

COMMON UNION:

"So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus." - Galatians 3:26-28

Jesus has brought reconciliation to creation thru His death, burial and resurrection to life! His completed work has healed what was broken and separated into "otherness" - bringing us together and restoring "oneness." That Good News is cause for celebration! Communion or the Lord's Supper, is a new kingdom rhythm that Jesus initiated the night before His crucifixion - sharing food with His friends in celebration of Israels release from slavery. "As often as you do this - remember me," is what Jesus said. The sharing of Communion reminds us of what Jesus has accomplished and also declares our new reality established by Jesus - to be one! Our common union is Jesus and we celebrate "oneness" when we share communion together.

This Sunday when we gather online - we'll celebrate our common unity in Jesus - we'll participate together in the Lord's supper. This will be unique but a welcome reminder that though we are separated by geography - we are still one in Christ!

So just a heads up to have some delicious food and something to drink on hand where you're gathering on Sunday as we celebrate communion and we'll look forward to remembering and declaring together!

LIVING OUT GOD'S LOVE:



Nashville Road - thank you for living out God's love in generous worship by giving to others in need! We were able to gather over a hundred pounds of groceries to support the Regeneration Food Bank in Brampton! We know that sharing food from your cupboard in these days is more of a sacrifice for a number of reasons than it may have been previously. Thank you for helping meet the needs of others even as you consider your own needs.

We want to continue the rhythm of sharing our food to support Regeneration and other Food Banks as they help meet the growing needs in our community. Respond as you can whenever you can individually by taking a donation to your local food bank! We'll also give you a heads up in the next week or so as to when we'll organize another NRCC food donation pick up.

FAMILY HAPPENINGS:

- > HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO Noah Fitzell who celebrates his birthday on Sunday April 19th!
- > HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO Travis Kennedy who celebrates his birthday this week on Wednesday April 22nd!

PRAISE + PRAYER:

There are so many ways to worship God and practice our faith thru praise and prayer. Here are just a few items we can focus on today:

- > Pray for and end to this pandemic and for insights as to how to be the church in "just such a time as this."
- > Praise the Lord for how He provided safety for Bob & Janice Elliott and their daughter Lindsey when their house sustained significant damage in a fire on Tuesday. We've heard of so many ways that God watched over them: a passing driver on the road saw the flames and pulled over to alert them; they have a place to stay while they are unable to be in their own home; the response of support and care from the body of Jesus. Please continue praying for Bob, Janice and Lindsey as they recover from the shock of what happened and for wisdom as they make decisions.
- > Please continue to pray for Lee Sutherland's mother Karen as she grieves the passing of her husband and prepares to move from her home of 50 years.
- > Please continue asking God to heal and touch Martha Lawson's brother Jonathan as he struggles with post-concussion symptoms. Pray also for him to have an awareness of God's love.
- > Pray for parents who are both working from home as well as helping their kids with the new distance learning that our students are adjusting to. Continue praying for teachers who are also learning new rhythms and procedures for how they can help students learn from home.
- > Continue to remember Colleen one of our KCA Jr Kindergarten moms and her young daughter Charlotte. Colleen works in a hospital seeing COVID-19 patients daily and is working hard to juggle new stresses while Charlotte is not in school including driving 1.5 hours each way to take Charlotte to her sisters home for daycare.
- > Pray for those who are in self-isolation or are elderly and isolated from family or friends at this time.
- > Pray for our neighbours and those in our NRCC body who have recently lost their jobs due to the pandemic.
- > Pray for many who are working long hours keeping their businesses running and dealing with the increased economic stresses on them.
- > Continue praying for those on the frontlines during this crisis. Truck drivers, grocery store workers, healthcare workers
- Nurses, Doctors, First Responders. Charissa Redlich, Janet Body and Judi Guaragna remain heavily involved on the healthcare front. Please remember them as they go to work each day and also for the stress this can put on their families.
- > Continue to remember our national and local government leaders. Ask God to give them humility and clarity as they listen and process information and for wisdom to make wise decisions during this pandemic crisis. One of our elders Mark Redlich helps lead the Peel Region's response during this crisis. Pray for Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson and Brampton Mayor Patrick Brown and their families.
- > Pray for Reta Campbell as she ministers in her community in Jamaica in the midst of the COVID-19. Pray for others serving on mission in countries that are struggling during this global health crisis. Check out the GO page on our website for info on some of our global missionaries.
- > Pray for our elders as they meet weekly to pray and lead our body. Pray for sensitivity to the Holy Spirit's wisdom and insights as we move forward and consider the challenges and opportunities ahead.

When you have an item for praise or prayer or become aware of items that we as a community can join together with in praise and prayer - please contact <u>Melanie</u> in the church office and let her know or <u>you can click here to share a praise or prayer request from our church website</u>



CONTINUING TOGETHER!

As family we want to ensure no one feels isolated or alone even as we wisely practice physical distancing. During this season when we're not able to gather under the same *physical roof* - we're excited to gather under a *digital roof* thru our phones, computers and TV's!

