

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

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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*

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8:30 & 11:00 am - Divine Services

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

3:30 pm - Slovak Congregation Service

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

Hymns: 829, 532, 763

Readings: Acts 1:12-22 (Pew Bible, Page 1055)
 Revelation 22:1-6, 12-20 (Pew Bible, Page 1207)
 St. John 17:20-26 (Pew Bible, Page 1049)

Anthem: "Gather By the River to Pray" (by Robert Lowry) by Church Choir
 Let All the People Say "Amen" (by Pepper Choplin) by Church Choir

Sermon: St. John 17:20-24

"WHAT JESUS PRAYS AND WANTS FOR YOU"

Special Music: Church Band

Serving in God's House Today: Pastor Robert Bugbee (*Officiant*), Pastor Lloyd Wentzlaff (*8:30 Officiant*), Jennifer Massicotte (*Organist*), Max Tiegs (*8:30 Acolyte*), Jordan Fergin (*11:00 Acolyte*), Ken Griffin (*8:30 Sound Operator*), Jerry Golschesky (*11:00 Sound Operator*).

Prayer Concerns: In our prayers we remember the **family of Don Fielding** who was called to his eternal home early Thursday morning. May Jesus, who is the resurrection and the life comfort Noreen, Jeff and all the family at this time. We also pray for **Walter Wentzlaff and Mary Bell Poll** who have both been in hospital this past week. We also remember the people of **Fort McMurray, Alberta** asking God to grant them comfort in the midst of the destruction brought upon them by fire. God, open our hearts to help those in need!

Coming Events...

Sunday School Staff meeting This **Tuesday, May 10 at 7:00 pm** in Triple Bible Classroom. Things to pray about / discuss for the Fall – please join us! Check email for Agenda.

Pentecost Party for Confirmation Students! Next **Sunday, May 15** we will be going for lunch & bowling after late service. Wear socks, bring lunch \$ - bowling cost is covered. Meet Henri in the Parlour – we're walking! Parents, please pick us up @ Towne Bowl on Ottawa, near King @ 2:30!

Special Voter's Meeting is being held on **Wednesday May 18 at 7:00 pm**. Dockets are available at the Welcome centre today. In preparation of this meeting there will be a presentation made on **Sunday, May 15** after late service for those who wish to learn more about the proposal.

Don't miss AP Training between **worship services on Sunday, May 29**. The timing is meant to be REALLY convenient for people already in the building. If you plan to serve in Sunday School, LINC, VBS, Beginnings, Confirmation or Youth, this is for you! Meeting in Triple Bible Classroom at 9:45 a.m. RSVP to Henri by May 25.

Please Note...

VBS volunteers needed! Cave Quest Vacation Bible School is July 4-8. If you would like to join in the fun and sharing of God's Word to children in VBS this year, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex!

Mission Update: In northern areas of Canada, half of the population is under the age of 14. Sadly there are no Sunday Schools and few churches served by clergy who provide the Word and sacrament ministry. LAMP is committed to bring the HOPE you have in Jesus to these young people. A donation has been made by the Board of Missions to LAMP to help support and bring the Word to these young people.

Today's Education Hour...

Nursery through Grade 7 students will meet for Opening in the Sanctuary. Today it's an exciting lesson: Jesus RAISES Lazarus from the DEAD!!!!

Adults Bible Class: Grab a coffee and join us for class with Pastor Bugbee.

Last Week at Holy Cross...

Sunday Attendance:	100 & 197	Total 297	('15 – 265)
Communion Attendance:	89 & 175	Total 264	('15 – 260)
Adult Bible Class:	Pupils: 72 Staff: 1	Total 73	('15 – n/a)
Youth Bible Class:	Pupils: 8 Staff: 1	Total 9	('15 – n/a)
YABS:	Pupils: 5 Staff: 0	Total 0	('15 – n/a)
Sunday School:	Pupils: 31 Staff: 15	Total 46	('15 – 43)

Thankoffering: In honour of **WALTER WENTZLAFF's** 90th Birthday to the Unified Church Budget from Marlene Lemon.

