



**ROCK EUCHARIST:
THE MUSIC OF BILLY JOEL**

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WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER!

We are in the heart of downtown Toronto and we gather to celebrate on the traditional lands of the Wendat, Haudenosaunee, and Anishinaabe Nations, including the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. Our beautiful building connects us to the rich heritage of our city while also drawing us deeper into the roots of our Anglican tradition. Just as the streetscape around us has evolved over the years, our members have changed to reflect the growing, vibrant and progressive Christian community found at the Redeemer today.

We come from a variety of faith traditions (and sometimes no faith tradition at all), and we like it that way. We are students, workers, retired, homeless, not limited by sexual orientation, gender identity or personal history. We are at the very beginning of our life with Jesus and we are deeply steeped in a life complicated by faith. We open our doors to worship God and to learn about Jesus, and how all of this might just transform our lives.

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Land Acknowledgement

During the season of Lent, we will begin the liturgy in silence. Therefore, all are encouraged to offer this prayer, acknowledging the lands on which we dwell, before the service begins.

In this Holy time of Lent,
we acknowledge with respect
that we gather today in many sacred places
that were home to those who have been displaced.

We recognize that our church dwells on the traditional lands
of the Wendat, the Haudenosaunee and the Anishinaabe Nations,
including the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.
Holy One, help us to repent of all that we have done,
and to make peace with those whom we have wronged,
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

Opening Song: "Keeping The Faith"

Led by the Band

If it seems like I've been lost
In let's remember
If you think I'm feeling older
And missing my younger days
Oh, then you should have known me much better
'Cause my past is something that never
Got in my way
Oh no

Still I would not be here now
If I never had the hunger
And I'm not ashamed to say
The wild boys were my friends
Oh
'Cause I never felt the desire
'Til their music set me on fire
And then I was saved, yeah
That's why I'm keeping the faith
Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah
Keeping the faith

We wore old matador boots
Only Flagg Brothers had them with a Cuban heel
Iridescent socks with the same colour shirt
And a tight pair of chinos
Oh
I put on my shark skin jacket
You know the kind with the velvet collar
And ditty-bop shades
Oh yeah
I took a fresh pack of Luckies
And a mint called Sen-Sen
My old man's Trojans
And his Old Spice after shave
Oh

Combed my hair in a pompadour
Like the rest of the Romeos wore
A permanent wave, Yeah
We were keeping the faith
Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah
Keeping the faith
You can get just so much
From a good thing
You can linger too long
In your dreams
Say goodbye to the
Oldies but goodies
'Cause the good ole days weren't
Always good
And tomorrow ain't as bad as it seems

Learned stickball as a formal education
Lost a lot of fights
But it taught me how to lose O.K.
Oh, I heard about sex
But not enough
I found you could dance
And still look tough anyway
Oh yes I did
I found out a man ain't just being macho
Ate an awful lot of late night drive-in food Drank a lot of take home pay
I thought I was the Duke of Earl
When I made it with a red-haired girl
In the Chevrolet. Oh yeah
We were keeping the faith
Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah
Keeping the faith

You know the good ole days weren't always good
And tomorrow ain't as bad as it seems
I told you my reasons
For the whole revival
Now I'm going outside to have
An ice cold beer in the shade

Oh, I'm going to listen to my 45's
Ain't it wonderful to be alive
When the rock 'n' roll plays, yeah
When the memory stays, yeah
I'm keeping the faith
Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah
Keeping the faith
I'm keeping the faith,
Yes I am

The Gathering of the Community

Please rise, as you are able

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Eternal Lover of our wayward race,
you open your arms to accept us even before we turn to meet your welcome;
you invite us to forgiveness even before our hearts are softened to repentance.
Hold before us the image of our humanity made new,
so that we may live in Jesus Christ, your new creation. **Amen.**

First Reading

Reader: A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

2 Corinthians 5.16-21

People: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Sequence Song: "Pressure"

Led by the Band

You have to learn to pace yourself

Pressure

You're just like everybody else

Pressure

You've only had to run so far

So good

But you will come to a place

Where the only thing you feel

Are loaded guns in your face

And you'll have to deal with

Pressure

You used to call me paranoid

Pressure

But even you cannot avoid

Pressure

You turned the tap dance into your crusade

Now here you are with your faith

And your Peter Pan advice

You have no scars on your face

And you cannot handle

Pressure

All grown up and no place to go

Psych 1, Psych 2

What do you know?

