

March 20th, 2016

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Church Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday—9 a.m. — 12 noon

FACEBOOK: Like us on Facebook for an easy way to connect with all the latest news and updates.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/ChristLutheranChurchSC

YOUTUBE: Listen to Pastor Duke's sermons on YouTube at www.youtube.com/user/ChristStCats

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Please send to secretary@christlutheransc.ca.

Deadline for submission is Thursday at 9 a.m.

PALM SUNDAY

Prayer: Almighty and everlasting God the Father, who sent Your Son to take our nature upon Him and to suffer death on the cross that all mankind should follow the example of His great humility, mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of our Saviour Jesus Christ in His patience and also have our portion in His resurrection; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

9:00 a.m. - Contemporary Service (*Musician: Jeff Gondosch*)

Hymns: 442, How Great is Our God, Glorify Thy Name

10:00 a.m. - Sunday School, Bible Study, Coffee

Choir: 1.) Jesus, Name Above All Names (after the Epistle)

2.) Hosanna to Jesus (after the Gospel)

10:15 a.m.- Abuse Prevention Training in Choir Loft area

11:00 a.m. - DS3 Traditional Service (*Musician: Jeff Gondosch*) Hymns: 442, 443, 441

WELCOME GUESTS & VISITORS: Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church! If this is your first time with us please sign our Guest Registry in the back of the church by the double doors. May our gracious and loving Lord bless you as you worship Him.

WE THANK OUR ASSISTANTS FOR TODAY'S SERVICES:

GREETERS: 11 a.m. Anna Schneikart
(Next Sunday: Erna McBride / Paul Wachs)

ELDERS: 9 a.m. John Gondosch

11 a.m. Glenn Pink

OVERHEAD MUSIC: 11 a.m. Adam Meyer

COFFEE HOUR: Bronwyne Goodburn Sonja Eppinger

(Next Sunday Easter Sunday Pancake Breakfast)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND BEST WISHES to Florence Brunsch who celebrates her 98th Birthday on Tuesday, March 22nd. We pray that she remains healthy and has many more!

OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES go out to the family of Irene Primmer, called home to heaven Monday, March 14th and given Christian burial here at Christ Lutheran on Friday. May God comfort her family with His love and compassion at this difficult time.

DAILY SCRIPTURE MEDITATIONS:

Monday: 1 Pet. 2: 21-24

Wed.: Rev. 1: 5b-7

Friday: Rev. 5: 1-14

Tuesday: 1 Tim. 6: 12-14

Thurs.: 1 Cor. 11: 20-32

Sat.: 1 Pet. 3: 17-22

EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Monday: 7:30 p.m. – Choir
Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. – Precious Moments
10:00 a.m. – Luther Manor Bible Study
8:00 p.m. – Heaven Help Us
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. – SOUL Bingo/Sing-a-long
7:00 p.m. – Luther Manor Board Meeting
7:15 p.m. – Recovery Meetings
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – SOUL Crafts 11:30 a.m.–SOUL Lunch Group & Bible Study
7:00 p.m. – Maundy Thursday Worship with Communion
7:45 p.m. – Rhythm & Blessings
Friday: **10:00 a.m. – Good Friday Worship with Communion**
2:00 p.m. – Estonian Service with Communion
7:00 p.m. – Tenebrae Service of Darkness

TODAY—ABUSE PREVENTION POLICY VOLUNTEER TRAINING SESSION: A

training session will be held on this morning **at 10:15 in the Choir Loft area**. It is recommended that every member of the congregation attend a training session, however, it is imperative that members of church council, elders, Sunday School teachers, Vacation Bible School volunteers and SOUL volunteers attend. For more information contact Judy Slingerland at 905-688-3867 or by email: jslingerland@cogeco.ca.