Memorials: In memory of **DOREEN ISRAEL** to the Unified Church Budget from James & Debra Forler, Lois Cybalski, Doreen Groff, Sherry Swartz-Hill, Ruth Swartz, Marlene Lemon, Carol Class, Richard & Donna Tyas, Richard & Victoria Parsons, Robert Parsons. To the Organ Fund from George & Carol Wilkinson, Betty Hebner, Bob & Jean Schmitt, Dave & Deb Keneagy, Jamie & Sandy Hill, David J. Westfall, Hazel M. Westfall. To Missions from Pastor Konny & Doris Hahn. To the Ukraine Mission from Dan & Ede Marshall. In memory of **MARJORIE TOOLSIE** to the Ukraine Mission from Dan & Ede Marshall. In memory of **AGNES COLLINS** to the Organ Fund from Joyce Kehn, Claude & Jennifer Massicotte. In memory of **EWAN GALLACHER** on what would have been his 13th birthday to the Unified Church Budget from Jack & Elaine Kahl. To the Youth Fund from Colin & Denise Newport.

Weekly Calendar

Monday, May 9 to Sunday, May 15, 2016

Tuesday	VBS JK Department, <i>Parlour</i>	1:00 p.m.
	ESL, <i>Historic St. Paul's</i>	6:30 p.m.
	Sunday School Teachers, <i>Triple Bible Classroom</i>	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Knotty Ladies, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i>	9:00 a.m.
	Board of Young Peoples, <i>Triple Bible Classroom</i>	7:00 p.m.
	Board of Elders, <i>Confirmation 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.
	Church Choir Tour, <i>Bankside Terrace</i>	6:45 p.m.
Friday	Circuit Youth Event, <i>meet at Holy Cross</i>	5:15 p.m.
Saturday	VBS SK Department, <i>Triple Bible Classroom</i>	9:00 a.m.
	SNL, <i>Downstairs</i>	3:30 p.m.
Sunday	The Day of Pentecost	
	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>Church</i>	9:45 a.m.
	Holy Communion Service , <i>Church</i>	11:00 a.m.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC), Lutheran Church-Canada (LCC) and Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR) issue an appeal for prayers and financial support for all those suffering loss due to the wildfires striking northern Alberta and the city of Fort McMurray in particular.

Fort McMurray fire officials are prepared for another challenging day today as firefighters try to save the city from a massive wildfire that has destroyed homes and businesses, and forced the largest wildfire evacuation in Alberta's history. Tens of thousands of people have fled Fort McMurray, Alberta.

Fuelled by soaring temperatures that hit 32 C and tinder-dry forest, the fire breached the city limits and a mandatory evacuation order was issued for the entire city.

"Today has been a devastating day. We have had explosive fire conditions on the landscape brought on by extremely high temperatures and low relative humidity," said Bernie Schmitte, wildfire manager at Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, on Tuesday night during a news conference.

"The fire is still out of control," Schmitte said. "We have been challenged on many fronts as the fire came through the community. It has entered the community and it has gone through the community."

Fort McMurray will require a great deal of aid to assist individuals to rebuild their lives. Canadian Lutheran World Relief is appealing for funds to assist in the rebuilding efforts. Emergency funds received will be channeled through the city's Lutheran churches.

Lutherans are encouraged to participate in the appeal through prayer and financial support. Remember the people who live in Ft. McMurray in your prayers and donations.

Donations to the "Fort McMurray Wildfire Relief" appeal may be made in the following ways:

1. By making a designated offering donation through any ELCIC or LCC congregation.
2. By giving online at ["Fort McMurray Wildfire Relief."](#)
3. By calling CLWR at 1.800.661.2597 to donate by credit card.
4. By sending a cheque made payable to CLWR and mailed to CLWR, 600-177 Lombard Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R3B 0W5. Please indicate that you wish to contribute to "Fort McMurray Wildfire Relief."