All your life is channel 13

Sesame Street

What does it mean?

(I'll tell you what it means)

Pressure

Pressure

Don't ask for help

You're all alone

Pressure

You'll have to answer

To your own

Pressure

I'm sure you'll have some cosmic rationale

But here you are in the ninth

Two men out and three men on

Nowhere to look but inside

Where we all respond to

Pressure

Pressure

All your life is Time Magazine

I read it too

What does it mean?

Pressure

I'm sure you'll have some cosmic rationale

But here you are with your faith

And your Peter Pan advice

You have no scars on your face

And you cannot handle

Pressure

Pressure

Pressure

One, two, three, four

Pressure

The Gospel

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the

citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.”’ So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly, bring out a robe - the best one - and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ And they began to celebrate. Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.’ Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, ‘Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him! Then the father said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.’”

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

Luke 15.1-3,11b-32

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Reflection: Susan Haig

Please be seated

A moment of silence is observed.

The Prayers of the People

Please rise, as you are able

Leader: In this holy season of Lent, we turn to God in confidence and hope.
For our catechumens, their sponsors and leaders
and for all the holy people of God, that we may become instruments of peace
and reconciliation in a broken world.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: Lead us through the desert of truth.

All: **And bring us to the promised land.**

Leader: For all the nations of the world,
that we may be careful stewards of the resources of the Earth
and always guard and protect the wonders of Creation.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: Lead us through the desert of truth.

***All:* And bring us to the promised land.**

Leader: For the homeless and underhoused,
and refugees fleeing war-torn regions of the world,
that they may find belonging, safety and security.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: Lead us through the desert of truth.

***All:* And bring us to the promised land.**

Leader: For the unwanted and unloved, the broken, bewildered and missing,
that through us they may hear God's invitation to come
and sit at the banquet table.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: Lead us through the desert of truth.

***All:* And bring us to the promised land.**

Leader: For our neighbours and workmates, familiar but nameless faces
we notice each day on the train or bus, in the elevator or supermarket,
that we will always include them in our circles of care.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: Lead us through the desert of truth.

***All:* And bring us to the promised land.**

Leader: For this community of Redeemer,
that we may learn from God to seek the lost and rejoice in their homecoming.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: Lead us through the desert of truth.

***All:* And bring us to the promised land.**

Leader: For our own needs and the needs of others,
that God's abiding presence may be our strength and our hope.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: Lead us through the desert of truth.

***All:* And bring us to the promised land.**

Leader: God of mercy and compassion, bring us back to you when we stray
and give us again the joy of proclaiming your love among the nations.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

The Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Preparation of the Gifts

*The table is set with bread and wine making the Eucharistic meal for the gathered community.
Please join in with the musicians as this activity takes place.*

Song: “River Of Dreams”

Led by the Band

In the middle of the night
I go walking in my sleep
From the mountains of faith
To a river so deep
I must be looking for something
Something sacred I lost
But the river is wide
And it's too hard to cross

And even though I know the river is wide
I walk down every evening and I stand on the shore
And try to cross to the opposite side
So I can finally find out what I've been looking for

In the middle of the night
I go walking in my sleep
Through the valley of fear
To a river so deep
And I've been searching for something
Taken out of my soul
Something I would never lose
Something somebody stole

I don't know why I go walking at night
But now I'm tired and I don't want to walk anymore
I hope it doesn't take the rest of my life
Until I find what it is that I've been looking for

In the middle of the night
I go walking in my sleep
Through the jungle of doubt
To a river so deep
I know I'm searching for something
Something so undefined
That it can only be seen
By the eyes of the blind
In the middle of the night

