

June 4, 2020

Dear Grandview Church,

Grace and peace to you in the name of Jesus!

Enclosed is a resource offered to you by the staff team; spearheaded by Melanie and Rosemary, providing you with a rhythm for daily prayer that is simple. Use it in ways that serve you. It also includes a liturgy for welcoming the Sabbath, perhaps a simple first step if this practice is new to you.

Our focus over the next weeks as a church is on loving God and loving our neighbour. Times of disorientation can be important times to get back to the basics! This resource seeks to pray our way into loving God and loving neighbour more deeply. Who knows, we might even get to loving our enemy next!

Over the last couple of weeks the staff have been meeting together to ask what God is doing in our midst. In this time we have identified this shift that has been happening from our gathered life together that has in many ways been centered around our building, to our dispersed life that is centered around our homes and our immediate neighbourhoods. Over the coming weeks we will be shifting some of our online resources to play with things like, a service only in audio format. We will be listening for and sharing the stories of how we are encountering Jesus as we love God and neighbour. And we will be re-imagining how our Home Groups and our online gatherings are shaping us as the Body of Christ.

Over the coming weeks I will also be writing to you regularly, reflecting on some of the core values we hold as a church and what they might mean in this new season. We have articulated those values as Seeds of the Kingdom. Prayer is one of those seeds and a vital one for our community. We look forward to hearing how prayer is shaping you in this season.

May you know the fellowship of the Spirit and the mystical union we share together in Christ.

Peace of Christ be with you,

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