

UPDATE ON JANICE: Janice had her surgery today and is recovering at home. It was a longer and harder day than she imagined, but she is doing OK and Les (her husband) is taking good care of her at home. Now the waiting begins for the analysis of the results and establishment of a treatment plan based on the results. She did receive her CAT scan results and there was nothing unexpected.... suggesting the cancer hasn't spread... so this is GREAT news!

REMEMBERING THE VICTIMS OF THE MASS SHOOTING: The "Nova Scotia Remembers Legacy Society" is a group on Facebook that you can join. It writes: Join us as we commemorate the first anniversary of the tragic events of April 18/19 2020. It will be Live streamed and filmed by CBC. Jeff Douglas of Mainstreet CBC will be the Master of Ceremonies and he will be joined by beloved musicians, such as Brett Kissel, Melanie Doane, Johnny Reid and Heather Rankin, as well as spiritual teachers and political leaders. Viewing sites will be set up at the bandstand at Victoria Park and in communities throughout the Colchester region, and Live Streamed here. We encourage you to reach out to your neighbours to watch this event, as we all know that we're stronger when we're together. According to our own Krista Lake, who is helping to organize the event, in addition to being livestreamed through the Nova Scotia Remembers Legacy Society Facebook page, it will also appear on Global and CTV will air live on line. And CBC will air it on TV at 6 p.m.

There is also a MEMORIAL WALK. The Facebook page says: Join us throughout the week of April 11th to April 19th, as we pay tribute to the victims of the April tragedy by taking a quiet walk through an identified trail at Victoria Park, Truro. Along the walk there will be memorial sites to honour each of the victims where you can pause, grieve and remember together. On Sunday, April 18th from 12:00 - 2:00pm, the walk will be reserved for victims' family members only. The NS Remembers Team will be present at the park throughout these days to support you through this difficult time. As per usual, we ask that you abide by the COVID friendly Conduct at the time.

PULPIT SUPPLY: I am taking a week of study leave (to do some long term planning) and a week of vacation (to get some much needed down time) from April 19th – May 3rd. Sometimes folks like to take a break from worship when their minister is away... but if you do you will really be missing out! The minister filling in for Shannon at Sunday worship those two weeks is Rev. Maryann Skinner, she is a chaplain at the women's federal prison. More to follow later, but mark the dates!

APRIL 25th NOT LIVESTREAMED: Please take note that the service on April 25th will not be livestreamed but will be available online in the day or two following. Thank you again to Ken Henderson who makes sure our worship services are available on line!

WHY HOLY HUMOUR WORSHIP ISN'T ONLINE: We had the chance to celebrate the joy that can be found in the resurrection on HOLY HUMOUR Sunday on April 11th! It was livestreamed as well. Unfortunately, it was taken off Youtube (by Youtube) for a copy right violation. My explanation of "but the Mr. Bean in Church videos were funny and worked so well for our service" didn't cut the mustard. So if you are looking for a Holy Humor service... join us NEXT year!

CD PLAYER: We have a congregation member who needs a CD player to listen to the CDs of our worship service. Does anyone have a small boom box laying around that could use a new loving home? Please let me know if you do. Thanks.

Peace, Rev. Shannon