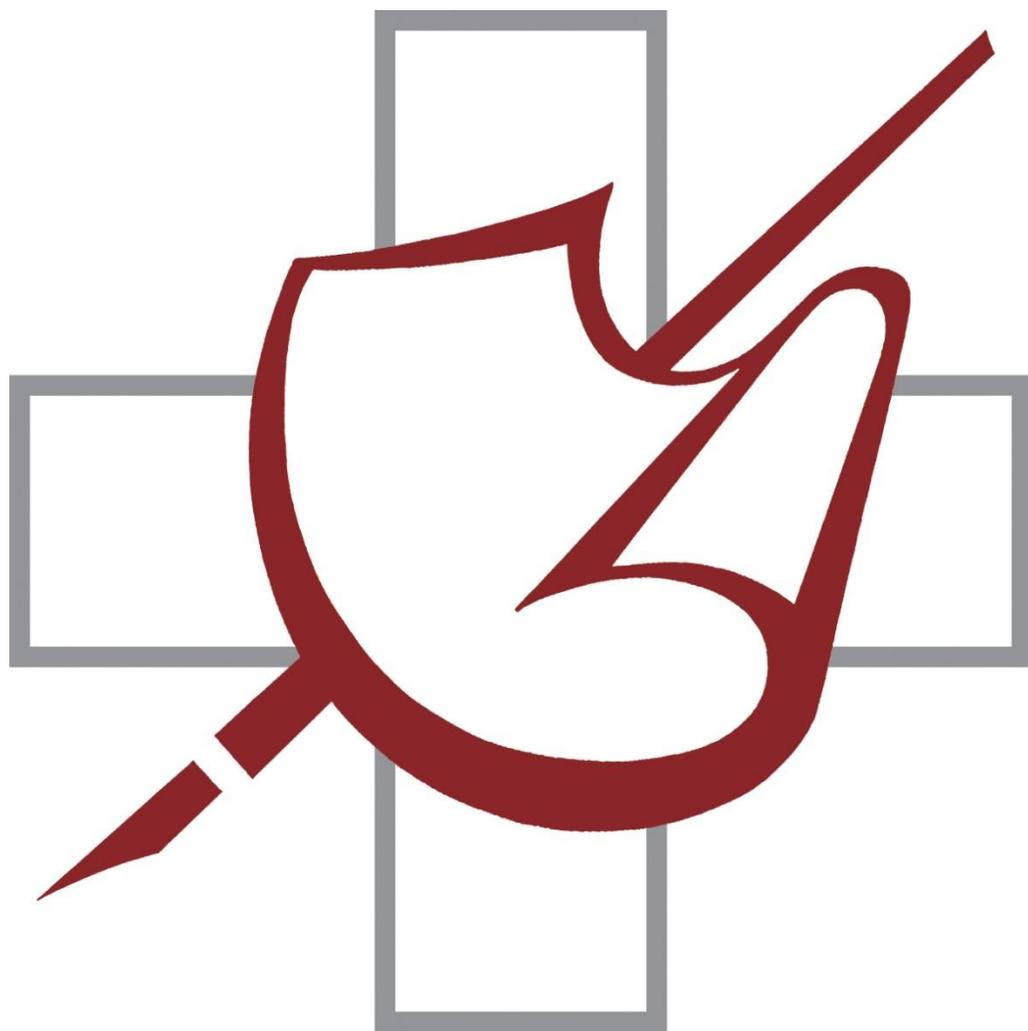


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9:30 am - Divine Service with Holy Baptisms and  
Commissioning of Mission Team

7:00 pm - Evening Divine Service

Opening Hymn

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here *LSB #592*

## Service of Holy Baptism

We rejoice today as two children are welcomed into the family of God in the waters of Holy Baptism.

**Leo Carson Brian Lynch** is the son of **Gregory and Chelsea (née Drung) Lynch**. His sponsors are **Chad Whittington and Katie Santos**.

**Maisie Rose Cosburn** is the daughter of **Drew and Emily (née Schmidt) Cosburn**. Her sponsor is **Carine Goossen**.

May God's richest blessings be upon these children and their families now and always!

*As part of the baptism service we will pray the Lord's Prayer and Confess the Apostles' Creed. Both are printed below.*

## Lord's Prayer

**All** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## Apostles' Creed

**All** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Hymn of Praise****I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry**

**I was there to hear your borne cry,  
I'll be there when you are old.**

**I rejoiced the day you were baptized,  
to see your life unfold.**

**I was there when you were but a child,  
with a faith to suit you well;  
In a blaze of light you wandered off  
to find where demons dwell."**

**"When you heard the wonder of the Word  
I was there to cheer you on;  
You were raised to praise the living Lord,  
to whom you now belong.  
If you find someone to share your time  
and you join your hearts as one,  
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme  
from dusk 'till rising sun.**

**In the middle ages of your life,  
not too old, no longer young,  
I'll be there to guide you through the night,  
complete what I've begun.  
When the evening gently closes in,  
and you shut your weary eyes,  
I'll be there as I have always been  
with just one more surprise.**

**I was there to hear your borne cry,  
I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized,  
to see your life unfold.**

**Epistle Reading: Romans 6:1-11**

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin.

<sup>7</sup> For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup> Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup> We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup> For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup> So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

*Pastor* This is the Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem** (*Graham Duench ~ soloist*)      *“His Eye is on the Sparrow”* by Charles Gabrielle, L.D. Martin  
combined with a verse of *“God Sees the Little Sparrow Fall”* by Maria Straub

### **Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 10:16-33**

*Pastor* The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

*People* **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>16</sup> “Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. <sup>17</sup> Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you in their synagogues, <sup>18</sup> and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. <sup>19</sup> When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. <sup>20</sup> For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. <sup>21</sup> Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, <sup>22</sup> and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup> When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

<sup>24</sup> “A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. <sup>25</sup> It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

<sup>26</sup> “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. <sup>27</sup> What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. <sup>28</sup> And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup> Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup> But even the hairs of your head are all numbered.

