

November 22nd, 2020

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

Deadline for submission is Thursday at 9 a.m.

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Prayer: Almighty and everlasting God, who hast willed to restore all things in Thy well-beloved Son, the King and Lord of all, mercifully grant that all peoples and nations, divided and wounded by sin, may be brought under the gentle yoke of His most loving rule, who with Thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, ever one God, now and forever. Amen.

9 AM – Creative Communion

Song – Crown Him With Many Crowns

Confession & Forgiveness

“Lord I Lift Your Name”

Prayer

Readings

Gospel Song Verse – “Come & Praise”

Gospel

Nicene Creed

Song – “Come To The Table”

Message

Prayers

Communion Service

“Holy Holy Holy”

Lord’s Prayer & Words of Institution

“O Jesus Christ, True Lamb”

Communion Distribution

Communion song-- All Who Hunger

Song of Simeon

Post Communion Prayer & Blessing

Song—Soon & Very Soon

Musician: Susanne Anderson

11 AM – LSB Divine Service Setting One

Hymn – “Crown Him With Many Crowns”

Confession & Forgiveness

“This is the Feast”

Prayer

Readings & “Alleluia, Lord To Whom”

Holy Gospel

Nicene Creed

Hymn – “Lo He Comes With Clouds”

Sermon

Prayers

Communion Liturgy

“Holy Holy Holy Lord”

Lord’s Prayer & Words of Institution

“Lamb of God”

Communion Distribution

Communion Hymn – “Alleluia! Sing To Jesus”

“Thank The Lord & Sing His Praise”

Post Communion Prayer & Blessing

Hymn – “Lead On O King Eternal”

COVID 19 – PROTOCOL: Dear Brothers and Sisters of Christ Lutheran Church:

As the number of cases of Covid are beginning to rise in the Province, let us not be complacent; we cannot let our guard down. Kindly continue to follow the safety measures and protocols that are currently in place. If you have any of the symptoms outlined by Public Health, please remain at home. Sermons are available online. If attending worship please:

- Wear a mask (covering both your mouth and nose) at all times
- Sanitize your hands frequently.
- Practice social distancing – 2 metres or 6 feet apart.
- Ensure you have a temperature check before entering.
- Ensure that your attendance is noted at the entrance doors

DAILY SCRIPTURE MEDITATIONS:

Monday: Phil. 2: 12-18

Wed.: Mark 13: 33-37

Friday: Heb. 10: 32-39

Tuesday: Heb. 12: 12-17

Thurs: Matt. 25: 14-30

Saturday: Heb. 12: 22-29

The Old Testament Ezekiel 34:11-24 – For thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord GOD: I shall judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and goats: Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, but you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture? When you drink of clear water, must you foul the rest with your feet? And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have fouled with your feet? Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

The Epistle Ephesians 1:15-23 [St. Paul writes]: Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ. Wives, be subject to your husbands as you are to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife just as Christ is the head of the church, the body of which he is the Savior.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 25:31-46 ---- [Jesus says:] “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

Sunday School: <https://youtu.be/UvULkLEywNk> “Fruit of the Spirit #4Patience”

Children’s message: <https://youtu.be/9CKbM78a3Dw>

Precious Moments: <https://youtu.be/ysaqpWg6pT4>

COME DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS!

The Fellowship and Worship Committees welcome all volunteers who would like to help with decorating the Church to meet at

4:00 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 28th.

Please wear a mask and use the hand sanitizing stations that will be available. During these times of pandemic uncertainty, we will **not** be meeting for a shared meal afterwards. Thank you all for assisting us in decorating to the glory of God!



THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT IS NEXT SUNDAY, Nov. 29: We will have our special **Chrismon Service**. Please sign your name at back of church if you would like to hang an ornament or tell Louise.



NATIVITY DISPLAY

You are invited to see the treasured
Nativity sets of our church family!

When: Sunday, November 29

Sunday, December 6th

Immediately following each service

Process: Descend the stairs to the basement, walk the 1-way route through the display and leave the basement through the other exit.

(We will have a pathway back to the elevator for those who require use of the elevator.)

WOULD YOU CONSIDER SHARING YOUR TREASURED NATIVITY SET WITH OUR MEMBERS? IF SO, PLEASE BRING IN AND LEAVE IT ON THE TABLE MARKED WITH "NATIVITY SETS HERE" SIGN. WE WANT TO KNOW A BIT ABOUT YOUR NATIVITY SET SO PLEASE FILL IN ONE OF THE SHEETS ON THE TABLE. THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE WILL DO SET-UP NOV. 28TH



CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICES

With the continued presence of COVID 19 we would ask that you look forward and start making plans for you and your family to join us for our

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES

Thursday, Dec. 24, 2020

7 p.m. and 11 p.m.

Kindly confirm your attendance, together with the number of your family attending, by registering either by email or phone call to Pat at secretary@christlutheransc.ca or 905-685-8294 as soon as possible.