“Jesus Loves Me This I Know”: Are you humming the tune yet? It is amazing how just a few words can bring a wave of memories and a blanket of comfort. Do the children in your life know this truth? We encourage you to extend the invitation of attending ***Precious Moments*** to the young families that you are in contact with. Children can come with a parent, grandparent or caregiver, whether they are members or not. We meet Tuesday mornings in the church Nursery from 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Pro-Life Coffeehouse and Dessert Night Thursday March 31, 2016 with Guest

Speaker MP Harold Albrecht: Topic: Physician Assisted Suicide. Recommendations before Parliament are alarming. What will they mean for the vulnerable and for doctors, nurses, and pharmacists? What will they mean for our hospitals and hospices? As the June 6 deadline for new assisted suicide legislation draws closer, what can we do? St. Catharines Right to Life invites you to join us at the Coffeehouse, Knights of Columbus Hall, 235 Church St., 7:30 p.m. March 31st to hear MP Albrecht explain what's at stake. Info: Call 905-684-7505 or visit the Events page on Chooselife.ca.

PLEASE NOTE: Confirmation Sunday will be April 3rd this year.

LCC Restructuring Information Meeting:

On **Monday, 4 April, 7:00pm, at Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary**, Revs Les Stahlke and Bill Ney will present a summary of results from the recent synod-wide survey on restructuring. They have received more than 600 pages of comments, which they will try to digest for you. This will be a great opportunity to learn more about this important process, to ask questions, and to add further input. Pastors and laypeople alike are encouraged to come.

Spring Circuit Forum ... Apr. 10, 3 p.m.

"Discussing the Future of the Niagara Circuit" Will you always have a church home and a pastor to care for you? Let's talk about it. All members of our congregations are encouraged to attend the **Spring Circuit Forum at Resurrection Lutheran Church, 400 Glenridge Avenue in St. Catharines on April 10, at 3pm**. Our circuit pastors will introduce discussion topics based on a study of the situation in which an increasing number of churches consider themselves unable to have a pastor. Thank you for helping to get the word out. I hope to see you there. Pastor Lantz

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING – July 8-12th. Confirmed and high school youth are encouraged to attend this 5 day event, gathering Lutheran youth from all over Canada! **“Living H2O – Come thirsty – leave refreshed!”** You’ve seen the logo and maybe you’re wondering why we’re talking about water? Water is needed for life, and Jesus Himself has promised us in John 4 to provide us with “living water.” We will learn more about this living water from our main stage presenters, but we will also have the opportunity to gather in smaller groups for an H2O break where we get the chance to go a little deeper into the ideas presented on the main stage. For more information look to www.NYG16.ca or facebook 2016NationalYouthGathering. (* Keep in mind that we have been doing the fund-raisers to help lower the registration cost for this gathering*)

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DATES: Monday, July 25 – Friday July 29. Regular VBS from 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon, and extended hours for children in Grade 1-6 will be 12 noon – 4:00 p.m. We are presently looking for individuals willing to take on leadership roles as “SITE LEADERS”; specifically Crafts, Registration, Recreation, Snacks, Bible Challenge. Prayerfully consider where you might serve. We are also looking for individuals willing to come for an afternoon to teach our “extended hours children” a specific sport & skill, teaching them a form of art work or a craft to take home or to be given as a gift. Thank you to “Chef James” who is returning this year (yeah!!!) empowering us to be creative in the kitchen. For more information, please speak with Louise.

Last Sunday Attendance: (March 13th, 2016) 9 a.m. - 68 11 a.m. - 69 Total: 137, ('15 - 149)

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Last Sunday</u>	<u>Year To Date</u>
Current:		2,558.85	43,088.98
Missions		340.00	5,001.50
Property Improvement		130.00	1,802.50

EASTER LILIES: If you would like to purchase an Easter Lily to adorn the altar for our Easter services, maybe as a memorial or in thankfulness, please place your name on the sign-up sheet in the narthex. (Names will be printed in the Easter Bulletin.) Lilies may be taken home after the late service on Easter Sunday.

BULLETINS BY E-MAIL: If you would like to receive the bulletin by email please email to: chairman.outreach@christlutheransc.ca and leave your name and permission to have bulletins emailed to you. You can cancel at any time. This is a good way to always be in touch with activities and events happening at Christ Lutheran Church.

FOLDING TABLES: If you borrowed folding tables from the basement, please return them as soon as possible"

DO YOU ENJOY SCIENCE?? Check out the “Awesome Science” series that takes you on a field trip around the world to explore geologic and historical evidence which supports biblical record. You can find this series on our **“Right Now Media”** site. To find out how to easily log on, speak with Pastors, Louise or someone in the church office.

