

Easter Sunday

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Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church Canada

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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*

Easter Day: The Resurrection of Our Lord

7:30 am - Sunrise Service with Holy Communion
8:30 am - Easter Fellowship Breakfast (serving until 10:00)
9:30 am - Easter Praise Service
9:30 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Easter Festival Service

Visitors, Welcome to Holy Cross!

We hope these directions will help you this morning:

Hearing Assistance Devices are available. Ask an usher for one, if needed.

Children's Activity Bulletins...Are available for ages 3-6 or 7-12. Ask an usher for a bulletin to help your kids follow the service in an activity based way.

We Welcome and Invite You to Join Us for Breakfast! Our Board of Fellowship invites you to come down to the Parish Hall (Gym) anytime from 8:30-10:00 am to enjoy breakfast with us, spend time talking to friends and loved ones, or to fill a spare hour if you plan to stay for another service later in the morning. We're so grateful to everybody who baked, served, set up and promised to clean up for this big event!

Prayer Concerns: In our prayers today we particularly remember the many families in our parish who have **lost loved ones** in the last few months asking God to fill them with the sure and certain hope of resurrection and eternal life through our Risen Lord and Savior. We especially ask God to be with **the family of Earl Hebner**, who died in the Lord last Wednesday and whose funeral will be held on Tuesday here at Holy Cross. We ask God's healing hand to be with **Paul VanderGriendt** who continues his recovery in Toronto hospital. We also ask our Lord to **grant peace in our world** and to be with those who have suffered again this week as a result of terrorist acts.

Pastor Astley and Susan will be on vacation this coming week. Pastor Astley will be in the office again on Monday, April 4.

Funeral Arrangements: Visitation for Earl Hebner will be from 2:00-4:00 and 7:00-9:00 pm on **Monday, March 28** at the Henry Walser Funeral Home. The funeral will be at Holy Cross on **Tuesday, March 29, at 11:00 am.**

Memorial Easter Plants have been placed by the following:

In memory of **BRUCE LAUTENSCHLAGER** from Joan Lautenschlager. In loving memory of our parents **BOB & SHIRLEY GERTH** and **ART & BERTHA WEBB** from Brian & Leslie Ann Webb. In memory of **GARY LEMON** from Marlene Lemon. In memory of our precious grandson **EWAN GALLACHER** from Grant & Joanne Schaefer.

Easter Plants have been placed to the glory of God and in celebration of the resurrection of our Saviour by the following:

Kurt & Minnie Boese	Erv & Jennie Bloch
Bruce & Norene Brubacher	Guy Chadsey
Ross & Sandy Dolson	Harry Drews
Arnold & Cheri Drung & Family	Bernie & Helga Drung
Bruno & Jean Fergin	Ruth Henderson
Jerry & Lilian Golschesky	Patti Hebner
Erika Kahlmeier	Peter & Pat Kahlmeier
Dieter & Roz Kays	Martha Kays
Mike & Patti Koch	Joan Lautenschlager
Marlene Lemon	David & Wilma Reist
John & Wilma Rickert	Grant & Joanne Schaefer
Martha Schaus	Pat Schmitt
Richard & Christine Seip	Jonathan & Marjorie Sutherland
Robert Wagner	Jon & Laurie Watson
Brian & Leslie Ann Webb	Gerry & Ila Wentzlaff
Ray & Julie Wilcock	Frank & Charlene VanderGriendt

Coming Events...

Join us for LINC the next 3 Wednesdays! Supper will be delicious and we have special topics for the adults. **March 30** Ben Volman from Chosen People Ministries will be our presenter. **April 6 & 13** our topic will be "the Environment" - making practical connections from the *Culture Shock* small group book study done last fall.

Women's Renewal Weekend Hello ladies! Do you need a break? Do you want to be refreshed? Come to our "**LAVENDER SPRINGS SPA**" **Friday, April 22 to Saturday, April 23** at the Guelph Bible Conference Centre. Spend time with our Lord and other ladies. Study the book of Psalms in an inspiring informative way. Enjoy the fellowship, fun and laughter with new and old friends, bring a friend, enjoy good food and relax. Attend the whole weekend, or come for Friday night or Saturday. For more information and registration forms, please see our display on the welcome desk. **Registration Deadline is April 17th**, please try to register early. We look forward to seeing you there. God's blessings to all of you and your families.

Please Note...

Thanks for your generosity everyone! We have already collected 51 cereal boxes and 80 items for the Syrian refugee families. We have 3 weeks left to give to these Mission projects.

Today's Education Hour...

Nursery through Grade 7 students will meet in the basement for a fun hour of Easter options! Movie, book, Easter Egg hunt, trivia & treats. Joy, joy, joy!!

Last Week at Holy Cross...

Wednesday Attendance:	49 & 103	Total 152	('15 – 157)
Sunday Attendance:	113 & 195	Total 308	('15 – 291)
Communion Attendance:	98 & 166	Total 264	('15 – n/a)
Adult Bible Class:	Pupils: 43 Staff: 1	Total 44	('15 – 37)
Youth Bible Class:	Pupils: 5 Staff: 2	Total 7	('15 – 5)
YABS:	Pupils: 0 Staff: 0	Total 0	('15 – 10)
Sunday School:	Pupils: 19 Staff: 16	Total 35	('15 – 54)

Memorials: In memory of **MARJORIE TOOLSIE** to the Unified Church Budget from Ilse Smith. In memory of **RUTH LUFT** to Canadian Lutheran World Relief from Mary Coleman. In memory of **JOYCE OWENS** to the Unified Church Budget from Ilse Smith. In memory of **SKIP MCELHINNEY** to Missions from The Sam Sorbara Charitable Foundation.

Weekly Calendar

Monday, March 28 to Sunday, April 3, 2016

Monday	Easter Monday, <i>Church office closed</i>	
Tuesday	ESL, <i>Historic St. Paul's</i>	6:30 p.m.
	Board of Parish Education, <i>Panel Room</i>	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Knotty Ladies, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i>	9:00 a.m.
	LINC, <i>Everywhere</i>	5:30 p.m.
	Board of Elders, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i>	7:30 p.m.
	Board of Church Property, <i>Triple Bible Classroom</i>	7:30 p.m.
Thursday	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.
	Church Choir, <i>Church</i>	8:00 p.m.
Friday	Youth Activities, <i>Downstairs</i>	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	Group Movie “God’s Not Dead 2”, <i>Theatre TBD</i>	early evening
Sunday	The Second Sunday after Easter	
	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 room</i>	9:45 a.m.
	Holy Communion Service , <i>Church</i>	11:00 a.m.
National Youth Gathering Parent Lunch, <i>Triple Bible Classroom</i>	12:15 p.m.	