CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Mission Statement: "As Christians living in God's grace we seek to demonstrate our faith in Christ by caring, listening, and responding to the needs of the whole person, serving each other and those beyond our Lutheran community."

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

H-O-P-E 1,2,3,4, Double word score 8.

When I arrived at the One Roof Community Centre with our faithful servants I noticed a young man, Steve, sitting in a corner by himself. He was playing *scrabble* concentrating on the letters before him as he sat on one side of the table. There was another bunch of letters across from him ready for someone to play. I felt it was an invitation to join him. I was right.

Steve warned me that when he plays games he gets very competitive. I told him that was fine. I was prepared for anything.

As the game progressed Steve began to share with me. He didn't play a lot of games with people. He lived by himself and was a younger man, very quiet and somewhat cautious. He loved board games. With great excitement Steve told me of the Monopoly board game he had picked up at the thrift room at St. Johns. "It is an original!" he said. "It has the original game pieces and everything! I was so glad to get my hands on that."

Then he sighed.

"It is nice that people like you guys, come and prepare supper. We really appreciate it. But you know - I am not sure if I believe in God or not. I think I am Christian. I believe in a lot of things and I don't have a problem with what anyone believes. I am just not sure."

I reassured him saying, "Wherever you stand is just fine with me."

It was Steve's turn then. He laid four letters on the board. *H-O-P-E 1,2,3,4, Double word score 8.* He looked at me and smiled. Whether it was in triumph or enjoyment from our conversation I couldn't tell. It didn't really matter. We just laughed together.

Sometimes we think we can only find Jesus by coming back to church every Sunday, worshipping God, listening to God's Word, and experiencing the Sacraments. Without a doubt Christ is present among us in our building. But as we shout out the resurrection proclamation, "Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!" celebrating that holy moment long ago, we must not forget that Christ is alive in the world and we will continue to experience holy moments in our lives today. They may not be outright obvious. That is the mystery and beauty of God. I encourage you to look for them and to celebrate them.

For there is always H-O-P-E. We witness it in Christ's resurrection. May we see it in the world. May we see it in others. May we see it in you, and in me. Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

Pastor Scott



MARCH BREAK KID'S CLUB 2017

March Break Kid's Klub was a great time! The sports of soccer, football, swimming and archery were featured. Our downstairs was turned into a soccer field, a hockey arena and a swimming pool. We had from 13 - 20 children during the week. There were some great crafts and activities to support the speaker of the day. One day we took the kids upstairs to the sanctuary where Pastor Scott was able to answer some of the kids' questions about worship and the meaning of some of the items on the altar. Thanks for the support from members for their help. Thanks go out for the snack items supplied.

<u>P.A. DAY Kid's Klub</u> on Friday April 28th is from 9:00 until 3:30. Children bring own lunches and snacks. The theme is Spring.



OUR OUTREACH COMMITMENT

On Tuesday March 28th Christ Lutheran did a supper at the One Roof Community Centre. We had such a good time cooking, serving and enjoying the people at the center. We thank Pastor Scott, Iris, Rosi, Pauline, Audrey, Marg Fee, Milan & Elizabeth and Robin. Special thanks to Shirley Gilbert who sent along 9 dozen cookies. Iris, Rosi and Marg also did cookie baking and we totaled to 24 dozen cookies that were sold out before the evening ended. Our next one is on Tuesday September 26th.

EASTER WORSHIP SERVICES -

Maundy Thursday April 13 - 7 pm Good Friday April 14 - 10 am Easter Sunday April 16th Sunrise worship with Holy Communion - 7:30 am Easter Breakfast - 8:30 am Holy Communion service - 10:00 am



FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY April 1, 2016 4 PM – 6:30 pm was a great success! Thank you for your support, we made \$1145.50 plus **Faithlife Financial will match our monies up to \$300**. Thanks!



RUMMAGE/BAKE/SALE

Time again to start collecting your second hand treasures and start baking items for our **Rummage / Bake Sale on Saturday May 6**, **7 am to 11 am**. We **need tomato plants** this year because it is a favourite!! Bedding plants will also be welcome. You may bring your items to the church during the week before, **starting on Wednesday May 3rd**. Someone will be at the church from 10 am – 4 pm everyday until Saturday. Please no clothing items. If you can help out with the sale, please call Al Butson at 749-6157 who is coordinating our Rummage/Bake Sale this year. If you need help getting your collections transported to the Church, call Al and he will help get them there for you.



SLICE AND DICE GROUP

Food for Kids is on every Tuesday at 12:30 pm in the church basement. Please come out and enjoy great fun and laughs while you cut up veggies! Sign up on cookie making is on the kitchen fridge.

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WEDNESDAY LENTEN WORSHIP

10 am with Hymn study at 11 am Wednesday April 12th at St. Luke's Anglican Church on Armour Road.



<u>Healing Service</u> on Sunday June 4 with Holy Communion <u>Senior's Luncheon</u> on Wednesday June 7th 11:00 am



On Tuesday's after Food for Kids around 12:30 pm. Anyone wishing to enjoy a great conversation sewing our beloved quilt please come out. If you wish to quilt on another day please contact Robin and we can arrange a get-together. Hilkka and Shirley are doing a great job so far but we need extra sewers. Please come out and enjoy the fellowship and also getting our quilt finished for our Bazaar in the fall of 2017.



MOTHER'S DAY May 14th GIFTS

Your monetary donations through your offering envelope marked "Mother's Day gift" will give to our special mothers, members and friends of Christ Lutheran a special gift and visitation. Your donations we are always appreciated. A sign up list will be posted shortly.



CLUB

The Club will meet Saturday April 8 at 8:30 am. in the church basement. Bring your profound thoughts and interests in stimulating conversations and good eats!



Saturday April 29th, 9 am

A list of jobs will be posted shortly if anyone wants to sign up for a particular job or would like to help but can't be there on that Saturday. If they could also bring along any supplies and tools to get the job done. If anyone has any questions please contact George Maschke 705-742-0937.



HEALTH & WELLNESS TEAM

We so appreciate all of your feedback and helpful ideas and suggestions for our future workshops. We are presently in the process of planning a few activities and events and hopefully we will have an update for you real soon.



We are always in need of hosts for our after- church coffee hour. Coffee and juice are provided. We even have muffins & loaves in the freezer. All you have to do is make sure the coffee is on and supervise the clean-up. Sign-up sheet is posted on vestibule door.

Church Council

Meeting - Tuesday March 21 2017 (6:30 to 8:00)

<u>Council Members</u>: Pastor Scott Schellenberger, Johanna Coombs, Connie Baker, Sylvia Shea, Milan Ichniovsky, Iris Gravel, George Maschke, Al Butson, Marlys Kerkman, Rebecca Bastian, Brenda Bastian Regrets: Johanna, Iris

Opening Devotion (Pastor Scott):

Agenda / Approve:

Motion - Marlys; Second - Connie; Approved

Minutes of Prior Meeting / Approve:

Motion - Milan; Second - Marlys; Approved

Correspondence: None

Electronic Communications:

a)Canada Helps update – Donate button project complete and working. Try it out at

http://www.christlutheranpeterborough.com/outreach.html

Thanks Jeff!

- b) Facebook and Website updates Taking advantage of targeted advertising to boost our exposure in the community - ongoing [Johanna, Pastor]
- c) Validate domain name expiration notice [Al with Jeff]
- d) Working out the process to get Bulletin and Newsletter on the Web site [Jeff with Marlys, Pastor, Johanna]
- e) Review newsletter before sending it to Jeff [Al with Robin and Jeff]

Reports and Updates:

Worship (Pastor Scott):

- a) Pastor Report see attached
- b) Bible Study: Continues Matthew
- c) Easter
 - a. Good Friday Service 10am this year

b. CELC is included in the Five Churches Easter newspaper add

d) Worship Planning – consider a planning team [George, Milan, Scott, Marlys]

Parish Support (George):

Maintenance Items [George unless otherwise noted]

- Dishwasher cover [Andy]
- Parking Lights
 - o Kitchen door outdoor light on all the time
 - Steps light does not come on
- Basement painting Complete
- Carpet on stairs Complete
- Basement Floor March 22 & 23 [AI]
- Parsonage window caulking repair
- Basement Windows paint and caulk
- Office taps leaking
- Level sidewalk at stairs
- Spring cleaning April 29 activities and sign-up list (volunteers may do the work other than the Saturday)
- Replace broken panes basement
- Install blinds Kitchen ladies are working on blinds

Outreach (Milan):

- a) One Roof Community Center (St Johns)
 - o We have volunteered for 3 dinners
 - Upcoming support to One Roof Community Center (St. Johns) –
 March 28 Food donations are awesome
 - Need 9 volunteers and \$200 (Milan to confirm) per dinner two shifts, prep and clean-up. Milan and George visiting March 23 to learn the process
- b) Food donations don't drop off fresh vegetables

Kid's Club (Marlys):

- a) March 13th 17th : INCREDIBLE! Turnout 16-20 kids each day, about 30 kids in total. Congratulations and Thanks Marlys!!
- b) April 28 and June 9 are the next PA days
- c) Summer Kids Klub August 14-18

Health and Wellness (Iris): No updates

Social Activities (Iris):

- a) Pancake Supper and Irish Lunch successful
- b) Coffee time sign-up sheets are posted

Stewardship/Fundraising (AI):

a) Fundraising approx. \$300 from Pancake Supper

- b) Upcoming Events
 - o April Fool's Day Fundraiser April 1 [Sylvia]
 - Garage Sale May 6
 - Tomato plants, strawberry plants are needed. These are great sellers – ask Oscar [Connie] and Congregation [Al]
- c) Stewardship/fundraising Team Marlys, Sylvia, Al

Mutual Ministry (Sylvia): No updates

Treasurer's Report (Brenda):

- a) Balances
 - Book Balance: \$72,023.72
 - Basement Fund \$4,041 \$1,011 (Carpet) = \$3,030 remaining for flooring

Flooring cost = \sim 6,000.

