



# NEWSLETTER OF LAKELAND LUTHERAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 2021

Cold Lake, Alberta

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How can we say “thank you”? How do we reflect on what we are thankful for? How do we see all is pure gift?

I reflect on Martin Luther’s offering of scriptural understanding for all people who came after him. That understanding repudates the whole idea of merit. Our justification (being made right) can never be described as a deed of merit. Rather, justification is pure gift. The point is that the very moment in which our dependance on God ceases, we have missed it all. It is grace, God’s grace.... Nothing else. This justification is completely God’s work. On a personal level, it does no good to believe that Christ died for sinners, if I do not believe he died for me. How personal that is for each sinner, each one of us. Surely our response must be, “thank you”.

Being a Canadian and who celebrates “Thanksgiving Day”, in the same month as *Reformation Sunday*, seems so fitting. I am reminded of the opportunity and need to say “thank you”. Knowing that is the case, I invite each of you to join me and be ready to add your “thank you” this *Sunday of Thanksgiving* in our communal prayer. I will leave a space within the prayers for you to utter aloud your “thank you”. One word is enough. As Christians together let us be reminded that all we have requires a “thank you”. All in our lives is pure gift. Thanks be to God.

The following prayer is one I often read when I need reminding of my personal need to say, “thank you”. Perhaps this will be a reminder and a need met for you.

Lord, thank you for each moment,  
for the blue-sky moment,  
the softening earth,  
the freshening wine,  
for the sap flowing,  
the bird nesting,  
the yellow bush,  
for my full heart,  
and the joy rising in me.  
Soften me  
to receive whatever comes as a gift  
and to praise you in it.

(First verse, *Thank you for Each Moment*, written by Ted Loder)

With a grateful heart for each one of you being part of this worshipping congregation. Thank you.

Pastor AnnE



October 2021 Message for Congregations and Lay and Rostered Leaders

Dear Beloved of God – *May grace and peace be yours in abundance (1 Peter 1:2a).*

Each year as we mark the Day of Thanksgiving I have made it a regular practice to pause and to give thanks for someone who has touched my life with their own. Some years I have called them on the telephone and expressed my thanks directly to them, other times I have written and mailed a card or letter, and some years I have simply given thanks in prayer.

As we move toward the annual Thanksgiving Day I invite you to take some time to note those whose lives have influenced, guided, and encouraged your own in faith. And then, to let them know how their life has touched your own and/or give thanks to God in prayer.

This year I am remembering with thanksgiving my maternal grandfather whom we called “Grandy”. For many years his vocation was as a businessman in Grande Prairie. He was esteemed by employees and colleagues. Years later we continue to hear from those who worked with him of their deep admiration and respect for him. As children, my twin brother, three younger sisters and I loved to travel from the farm to the ‘big city’ to spend time with Grandy at his business. He let us explore the back rooms and basement and showed us a little of his work (and all with incredible patience).

His yard was immaculate. Grass green as green could be and mowed to golf course precision. The hedge always trimmed to an exact measurement. The peonies and other flowers bloomed beautifully under Grandy’s care. Saturday night was always barbequed hamburger night with Grandy working the barbeque. I’ll never forget that he always had half of a bun (preferably the bottom) with homemade relish, hamburger and one slice of tomato – just how I prefer my barbequed hamburgers today. When we five grandchildren stayed overnight our morning routine was consistent: spelling contests followed by a large bowl of sugared cereal like Captain Crunch which we never ate at home.

As far as I know the only time my Grandfather erred was when he received a speeding ticket driving out to the farm. He had bought ice cream as a treat for his five grandchildren and drove wildly to arrive at the farm before it melted.

He was a man wise and solid and trustworthy.

The Sunday before his hospitalization and biopsy of a mass located between his esophagus and stomach which was discovered to be cancerous, he attended the little church in the community in British Columbia where he had moved following our grandmother’s death. I was told that he turned on the lights, put up the hymn numbers, distributed bulletins, welcomed visitors, lit the candles on the altar, gathered the offering and then put everything away after all had left the church. I picture in my mind Grandy doing this graciously, quietly and confidently.

The marks of his life have been imprinted on my own and on the lives of my siblings.

This Day of Thanksgiving I am remembering Grandy.

Thank you, Grandy. Thank you, gracious and loving God.

In Christ Jesus –

Shalom,

+Larry

*“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)*

### Greetings to all:

Last Sunday we are had two special services as we recognized our journey together in Truth and Reconciliation with our Sisters and Brothers of First Nations, Inuit and Métis communities. We welcomed our guest Fiona Brownlee, who has spoken for our Indigenous Sunday in past years.

This Sunday - October 10 - there will be one service only at 10 am for 20 family units to a maximum of 60 attendees.

Please book with Kathy at our church office beginning Tuesday, October 5th.

There will be room for guests at all services.

Thank you for your patience to take the steps to enlarge attendee numbers at church services in our sanctuary. We continue to follow safe protocols at all services.

Should you have a concern, I encourage you to speak with one of the members of the Lakeland Lutheran Covid Protocol Committee. They are: Anne Tucker, Bill Chernesky, Dorothea Mathews, Lianne McMillan, Bernie Hartman, Richard Davis, and Pastor AnnE.

Bless you all as we prepare to worship together.

Pastor AnnE Zimmerman

## Worship

### WORSHIP COMMITTEE MESSAGE

The Worship Committee would like to thank all the people who helped with the drive-in services this summer; from the parking attendees to the prayer list and attendance takers, the communion assistants and offering collector, the microphone guru and the clean-up crew. Of course, we acknowledge with special thanks to the leaders and readers.

As you know a service doesn't just happen. It takes continuous planning but above all it takes helpers over and over again. We hope your dedication and willingness to help will continue as we attend services in the church.

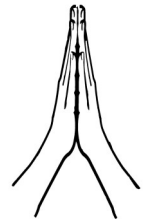
Sept 26<sup>th</sup> was our first Lay led service while Pastor AnnE was off. Anne Tucker led and Keith Scheidt was reader and power point. Pastor John Boyd gave us the Gospel and Sermon through a video. It was wonderful to see and hear him again. Bernie Hartman did the filming and also helped with the ushering for the 11:00 am service. Technical problems were overcome by quick thinking and song words were read instead of singing, if needed.

It is wonderful news that the Fall Supper once again was a success. It is another example where there is a lot of planning plus helpers to make it succeed. We hope they were able to relax after all was done, maybe with an Epsom salt hot bath and definitely a glass of wine. Our congratulations goes out to Cheryl and her team of helpers.

THANK YOU ONE AND ALL

#### Prayer Chain :

We are blessed in our fellowship to have the gift of intercession and people that are willing to pray and praise in circumstances in our daily lives. Prayer requests can be emailed to Anne Tucker at [a\\_tucker@telus.net](mailto:a_tucker@telus.net) or you can call or text her on 780-812- 0208. The request will then be fanned out to our praying volunteers. Please know that requests to the prayer chain are kept confidential and no request is considered too big or too small for prayer. If you wish for your prayer request to be continued please send a second request. Thank you for your support of this ministry. If you wish to volunteer to be on the prayer team please let Anne know.





This is the year!!! Pastor AnnE would like to welcome back the members of her confirmation class which starts on Friday 15th October @ 4PM. To continue their journey and reach the goal of "Confirmation" by Easter 2022.

Could the parents of the returning confirmands please contact Pastor AnnE 780-201-0806

## **WE'RE BACK**

## **Bible Study**

Come Join Pastor AnnE for the start of the new Bible Study classes on Thursday 14th October @ 6 PM.



**Come have some fun ...**

Our Youth events start Friday 29th October @ 5.30pm

## Education



We are happy to announce that Sunday School began on September 19. Just a reminder that you need to phone the office to register you and your children for Sunday Service so your children can attend Sunday School. The Education Committee is looking for Sunday School Teachers. We will give you training on planning and teaching a Sunday School lesson. We have a great curriculum to help make planning easy. Contact Bernie for more information. ([berniehartman@persona.ca](mailto:berniehartman@persona.ca))



For 2021/2022 Sunday School the children's special project will be to help the homeless in Cold Lake. All Sunday School offerings will be going to the Cold Lake John Howard Society. Up to the end of September, \$13.60 has been collected .

## **Future Dates**

Confirmation Classes start on Friday 15th October @ 4pm

Bible Study Classes start on Thursday 14th October @ 6pm

Youth Events start on Friday 29th October @ 5.30pm

(Please see the October calendar for further dates and times.)

## Ladies Salad Supper



We are saddened due to Covid19 to again announce the cancellation of our Ladies Salad Supper which is traditionally held in October. We are hopefully only postponing until a further date when it is safe to host a supper again.

The Secret Prayer Sister matches were extended last October for another year. For those involved in the past 2 years, we are now announcing to please use this month (October) to reveal yourself to your Secret Sister in a safe way. A small gift and card revealing your name is the usual method. If you are not comfortable delivering your own gift, please contact Helen Flaming for alternate arrangements (780 594-6378). We will rest the Secret Sister Program until October 2022.



We look forward to the day when Events such as this can be planned again.

## Fall Supper

I would like to thank the cooks who did the food prep - especially - Shirley K , Gail C , Joy M, Nancy and Cal G, Grant B and Vera May W. We were short handed on the Friday and Saturday so they worked extra hard this year. Sunday we had great help between 1-7:30pm which was wonderful and appreciated. Youngest helper was 10, oldest was 88. We pre-sold 300 meals and due to generous donations of food and supplies - special thanks to Jim and Shirley K- to date we cleared just over \$3500.00.

The fall supper was not about making a profit though. It was to be a positive and active presence in our community at a time when it is difficult to do the ministry we are called to do. It was also a fellowship opportunity and even with it being a lot of work , it was fun and bonds were made and strengthened.

If we do it next year - whether take out or eat in - or a combination of each - we will need more help on the Friday and Saturday for food prep.

Also for next times, we could consider adding an outreach element - where we have 10% - so 30 meals that we give away - to seniors or shut- ins in our own congregation and those in need in the community that Witness and Outreach with the help of Pastor identify. Let's start the conversation and we can decide together whether to add this ministry to our fall supper at our annual meeting in February.

Cheryl Benoit

The salad dressing used in the Fall Supper salad has been requested by many people, thank you Carrie Affolter for letting us have it. Enjoy!

**1/3 cup apple jelly, 3 tbsp each of olive oil & apple cider vinegar, 1/2 tsp dry mustard, 1/4 tsp salt and a sprinkling of pepper. Mix or blend well.**

### **YOUR OFFERING**

You are now able to e-transfer money to the church.  
If you wish to do this please use the following email to etransfer  
from your account.

[financialsecretary@lakelandlutheran.com](mailto:financialsecretary@lakelandlutheran.com)

You can also drop your offering at the church during normal office hours or mail to us at Box 456, Cold Lake, AB T9M 1P1. Thank you for your continued support of our church.



## BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES in OCTOBER



Cameron MacLeod  
Bernie Hartman  
James Alberti  
Bill Chernesky  
Grant Benoit  
Ryan Strong  
Leanne McMillan

**Please let the Service & Care Committee know of any special birthdays or anniversaries so that they may send a card.**



Carrie & Roman Affolter  
Jolan & James March

## Clergy Appreciation Month

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 (such as a jar of jam) for her.





## BLESS THE ANIMALS SERVICE

Sunday 10th October @ 1pm



Bring your dog, cat, hamster, gerbil and any other pet friend for a blessing at this special service outside with

Pastor AnnE

(If it rains we will meet inside the church in accordance with current COVID-19 protocols)

### Church Treasurer

We have a wonderful volunteer opportunity for you!!

We are in need of a Treasurer until the end of the year. The position needs around 6-10 hours commitment per month and training (including Quick Books) will be continuous until the end of the year. If you are interested in volunteering or would like to know more about the position please contact

Cheryl Benoit, 780-207-0446



### Directed Giving

Breakdown to the end of August 2021.

Cold Lake Food Bank \$4355  
Synod \$550  
John Howard \$155  
On Eagles Wings \$75  
Discretionary \$50

Hosanna Lutheran \$1125  
Seminary \$425  
Pastor Rude \$150  
Campus Ministries \$50

CLWR \$865  
Refugee Support \$175  
Adopt a Family \$125  
Lac La Biche \$50

Thank you for your generous gifts to others

Anne Tucker

Financial Secretary

**Minutes from June 16, 2021 7:15pm Lakeland Lutheran Church Council  
Meeting at the church**

**Approved as amended September 15, 2021**

	<b>Email Address</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Excused</b>	<b>Minutes Fwd.</b>
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Stewardship Keith Scheidt	<a href="mailto:kscheidt@persona.ca">kscheidt@persona.ca</a>			N/A
LLC Office Kathy Pedersen	<a href="mailto:lakelandlutheran@telus.net">lakelandlutheran@telus.net</a>	N/A		N/A

Call to Order 7:15 PM Cheryl B

Devotion Help us see the joy - Pastor AnnE followed by a prayer

Approval of Draft Minutes from Previous Council Meeting June 16, 2021

Moved: Helen R. Second: Cornel Carried

**Reports:**

Treasurer Report: attached

Financial Secretary Report: attached

Items to add to the Agenda:

1. Motion to donate to Anglican church for Pastor Donna's care during our Pastor's time away  
=\$1000

Motion: Richard second: Cornel carried

2. Decision to purchase a new projector:

The Support and Maintenance Committee met with Casey from Sound and Obsession and the committee agreed to go ahead and purchase a Sony Laser - VPL-PHZ50 Projector.

Retail is \$5,000, after a church discount of \$500 = \$4,500.00. Clay advised there is \$4,061.15 available.

Council voted in favor of purchasing the new projector in an email conversation. Clay has the scaffolding there already.

Motion to use the Long Term Maintenance Fund to pay for the projector:

Keith second: Cornel carried

Discussion about the Capital Fund and Long Term Maintenance Fund. Keith will send out the bylaw 10 with timelines and will discuss at the next council meeting. Will work towards changing bylaw 10.

It was noted that it needs a congregational approval to change the bylaw in regards to the spending of the Capital Fund.

Pastor AnnE's verbal Report

- will get a time schedule for 3 weeks on and 1 week off  
Times might change due to holidays
- reconnect with people from the congregation
- Pastor would like to build a committee to possible start with in person service with all the Covid protocols. Pastor suggested 1 person from each committee and 1 person from council to participate in the committee.

Motion to have Pastor AnnE starting this committee: Linda second: Helen carried

Pastor AnnE's new email and new phone number are in progress and Kathy will email the congregation with Pastor's new contact information.

Kathy is working on the email and Keith is working on the phone.

Cheryl will talk to the bank and Clay will take the credit card to the bank and change the name on the card.

Worship Committee: - attached (4<sup>th</sup> of August – 11<sup>th</sup> August) –attending the 11<sup>th</sup> meeting – Pastor, Cheryl, Leanne, Helen

Pastor's time will be added in the calendar at a later time

Witness and Outreach: - no report available

Service and Care: Report attached

Education: Process of contacting Sunday school teachers –

Pastor AnnE, Cheryl, Keith and Linda with Pastor Prema, Pastor Anna and Pastor James with the Bishop met via Zoom to evaluate the ministry during the last year.

Synod is looking at our church as an example for future congregations during vacancies.

Support and Maintenance: Cornel – verbal report

Projector installed by Clay and Cornel, it is working so far but Cornel encouraged to go and use it and run a service on the screen. Linda picked up the projector from Lloydminster.

Leave C- can as it is.

Keep lighting on at church and not to go ahead with the security cameras for now. Lights will be fixed by the east side by JIMCO electric.

Begin estimate to switch to LED lights. Jimco will look into an estimate for cost.

Insurance – went up \$1200 since last year.

Gordon is looking at other Insurance companies to get estimates.

Automatic door opener will be installed early fall.

Grant will coordinate the work.

Stewardship: - no meetings

Facility Coordinator: attached

Take out Fall supper is planned for September 26<sup>th</sup>. Trinidad was contacted for recommendation for Covid Protocols.

Input from Council:

Anastasia – Liaison to with office administrator

Keith – Liaison to Education/ mutual ministry

Linda – Liaison for Worship

Helen – Liaison to Witness and Outreach

Cornell—Liaison to Support& Maintenance and Facility Coordinator

Cheryl—Treasurer and Office Administrator

Richard—Service & Care

Next Council Meeting - September 15, 2021 at 7:15pm at church

Closing Prayer Lord's Prayer

*Note Draft meeting minutes will be emailed to council members for feedback on any errors or omission. Once approved, the minutes will be posted on the bulletin board by the office door along with a copy of the reports and applicable memorandums.*