

# The Third Sunday in Lent

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8:30 & 11:00 am - Divine Services

9:45 am - Sunday School and Bible Classes for All Ages

1:30 pm - Youth Activities

3:30 pm - Slovak Congregation Service

6:30 pm - Adult Instruction Class #7

**Order of Service:** Service of Prayer and Preaching, LSB page 260

**Hymns:** 648, 728, 427, 850

**Readings:** Exodus 20:1-17 (Pew Bible, Page 73)  
1 Corinthians 1:18-31 (Pew Bible, Page 1105)  
St. John 2:13-25 (Pew Bible, Page 1029)

**Anthem:** (11:00) "There Is Power!" by David Clydesdale  
(Church Choir; Heather Schein ~ piano; Jennifer Massicotte ~ director)

**Sermon:** St. John 2:13-25

### "HE KNEW WHAT WAS IN A MAN"

**Special Music:** (8:30) Hope Bindseil, Evangeline Branje, Eden Keller, Justus & Samuel Schafer (piano)  
(11:00) Isaiah Bridgemohan, Sarah Das, Braden & Jordan Fergin, Gabrielle George, Ella Kuhlman, Madison Neustaedter, (piano)

**Serving in God's House Today:** Pastor Nolan Astley (Preacher), Pastor Roland Syens (Officiant), Jennifer Massicotte (Organist), Amber Podhorny (8:30 Acolyte), Andrew Podhorny (11:00 Acolyte), Ken Griffin (8:30 Sound Operator), Chris Bohl (11:00 Sound Operator).

**Prayer Concerns:** In our prayers we remember those of our congregational family who have been in hospital this past week including, **Doris Hahn, Fred Kahlmeier, and Murray Schmidt.** We pray God's healing had be upon them! We also ask God to bless our observance of Lent, granting us a deeper faith in His victory won for us through Christ.

**2015 Ehattesah Mission Trip..** The meeting is today so if you would like to know more information about this trip please join Ross Dolson in the confirmation room after the late service!! We have room for about 8 participants with hopefully a good mix between youth and adults. If you can't attend the meeting today please contact Ross directly at rwdolson@gmail.com or 519-725-2797.



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"By God's grace, the members of Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church will be a caring, vibrant diverse community of blessed believers, lovingly reaching out with the message of Jesus Christ." - Vision Statement 2010

**Youth Activities today!!** Meet at the church from 1:30-3:30 pm. There will be skating as well as indoor game opportunities. Join us and bring a friend!!

**Adult Information Class..**Our topic tonight is "About a Meal Which Feeds You". We serve Holy Communion on the first and third Sunday of each month. If you've ever wondered what the purposes and benefits are or how you should prepare for the Lord's Supper, join us tonight!

## Coming Events...

**Midweek Lenten Services** continue this **Wednesday, March 11**, at **1:30 and 7:00 p.m.**

Week Four in The Parables of Lent, a special series of services for the season of Lent, is based on the parable of the Good Samaritan. In this parable, a man beaten on the road gets help from an unlikely traveler. The parable helps us to remember that we who are often beaten down along the road of life encounter the healing of Christ through the cross.

**Sign Up for Easter Plants** on bulletin boards around the building. Lilies are \$8.00 & hydrangeas are \$12.50. If you want to designate yours as a memorial or thankoffering you still need to sign up on the posted lists, pick up a form at the Welcome Centre, fill it in, and drop it off in the box outside the church office. Deadline is **Sunday, March 15**.

**Jubilation Male Chorus** will be singing at the **Wednesday, March 18** Lenten service at **7:00 p.m.** Come and hear these talented men lead us in song.

**NEW!!!! Toronto Summer Mission Opportunity!** Are you looking for a way to serve? We are looking for youth, young adults and adults who will serve in a one week VBS program at Trinity Lutheran Church in Toronto from **Sunday, July 12 to Friday, July 17, 2015**. If you are interested in being a part of this exciting mission opportunity please attend the **Information Meeting** on Sunday, March 22 following the late service in the Triple Bible Classroom. If you are not able to attend the meeting or you would like more information please contact Pastor Roland Syens at 519-742-5812 or syens@holycrosskitchener.org or Emily Pritchard at emily\_pritchard29@hotmail.com.

