

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 14 & 15, 2015



... for the LORD
sees not
as man sees;
man looks on the
outward appearance,
but the LORD
looks on the heart.

1 Samuel 16:7, ESV



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8:30 & 11:00 am - Divine Services

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

12:15 pm - AP Training, Toronto Mission Team meeting

3:30 pm - Slovak Congregation Service

Monday, 7:00 pm - Divine Service

Order of Service: Divine Service Setting Three, LSB page 184

Hymns: (8:30) 593, 78 (AGPS), 785, 894
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Readings: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13 (Pew Bible, Page 267)
2 Corinthians 5:1-10 (Pew Bible, Page 1121)
St. Mark 4:26-34 (Pew Bible, Page 970)

Anthem: “We Believe” by Travis Ryan, Richie Fike, Matt Hooper
(Male Quartet; Anthony Lavender ~ guitar; Philip Massicotte ~ bass; John Rickert ~ drums; Jennifer Massicotte ~ piano)

Sermon: 1 Samuel 16:7
“TWIGS, SEEDS AND KINGS”

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

Serving in God’s House Today: Pastor Nolan Astley (Preacher), Pastor Roland Syens (Officiant), Jennifer Massicotte (Sunday Organist), Anne Forler (Monday Organist), Justus Schafer (8:30 Acolyte), Bekare Agid (11:00 Acolyte), Ken Griffin (8:30 Sound Operator), Mike Koch (11:00 Sound Operator),

Prayer Concerns: we remember the family of **Ervin Stever** whom our Lord called to Himself in heaven last Monday at the age of 89 years. We remember those of our congregation who have been in hospital this week, including **Ross Heimpel**; also members of Dianne Frank’s family who are struggling with illness, **Linda Hanner**, **Eileen Zelt**, **Lorraine MacLeod**. We pray God to bless the decisions of our Voters’ assembly held this past Thursday evening.

Holy Baptism: Today, at the 8:30 am service, we receive into the family of God **Vivian Shamiso Famme** in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Vivian is the daughter of Jeff & Vera Famme. Melissa Famme & Valerie Moreton are serving as sponsors for this baptism. May God’s richest blessings be upon her as she grows in faith and service!

Coming Events...

The African Children's Choir is singing at Holy Cross Lutheran Church on **Monday, July 20 at 7 p.m.** Come and hear 18 children from Uganda singing well-loved gospel songs as well as traditional African songs. A free will offering will be taken to support the African Children's Choir programs in education, relief and development. Invite your family and friends to come with you on July 20. We are in need of host families for July 19, 20, and 21 for the African Children's choir children and their chaperones. Host families need to provide sleeping accommodations for 3 children and one adult, so 2 bedrooms are needed. For complete details please contact Heather Schein (519-590-5072 cell phone) if interested. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet some amazing children and to be a part of their choir tour in a very personal way.

LAST VBS Registration is Thursday, June 25 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Come to the parlour to sign up for **SonSpark Labs** where **God's Plan 4U = Jesus!** Our program runs Monday, July 6 to Friday, July 10 from 9 a.m. to noon, for kids born in 2011 (JK) through Grade 7. Can't make it on Thursday? Print a registration form from our website www.holycrosskitchener.org Complete it and bring it or mail it in. Don't miss out!

The Libraries will be used for VBS - then the downstairs library will operate without helpers for the remainder of the summer. Please return all materials from the downstairs library, that you are finished using, by **June 28** so that we can process them before VBS set-up. Books & CDs may be signed out as usual over the summer. For other needs contact Alice Scott.

Today's Education Hour...

Remember...next week is our final Education Hour until Rally Day September 13. **JK through Gr.5** students study the Old Testament account of **Jacob's Dream (Genesis 27:41-28:22)** where God renews His promise to bless all people through Jacob's family. God kept His promise by giving Jesus to be our Savior. *Your family could discuss, "What reminders does God give us of His promises to us?"*

Gr. 6/7 students gather for a special year-end discussion lesson. We promise thought provoking stuff – you'll have to show up to discover what's "on" for today! Hmmm.

Youth (Gr. 8-12) meets for **Mary and Martha – the bickering sisters!** Join us.

YABS (Young Adult Bible Study) meets at 9:45 a.m. in the Triple Bible Class.

Adult Bible Class will hear will continue its interrupted study of 1 John focusing today on chapter 4. What does it mean that "God is love"?

Last Week at Holy Cross...

Sunday Attendance:	104 & 173 & 30	Total 307	('14 – 289)
Communion Attendance:	97 & 148 & 28	Total 273	('14 – 268)

Adult Bible Class:	Pupils: 65	Staff: 1	Total 66	('14 – 30)
Young Adult Bible Class:	Pupils: 10	Staff: 1	Total 11	('14 – 7)
Youth Bible Class:	Pupils: 8	Staff: 3	Total 11	('14 – 7)
Sunday School Attendance:	Pupils: 36	Staff: 14	Total 50	('14 – 54)

Memorial: In memory of **MILDRED SCHENK** to Canadian Lutheran World Relief from Jack & Elaine Kahl. In memory of **LOVED ONES** to Vacation Bible School from Shirley Martin. In memory of **LYDIA MCELINNEY** to the Unified Church Budget from Marcus & Val Baker. In memory of **RUTH FISCHER** to the Ehattlesaht Mission from Richard & Christine Seip. To the Unified Church Budget from Merle & Doreen Groff, Peter & Sandy Rueffer, Ray & Marg West, Pat Schmitt, Sherry Swartz-Hill, Ruth Swartz, Marg Klages, Shirley Martin, Doreen Israel, Marcus & Val Baker, Pastor Konny & Doris Hahn, Virginia Schmidt, Harold & Norma Blake, Peter Weber, Dave & Judy Lloyd, Ruth Luft, Lydia Weimer, Marjorie Snyder. To Canadian Lutheran World Relief from Doreen Marchand. To Support for Pastor Oleg Schewtschenko. To Vacation Bible School from Matt & Nancy Paulini, Bob & Jean Schmitt. To Sunday School from Earl & Betty Hebner. To Missions from Bruce & Norene Brubacher. In memory of **JUNE KELLER** to the Ehattlesaht Mission from Richard & Christine Seip. To the Unified Church Budget from Merle & Doreen Groff, Marjorie Snyder, Harold & Norma Blake, Pastor Konny & Doris Hahn, Dave & Judy Lloyd, Virginia Schmidt. To Missions from Bruce & Norene Brubacher. To Sunday School from Pastor Lloyd & Shirley Wentzclaff.

Weekly Calendar

Monday, June 15 to Sunday, June 21, 2015

Monday	Evening Divine Service, Church.....	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	ESL, Historic St. Paul's	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Board of Stewardship, Triple Bible Classroom.....	7:00 p.m.
	Board of Worship, Youth Centre	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	Beginnings, Downstairs.....	9:30 a.m.
	Prayer Group, Triple Bible Classroom	9:30 a.m.
	Praise Singers, Church	7:00 p.m.
Sunday	The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost	
	Holy Communion Service, Church.....	8:30 a.m.
	Sunday School, Downstairs	9:45 a.m.
	Adult Bible Class, Church.....	9:45 a.m.
	Young Adult Bible Class, Triple Bible Classroom	9:45 a.m.
	Youth Bible Class, Youth Centre.....	9:45 a.m.
	Holy Communion Service, Church.....	11:00 a.m.
	Toronto Mission Team meeting, Confirmation Classroom.....	12:30 p.m.