



# Peel Valley Congregation

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## Psalm 146 (NIV)

- <sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD.  
Praise the LORD, my soul.
- <sup>2</sup> I will praise the LORD all my life;  
I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.
- <sup>3</sup> Do not put your trust in princes,  
in human beings, who cannot save.
- <sup>4</sup> When their spirit departs, they return to the  
ground;  
on that very day their plans come to nothing.
- <sup>5</sup> Blessed are those whose help is the God of  
Jacob,  
whose hope is in the LORD their God.
- <sup>6</sup> He is the Maker of heaven and earth,  
the sea, and everything in them—  
he remains faithful forever.
- <sup>7</sup> He upholds the cause of the oppressed  
and gives food to the hungry.  
The LORD sets prisoners free,
- <sup>8</sup> the LORD gives sight to the blind,  
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed  
down,  
the LORD loves the righteous.
- <sup>9</sup> The LORD watches over the foreigner  
and sustains the fatherless and the widow,  
but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.
- <sup>10</sup> The LORD reigns forever,  
your God, O Zion, for all generations.  
Praise the LORD.



## Hebrews 9:11-14 (NIV)

### The Blood of Christ

- <sup>11</sup> But when Christ came as high priest of the  
good things that are now already here, he went  
through the greater and more perfect  
tabernacle that is not made with human  
hands, that is to say, is not a part of this  
creation.
- <sup>12</sup> He did not enter by means of the blood of  
goats and calves; but he entered the Most Holy  
Place once for all by his own blood, thus  
obtaining eternal redemption.
- <sup>13</sup> The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes  
of a heifer sprinkled on those who are  
ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that  
they are outwardly clean.
- <sup>14</sup> How much more, then, will the blood of  
Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered  
himself unblemished to God, cleanse our  
consciences from acts that lead to death, so  
that we may serve the living God!

## Meg's Musings

This week I enjoyed hearing a story with a happy ending. On December 18 last year, Jean Stratford mislaid her engagement ring. She knew that it had to be in her unit, or else in the St. Andrew's Community Hall. At the age of 97, Jean didn't really have the energy to conduct a full search of her unit. She did her best, but couldn't locate it. Jean was very disappointed, and very concerned, but couldn't do any more to search for the ring. Last month Jean went into respite care at Alblas, and recently decided to move there permanently. Her daughter packed up Jean's china cabinet, and some photos, to brighten up Jeans' room at Alblas, and then began the task of packing up the entire unit. As she was going through a drawer containing some papers she discovered Jeans' ring, safe and sound. Jean was so thankful, and so delighted, to have her precious ring returned safely.

Blessings from Meg



There cannot be a crisis next week. My schedule is already full ~ Henry Kissinger



## PEEL VALLEY CONGREGATION

Our goal: "To be transformed communities, experiencing, enjoying & sharing the gift of the friendship of Jesus."

Mission: "Called to be Free, Gifted to Serve."

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### IN OUR PRAYERS

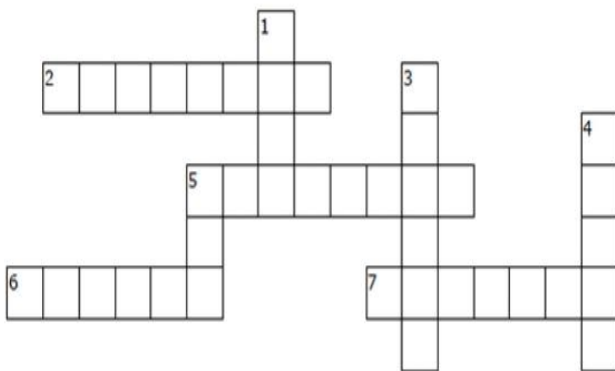
- As Covid19 regulations decrease, we pray that we will remain safe.
- We pray for the climate change conference in Glasgow.
- We give thanks to the God of Surprises - almost November, and we're still enjoying some cool nights!
- We pray for the families of each of our members.



## The Greatest Commandment

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" Mark 12:30-31 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on Mark 12:28-34



#### ACROSS

2. A person who lives near or next to another
5. The most important; better than all others of the same kind
6. Coming next in order after the first one
7. Someone who educates or trains others

#### DOWN

1. To have a deep feeling of affection or attraction for someone
3. A spoken or written reply to a question
4. The center and source of a person's emotions or feelings
5. The creator of heaven and earth; The One we worship

### Mark 12:28-34 (NIV)

#### The Greatest Commandment

<sup>28</sup> One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?"

<sup>29</sup> "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.

<sup>30</sup> Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.'

<sup>31</sup> The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these."

<sup>32</sup> "Well said, teacher," the man replied. "You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him.

<sup>33</sup> To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."

<sup>34</sup> When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions.



#### HAPPY

Are those who take life day by day, complain a little and are thankful for the little things in life.

Be so good they can't ignore you. ~ Steve Martin

### CHURCH SERVICES

Due to the growing number of Covid19 cases in Tamworth, CHURCH IS CANCELLED until further notice.

We hope to resume services again shortly, when the number of infected people is reduced.



"You're a good listener", said Tiny Dragon.  
"Listening has never landed me in trouble", replied Big Panda.

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