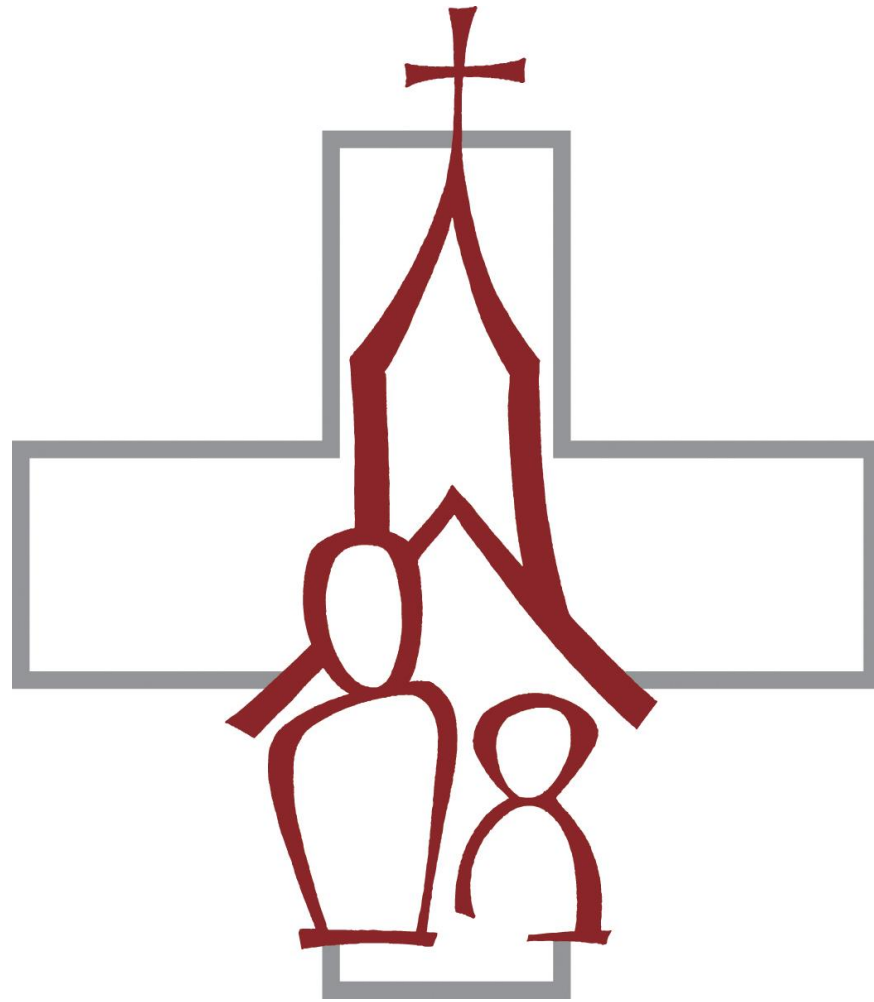


The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 23 & 24, 2015



Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church

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9:30 am - Divine Service

Monday, 7:00 pm - Divine Service

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

Hymns: 829, 589, 706

Readings: 1 Kings 8:22-30, 41-43 (Pew Bible, Page 333)
 Ephesians 5:21-33 (Pew Bible, Page 1136)
 St Mark 7:1-13 (Pew Bible, Page 975)

Anthem: "The Potter's Hand" by Darlene Zschech (*Graham Duench & Caitlin Pritchard -duet*)

Sermon: "TEMPLES & TRADITIONS" 1Kings 8:22-30, 41-43

Special Music: Mitch Kehn (*trombone*), Graham Duench (*trombone*)

Serving in God's House Today: Pastor Nolan Astley (*Officiant*), Jennifer Massicotte (*Organist*)
 Claude Massicotte (*Sound Operator*).

The Flowers: remain to the glory of God following the funeral this past Thursday for Marina Fritz from her family, Gerald, Jordan, Brendan and Aaron Fritz.

