

April 29, 2019



*"If we do not give thanks daily for the Christian community in which we have been placed, even when there are no great experiences, no noticeable riches, but much weakness, difficulty, and little faith – and if, on the contrary, we only keep complaining to God that everything is so miserable and so insignificant and does not at all live up to our expectations – then we hinder God from letting our community grow according to the measure and riches that are there for us all in Jesus Christ." ~ Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

### **Church is more**

Over these past weeks we have gained a new understanding of what it means to be the church, the body of Christ. It is more than coming together in one place and celebrating God corporately. It is more than being involved in a ministry or program. It is more than trying to find my place in a local expression of church. It is more than organizing the day-to-day work of the church.

Church is also where I live. As a member of the body of Christ He is reaching out through me to the world around me. I serve on His behalf where I am with my unique gifts. And Christ is present where two or three are gathered in His name. That could be your family or your friends.

So, as you long for the day when we will worship together again, "give thanks daily for the Christian community in which you have been placed." And be the member of Christ's body wherever God has placed you right now.

### **Looking for an excuse to be outside?**

We have a few outdoor spring cleanup tasks that need to be tackled on the church grounds. If you are interested in helping out, we invite you to contact the church office at [office@gracepointchurch.ca](mailto:office@gracepointchurch.ca)

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