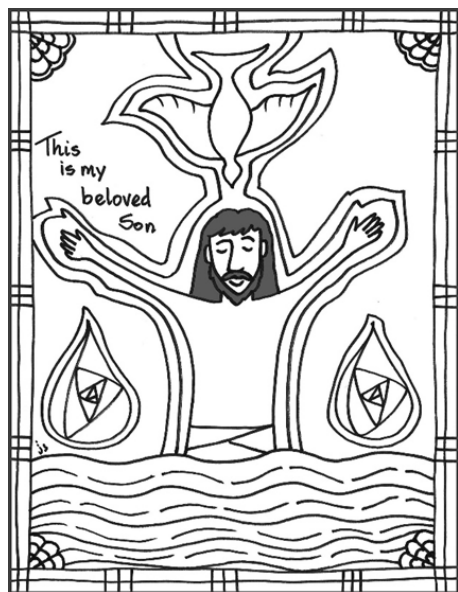


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Please be aware that our Sunday service is video streamed to our YouTube channel for public viewing. If you feel sensitive to this thought and wish to remain out of the occasional line of view, consider sitting in the back left two rows of pews. Thank you.

With God's grace, the faith community of All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church in Guelph Ontario welcomes you.



We endeavour to be in right relationship with our Indigenous neighbours.

We strive for racial equity.

We welcome people of any age, gender identity and expression, race, colour and sexual orientation.

We welcome people facing physical or mental challenges, those suffering under addictions, single people and those in any relationship.

Our doors are open to people of uncertain faith or deep faith, from any or no religious tradition.



All are truly welcome.



ReconcilingWorks
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**Dear Little Saints-
Welcome from all the Big Saints**

Before the service even starts, you will need to prepare

Upcoming is a longish sit and grownups want you there

Instead of wiggling, yawning, sighing

You could be bright new markers trying or putting stickers in your book

*Or even ..take a little look
Oh joy, cause somebody loves me true
There's juice or sweets or cookies too*

*When you've been good as gold for ever and still the talking lasts forever just dig inside and have a treat
Your Sunday sack is really "sweet"!!!!!!
(and also is a take home treat!)*

We welcome all children to our worship. There is no Sunday Church School at this time. Please ask the ushers for a children's bulletin and/or help them fill a bag with activities and treats from the basket in the narthex.

Communion: All are welcome. Please let an usher know if you need to take Communion in your seat.

Offerings can be left in the trays at the back until the Gathering Song is sung.

Please take this bulletin home for recycling. Thank you

No Scents Makes Good Sense. Members have indicated that they suffer discomfort from perfumes, hair sprays, colognes, and after-shave lotions. Please help us provide a scent-free environment.

BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Sunday, January 12, 2025.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude — Shall We Gather at the River,
arr. Lynette Maynard
Wash, O Wash, our Sons and Daughters,
duet, Hazel Montealegre-Heaney and
Carolyn McLeod

Welcome

Acknowledgment of Territory

All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church exists on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron / Neutral People. We honour the original ancestors of this land and also offer respect and friendship to our Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, Mississauga and Métis neighbours.

We give thanks for the First Peoples and all who have cared for the land and made it possible for us to dwell and do ministry on this land, and we commit ourselves to walk in right relations with one another.

(please stand)

Gathering Song — **We are Baptized in Christ Jesus #451 (Red)**

Greeting

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Almighty God,
to you all hearts are opened, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



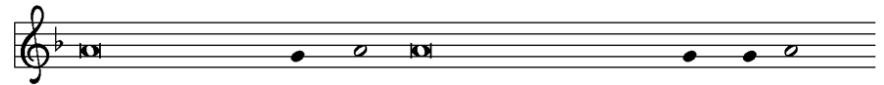
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