Prayer Concerns: *We pray for all those traveling and on holidays* that God grant them traveling mercies and rest. *We thank the Lord for Beth Gibney* and her ministry to us over the last 12 years may God give her a time of refreshment and healing as she begins a new journey. *We ask God's blessings on our new Parish Life Assistants:* Henrietta Schafer and Krysti Beckett as they begin their ministry to us this coming week. *We pray for those struggling with illness:* Ewan Gallacher, Ross Heimpel, Marjorie Toolsie, George Tomesch, Earl Millen and others. *We pray for comfort and peace for the Fritz family* as they mourn the death of Marina Fritz whose memorial service was this past Thursday. *We pray for missionaries* around our world as they proclaim Christ to the peoples they serve. We thank the Lord for all the blessings He has given to us and especially for faith in Jesus.

Beth Gibney's Farewell BBQ and Peach Social takes place *today after the service*.

We will gather together for a time of fellowship and to share memories with Beth as she heads into retirement. Beth's last work day at the church is this **Thursday, August 27**.

Welcome to Our New Parish Life Staff members **Henrietta Schafer** (*henri@holycrosskitchener.org*) and **Krysti Beckett** (*krysti@holycrosskitchener.org*) as they begin their ministry work this week here at Holy Cross. Please pray for them and encourage them both as they settle in and become a part of our ministry team.

Staff Summer Holidays...Pastor Roland & Anita continue on holidays and will return Wednesday, September 9. May God grant them a time of rest and peace.

Coming Events...

YABS Summer Wrap on **Friday, August 28** at **7 p.m.** at the home of Paul & Krysti Beckett, 1008 Orr's Lake Rd, Cambridge 226-989-4444. Fire, weather permitting. Drinks, hot dogs and marshmallows will be supplied. All are welcome.

2015-2016 Board Program Plan information is in the Executive/Directors boxes outside the church office. An electronic copy of your board plan from last year is available by contacting the church office. Each board needs to return their completed program plan to the church office by *Sunday, September 6*.

Parish Planning Council Meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 9** at **7:30 p.m.** for all executive, financial officers and board directors. Two reminders: Your program plans are due in the church office ASAP; financial and board reports for the upcoming Voters' Assembly are due in the office by *Sunday, September 20*.

Regular Service Schedule Resumes on **Sunday, September 13** at **8:30 and 11:00 a.m.** Please mark it on your calendar right now!

Classes begin again on Rally Day, September 13: Mark your calendars and make a renewed commitment to Sunday morning Bible learning for the whole family. We aim for a class for everyone, age 3 through adult, **9:45 to 10:45 a.m.**

Please Note...

Sunday School Teacher & Helper positions available: WOW! Praise God, we have filled many Sunday School positions just since last week's appeal! Thank you for your quick response. **We still need: three every-other-week Helpers** for **Grade 1/2, Grade 3/4, and Grade 6/7** plus **one Supply Teacher**. Call Beth and let's fill-in these few remaining blanks! 519-742-5812 (W) or 519-578-9807 (H).

LINC will be in recess this fall with a plan to start again in January. Like last year, we've made room in the fall weeks for an exciting and relevant **small group Bible study** that focuses on God's truth in our complex and changing culture. Several other special events are also in the works. More details coming soon!

Last Week at Holy Cross...

Sunday/Monday Attendance:	146 & 34	Total 180	('14 – 246)
Communion Attendance:	106 & 33	Total 139	('14 – 218)

Thankoffering: In honour of and with thanks to God for **PASTOR ASTLEY's 30th Ordination Anniversary** to the Unified Church Budget from Grant & Joanne Schaefer. In honour of and with thanks to God for **PASTOR SYENS' 25th Ordination Anniversary** to the Unified Church Budget from Grant & Joanne Schaefer.

Memorial: In memory of **NORMAN DOTZENROTH** to the Ukraine Mission from Pastor Lloyd & Shirley Wentzlaff. In memory of **MARINA FRITZ** to the Sunday School from Pastor Lloyd & Shirley Wentzlaff. To the Ukraine Mission from Lois Cybalski.

Weekly Calendar

Monday, August 24 to Sunday, August 30, 2015

Monday	Divine Service, Church.....7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Board of Worship, Youth Centre7:30 p.m.
Thursday	Beginnings, Downstairs.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday	The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost Divine Service, Church.....9:30 a.m.