Bearskin Lake VBS Support: We are collecting items that need to be mailed ahead of a L.A.M.P team visit to Bearskin Lake this summer. Donations of markers, coloured pencils, glue sticks, felt squares, roll of good quality paper, scissors for young children, beads for stringing, string, buttons, glitter, stickers would be most appreciated! Monetary contributions are also welcome for mail costs or extra supplies. Please give to Julie, or leave in the Narthex labelled 'LAMP'. Thank you!

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES INFORMATION:

Ambassador Aaron invites you to pray for and support this soul-saving mission. Talk to him personally, or phone him at 905-937-4997.

Wired With THE WORD: Online tools and services from Lutheran Hour Ministries!!

Daily Devotions: www.lhm.org/new_devo.htm

Topical Messages: www.lhm.org/topical.htm

Search the Scriptures: www.lhm.org/verse.

E-mail Services: www.lhm.org/email.htm

About Us: www.lhm.org/about.htm

Just for Men! Check It Out:

The Men's NetWork: lhmmen.com

LISTEN TO THE LUTHERAN HOUR, Sundays on CHAM 820 at **8:00 a.m.** Next Sunday's topic (March 27th), ***"An Unbeliever's Sermon" (Luke 24: 5-6)*** — Speaker: Rev. Ken Klaus—Pastor Ken Klaus asked several non-believing friends to help him write his Easter sermon.

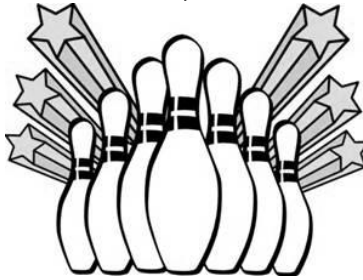
The Parish Education Committee is hosting
APRIL FAMILY FUN DAY
and invites you to an afternoon of

******BOWLING******

Saturday, April 23rd, 2016

3:00 to 4:30 p.m.
at

**Pla-mor Bowling Lanes,
106 Main Street, Port Dalhousie**



Everyone is Invited!

****Please sign up on sheet at back of church
if you plan to come so we know approximate
number of people coming!!****

Hope to see you there—great FUN for everyONE!!

Parish Education

“Family Fun Days for 2016”

Coming Events to mark on your calendars!!

(contact Lorraine Kaija by texting 905-964-5837 for more information)

Saturday, April 23rd

3:00 – 4:30 p.m.)

Bowling

Pla-mor Bowling Lanes, Port Dalhousie

Saturday, May 14th

4-6 p.m.

Ball Hockey activity at the church

(followed by pot-luck)

Saturday, June 11th

5—8 p.m.

Date night for parents

Children—dinner and movie

*Then Jesus said, “Come to me, all of you who are weary
and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble
and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls.*

Matt. 11: 28-29 (NLT)

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Today—Palm Sunday, March 20th

9:00 a.m.—Contemporary Service

11:00 a.m.—Traditional Service

Thursday, March 24th

7:00 p.m.—Maundy Thursday Worship

(with Holy Communion)

Friday, March 25th

10:00 a.m.—Good Friday Worship

(with Holy Communion)

7:00 p.m.—Tenebrae Service

(Service of Darkness)

Easter Sunday, March 27th

9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

Easter Pancake Breakfast—Everyone Welcome!



9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

EASTER WORSHIP

(No Sunday School or Bible Class)

Sunday, April 3rd

9:00 a.m.—Confirmation Speeches

11:00 a.m.—Rite of Confirmation

Easter Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, March 27th



Please join us for our
“Annual Pancake Breakfast” served from
9:45 to 10:45 a.m. in the
Church basement. Breakfast
includes:
pancakes, sausages, hot-cross
buns, coffee and orange juice. Price is a free-will offering
(to enable the Fellowship Committee to cover costs).

As it is the custom for the men of the congregation to do
the cooking and serving, we are once again asking the
gentlemen to sign below for the time most convenient
and place it in the offering basket (or give to a Fellowship
Committee member.)



Gentlemen:

Please Sign below:

Thank you for volunteering!!!

Name

Phone Number

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. - _____

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. - _____

(Clean-up)

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - _____