



# NEWS LETTER of LAKE LAND LUTHERAN Church

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## *From the desk of AnnE....*

October - the mind does wander

Isn't it time?

to walk while quiet morning breezes touch my face?

to feel the sun's warmth with promise for the day?

to hear rustling leaves adamantly refusing to fall?

Isn't it time?

to long for a minute, even sixty minutes?

to smell the coffee...dark roast coffee...and taste a last precious moment under afghan warmth?

to hear a young friend's utterance of innocent laughter?

Isn't it time?

to erase hurt with heart-felt answered prayers?

to reach out knowing there is absolute belonging?

to contemplate a pathbreaking justice, peace and love far beyond me?

And, isn't it time?

to cease all my musings and breathe the sigh of thank you?

to actually thank the One who breaks into life, my life, interjecting with smatterings of life worth living?

*AnnE Zimmerman*



## October 2018 Message for Congregations and Lay and Rostered Leaders

Dear Beloved of God –

Cathy and I were privileged to travel with our Synod youth and home team leaders on the ABT Synod bus trip to and from the CLAY (Canadian Lutheran Anglican Youth gathering) 2018 in Thunder Bay. Soon you will read some of my thoughts regarding the CLAY gatherings in the October-November edition of the *Canada Lutheran*. Here is the full article:

I'm already counting the days to CLAY 2020, the joint youth gathering between the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada and the Anglican Church in Canada, which will take place in Calgary, AB., on the traditional territories of the Niitsitapi (Blackfoot) and the people of the Treaty 7 region at the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (SAIT).

I'm already counting the days to CLAY 2020 because I'm a youth gathering fanatic. I've been to several, well thirteen gatherings, and only missed two since being ordained a Pastor because I was facilitating a youth journey to the Lutheran Centre in Mexico City, and because I had just received a call to serve as Assistant to the Bishop.

I'm counting the days. Let me tell you why:

The bus trip. There is nothing better than travelling for several days on a packed bus handing out snacks, teasing, laughing, watching movies, singing, worshipping together, sharing the Eucharist, packing and unpacking. Some of my fondest and most vivid memories of Gatherings are of the bus trip. It is true, that it is all about the journey not the destination.

Forming community. There is nothing better than conversation, opportunity for prayer, listening, learning, building relationships with youth and leaders...and knowing that we are not alone.

Leadership development. There is nothing better than encouraging and affirming gifts for leadership in youth. Gathering after gathering, whether national or synodical, youth are given opportunities to share in and develop their leadership skills. Reading scripture at worship, being in charge of loading a bus, leading in prayer each morning as the bus doors close and the journey continues, gathering in small groups. Walking with a youth who begins as a gathering participant, becomes a home team leader and then storyteller at CLAY 2018.

Hearing stories from and learning from the youth. There is nothing better than hearing and learning from the youth. Gathering at CLAY 2018 under the theme, "Threads," there was much time spent on story-telling, story-tending, and what it truly means to listen. Five Large Group Gatherings (LGG) tended to the following themes/questions, including: How to listen to the



stories of others, How to trust God in our unravelling, Where God fits within our stories, Good news stories from God, and Where do we go from here as unfinished but beloved children of God? Throughout CLAY 2018, there were opportunities for all to share our own stories and practice tending to the stories of others, with Home Team members, strangers, and new friends, and even Bishops!

**Working together.** There is nothing better than working together toward a common goal. At CLAY 2018, for example, with different home teams and CLAY volunteers, the youth continued to fulfil their commitment to address issues such as homelessness and unaffordable housing through the National Youth Project. By first learning of the issues contributing to poverty and homelessness, and then acting and advocating in supporting the local networks and agencies through partner programs, the youth visited a mock homeless shelter, gathered/donated socks, and sent postcards to the Federal Government and local Members of Parliament, in hopes of raising awareness and advocating for a greater responsibility and accountability in addressing the underlying causes of homelessness.

**Learning together.** There is nothing better than a common learning experience. While at CLAY 2018, for example, participants took part in the second-largest KAIROS blanket exercise in the world, and the largest ever by youth. This learning experience helped participants gain a better understanding of colonization and the process of displacement endured by Indigenous Peoples here in Canada. De-briefing in home teams which followed, was facilitated by Indigenous Elders and Leaders who were also present to provide support during the exercise.

**Worshipping together.** There is nothing better than singing, praying, laughing, crying, dancing, receiving, giving, Eucharist together.

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I'm already counting the days to CLAY 2020 because I'm a youth gathering fanatic. I'm looking forward to my fourteenth gathering.

Oh, and I'm counting the days to the Synod of Alberta and the Territories 2019 Youth Gathering, June 3-5! Watch for further information coming soon.

In Christ Jesus –  
Shalom,  
+Bishop Larry Kochendorfer

*"The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." (Romans 15:13)*



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Dear Mr. Moore:

On September 11, CBC News posted the article *Conversion therapy for transgender students ignored by Alta. government says Lutheran school official*. (Andrea Huncar

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/conversion-therapy-success-ignored-by-alberta-government-says-lutheran-school-official-1.4818076>). Although the body of the article identified District President Glenn Schaeffer as an official of the Lutheran Church - Canada (LCC), the headline identified the official simply as Lutheran, suggesting that the opinions expressed were representative of all Alberta Lutheran Church bodies, including the Synod of Alberta and the Territories of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC).

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada recognizes the diversity of sexual orientation and gender identity in our world. We have heard and acknowledge the pain and discrimination endured by our LGBTQ2+ siblings. We welcome persons of all sexual orientations and gender identities into the community of Christ, and guided by the law of love, seek justice and mercy, while speaking against injustice and abuse.

The ELCIC Social Statement of Human Sexuality can be found at: <http://elcic.ca/Human-Sexuality/documents/APPROVEDELICISocialStatementonHumanSexuality.pdf>.

Sincerely,

The Rev. Dr. Larry Kochendorfer, Bishop  
Synod of Alberta and the Territories  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

# Upcoming Events

## Announcements

### October is Clergy Appreciation Month!

YOU, THE CONGREGATION, ARE INVITED TO EXPRESS YOUR GRATITUDE TOWARDS PASTOR ANNE FOR HER MINISTRY AND DEDICATION. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO PREPARE A SMALL GIFT OR CARD FOR HER FOR THIS MONTH.



### Praise Team

The Praise Team is meeting again! If you want to be involved, please feel free to come! All are welcome! We will meet at 7 PM every Wednesday!



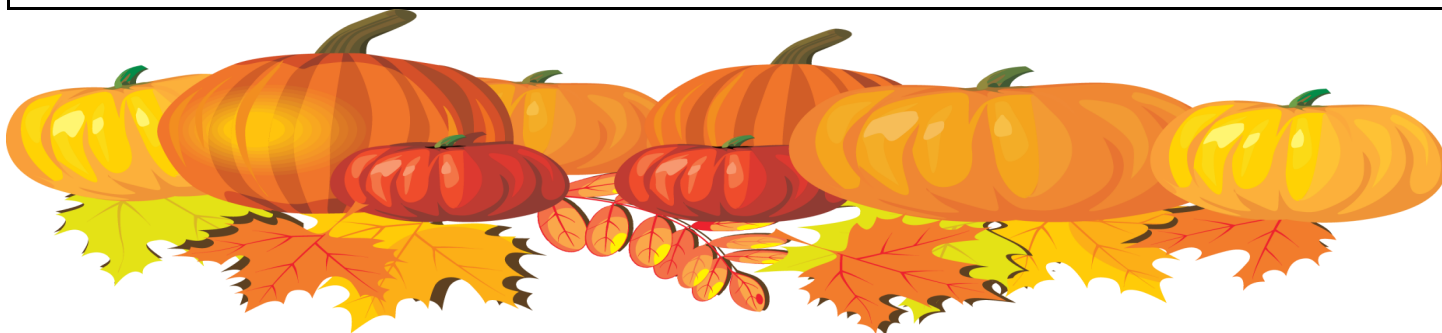
### CHECKOUT THE OCTOBER 2018 CALENDAR FOR ALL ACTIVITIES.



Are we missing anything in our newsletter? Or is there something you wish we would have in our newsletter on an ongoing basis?

Remember all inclusions for the November newsletter must be to the church office by October 22nd.

Please phone the church office with your ideas or necessary inclusions. Kathy is waiting for your call or email.





# **WOULD YOU LIKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE OUR CHURCH?**

Our Church Council is looking for new members to serve. Service would begin (after voting for council members) at the Annual General Meeting this coming February 2019.



**Confused what a Church Council Member actually does?**

Speak to our Council President Keith Scheidt. He will give you any information you need together with an opportunity to come and see what actually does happen at a Council meeting.

**FYI all Church Council meetings are open to all church members.**

## **CHURCH COMMITTEES:**

Please begin your budget proposals for 2019.





A **BIG** thank you to all who have already given to the Food Bank in both time, and financially. Our community is a much better place for many, because of your generosity. But now we have to ask you to dig a little deeper – we are running very low on both food and finances. We need financial donations to help offset operating costs and to buy food. If you could find it in your heart, and pocketbook, to give a little more over the next month, it would be greatly appreciated. And would make a real difference to the lives of those in our community who need the help of the Food Bank.

If you would like to give regularly you can do this through our church offerings, or, through Canada Helps. This will provide the Food Bank with regular funds with which to budget making it easier to forecast their future needs.

**Please spread the word throughout our community, the more who support the Food Bank, the more it can do. With faith and giving we can provide for many.**

Rev. Phil Crump, representing the Cold Lake Food Bank, will be our preacher on October 21st, he will also have music to share. If you are able, please bring extra funds and food for CLFB.



**Presents**

## **SYSTEMS OF CARE**

**An approach to Mental Health & Substance Abuse**



### **DAN DUBOVSKY**

Dan has worked for over 40 years in the field of behavioral health; in residential, outpatient, and hospital settings. Dan has been involved in the field of fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (FASD) for over 25 years, 14 of them as the FASD Specialist for the SAMHSA FASD Center for Excellence. In addition to FASD, Dan has developed and presented curricula for those working in mental health and substance use services on loss and grieving, psychopharmacology, child and adolescent development, stress and burnout, and others.

**DATE: OCT 16, 2018**

**REGISTRATION AT 8:30AM**

**PRESENTATION**

**9:00-3:30**

**LOCATION: LAKELAND INN  
5411 55ST, COLD LAKE, AB**

**\$75/PERSON**

*\*Includes Catered  
Lunch\**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER CONTACT  
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**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Oct/5/18**



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**Date: Thursday, October 11th, 2018**

**Time: 6:00 PM—9:00 PM**

All ladies are welcome! Feel free to invite your friends and to dress in your own creative style.

During this evening, Secret Prayer Sisters for the past year will be revealed. Please bring a card or small gift for your Secret Sister, identifying yourself. At a specific time in the evening, the revelations will be made and new Secret Sisters will be chosen for the coming year!

If you would like to be involved in the Secret Sister Prayer Program for the coming year and can't be at the Salad Supper, please contact Helen Flaming (594-6378) by October 10th.

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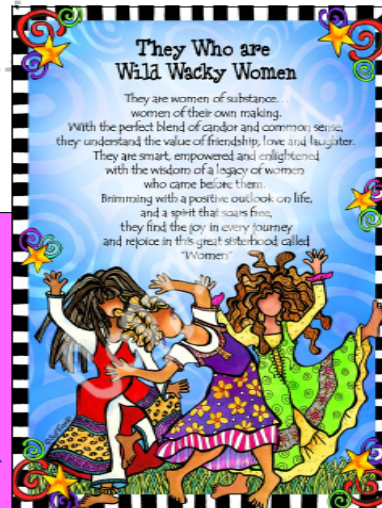
If you wish, you may bring a personal care gift for the Crisis Centre such as shampoo, toothpaste, floss, feminine products, etc.

**KICK-OFF** for CLWR Soap Drive and Gifts of the Heart.

We will also have a **Silent Auction** to raise funds for the Cold Lake Food Bank Milk Program. Donations and/or bidders needed

If you can bring a salad, please sign-up on the sheet under the Sunday School Bulletin board.

Also, be sure to sign-up if you're planning to attend to help with preparations!



Ladies Salad Supper

## Secret Prayer Sister Program

The Secret Prayer Sister program will start a new round on October 11 at the Ladies Salad Supper.

The main purpose of the program is to pray for your Secret Sister for the coming year and try to get to know her better in discreet ways.

You can let her know you are praying for her through notes, cards, or small gifts (under \$5). Try to let her know at least once a month you are thinking of her. Secret Sisters are revealed at the next year's Salad Supper by a card and possibly a small gift.

Gift ideas can include notes of encouragement, a bible

verse, a poem, a chocolate bar, baking, a small jar of jam/preserves, flowers/veggies from your garden, recycled magazine or book, hand lotion, tea, hot chocolate, and other consumables.

If you would like to be a Secret Sister, you can join that night. If you would like to join and won't be at the Salad Supper, please contact Helen Flaming (780 594-6378) by October 10th.





## Soap Drive & Gifts from the Heart - Support Month

REGULAR OFFICE OPEN HOURS – MON – THURS. 9AM – NOON

*\*All words in italic print are friends in Cold Lake who use our building.*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
SEPT 30  4.30PM-7PM FALL SUPPER	1	2	3 9.30AM – Noon & Noon – 2.30PM Food Bank  4.30PM - Worship Meeting  6PM – Witness & Outreach Meeting  7PM – Praise Team  <i>7PM – AA Meeting</i>	4 9.30AM – Service & Care Meeting  5PM – Pub Theology - @ TAPS  7PM – KICKOFF Bible Study	5	6
PASTOR	ANNE	OUT OF	OFFICE			
7 Ordinary Time; 10 AM Worship with Holy Communion  THANKSGIVING SUNDAY	8  STAT DAY  OFFICE CLOSED	9 AnnE's Day Off	10 7PM - Praise Team  <i>7PM – AA Meeting</i>	11 11.30AM – Ministerial Meeting  6PM – Ladies Salad Supper  NO BIBLE STUDY	12 1.30PM – Caregivers Meeting	13
14 Ordinary Time; 10 AM Worship Service of the Word [4] Get to know your ELCIC Synod  2PM – Bless the Animals	15 AnnE's Day Off	16 AnnE's Day Off	17 7PM – Council Meeting  7PM – Praise Team  <i>7PM – AA Meeting</i>  ANNE AT	18 7PM - Bible Study  C.T.E.L.	19 5PM – Anglican Community Supper  SYNOD MEETING	20
1 Ordinary Time; 10 AM Worship with Holy Communion:  Preacher: Rev. P. Crump - Cold Lake Food Bank. Presider: Pastor AnnE	22 AnnE's Day Off	23 AnnE's Day Off	24 9.30AM – Noon & Noon – 2.30PM Food Bank  4PM – Education Meeting  7PM – Praise Team  <i>7PM – AA Meeting</i>	25 4PM – Long Term Care Worship  5PM – Pub Theology  7PM – Bible Study	26 5PM – CLAY	27
28 Ordinary Time; 10 AM Worship Service of the Word.  REFORMATION SUNDAY "Here I stand." Martin Luther	29 AnnE's Day Off  ANNE AT	30 AnnE's Day Off  LUTHERAN	31 7PM – Praise Team  <i>7PM - AA Meeting</i>  THEOLOGICAL	1 7PM – Bible Study  SEMINARY IN	2  SASKATOON	3