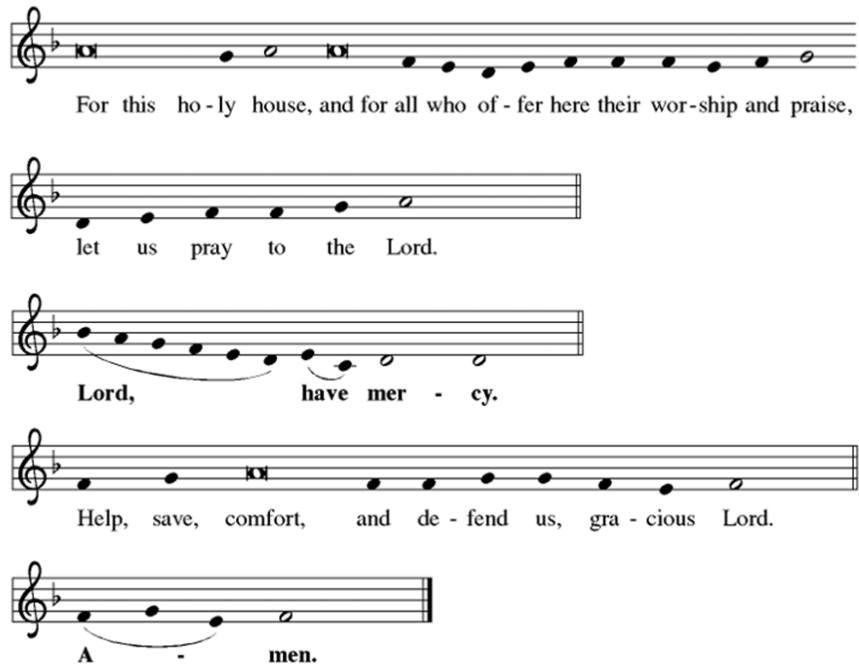
For the peace of the whole world, for the well - being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this ho-ly house, and for all who of-fer here their wor-ship and praise,
 let us pray to the Lord.
 Lord, have mer-cy.
 Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.
 A - men.

Hymn of Praise



1 All glo-ry be to God on high, and peace to earth be
 2 Lord Je-sus Christ, the on-ly Son of God, cre-a-tion's
 3 To you a-lone, O God, we cry, the Ho-ly One we
 giv-en! Let an-gels sing, let all re-ply; good-
 au-thor, O Lamb of God, your death a-lone takes
 name you; for you a-lone are God most high, one
 will breaks forth from heav-en! Lord God Al-might-y,
 sin a-way for-ev-er. Stretch out your arms to
 liv-ing God we claim you: we wor-ship you, Lord
 heav-en's king, we wor-ship you, our thanks we sing, we
 ev-'ry land, and, as you reign at God's right hand, re-
 Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir-it ev-er blest, in
 praise you for your glo-ry.
 ceive our prayer; have mer-cy.
 God the Fa-ther's glo-ry. A - men.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Most High and Ever-Living God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Choir Anthem

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Reading – *Isaiah 43:1-7*

Near the end of Israel's exile in Babylon, God promises to bring the people home. They need no longer be afraid, because the one who formed, created, and called them by name now redeems them.

- ¹ But now thus says the LORD,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.
- ² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.
- ³ For I am the LORD your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.
I give Egypt as your ransom,
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.
- ⁴ Because you are precious in my sight,
and honored, and I love you,
I give people in return for you,
nations in exchange for your life.
- ⁵ Do not fear, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you;
- ⁶ I will say to the north, "Give them up,"
and to the south, "Do not withhold;
bring my sons from far away
and my daughters from the end of the earth—
- ⁷ everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made."

Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God!

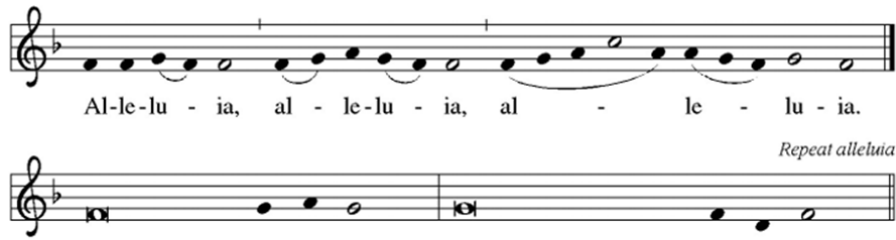
Psalm 29

(Sung responsively between the choir and the congregation.)



- ¹ Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,
ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.
- ² **Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due God's name;
worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.**
- ³ The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God
of | glory thunders;
the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.
- ⁴ **The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;
the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor. R**
- ⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;
the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;
- ⁶ **the LORD makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.**
- ⁷ The voice | of the LORD
bursts forth in | lightning flashes.
- ⁸ **The voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh. R**
- ⁹ The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and
strips the | forests bare.
And in the temple of the LORD all are | crying, "Glory!"
- ¹⁰ **The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king for- | evermore.**
- ¹¹ O LORD, give strength | to your people;
give them, O LORD, the bless- | ings of peace. R

Gospel Acclamation



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Repeat alleluia

A voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, | the beloved *
with whom I | am well pleased.

Gospel Reading – *Luke 3:15-17, 21-22*

The holy gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵ As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶ John answered all of them by saying, “I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”


²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

The gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily


Hymn of the Day— **Down Galilee’s Slow Roadways**



1 Down Gal - i - lee’s slow road - ways a strang - er trav - eled on
2 A - ris - ing from the riv - er he saw the heav - ens torn;
3 We too have found a road - way; it led us to this place.



from Naz - a - reth to Jor - dan to be bap - tized by John.
it seemed the sky so o - pen re - vealed the Spir - it’s form.
We all have had to trav - el in search of hope and grace.



He went down to the wa - ters like sol - dier, scribe, and slave,
The ho - ly dove de - scend - ed a - mid a glo - rious voice:
But now be - side this wa - ter a - gain a voice is heard.



but there with - in the riv - er the sign was birth and grave.
“You are my own be - lov - ed, my child, my heart, my choice.”
“You are my own, my cho - sen, be - lov - ed of your Lord.”

Affirmation of Baptism

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism as we come before God to make public affirmation of our baptism into Christ.

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you that you have made us your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called us to yourself, enlightened us with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished us in the community of faith. Uphold us and all your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. **Amen.**

The presiding minister addresses the assembly:

People of God, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church, the faith in which we are baptized.

Do you renounce the evil powers of this world that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that strive to corrupt and destroy God's creation?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the illusions and lies that surround us drawing us from the love of God?

I renounce them.

Do you believe in God, the Source of all Being?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Eternal Word?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God, the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the Word and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of Christ in word and deed,
to serve all people following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

Do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Let us pray,

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit, you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen**

Hymn **Baptized and Set Free # 453 (Red)**

Prayers

Called by the Holy Spirit into relationship with a loving God, we pray for the church, all in need, and the whole creation.

God of life, call your church on earth to bring the good news of redemption to all your beloved children throughout a hurting and broken world. We give thank for leaders and teachers in the Moravian, Anglican, and Lutheran churches in Canada who encourage us in our proclamation. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Call us to restore rivers and seas, ponds and creeks to the beauty and clarity you gave them. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless your people with peace by raising up leaders to serve with mercy and justice, especially in places of violent conflict, such as Haiti, Ukraine, Gaza, and Sudan. Let the world praise your glory and strength by putting down weapons of war. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Comfort all your children who suffer and call us to their aid. We pray especially for: Anna-Liisa, Bud, Ruth, Susan, Chris, Werner and Debbie, John and Julianna, Ross and Karen, Gwen and Nolan, Orland, Gail, Irene, Zoilita, Bill, Barrie, Irene, Kelly, John and Laura, and those we name before you in our hearts. (*silence...*) God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Strengthen this community of faith. Plant in us a desire to share the gospel in word and deed, and where we have been bold to do so, help it to grow. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Sustain us in the gift of baptism until you reunite us together with all your saints from every time and place. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O God, we place ourselves and all our prayers, spoken and unspoken, trusting in your mercy through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you all!
And also with you.



MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offertory: **Now the Silence #460 (Red)**

Offertory Prayer

Let us pray:

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens,
and your abundance to the depths of the seas.
Bless what we offer to your service:
our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.
Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity,
now and always. **Amen**

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

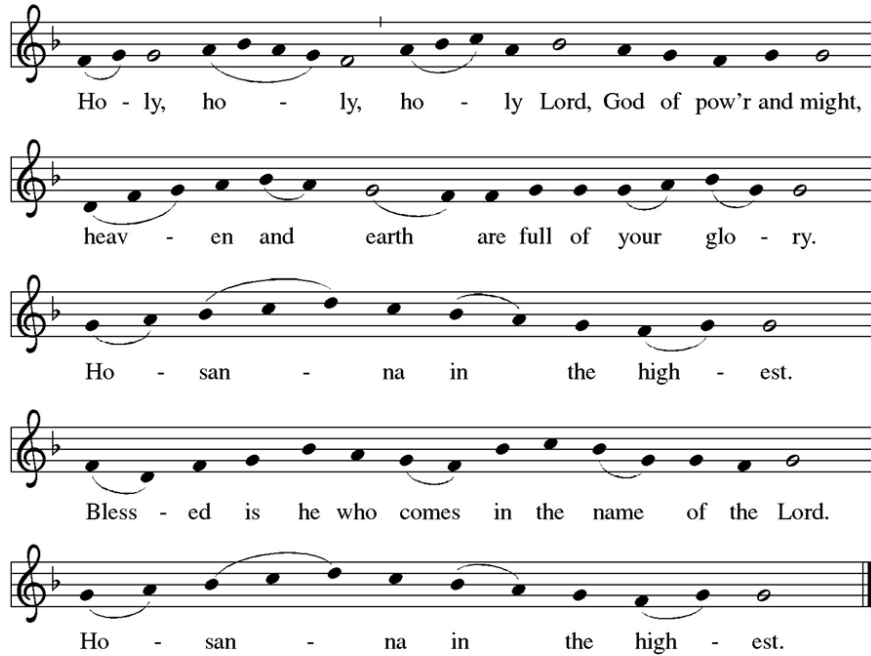
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

... and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

Blessed are you, O holy God:
you are the Life and Light of all.
By your powerful word you created all things.
Through the prophets you called your people to be a
light to the nations.
Blessed are you for Jesus.
He is your Light, shining in our darkness
and revealing to us your mercy and might.


In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the for-
giveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,
his preaching and healing,
his dying and rising,
and his promise to come again,
we await that day when all the universe
will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this bread and cup,
that, held and nourished by you,
we may be light for the world,
revealing the brilliance of Christ
through whom all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever. **Amen**

Lord's Prayer



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we
for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.



Invitation to Communion

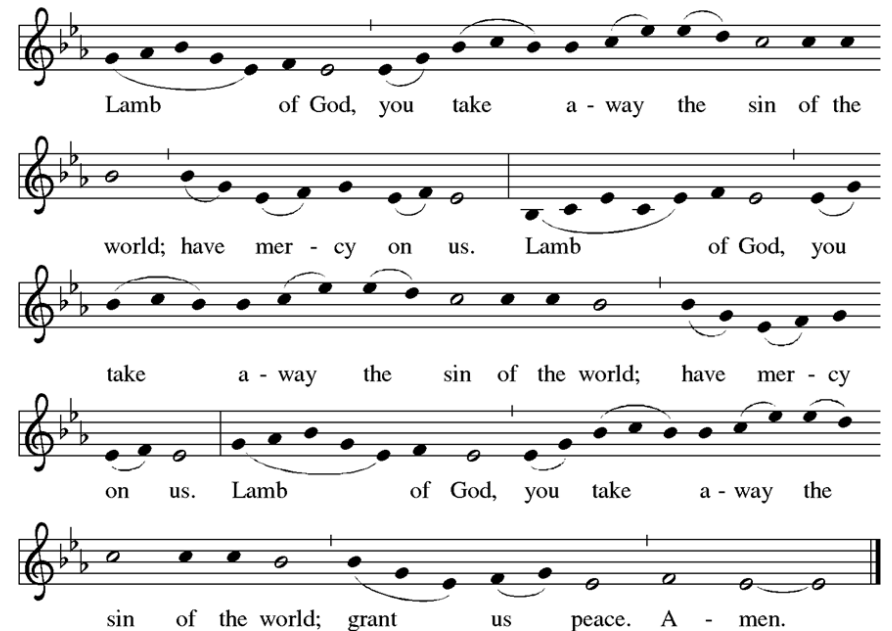
We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Behold, God is making all things new.
Take your place in the new creation.
Thanks be to God!



Communion Hymns

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy
on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men.

When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known
163 (Blue)

O Living Breath of God # 407 (Red)

Table Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen, keep, and unite us now and forever.
Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Nourishing God,
at this table you have refreshed us
with holy gifts of food and drink.
Strengthen us for service,
and send us out to embody your good news
of liberation and healing for the sake of the world,
for we pray in Jesus' name. **Amen**

Post Communion Canticle: **This Little Light of Mine**
#677 (Red)

Announcements

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Benediction

The Spirit of the triune God
✠ bless you with joy,
anoint you with compassion,
and send you in love.
Amen.