**Women of Holy Cross:** Please plan to attend our annual Renewal Weekend, **April 17 and 18**. Information is available in your pigeon holes. Registration forms are available at the welcome desk, or can be e-mailed to you by requesting one from the church office.

## Please Note

**Materials needed...**Our Knotty Ladies, who meet Wednesdays for knotting quilts, are in need of more gently used sheets. Please place any donations in the boxes placed at both our church entrances. Thank you in advance and also to all who have previously and generously supplied sheets and material.

**E100** We're continuing our journey through the essential 100 readings of the Bible, focussing now on the New Testament. Watch for the next video to land in your mailbox tomorrow!

PAUL TO THE CHURCHES	
31. More than Conquerers	Romans 8:1-8:39
32. The Fruit of the Spirit	Galatians 5:16-6:10
33. The Armor of God	Ephesians 6:10-6:20
34. Rejoice in the Lord	Philippians 4:2-4:9
35. The Supremacy of Christ	Colossians 1:1-1:23

**Downstairs Library** - Our children loved Valentine's Day! They show and give love easily to their family and friends and they know it is God's will to do so. In the Christian Conduct area, locate "Choosing God's Way to See and Share" by V. Gilbert Beers and Ronald A. Beers. Sometimes, it is difficult to share love. In our devotional area find "Dealing in Love in Sticking Situations", a book of 365 Devotions for children and their families, by Betsy Schmitt. The younger children would love to read the picture book series The Christopher Churchill Classics with titles such as "Rainy Day Rescue" and "A Pack of Lies". For March Break, remember to grab extra reading books, craft and fun books and DVDs to fill the hours with your children. God's blessings to you all. **See you in the Library!**

## Today's Education Hour

**Keep that Cereal Coming!** So far we've delivered **162 boxes** to the Community Cupboard at Historic St. Paul's. Thanks! We have until March 29 to break last year's record of 430 boxes.

**Nursery through Gr. 5** students explore the lesson, **Jesus Clears the Temple** (John 2:13-22). Parents ask your kids, "Why did Jesus clear the temple? How is Jesus our temple?" Jesus is the true temple who houses and perfects us, raising our bodies to be like His.

**Gr. 6/7** students continue exploring this term's "Succeeding In School" unit. Today we complete, **No Losers – Comparing yourself to others is destructive.**

**Youth (Gr. 8-12)** meets for **Vocations: Can faith affect my future choices?**

**YABS (Young Adult Bible Study)** meets for lesson two from our new "Live 58" series exploring **Isaiah 58 – The True Fast.**

The word of the week in **Adult Bible Class** is the Latin word "oculi" or eyes. Join us as we talk Psalm 2 and focus our vision upon Christ the author and perfecter of our faith.



## Last Week at Holy Cross...

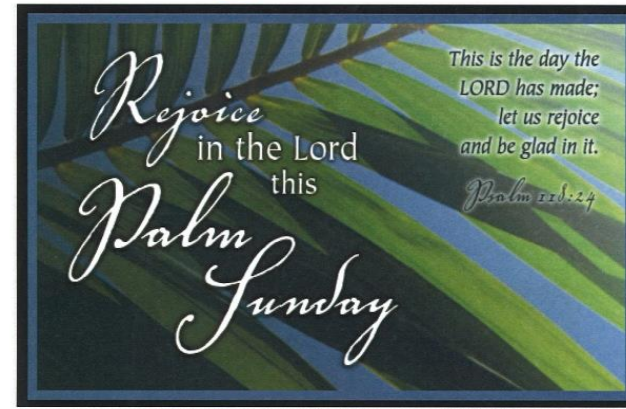
Lenten Attendance:	34 & 103	Total 137	(*14 – 82)
Sunday Attendance:	102 & 177	Total 279	(*14 – 280)
Communion Attendance:	99 & 139	Total 238	(*14 – 223)
Adult Bible Class:	Pupils: 54 Staff: 1	Total 55	(*14 – 48)
Young Adult Bible Class:	Pupils: 7 Staff: 4	Total 11	(*14 – 10)
Youth Bible Class:	Pupils: 5 Staff: 1	Total 6	(*14 – 12)
Sunday School Attendance:	Pupils: 45 Staff: 16	Total 61	(*14 – 57)

