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Greetings!

As we celebrate the season of Advent, it is my hope and prayer that you and your family are staying safe and healthy. What a challenging time we are living through!

Here are a few updates for our church family.

Christmas delivery

I just wanted to thank the group of volunteers who prepared and delivered the 'Christmas surprise' that we all got over the weekend! Here is a list of all those who gave of their time and talents to make this happen! 😊

...created the gifts - Shana, Ena, Kim, Rhonda, Elaine

...made deliveries - Carol, Jim, Tracy, Ivan, Ginny

...prepared the Church directory - Graham, Robert

...wrote the letter - Ian

please don't forget to water your plants!

Christmas Eve service

At our December Session meeting, the elders decided that the Christmas Eve service will be held **online** only. This decision was not made lightly, but in the interest of keeping everyone safe, we feel that this is the right thing to do. More details will be sent out about this service closer to the 24th.

Search Committee update

The Search Committee has been hard at work these past 2 months putting together a "Congregational Profile" that will be made available to interested ministers. The profile is now complete and will be submitted this week to the national office of the Presbyterian Church in Canada to be distributed. And now, we watch and wait and pray!

May you experience the peace of Christ in your hearts.

Blessings, *Emma*.

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Christmas Greetings

To the West Flamboro Church family:

We remember the words of the angels to the shepherds: *Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. (Luke 2:10,11)*

This is the third Christmas season that I have been leading worship at West Flamboro Presbyterian Church. For me personally it has been a privilege and blessing to be part of your Christian family. This year has been a very challenging one for all of us, and especially for families with children in school, for the elderly in retirement homes, and for those who have lost their jobs. At the church, as for everyone, we have had to observe all the protocols imposed by our government and have done so gladly in order to keep our people safe. These restrictions will mean that we will be unable to offer a Christmas Eve service this year. This has always been a highlight of our season. Week by week, however, we have been able to provide recorded services since we were forced to close the church last March. But I know that many of you have not been able to connect with these services and we are deeply sorry about this.

My prayer for each one of you, and especially for those who have been unable to connect each week with our recorded worship services, is that the God who sent his Son into the world will bless and keep you this Christmas season. I have missed you and I know that West Flamboro Elders and congregation look forward to us being together again in worship.

My prayer for you today follows Paul's prayer for the Christians in Philippi: *Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God...will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:6ff)*

May God's richest blessing be upon each one of you.

Ian

Rev. Dr. Ian McPhee, Stated Supply Minister

Merry Christmas

May the Advent season bring you
Hope, Peace, Joy and Love.
Celebrate the birth of Our Saviour,
Jesus, the Prince of Peace.



Your church family prays for your good health,
body, mind and spirit this Christmas season
and through the coming year.
We look forward to seeing you again.

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