**The blessing of the God of life be ours.
The blessing of the loving Christ be ours.
The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours,
to cherish us, to help us, to make us holy.**

Sending Song – **On Jordan's Bank, the Baptist's Cry**
103 (Blue)

Dismissal

Go in peace. Live in hope.
Thanks be to God!

Postlude — Baptized and Set Free, arr. Aaron David Miller

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Announcements and Information

	Today	Next Sunday
Assisting Minister	Penny Richards	Laura B Mann
Servers	Jan Nielsen Dennis Kunze	Julianna Stephens
Reader	Pearl Robinson	Greg Elliott
Greeters	Andrew Usjak	Bill & Jette Thomas
Ushers	Richard & Linda Zytner	Richard & Linda Zytner
AV booth	Michele Altermann Brian Janzen	Michele Altermann Brian Janzen
Altar Guild	Christine Morrison Suzanne Worthen Merike Rutten	Christine Morrison Suzanne Worthen Merike Rutten
Counters	Laura F Mann Dennis Kunze	Laura F Mann Ena Sookraj
Flowers		
Coffee Hour	Sheila Chappel & Maureen Mercer	

We pray for:

ACC: Dr. Andrea Mann, Director, and the staff of Global Relations; Ryan Weston, Lead Animator, Public Witness for Social and Ecological Justice; Executive Director, Will Postma, and staff of the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund/ Alongside Hope.

ELCIC: Chief Executive Officer, Karin Achtelstetter, and staff of Canadian Lutheran World Relief. The Assistants to the Bishop and the staff of the Eastern Synod.

MOR: The people and ministries of Edmonton Moravian Church in Edmonton.

Greeters: If you can help with this important hospitality ministry please contact Elaine Maguire at (519) 658-0509 or let the office know. Thank you.



Calendars: Some people are looking for calendars. If you have some to give away please drop them off in the box in the narthex.

Chi Rho Fellowship: Join us on **Thurs. January 16th at 1:00 p.m.** in Rose Head Hall. This month we will be voting in new Executive Members. Then we will divide into groups to plan activities for the meetings throughout the next year. Bring your ideas to make it the best year yet! And don't forget that includes "snacks".

Parish Care Workshop: The next meeting is **January 21, 1:00 p.m.** in the Narthex. We will learn about **STROKE:** Diagnosis and Prevention. This is a much feared life event which can have devastating effects. Or, can have a good outcome if symptoms are recognized early and treatment is started within the first few hours of the onset.



Connections: The deadline for the next issue of *Connections* is **Sunday, January 1, 202.** Please submit items to Christine Morrison at cjmorrison263@gmail.com

The Associates The next meeting is **January 28, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.** in the Narthex. Caregivers and their partners with dementia are both welcome to learn, share, socialize and find solace.

Caring Conversations: Your help is needed! The Reconciling in Christ Team is looking for participation in collecting your questions or topics, thoughts and experiences with the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, to help us prepare for Caring Conversations on **Sunday January 26, 2025** after the service. Join us for soup and conversation.



Please sign up in the narthex if you plan to attend. There is also a sign up list in the narthex for anyone who can help with making soup. *Thank you.*

Annual Reports: Please submit all committee and team reports to Janet Weigel at jweigelo220@rogers.com by the end of this month. **(January 31, 2025)** *Thank you.*

Silvercreek Community Market: We regularly need rice and red lentils! We currently have 270 families registered so please consider buying the specific items listed below in advance of each month — **for January we need school snacks, canned fruit and vegetables and cooking oil.**



We do not need any more reuseable grocery bags or plastic bread tabs at this time. Thank you.

LOOKING AHEAD: January 13—19

Monday 13	7:00 p.m.	Reconciling in Christ via Zoom
Tuesday 14	10:00 a.m.	Clericus meeting Nave & RHH
Wednesday 15	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to Office
	12:00 p.m.	Women of Faith Parlour
Thursday 16	1:00 –3:00 p.m.	Chi Rho Rose Head Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice Nave
Sunday 19	8:30 a.m.	Epiphany 2 Holy Communion—Nave
	10:00 a.m.	Epiphany 2 Holy Communion—Nave



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Peter West

Staff

Michele Altermann, Administrative Assistant

Church Office Hours

Tuesday— Friday, 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.