

April 29th, 2018

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## CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/ChristLutheranChurchSC](http://www.facebook.com/ChristLutheranChurchSC)

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Please send to [secretary@christlutheransc.ca](mailto:secretary@christlutheransc.ca).

Deadline for submission is Thursday at 9 a.m.

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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Prayer:** O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will; therefore grant to Your people that they may love what You command and desire what You promise, that among the manifold changes of this age our hearts may ever be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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: Mayumi Munoz*)  
Hymns: In Christ Alone, Jesus Name Above All Names, The Lamb,  
They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

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

11:00 a.m. – DS3 Traditional (*Musician: Mayumi Munoz*)

Hymns: 478, 526, 480

2:00 p.m. – Call Meeting

**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. Frank Parkhouse

**ELDERS:** 9 a.m. John Gondosch

11 a.m. Glenn Pink

**COFFEE HOUR:** Wendy Shook Crystal Bogusat

**PLEASE KEEP** Pastor Makey (and Linda) in your prayers as he continues to serve us as vacancy pastor. We thank God that He has blessed us with such a compassionate shepherd. God Bless you Pastor and Linda as He enables you to work among and with us!

*(Heavenly Father you are the giver of all good gifts. Thank you that you have been with us throughout this vacancy. We pray that you would prepare our hearts and minds to call the Pastor, YOU would have us call. Give us wisdom, patience, and understanding. If it be Your will, that he would come and serve your people here, help us to realize change is a part of growth. Continue to shape and mould us as a congregation, to be effective in reaching out to others. In Jesus Name, Amen)*

<p><b><u>ANNUAL REPORT:</u></b> Please hand in your reports for 2017 to: <a href="mailto:secretary@christlutheransc.ca">secretary@christlutheransc.ca</a> Thank you!</p>
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## **DAILY SCRIPTURE MEDITATIONS:**

Monday: Mark 1: 35-39      Wed.: 1 Tim. 2: 1-8      Friday: Col. 3: 1-4  
Tuesday: Col. 4: 2-6      Thurs.: Acts 1: 1-11      Sat.: Luke 18: 1-8a

## **EVENTS THIS WEEK:**

Today: 2:00 p.m. – Call Meeting  
Monday: 6:00 p.m. – Sewing for Haiti    7:30 p.m. - Choir  
Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. – Precious Moments  
8:00 p.m. – Fellowship Meeting  
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. – SOUL Bingo-Sing-A-Long    7:15 p.m. – Recovery Meeting  
Thursday 10:00 a.m. – SOUL Crafts    7:30 p.m. – Band Practice  
Friday: 10:00 a.m. – MAD Friday (SOUL)  
Edlya Young Adults Retreat in Fisherville until Sunday  
Next Sunday: 4:00 p.m. – Niagara Area Choir Concert here at Christ

**OUR CALL MEETING will be held this afternoon at 2:00 p.m.**

**EDLYA:** All Young Adults (18-35) are invited to a Retreat at Trinity Lutheran Church in Fisherville May 4<sup>th</sup> to May 6<sup>th</sup>. Topic: The Occult—A Christian Perspective. For more information contact Hamilton's EDLYA rep Erika Schroth-Gajdos at [erikaes12@gmail.com](mailto:erikaes12@gmail.com). To register: [www.edlya.ca](http://www.edlya.ca)

**NIAGARA AREA LUTHERAN CHOIR CONCERT here at "Christ".** They will be joined by our own Church Choir for a couple numbers. **Next Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m.** A light supper to follow. Everyone welcome! *(see enclosed flyer)*

**Don't Miss The Upcoming Special Circuit Meetings:** As a result of the decision taken at the Synodical Convention in October 2017 regarding restructuring of Synod, it is necessary to amend the bylaws of the East District Corporation. A series of circuit meetings has been arranged in order to explain the changes being proposed to the bylaws and to get comments from members. The circuit meetings are open to everyone. In particular, pastors and congregation delegates should make a point of attending these meetings, as they will be required to vote on acceptance of the bylaw changes as part of the October 2018 District Convention. A summary document plus the draft bylaw, including explanatory notes, are posted on the district web site. It would be beneficial for attendees to the circuit meetings to bring a copy of the 2015 District Handbook for reference purposes and/or to download the information from the website. If you are not able to attend the circuit meeting in your area, you are free to attend an alternate one. **For more information, contact: East District Board Chairman, Reg Tieg at [tiehm868@gmail.com](mailto:tiehm868@gmail.com) *Niagara & Hamilton Circuits -- Saturday May 12 - 9:30 A.M. Christ Our Saviour Lutheran Church, 448 Main St. W., Grimsby 905-945-8931***

**Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kitchener and Rev. Perry Hart** are hosting a "**Forging Armour Conference**" for ages 12 - 100 on **May 26** (9:00 am – 3:30 pm). The Conference speaker, Rev. Charles St-Onge, is a frequent guest of "*Issues, Etc.*" ([www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org)) and will be talking on, "**Speaking Scientifically and Believing the Bible: thoughts from an Engineer–Sci-fi–Pastor.**" This apologetics (making a defence for the faith we have) conference will speak to how one can appreciate science while loving the Bible, with themes from Rev. St-Onge's Concordia Publishing book of the same topic. The \$25 cost per person covers all expenses for the day, including food and all sessions. *Space is limited to 200 attendees.* Register online at <http://forgingarmour.com> and click on "Conference" or contact Rev. Perry Hart at 519-742-1589 ext. 202 or [admin@forgingarmour.com](mailto:admin@forgingarmour.com) for more information and/or to receive a registration packet. RSVP Deadline is May 16<sup>th</sup>.

**SATURDAY, MAY 26<sup>th</sup>**—Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary's Annual Certification and Call Service to be held here at Christ Lutheran Church at 4:00 p.m.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE MAY 25 Seminary's Annual Golf Tournament . . .**

Concordia Seminary's annual golf tournament is scheduled for Monday, June 4th at Sawmill Golf Course in Fenwick, beginning at 11:30 am. The \$110 per person registration fee includes BBQ lunch (sausages, hamburgers, hotdogs and a non-alcoholic beverage), green fees, golf cart, chicken/rib combo dinner, dessert and prizes. Registration Forms & a Sponsorship Brochure are available at back of church. If you would like to make a donation to the prize table, please send it to the seminary at 470 Glenridge Ave. Prizes need to be in by June 1st. If you would like your prize donation picked up, please contact Linda Lantz at 905-688-2362, ext. 22 or [concordia@brocku.ca](mailto:concordia@brocku.ca)<mailto:concordia@brocku.ca> .  
(They are also looking for committee members for the tournament.)

**LWML-C CONVENTION: July 5 – 8, 2018** at Delta Hotel, 350 St. Mary Ave., Winnipeg, MB. The theme for the 2018 convention: **“One in Spirit, One in Purpose” Philippians 2:1-2**—Hosted by the Central District of LWML—Canada. THE MISSION of Lutheran Women's Missionary League—Canada is to EQUIP, MOTIVATE AND ENCOURAGE WOMEN to GROW in God's Word, SERVE God's **people** and **SHARE God's Son**. More details to follow!

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2018** will be held on **Monday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> to Friday, July 27<sup>th</sup>**. Registration forms and further information will be available soon!!

<b><u>Last Sunday Attendance: (April 22, 2018) 9 a.m. – 77 11a.m.- 50 Total: 127 ('17-139)</u></b>					
	<b><u>Budget</u></b>	<b><u>Weekly Need</u></b>	<b><u>Last Sunday</u></b>	<b><u>Year To Date</u></b>	<b><u>+ / (-)</u></b>
Current:	225,478.00	4,336.12	3,444.20	72,279.20	2,901.35
Missions	25,000.00	480.77	306.00	6,838.00	(854.31)
Property Improvement			95.00	9,863.13	

**FLOWERS:** If you are interested in purchasing flowers to place on the altar for our Sunday Worship, please sign up in the Narthex and be sure to add, if you would like it to be in memory or thankfulness of someone special.

**CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS—Facebook:** We have over 100 followers on Facebook! If you do not yet "Like" our Facebook page, please consider doing so. Many of our members continue to share our community events with friends on their Facebook walls. This has been a great help in spreading the word about what is happening at Christ Lutheran. Also, if you indicate that you are "Going" or "Interested" in one of our events, this action will show up in your friends' feed; again sharing with others what we are doing. Thanks for your support in this!