I'm not sure about a life after this
God knows I've never been a spiritual man
Baptized by the fire, I wade into the river
That runs to the promised land
In the middle of the night
I go walking in my sleep
Through the desert of truth
To the river so deep
We all end in the ocean
We all start in the streams
We're all carried along
By the river of dreams
In the middle of the night

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: God of mercy and compassion,
your Word calls us home to faith and love.
Accept all we offer you this day,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer – Joint Assembly

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Priest: Eternal God, Source of all being,
we give you thanks and praise for your faithful love.
You call us into friendship with you and one another to be your holy people,
a sign of your presence in the world. When those we trust betray us,
unfailingly you remain with us.

All: **Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah. Keeping the faith.**

Priest: When we injure others,
you confront us in your love and call us to the paths of righteousness.
You stand with the weak, and those, broken and alone,
whom you have always welcomed home, making the first last, and the last first.

All: **Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah. Keeping the faith.**

Priest: Therefore we raise our voices with angels and archangels,
forever praising you and singing:

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Priest: Blessed are you, O Holy One:
when Hagar was driven into the wilderness you followed her and gave her hope.
When Joseph was sold into bondage, you turned malice to your people's good.
When you called Israel out of slavery, you brought them through the wilderness
into the promised land.

When your people were taken into exile
you wept with them by the river of Babylon and carried them home.

All: **Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah. Keeping the faith.**

Priest: At the right time you sent your Anointed One
to stand with the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed.
Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them.

Priest: He accepted water from a woman of Samaria and offered her the water of new life.
Christ knew the desolation of the cross and opened the way for all humanity into the redemption of your reconciling love.

All: **Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah. Keeping the faith.**

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

All: **Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah. Keeping the faith.**

Priest: Loving and Holy One,
recalling Christ's death and resurrection, we offer you these gifts,
longing for the bread of tomorrow and the wine of the age to come.
Therefore we proclaim our hope that in your dying you destroyed our death,
and in your rising, you restored our life

All: **Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah. Keeping the faith.**

Priest: Pour out your Spirit on these gifts
that through them you may sustain us in our hunger for your peace.
We hold before you all whose lives are marked by suffering,
our sisters and brothers.

When we are broken and cast aside, embrace us in your love.

All: **Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah. Keeping the faith.**

Priest: Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O Source of all life, now and for ever.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

All: **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Priest: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People: **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Priest: The gifts of God, for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Spiritual Communion

Priest: Dear friends, I invite you in this moment, wherever you may be, to receive Christ, in communion with the saints, and the gathering of God's people, unseen and yet present with us now. Many are made one.

The following prayer is said by all, in person and on zoom, during this prayer the elements are elevated, in offering to the people.

Priest: We receive you Lord Jesus Christ,

All: **We welcome your presence in us, and together proclaim our love for you; with our hearts, minds, our souls and our strength, with the saints we worship you, with the angels we adore you, with your whole Church we proclaim your reign. Come to us, though many, and make us one in you. Amen.**

Prayer of Reception

A time of stillness is kept to allow the community to make their spiritual communion offering this prayer in silence

One: Holy Jesus we receive you in this moment, giving you thanks and praise that you make yourself present to all your people in the bread and wine of the Eucharist. Transform our hearts that we may shine as your light in dark places; Where there is hatred, let us sow love; Where there is injury, pardon; Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; Where there is sadness, joy. And this all, in love for you. Amen.

Bread will be brought out to the community. If you need a gluten-free wafer, please ask.

Song: “Two Thousand Years”

Led by the Band

In the beginning
There was the cold and the night
Prophets and angels gave us the fire and the light
Man was triumphant
Armed with the faith and the will
That even the darkest ages couldn't kill

Too many kingdoms
Too many flags on the field
So many battles, so many wounds to be healed
Time is relentless
Only true love perseveres
It's been a long time and now I'm with you
After two thousand years

This is our moment
Here at the crossroads of time
We hope our children carry our dreams down the line
They are the vintage
What kind of life will they live?
Is this a curse or a blessing that we give?

