provided for those who can't do Zoom. [provided by email](#) or please see our website for at Home Worship and other virtual gatherings <https://wesleyunitedchurchstandrewsbytheseanb.ca/>

Wednesday 19th August **3-5 pm** **St Andrews and Area Open Door**
Side entrance, Wesley United Church, 77 William St, St Andrews

Please see our website for at Home Worship and other virtual gatherings:

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Please send all announcements to: WesleyUnitedStAndrews@gmail.com State if you wish them to go on the Bulletin, the COOP, Facebook page, Website, or all four! (photos can be placed on all but the bulletin) Thank you!

PRAYER REQUESTS: may be given to our Prayer Circle by

- 1. contacting Barb King davebarbking@gmail.com**
- 2. contacting Sharon Hannan retired@xplornet.ca or phone 466-1435**
- 3. by asking any of us from Wesley/St James community to pass on a request**

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