

The Second Sunday of Easter

April 12, 2015



“Receive the Holy Spirit.”
John 20:22



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8:30 am - Divine Service

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

11:00 am - Divine Service with Holy Baptism and Cambridge Kiwanis Boys Choir

3:30 pm - Slovak Congregation Service

Order of Service: (8:30) Divine Service Setting Three, LSB page 184
(11:00) See Printed Order of Service

Hymns: (8:30) 905, 475, 480, 763
(11:00) 595, 480, 763

Readings: 1 John 1:1- 2:2 (Pew Bible, Page 1183)
St. John 20:19-31 (Pew Bible, Page 1052)

Anthem: (11:00) Cambridge Kiwanis Boys Choir

Sermon: St. John 20:19-23

“THE VOICE”

Serving in God’s House Today: Pastor Nolan Astley (*Preacher*), Pastor Roland Syens (*Officiant*), Anne Forler (*Organist*), Jeremy Das (*Acolyte*), Marty Stanfel (*8:30 Sound Operator*).

Prayer Concerns: in our prayers today we remember **Mary Belle Poll & Earl Hebner** who has been in hospital this week. We also ask God to guide our congregation as we contemplate renovation plans and as we prepare for ministry staff changes later this year.

Holy Baptism: Today, at the 11am service, we receive into the family of God **Solomon Maximillian Bridgemohan** in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Solomon is the son of Andrew & Melanie Toolsie Bridgemohan. Scott Weber, Negar Hashemi, Sonja Wiesemann are serving as witnesses & sponsors for this baptism. May God’s richest blessings be upon him as he grows in faith and service!

Coming Events...

Spring Voters’ Assembly is on **Wednesday, May 6 at 7:00 pm**. Heads of boards and other officers should get their reports into the church office by **Sunday, April 19!**

Dig-In Food Drive: The Board of Evangelism is once again offering an opportunity to volunteer for a servant event. Holy Cross is hosting a donation site for the city-wide food drive for the Waterloo Region Food Bank on **Saturday, May 2 from 10am to 3pm**. Our location is at Belfiore’s ValuMart at the Frederick Mall at Frederick & Edna St.

Dig-In Food Drive continued...We will need lots of volunteers to staff the site, soliciting donations, loading them etc. You can help for either the morning or afternoon shift. Young people are especially encouraged to participate. Sign-up sheets are at the Welcome Centre. This is a great opportunity for outreach to the community. For more info, you may email Brent Wentzlaff at bwentzlaff@email.com.

Looking forward to Golf? Mark your calendars for **Saturday, May 23**, for the annual Youth Golf Tournament. Please consider sponsoring a hole or donating a prize and best of all gathering together to enjoy some time on the green! More details to follow.

Reserve VBS Dates Now: We're getting excited about **SonSpark Labs** Vacation Bible School, **Monday July 6 through Friday, July 10, 2015 from 9 a.m. to noon** with our annual musical set for Sunday, July 12 at 7 p.m. Watch for registration opportunities in May. Who's eligible? Kids born in 2011 through to having completed Grade 7. What's our purpose? Discovering God's Plan 4U = Jesus!

Today's Education Hour...

JK through Gr.5 students study, **Jesus Reinstates Peter (John 21:1-19)**. We are all like Peter in our words and actions, denying our Lord and weeping bitterly over what we have done. We are in need of the same comfort that Peter received—the comfort of sins forgiven and the assurance that even though we are faithless, Jesus will remain faithful. Ask your kids, *“How did Peter express his sorrow and repentance? What specific directions did Jesus give to Peter?”*

Gr. 6/7 students finish their unit, **Finding Your Identity: A place for YOU!**

Youth (Gr. 8-12) meets to begin a brand new lesson series that uses clever DVD animation to explore our New Testament “ancestors” and how God teaches us through them. First up is **Mary the Mother of Jesus: The Long-suffering mom!**

YABS (Young Adult Bible Study) meets to continue exploring Isaiah chapter 58 through the series, **Live 58 – The True Fast**

Adult Bible Class will begin a study of 1 John. In this letter John teaches the church about living out their faith in a risen Saviour. Join us as together we grow in God's Word.

Last Week at Holy Cross...

Maundy Thursday Attendance:	111	Total 111	(*13 – 143)
Maundy Thursday Communion:	91	Total 91	(*13 – 135)
Good Friday Attendance:	111 & 255	Total 366	(*13 – 366)
Good Friday Communion:	92 & 199	Total 291	(*13 – 293)
Easter Sunday Attendance:	148 & 248 & 311	Total 707	(*13 – 573)
Sunrise Communion:	120	Total 120	(*13 – 145)
Sunday School Attendance:	Pupils: 30 Staff: 9	Total 39	(*13 – 54)

Thankoffering: For blessings on their 30th Wedding Anniversary to the Unified Church Budget from Barry & Lorraine Cress.

Memorial: In memory of **FRED KAHLMEIER** to the Ukraine Mission from Bernie & Helga Drung. In memory of **EUGENE GEORGE** to the Welfare Fund from Gus & Audrey Maue.

Weekly Calendar

Monday, April 6 to Sunday, April 12, 2015

Monday	ESL, <i>Historic St. Paul's</i> 10:30 a.m. Griefshare Seminar, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i> 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday	ESL, <i>Historic St. Paul's</i> 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	LWMLC Quilts, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i> 9:00 a.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. Confirmation Parents Meeting, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i> 7:30 p.m. Parish Planning Council, <i>Triple Bible Classroom</i> 7:30 p.m.
Thursday	Beginnings, <i>Triple Bible Classroom</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>Church</i> 7:00 p.m. Church Choir, <i>Church</i> 8:00 p.m.

Friday - Saturday

Women`s Renewal Weekend, *Guelph Bible Conference Centre*

Sunday

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Holy Communion Service , <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.
Holy Communion Service , <i>Church</i>	11:00 a.m.
New Member Social, <i>Basement</i>	12:30 p.m.