Sometimes I wonder
Why are we so blind to fate?
Without compassion, there can be no end to hate
No end to sorrow
Caused by the same endless fears

Why can't we learn from all we've been through
After two thousand years?

There will be miracles
After the last war is won
Science and poetry rule in the new world to come
Prophets and angels
Gave us the power to see
What an amazing future there will be
And in the evening
After the fire and the light
One thing is certain: nothing can hold back the night
Time is relentless
And as the past disappears
We're on the verge of all things new
We are two thousand years

Prayer after Communion

Please rise, as you are able

Priest: All your works praise you, O Lord.

All: **And your faithful servants bless you.**

Gracious God,

**we thank you for feeding us with the body
and blood of your son Jesus Christ.**

May we, who share his body, live his risen life;

we, who drink his cup, bring life to others;

All: **we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world.**

Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,

so that we and all your children shall be free,

and the whole earth live to praise your name;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dismissal

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: **Thank be to God.**

Closing Song: “You’re Only Human (Second Wind)”

Led by the Band

You’re having a hard time and lately you don’t feel so good
You’re getting a bad reputation in your neighbourhood
It’s alright, it’s alright
Sometimes that’s what it takes
You’re only human, you’re allowed to make your share of mistakes

You better believe there will be times in your life
When you’ll be feeling like a stumbling fool
So take it from me you’ll learn more from you accidents
Than anything you could ever learn at school

Don’t forget your second wind
Sooner or later you’ll get your second wind
It’s not always easy to be living in this world of pain
You’re gonna be crashing into stone walls again and again
It’s alright, it’s alright

Though you feel your heart break
You’re only human, your gonna have to deal with heartache
Just like a boxer in a title fight
You got to walk in that ring all alone
You’re not the only one who’s made mistakes
But they’re the only things that you can truly call your own

Don’t forget your second wind
Wait in your corner until that breeze blows in
You’ve been keeping to yourself these days
Cause you’re thinking everything’s gone wrong
Sometimes you just want to lay down and die
That emotion can be so strong
But hold on
Till that old second wind comes along

You probably don’t want to hear advice from someone else
But I wouldn’t be telling you if I hadn’t been there myself
It’s alright, it’s alright
Sometimes that’s all it takes
We’re only human
We’re supposed to make mistakes

But I survived all those long lonely days
When it seemed I did not have a friend
Cause all I needed was a little faith
So I could catch my breath and face the world again
Don't forget your second wind
Sooner or later you'll feel that momentum kick in
Don't forget your second wind
Sooner or later you'll feel that momentum kick in

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We are grateful for our musicians this evening:

Will Reid, bass and vocals
Mike Daley, guitar and vocals
Jill Daley, piano
Dan Norman, synthesizer and percussion

LENT AT REDEEMER

*Sundays, March 6 to April 10, 9:30 AM & 11:15 AM – Lent services
Sung Eucharist*

Sunday, April 3, 7:00 PM – Prayers for Peace

Sunday, April 10, 7:00 PM – Bach Vespers featuring Dietrich Buxtehude’s “Membra Jesu Nostri”

Weekdays, 12:15 PM – Lenten Mid-Day Prayer

HOLY WEEK AT REDEEMER

*Sunday, April 10, 9:30 AM & 11:15 AM – Palm Sunday service
Sung Eucharist*

Monday to Wednesday, April 11 to 13, 12:15 PM & 6:00 PM – Mid-Week services

Thursday, April 14, 7:30 PM – Maundy Thursday service

*Friday, April 15, 9:30 AM & 12:00 PM – Good Friday services
Children’s Liturgy followed by traditional Good Friday service*

*Saturday, April 16, 9:00 PM – Holy Saturday service
Easter Vigil*

Sunday, April 17, 9:30 AM & 11:15 AM – Easter Day services

Faith Formation

At Church of the Redeemer, we offer a variety of faith formation programs. For our youngest members and their families, we offer Pyjama Prayers on Zoom on Friday Nights at 6:45 PM. This is a time of story, songs, and prayers at the end of a week. For children (JK-Grade 6) we offer Church School Sundays at 9:30 AM on Zoom, these lessons help us connect, learn about Jesus, and have some fun.

Our youth group (Grade 7-12) gather on Zoom at 9:30 AM to discuss, share life, and learn. Contact Andrew Kuhl (akuhl@theredeemer.ca) for more information about Children, Youth and Families.

Worship and Spirituality

During the Week

Mid-day Prayer

Members of our community gather for mid-day prayer **Monday through Saturday** on Zoom at **12:15 PM**. For about 20 minutes we pause to hear scripture read and to pray for what's on our hearts and for the cares and concerns of the world. The Zoom link and list of readings is sent out each week through eNews. The order of service is [on our website](#) (theredeemer.ca).

Prayer on Wednesday

Each Wednesday morning, a simple order for daily prayer is added to the parish website with a link shared on the Facebook page. This is an invitation to set aside time during the day to read scripture, to reflect and to offer prayers. The order of service for this coming Wednesday will be posted on the [website](#) (theredeemer.ca).

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Each month a cycle of prayer is available [online](#). This resource provides the names of ministries from the Anglican Communion, the Indigenous cycle of prayer, the diocese, and our community to hold in our prayers each day. In peace we pray. Lord, Hear our prayer.

On Sunday

Intercessions

In the prayers of the people each Sunday, space is left for members of the community to add a name or concern. If you have people or situations that you would like but are not comfortable giving voice to them, there is a [prayer request form](#) on the website. These will be added in the Zoom chat in the appropriate petition of the intercessions.

In the Community

Calling All Pilgrims

The Becoming Pilgrims Committee invites all parishioners contemplating walking the Camino this September to a planning/preparation meeting on **Wednesday March 30** at 7:30 PM. The meeting will be both in the sanctuary of the church and by Zoom. A Camino veteran will speak to us about preparation and planning. Please join us and bring your questions. The link to the Zoom will be available in next week's eNews.

Redeemer Readers

The book for discussion this Lent is *Power and Passion: Six Characters in Search of Resurrection* by Samuel Wells, (with optional extras: *Credo* by William Sloane Coffin – a Reader suggestion; and “Silence in the Face of Mystery” by Rowan Williams, a version of the final chapter of Williams' *Being Human*). The Lent discussion will take place on **March 31 at 12:00 PM**. Please register to receive the Zoom link. The link to register for the discussion is in the Thursday edition of eNews and on the website (theredeemer.ca).

The Common Table – Laundry Volunteers Needed!

We now have a new resting area every Monday, which has proved to be a huge help to offer folks the space to take a load off comfortably and safely. We use tall and comfortable blow-up beds and real sheets and blankets which are a notable difference from uncomfortable mats on the ground offered in most spaces. To ensure we can continue to offer this cozy space, we need **a few people** to do **a load or two of laundry each week**. The laundry will be bagged and ready to pick up anytime Monday afternoon or later, it just needs to be returned clean and ready to use by Sunday or before. Please let us know if you would be willing to be on the laundry rotation, to ensure we can continue offering this important space of rest for folks! Thanks so much for considering. Please email Kelly if you are interested at: kbouchard@theredeemer.ca

The REDress Project

The REDress Project was created by Jaime Black, a Metis artist. Each red dress that is hung up acknowledges an Indigenous woman or girl who has been murdered or is missing. The Church of Redeemer will once again make this acknowledgment in June, by hanging red dresses on the outside of the church. As Jaime Black has said, “Each dress will become a teacher, educating those who are not aware of the violence against these women and girls.

This art gives Indigenous women and girls a voice, as it acknowledges their having been murdered or missing.” In order to accomplish this, the Indigenous Solidarity Working Group (ISWG) is asking members of the Redeemer Community to consider donating red dresses. For anyone who is able to make such a donation, we are asking you to bring your donated red dress, or dresses, to the church, indicating they are for ISWG. Thank you for your consideration and possible donation!