<sup>31</sup> Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup> So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, <sup>33</sup> but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

*Pastor* This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to You, O Christ.

## Hymn of the Day

## Abound in Hope My Dearest Child



1 A - bound in hope, my dear - est child. De - spite the  
 2 I stood be - side you in the fire, Lift - ed you  
 3 I passed the jeer - ing, hate - ful crowd, Qui - et - ed  
 4 Lo, I am with you to the end Though the earth



storm and tem - pest wild. I am the  
 up from lone - ly mire, Shield - ed you  
 taunts of teach - ers proud, Si - lenced the  
 quake and heav - ens rend. Why do you



One who car - ries you, Guards all your  
 from your en - e - mies, Pre - served you  
 sky and fear - ful wave, Suf - fered the  
 fear? The time grows near. I will not



steps, and sees you through.  
 through all tyr - an - nies.  
 cross, your soul to save.  
 rest till you are here.

## Sermon

St. Matthew 10:16-33

### “THIS IS OUR CONFESSION”

*“We receive forgiveness of sin and become righteous before God out of grace for Christ’s sake through faith when we believe that Christ has suffered for us and that for his sake our sin is forgiven and righteousness and eternal life are given to us. For God will regard and reckon this faith as righteousness in his sight, as St. Paul says in Romans 3 and 4”*

*Augsburg Confession Article IV*

## Hymn

## Create in Me



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new  
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way  
from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;  
and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

## Parish Announcements and Gathering of Offering

## Mission Team Commissioning

## Prayer of the Church

## Benediction

*Pastor* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Pastor* The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

*People* **Amen.**

## Hymn

## How Firm a Foundation LSB #728

Preacher ..... Pastor Nolan Astley

Organist ..... Jennifer Massicotte

Special Music ..... Graham Duench (*trombone*)

Sound Operator ..... Claude Massicotte

**Prayer Concerns:** In our prayers we remember **Pastor Syens and Anita** who are winding up the Days of Faith Lutheran Camp in Ukraine and will be returning home to Kitchener this week. We also remember those who are sick and shut-in and ask God's blessing for all who look to Him in any need.

**Altar Flowers** have been placed to the Glory of God and in honour of the baptism of Leo Lynch by Pat and Monica Lynch & Family.

**Pastor Roland** will return to the office **Thursday, June 29.**

**Ehattlesaht Mission Team** of Ross Dolson, Patti Koch and Wendy & Nicole Relf will be in BC from July 8 to July 15. Please keep them in your prayers.

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## Coming Events...

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**Last Week for e-waste** Bring your items to our Green Tech bin at the church from **until Friday, June 30. New this year..**sign the clipboard for items you drop off. See the bulletin boards for lists of acceptable items.

**VBS Set-up Night** is **Wednesday, July 5.** We need strong helpers at 6:30 p.m. to move tables and chairs. Others can arrive at 7:30 p.m. to "paper" tables and decorate rooms.

**Nuer Fellowship to begin Worshiping at Holy Cross** – The Parish Planning council met this past Wednesday evening and unanimously passed a motion to allow the Sudanese Lutherans, who have been members at Hope Lutheran, to begin holding their worship services here at Holy Cross, beginning **Sunday, July 16.** The services will be held in the Nuer language and will begin at 2:30 pm, or thereabouts. Pastor William Chuol who is an ordained pastor of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod will lead these services. In due time our brothers and sisters in Christ plan to transfer their memberships to Holy Cross. Please keep this matter in your prayers asking that the Lord's will be done for the building up of His kingdom.

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## Please Note...

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**VBS Cookie Call** – Yes, it's that that time of year again. We'll be needing lots of **nut free cookies** for the week of **July 10 to 14.** Homemade or store bought cookies are appreciated. If you are purchasing from a store please read the list of ingredients to make sure they are nut free. Cookies can be dropped off anytime on the counter in the kitchen. Thank you for supporting our V.B.S. children's ministry in this way.

**VBS Supplies needed...**

- We are in need of empty toilet paper and paper towel tubes. Please place in the box provided at the parking lot entrance.
- Christ Our Saviour Lutheran Church in Grimsby, where Pastor Aaron Astley serves, is in need of empty Kleenex boxes for their VBS castle being built the week of July 17. Please bring boxes at the back entrance to our church.

## Last Week at Holy Cross...

<b>Sunday/Monday Attendance:</b>	100 & 185 & 29	Total 314	('16 – 273)
<b>Sunday School:</b>	Pupils: 17 Staff: 10	Total 27	('16 – 31)
<b>Adult Bible Class:</b>	Pupils: 38 Staff: 1	Total 39	('16 – 46)
<b>YABS:</b>	Pupils: 2 Staff: 2	Total 4	('16 – 4)
<b>Youth Bible Class:</b>	Pupils: 6 Staff: 3	Total 9	('16 – 9)

**Thankoffering:** In honour their wedding anniversary to the Organ Fund from **KURT & MINNIE BOESE**.

**Memorials:** In memory of **DORIS YOUNG** to LCC – East District Missions – Moncton VBS from Brian & Julie Krinock & Family.

## Weekly Calendar

Monday June 26 to Sunday July 2, 2017

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Evening Divine Service, Church.....</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>ESL, Historic St. Pauls .....</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Board of Church Property, Triple Bible Classroom .....</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Beginnings, Downstairs.....</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>YABS BBQ, Outside.....</b>	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion Service, Church.....</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>

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