Email: [lisa\\_thiessen@yahoo.ca](mailto:lisa_thiessen@yahoo.ca) Subject Line: Christ Lutheran Facebook

**LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES INFORMATION: \*\*\*Please Note: A special devotion is available online from Lutheran Hour Ministries each day during Lent at [www.lhm.org/lent](http://www.lhm.org/lent)**

Lutheran Hour Ministries—all info.—[www.lhmcanada.org](http://www.lhmcanada.org)

**LISTEN TO THE LUTHERAN HOUR,** Sundays on **CHAM 820 at 8:00 a.m.** Next Sunday's topic (May 6th) **“Love One Another as I Have Loved You”** (John 15: 9-17) **Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer** – Jesus calls His followers to be different as they deal with difficult people.

**SOUL IS LOOKING FOR A MUSIC PERSON** to lead us on Wednesdays and Fridays in our SOUL Music Program. If interested please contact Heather Simons ([heathersimons111@gmail.com](mailto:heathersimons111@gmail.com)) or the church office (905-685-8294).

**PRAYERS NEEDED:**

**FOR THE NATION OF NICARAGUA:** *(The following email was received from LLL)*

*Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:* We want to inform you that unfortunately the past five days Nicaragua was in almost a civil war. Until now the Government called the protesters for a dialogue. In Leon, the City where we are located, they locked the streets with barricades. There are more than 20 casualties from both sides, police and manifestants [protesters], in different cities in Nicaragua. Then today, Monday [Apr 23], is getting better; we will see what happens after the conversation in the dialogue. Please keep our Country in your prayers in this moment of unrest. You can check news about Nicaragua in Internet for more detail about the reason of this national strike. *In Christ, Ricardo Arguello, LLL Office, Leon, Nicaragua*

***(From LCMS)*** *Many of our followers and partners in mission have a strong passion for the work in Nicaragua. Please pray for the Pastors, Deaconesses, other church workers, and members as well as their families. There is turmoil and violence all over Nicaragua right now as protesters try to make known their disappointment with proposed changes to Social support systems.*

**FOR TORONTO:** For everyone affected by the tragic events in Toronto . . .

Following the senseless tragedy in Toronto last week where ten victims were killed and fifteen injured after a rental van mowed down pedestrians on a busy sidewalk, let us join together in prayer for all those affected.

**FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS EVERYWHERE . . . .**

Lord Jesus Christ, before whom all in heaven and earth shall bow, grant courage that Your children may confess Your saving name in the face of any opposition from a world hostile to the Gospel. Help them to remember Your faithful people who sacrificed much and even faced death rather than dishonor You when called upon to deny the faith. By Your Spirit, strengthen them to be faithful and to confess You boldly, knowing that You will confess Your own before the Father in heaven, with whom You and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, now and forever.

HELP SUPPORT  
**SOUL Ministries**  
at our Spring  
**PLANT SALE / YARD SALE / BBQ**



**Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**9 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

at

*Christ Lutheran Church*  
*140 Russell Avenue, St. Catharines*



**\*\*Special Thanks go to FaithLife Financial for their  
matching Grant of \$300.00\*\***

# Niagara Area Lutheran Choir *in Concert*

*(joined by the  
Christ Lutheran Church Choir  
for several numbers)*

**Next Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**

**4:00 p.m.**

at

**Christ Lutheran Church  
140 Russell Avenue, St. Catharines**



**\*\* A Light Supper will Follow \*\***

**Please Join Us! Everyone is Welcome!**

# June Family Fun Day

**\*\*\*DATE NIGHT CHILD CARE\*\*\***



**Saturday, June 9th**  
**5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

*Wanting to have some time alone  
without the kids???*

**“Pre-Register” your children by  
Sunday, June 3rd**

**“Sign-up Sheet” at back of church or call the  
church office (905-685-8294) and let us care for them.**



*We will provide a pasta dinner,  
dessert, games and activities.*

**Sponsored by the “Board of Parish Education”**