Live streaming of the service will be available, details to follow.

BAZAAR NOTES: If you have placed an order with us, you will receive a phone call or an email to let you know the total cost of your order and when it will be available (**most likely Sat. Nov. 28 or Dec.5**). There is still time to order but please get them in ASAP. If there is something you are wondering about or that you might like that isn't listed on the form, just ask, as it may be available. ****Things are being made to fill requests that aren't necessarily listed---**

- Apple/Blackberry Jam (259 ml \$3.75) ;
- Jalapeneo Pepper Jelly (125 ml \$2.00),
- Chili Sauce--not spicy (pint \$4.00);
- Pickled Beans -- sweet brine—not dill (\$4.00);
- Packages of Candied Pecans or **Almond Bark -- dark or white ((150 gr. \$3.75);
- Pierogies (cheddar or pressed cottage cheese both with potato) \$5.00 doz.

Cash donations are also gratefully accepted and are appreciated. As per the note on the Bazaar insert, an envelope with cash or a cheque for Mary Martha may be given directly to Ivy, or put into the offering basket or the one in the Narthex which collects the forms. ******There are also special envelopes in the narthex for making your donations in. Thank you again for your support for our Missions.**

	<u>Last Sunday Attendance: Nov. 15th --</u>	<u>9 a.m.- 33</u>	<u>11 a.m. – 33</u>	<u>Total: 66</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Weekly Need</u>	<u>Last Sunday</u>	<u>Year To Date</u>
Current:	272,115.00	5,232.98	1,958.00	160,205.35
Missions	20,000.00	384.62	126.00	17,177.66
Property Improvement			134.00	4,771.66
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				(85,744.75)
				(899.26)

SUPPORTING YOUR CHURCH DURING THE PANDEMIC

1. THROUGH EFT DONATIONS:

Some members are hesitant to return to in-person worship during these uncertain times, it's important for members to keep in mind that expenses for payroll, utilities, maintenance, etc. continue to accumulate. We have an awesome tool available to us in the form of EFT donations. Lutheran Church - Canada, East District Corporation continues to facilitate this service for us. To assist you in continuing your financial support to your church, we encourage you to fill out the form that is available for printing on Christ's website, (PDF form under "Coming Events" tab -->"Bulletin Board" tab --> LCC-ED-EFT Authorization Form-Parishioner) or follow the link: http://christlutheransc.ca/?page_id=96 and then mail the form along with a voided cheque to:

Lutheran Church - Canada, East District Corporation,
275 Lawrence Ave.,
Kitchener, ON N2M 1Y3
Attn: Darryll Holland

2. BY MAIL: cheques can still be mailed to:

Christ Lutheran Church,
140 Russell Ave.
St.Catharines, ON L2R 1W1

or dropped in the Church mailbox at the East entrance.

3. ONLINE VIA LUTHERAN CHURCH-CANADA:

Lutheran Church-Canada has opened a web portal that allows parishioners to donate directly to their home church. Just visit LCC's website: www.lutheranchurchcanada.ca and click on the "Support My Home Congregation with Online Donations", select "St. Catharines-Christ Lutheran-30950" from the drop down menu, enter the amount of your donations and LCC will transfer your donation to Christ. Donation is via VISA or Mastercard. Tax receipts will be issued by LCC (not Christ). This opportunity will be in effect until the COVID-19 emergency is over.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHEER



To share the joy of Christmas with those in our community who are less fortunate than we are, the "Outreach Committee" is planning to distribute, complete Christmas turkey dinner packages. We are asking for confidential referrals from our members. Last year we helped 25 families by making up 25 baskets.

We need your help by:

- Providing us with confidential referrals which can be placed into a box located in our church narthex
- Donating the funds required for the purchase of perishable and non-perishable food items which will be purchased just before the packages are distributed
- Letting the Outreach Committee,
Judy Mason—905-641-7546
Howard Bogusat—905-468-3566
know if you would be willing to help package baskets

- Praying that this project is a success and that those who receive these gifts are touched by the joy and wonder of our Saviour's birth and by His love for each one of us.

*(PLEASE NOTE THAT WE ARE COLLECTING
"MONETARY DONATIONS"
ONLY FOR THIS PROJECT)*

THANK YOU!

MARY MARTHA****IMPORTANT NEWS****



OUR ANNUAL BAZAAR obviously can't be held this year as we usually do; however we would still like to offer you the ability to purchase some of the items that you would normally find at the Bake, Deli or Craft Tables. We can individualize your orders and provide you with them 'take out' style.

Do you have a favourite pie, loaf, cookie, square, pickle, jam, preserve, or other baking that you look forward to buying every year? We will get it done for you! Is there something you might have looked for at the Craft Table? We'll see if we can get one of our crafters to make it for you.

Fill out the form on the reverse side and drop it in the basket that you will find in the Narthex. They will be collected each Sunday. If you won't be at church, send it with a friend.

