



# March 2020

Glen Elm   
CHURCH OF CHRIST

## Toward the Cross

For ages, Christians around the world have marked the weeks leading toward Easter (often called Lent) as a time for repentance and reflection. The focal point of that reflection has been the cross of Jesus Christ. In fixing our eyes on the cross, we are naturally moved to consider the qualities of Jesus displayed there. We note his obedience, his courage, his selflessness, his perseverance, and his love. In recognizing his qualities, we sense the contrasts with our own: We sense our inner darkness, our weakness, and our fear.

Theologian Don Saliers speaks of the Lent season in this way:

*“Lent is a double journey — a journey together (and alone) toward the mystery of God’s redemptive embrace in the death and resurrection of Christ. At the same time, it is **a journey into the depths of our humanity.**”*

In beholding the qualities of Jesus, we are amazed at his closeness. He enters and embraces our humanity; he’s not put off by our pettiness or puniness. He comes right in and makes himself at home, purchasing us at astronomical cost, to forever establish the level of value that God places upon us. In these weeks, we do well to feel the fullness of our own humanity so that we have opportunity to feel the fullness of his love. Devotional reading, personal journaling, open conversation, repentant prayer — these avenues help our thoughts and emotions (particularly those of which we are not proud) to register, to be felt and owned. Resist the urge to run past or stuff down; the King of glory is also the Christ of the cross. He specializes in meeting people of dust, in places of dust.

His love for you is deep today, friend.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar. 3 – Parents & Tots  
Mar. 3 – FriendSpeak  
Mar. 4 – Grow Kids  
Mar. 5 – Youth Group  
Mar. 6-7 – Youth Group Event  
Mar. 10. – FriendSpeak  
Mar. 11 – Grow Kids  
Mar. 12 – Youth Group  
Mar. 14 – Hymn sing  
Mar. 17 – Parents & Tots  
Mar. 17 – FriendSpeak  
Mar. 18 – Grow Kids  
Mar. 19 – Youth Group  
Mar. 24 – FriendSpeak  
Mar. 25 – Grow Kids  
Mar. 26 – Youth Group  
Mar. 31 – FriendSpeak

## SERVICES

**Sunday** - 10 am - 11:45 approx.

**Singing:** A blend of acappella, instrumental, traditional & contemporary. **Prayer:** Often led by a Shepherd or worship leader, some with group participation.

**Communion:** Shared weekly.

**Lesson:** 30-40 minutes connecting the message of Scripture with our daily lives.

**Sunday school:**


Nursery open (unstaffed)

**Children’s Classes:**

12mths – Grade 6

**Youth Class** – Grade 7 – 12.

# Seeking Christ .... Sharing Christ

	<p><b>Parents and Tots</b> – 9:30 – 11:00 am. 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday. Parents &amp; preschoolers, join for play and visiting.</p>	<p><b>Young Adults</b> For information on Young Adult activities or events, please contact <a href="mailto:Jonathan@warmwelcome.ca">Jonathan@warmwelcome.ca</a></p>
	<p><b>KidzLife</b> Wednesdays 6 – 7:30 pm. Cost is \$25/ child up to a max of \$100 per family. Register <a href="#">HERE</a> for KidzLife</p>	<p><b>FriendSpeak</b> Trains and equips churches to <u>reach</u> out to our international neighbors with English, friendship, and the Word of God. Tuesdays – 7pm to 8:30 pm. (Sept. – May) Contact: <a href="mailto:andrea.muirhead@gmail.com">andrea.muirhead@gmail.com</a></p>
	<p><b>VBS – SAVE THE DATE - July 6 – 10<sup>th</sup> 2020</b> <i>Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His power. ~ Ephesians 6:10</i></p> <p><b>Knights of North Castle – Quest for the King’s Armor</b></p>	<p><b>Small Groups</b> Typically meet in homes weekly during the school year. To connect with a group Contact: <a href="mailto:jonathan@warmwelcome.ca">jonathan@warmwelcome.ca</a></p>
<p><b>Youth Group – Meets Thursday evenings</b> Grade 7-12. Contact: <a href="mailto:jonathan@warmwelcome.ca">jonathan@warmwelcome.ca</a> for details.</p>	<p><b>Check out what’s happening @</b> <a href="http://www.warmwelcome.ca">www.warmwelcome.ca</a></p>	
<p><b>Weekly Email Updates</b> If you are new to our congregation or would like to be included on our mailing list, please contact <a href="mailto:office@warmwelcome.ca">office@warmwelcome.ca</a> or go to <a href="http://www.warmwelcome.ca">www.warmwelcome.ca</a> and click on I’m New Here and let us get to know you</p>		

**RightNow Media** - This streaming video site, to which our church subscribes, continues to regularly add great content to build viewers’ faith. If you haven’t yet received your free login info to this valuable-for-your-whole-family resource, email [jason@warmwelcome.ca](mailto:jason@warmwelcome.ca). If you’re a guest at our church, we’d love to gift you with this access just for being with us!

**Mission**  
Seek Christ. Share Christ.

**Vision**  
“We envision a church where people grow in Christ to love God, to love people, and to participate in Jesus’ mission, while being empowered and guided by the Holy Spirit. We desire to be a church that follows Jesus’ model of making disciples through relationships.”

Core Beliefs can be found on our website @ [www.warmwelcome.ca](http://www.warmwelcome.ca)

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**Washrooms** are available for men and women as well as families.

A room for **Nursing Mothers** or **sleeping babies** is also available.

We have a **Prayer Room** available on our upper level should you wish to use that space.