Sunday mornings at 10:30 we're joining together online to worship God! Our gathering "place" is our NRCC TOGETHER space! It gives us the opportunity to engage together from our own living rooms around our city and connect, sing, pray, chat and encourage one another to live out God's love in practical ways as good neighbours in our communities.

You can check out the interface anytime. If you're new to that - there's some info on the next page that gives some basic how to's in order to take advantage of our online time together. We go live on Sunday morning at 10:30. So stay in your PJ's if you want, grab some coffee, gather your fam, and click the button below and be NRCC Together!



If you missed gathering live at 10:30 - we'll also post the video from that gathering to our church website afterwards.

You can find that video on the page that also lists some other ways to stay connected as the NRCC family throughout the week - like Instagram and Facebook. If you're not already connected on those social media platforms - <u>just click</u> <u>here</u> to head over to our website where those links are posted to help you connect.



PARENTS AND KIDS TOGETHER!

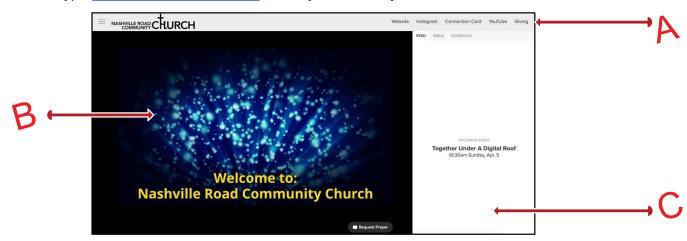
We're excited to have a space where kids can learn about Jesus together with their families! With the help of RightNow Media - we're taking our KidsKonnection activities online - it's the @Home Version! If you don't have a RightNow Media account - don't worry - it's free and you can get one anytime - just click here!

So once you've got a RightNow Media account - head over to our **KidsKonnection page** to engage and be ready during our Kids Konnection moment during our Sunday morning online gathering!

QUICK GUIDE TO OUR "NRCC TOGETHER" INTERFACE

Here's some info to help you get comfortable with what our new online portal looks like and how you can use it to connect and engage!

In your browser type online.nashvilleroad.ca Once you're there you'll see the MAIN INTERFACE



THE MAIN INTERFACE HAS 3 PARTS:

- A) THE TITLE BAR has helpful links to our website, our social media, a connection card, Kids and online giving
- B) THE MAIN VIEWSCREEN is how you'll view things once we go live
- C) THE RESOURCE WINDOW is how you can engage using a built in bible and public chat TABS.

We aren't live until 10:30 Sunday morning so the main viewscreen will have a looping video on when you arrive.

You can check out the links in the TITLE BAR and the online Bible in the RESOURCE window anytime regardless of whether we're live or not. The public chat feature will become available in the RESOURCE window a few minutes before 10:30 each Sunday morning. You'll see the CHAT TAB appear in the resource window at that point and it will remain available until about 30 minutes after we're finished each Sunday so you can stay and chat as you might if we were in the building on a Sunday. Too bad the interface can't provide coffee or Gail's amazing cookies though!

AT 10:30: The MAIN VIEWSCREEN will change and we're together! You should then see something like this:



At that point please click the UNMUTE button on the MAIN VIEWSCREEN in order to hear! You can continue to engage using the Public Chat and Bible features - just click their respective TABS in the RESOURCE window.

D) LIVE PRAYER:

During the live gathering you'll notice **D** a button that enables anyone to request LIVE PRAYER. Live Prayer is private and not public. Once you click LIVE PRAYER another tab **E** will open in the RESOURCE WINDOW that only you will be able to see. If you click that tab you can then chat privately with a host (one of our elders) in order to share your request and that chat will not be viewed publicly onscreen by anyone else.

We look forward to engaging together! If you are having difficulty connecting - please contact us and we'll help!

TROUBLESHOOTING:

> If you experience a lag between the audio and video - refreshing your screen should help clear that up.

NRCCONLINEGIVING



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

The heart of Nashville Road Community Church has always been to show the hope found in Jesus by living out His love to everyone. Generosity is an act of worship that expresses our gratitude, faith and love for others. We are grateful for how God provides for Nashville Road through your generosity of time, talent and finances!

As a church we offer ourselves to serve, and there is never pressure or expectation to give, however we know that it's natural to want to give to a church when you can see how your gifts are being used to benefit the community you live in, so we want to make it easy for you to be generous, should you choose to support the mission of NRCC financially.

We now have the ability to give financial offerings thru a partnership with <u>Tithe.ly</u> - an organization recommended by our CBOQ denomination. There are two new ways to give your offering in addition to regular envelopes:



Mobile Giving

You have the option to give from your mobile device via Tithe.ly. Just download the Tithe.ly app for <u>iPhone / iPad</u> or for <u>Android</u>



Online Giving

Once you create a Tithe.ly account - <u>you can give directly from this link to Tithe.ly</u>
You also have the option of setting up an automatic recurring gift if you prefer.



Envelope Giving

We have personalized offering envelopes available at the NRCC building.

During this season while we aren't gathering at the building you can still mail an envelope to the church building address.

Click here to go to the GIVE page on our website for more details, links and a helpful "how-to" video.



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