- b) GST \$715.99 refund, June refund will be less
- c) Current Offering Budget is \$100,00 or \$1923 per week

Offerings to February 28

Year	2017	2016	2015
Current	\$14,200	15,830	16,297
Budget	\$15,384		

- d) Provide a financial update to the Congregation [AI]
- e) Maintenance Expenses at George's discretion
- f) Cheque signers Branda, Pauline, Connie Reformation Celebration Events (Pastor Scott)
- a) Next planning meeting is scheduled for March 28;

Zoo Service

- a) Planning for the zoo services on June 11 [Johanna, Pastor Scott]
- **b)**Confirm the bookings Shelter #2 go with Scott to confirm booking is with CELS, not All Saints [Milan], Shelter #1 [Al]
- c) Consider inviting the Five Churches [Council]
- d) Provide a blurb for the Examiner [Marlys, Scott]
- e) Ideas for a music group to play? [Council]
- f) Replacing our Church Picnic with the Zoo Service

Peterborough Anglican Lutheran Covenant

a) Next meeting April 4, 5, 6 to meet with New Anglican Lutheran Commission

New Anglican Lutheran Commission assigned by Bishops from outside Peterborough:

a) People for the commission have been asked to serve. Some waiting for response. Lutheran rep has been appointed. Laurie Knott is Vice-Chair of Synod and a retired executive who dealt with bank branch

mergers of some kind or another. She has worshipped here since my tenure began.

b) Final recommendations by the New Commission due by the end of May

Other Business:

- a) Eastern Synod Apple Tree Workshop Asset Mapping, April 1 Whitby
- b) Easter Worship Ad Smaller Approx. \$50 [Scott]

Action Items:

- a) Review for Next Council Meeting
 - o Council operations. Who would like to do what this coming year? Chairperson, Secretary, liaisons with committees etc. How did we do last year? What should we continue or change? Suggestions from Annual Meeting? Thoughts?
 - Visitation Coordinator- Connie

Update Calendars –

April Fundraiser – Saturday April 1 Next Men's breakfast - Saturday April 8 Yard & Bake Sale - Saturday May 6

Reformation celebration event at the zoo - Sunday June 11 Wednesday April 19, 6:30pm



Next Meeting:

JOBS! JOBS! JOBS!

Service Usher		Reader	Assistant	
April 2	Connie & TBA	Iris Gravel	Iris Gravel	
April 9	Connie Baker	Pauline Parsons	Pauline Parsons	
April 16 7:30 am	TBA	Johanna Coombs	JohannaCoombs	
10:00 am	TBA	Marlys Kerkman	Marlys Kerkman	
April 23	Glenn & Johanna	Iris Gravel	Iris Gravel	
April 30	Connie & Glenn	Pauline Parsons	Pauline Parsons	

Altar Care for April - Robin Butson Counters for April – Ilse Donnelly & Glenn Coombs Altar care for May – Iris Gravel Counters for May - Cal Taillefer & Ilse Donnelly

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Apr	ril 2	017	7			1 April Fool's fundraiser 4-6 pm
2 Lent 5 Holy Communion 10:00 am Coffee time after worship	3 Community Living 9-noon	4 Bible Study 10 am Food for Kids 12:30 pm Evening Bible Study 7pm	5 Community Living 9-2 pm	6	7	8 Men's Breakfast 8:30 pm
9 Palm Sunday Holy Communion 10:00 am Coffee time after worship	10 Community Living 9-noon	11 Bible Study 10 am Food for Kids 12:30 pm Craft group 1pm Evening Bible Study 7pm	Community Living 10 – 2 pm	13 Maundy Worship at 7 pm	14 Good Friday worship at 10 am	15
16 Easter Sunday 7:30 am Breakfast 8:30 am 10 am	17 Easter Monday Community Living 9-noon	18 Bible Study 10 am Food for Kids 12:30 pm Evening Bible Study 7pm	19 Community Living 10 – 2 pm Council 6:30 pm	20	21	22
23 Easter 2 Holy Communion 10:00 am Coffee time after worship	24 Community Living 9-noon	25 Bible Study 10 am Food for Kids Program 12:30 pm Craft group 1 pm Evening Bible Study 7 pm	26 Community Living 10 – 2 pm	27	28	29
30 Easter 3 Holy Communion 10 am Coffee time after worship	May 1 Community Living 9-noon	Bible Study 10 am Food for Kids Program 12:30 pm Evening bible study 7 pm	3 Bring items for Rummage sale to church	4 Bring items for Rummage sale to church	May 5 Bring items for Rummage sale & bake goods to church	May 6 Rummage/ Bake sale 7 am-11 am