## Weekly Calendar

Monday, March 9 to Sunday, March 15, 2015

<b>Monday</b>	ESL, <i>Historic St. Paul's</i> .....	10:30 a.m.
	Griefshare, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i> .....	6:30 p.m.
<b>Tuesday</b>	ESL, <i>Historic St. Paul's</i> .....	6:30 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b>	LWML Quilters, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i> .....	9:00 a.m.
	<b>Lenten Service</b> , <i>Church</i> .....	1:30 p.m.
	LINC, <i>Everywhere</i> .....	5:30 p.m.
	Junior Confirmation, <i>Panel Room</i> .....	6:15 p.m.
	Senior Confirmation, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i> .....	6:15 p.m.
	<b>Lenten Service</b> , <i>Church</i> .....	7:00 p.m.
<b>Thursday</b>	Beginnings, <i>Downstairs</i> .....	9:30 a.m.
	Prayer Group, <i>Triple Bible Classroom</i> .....	9:30 a.m.
	Praise Singers, <i>Church</i> .....	7:00 p.m.
	Youth Choir, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i> .....	7:00 p.m.
	Church Choir, <i>Church</i> .....	8:00 p.m.
<b>Friday</b>	Small Group Bible Study, <i>Parlour</i> .....	7:00 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>The Fourth Sunday in Lent</b>	
	<b>Holy Communion Service</b> , <i>Church</i> .....	8:30 a.m.
	Sunday School, <i>Downstairs</i> .....	9:45 a.m.
	Adult Bible Class, <i>Church</i> .....	9:45 a.m.
	YABS, <i>Triple Bible Classroom</i> .....	9:45 a.m.
	Youth Bible Class, <i>Youth Centre</i> .....	9:45 a.m.
	<b>Holy Communion Service</b> , <i>Church</i> .....	11:00 a.m.
Adult Instruction Class #8, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i> .....	6:30 p.m.	

# Holy Week Schedule

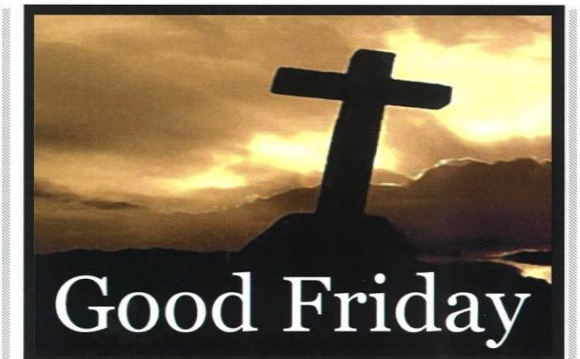


### Palm Sunday Services Sunday March 29, 2015

Palm Sunday Festival Service at 8:30 am  
 Sunday School & Bible Classes at 9:45 am  
 Palm Sunday Festival Service at 11:00 am  
 with Reception of New Members



**Maundy Thursday**  
 Thursday April 2, 2015  
 Holy Communion Service  
 7:00 pm



**Good Friday**  
 Friday April 3, 2015  
 Holy Communion Services  
 8:30 & 10:00 am

### The Resurrection of Our Lord Easter Sunday April 5, 2015

Sunrise Holy Communion Service at 7:30 am  
 Easter Fellowship Breakfast at 8:30 am  
 Easter Praise Service at 9:30 am  
 Sunday School at 9:30 am  
 Festival Service at 11:00 am