OR email your order to capink@cogeco.ca (different from my gmail one so it will be easier for me to keep things separate.)

Give a form to a friend or friends if they would like to place an order too.

Be sure to include your phone # or email so we can contact you to check any information, give you an order total, and let you know a pickup date.

Contact me if you have any questions.

We will plan 1 or 2 Saturdays when just like a drive through, you can drive up near the basement door, be given your prepackaged order and pay (with the exact amount in an envelope please). If for any reason you are unable to come to the church, please try to have it picked up by a friend; otherwise we will try to make alternative arrangements to get it to you if possible.

Thanks, Carole

AS ALWAYS, you help support MISSIONS:

- Haiti
- Nicaragua
- CLWR
- LBT
- Seminary
- Medical Missions
- SOUL
- & this year - our new Refugee Fund

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Items:

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| 1. _____ | Quantity _____ |
| 2. _____ | Quantity _____ |
| 3. _____ | Quantity _____ |
| 4. _____ | Quantity _____ |
| 5. _____ | Quantity _____ |
| 6. _____ | Quantity _____ |
| 7. _____ | Quantity _____ |

**Please note, as usual, these items come from an uninspected source, but are made by our own ladies with love and care.

Please include any necessary details of your preferences like:

- regular 8" or 9" pie or individual size
- ½ doz. or full doz.
- no raisins or nuts, or, you would like raisins or nuts included
- a tray with mixed squares or cookies or a tray of one specific kind

General pricing:

- **Loaves:** \$6.00 - \$7.50 depending on kind and whether plain or with nuts or raisins
- **Half Loaves:** \$3.50 - \$4.00
- **Pies:** 9"- \$9.00 - \$10.00; 8" - \$8.00 - \$9.00; small 5" -\$3.50 - \$4.00. (depending on kind)
- **Tarts:** 6 for \$4.50
- **Cookies:** \$2.50 - \$3.50 for 6; \$4.75 - \$6.00 for a doz. (depending on kind)
- **Date Squares:** 6 large \$5.50
- **Other Squares:** \$3.50 - \$5.00 depending on size & kind
- **Muffins:** 6 for \$4.00
- **Christmas cake** - \$20 loaf; \$10 ½ loaf
- **Turkey or beef pies** – individual size \$5.00
- **Jams, Pickles, Preserves** – can't guarantee until I see what kinds have been made by our ladies. We will advertise some specific kinds in a few weeks.
- **Crafts:** again, we will advertise some specific things that have been made at a later date; If you have a request, although not guaranteed, we will see if we can find someone to make what you want, and quote you a price.

A BAZAAR NOTE: Thank you to those who have or are handing in orders. For anyone wishing to make a donation of money to help us in our fundraising efforts this can be done several ways.

1. An envelope can be put into the same basket in Narthex that collects the order forms.
2. A cheque made out to Mary Martha Society can be put onto the offering plate.
3. Cash or a cheque can be given directly to Ivy, our M.M./LWMLC Treasurer

THANKS again with our appreciation !

The Lutheran Hour: Hear God's Word at the click of a button on Lutheran Hour webpage or on their super convenient app! *(Just hold your "Ctrl" button down and clickbox to follow the link)*

[LISTEN NOW >>](#)

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LHM—all info.—www.lhmcanada.org

LISTEN TO THE LUTHERAN HOUR: Tune in to **WDCX 99.5FM or 970AM.**

Sunday, November 29th: "Magnum Opus" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler How is God like a band director? Learn how God enables us to play our part in His "Magnum Opus." (Daniel 8:27)The Canadian sermons are available for listening on-line on LLL website (www.lll.ca/radio-tv-and-podcasts)

KAREEM & FAMILY REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP UPDATE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, things are processing slowly with the application for Kareem and his family to immigrate to Canada. Jennifer and Muna at Canadian Lutheran World Relief are working to help in getting the government forms completed. This takes translation from Arabic into English and filling out the required forms online for the Canadian government. It has been a month long process, plus the men who transferred Kareem and his family from Turkey in a rubber raft to the island of Samos refugee camp took their passports and money and refused to give them their passports back. This family like many refugee families have faced a lot of struggles as they try to get to a safe and peaceful country to live in.

We need to pray fervently that our government officials receive favourably the request from Canadian Lutheran World Relief to assign Kareem and his family to our congregation to welcome them into our community and care. We need to keep Jennifer and Muna in prayer as well as they guide our application request and get all the forms completed as required by immigration. Please also consider donating to our Refugee Resettlement Fund as we do need to raise \$25,000. I ask that you not redirect donations from supporting the local work of Christ with our new Pastor. However, as the Lord may bless you in ways that you may not have expected perhaps you could consider giving from those blessings. And remember this is a mission outreach so also think of it as a mission to show God's Love and forgiveness to Kareem and his family. As always, if you have any questions please talk to me or contact me at 289-407-7662.

God Bless, Pastor John