

Rockway and First (North Pelham) Pastoral Charge Sunday April 25, 2021 Mission Awareness Sunday 4th Sunday of Easter Worship at Home Rev. Marian Raynard Phone: 905-892-4055

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This morning our Worship at Home material has been prepared by the Rev. Nicole Reid, of Cornerstone Ministry in Dunnville.

Rev. Nicole Reid began life's journey in Germany, immigrating to Canada at the age of nine. She was raised Roman Catholic, but had her own mini – reformation in her early twenties and became a Presbyterian. She married Jeff, 31 years ago, has 6 children, three of whom are married and one who is engaged (grandchildren are still pending). She as a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering and a Master of Divinity degree (from Knox College) with 20 years of mothering experience in between. Almost five years ago, she planted a mission called *Cornerstone*, in Dunnville, introducing mostly marginalized women and their families to the joys of following Jesus. Nicole was ordained to this ministry and mission January 26, 2020. For the past 20 years, Nicole has lived on a hobby farm near Dunnville where she likes baling hay and bottle-feeding lambs. In her spare time she likes to read, bake, garden, create stained glass, and play the cello.

If you would like to make a donation to the ministry of Cornerstone, you can do so in several ways:

Cheques made out to Knox Presbyterian Church, Dunnville with "Cornerstone" on the memo line or go to the Knox Dunnville website: https://pccweb.ca/knox-dunnville/donate/

Or to the Cornerstone website: https://canadahelps.org/en/dn/40039

Take a moment to quieten yourself, and to prepare for worship, bringing your heart and mind to this time with God. (you may light a candle for your time of worship

We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional territory of the Haudensaunee and Annishnaabee

With the provincial Stay at Home order, Worship and activities have been suspended at both churches.

Mission Moment – Arising!

ARISE Ministry offers compassionate outreach and spiritual care to survivors of sexual exploitation living in the Greater Toronto Area. Inspired by Jesus' healing of the woman who was afflicted for 18 years with a condition that kept her bent over (Luke 13:10–17), ARISE aims to help those who have been living "bent over" by exploitation, trauma, abuse and addiction. Staff and volunteers work with vulnerable women, youth and children by providing one-on-one, goal-oriented support. As relationships strengthen, hope and empowerment are fostered, making it possible for futures to be reclaimed. Like the woman in the gospel of Luke, several women that ARISE has helped are now standing straight and tall, and God continues to do amazing things in their lives. This is a reason to rejoice!

