



**NEWSLETTER OF  
LAKELAND LUTHERAN  
CHURCH  
NOVEMBER 2022**

Cold Lake, Alberta

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*We are all treaty people. Our Synod office is located in Edmonton on Treaty 6 territory. Our congregation is as well. In the spirit of respect, reciprocity and truth, we honour and acknowledge that across the Synod of Alberta and the Territories, we live and work and pray on traditional and ancestral territory of the many First Nations, Metis, and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries. We acknowledge all Nations – Indigenous and non- who live, work and play on this land, and who honour and celebrate this territory.*

## Rev's Words:

Be it **All Saints' Day** or any other day, we can be bold in our petitions to God, confident not in our own righteousness, but rather because of our baptism into Christ, Jesus has made us righteous. Like all those imperfect but beloved saints who have gone before us, we live trusting that God has and will continue to hold us as we face our joys and our challenges, --and as we use our gifts to make the world a better place.

Let us pray together:

*Sheltering God, thank you for the faithful who have gone before us! Give us the courage to live into our baptismal promises today, loving and caring for the neighbour near and far, so that all might come to know, live, and trust in your sheltering gifts of forgiveness, grace, and love that are ours in Jesus. Amen.*

Praying that ...

**Come to our All Saints Sunday Service.**

**Remember to turn your clock back AND arrive to worship at 10 am.**

Bring, should you wish, a picture or a memory of someone who has gone before you. A table will be set for you to add your memory. If you wish to bring a candle, please have it as a battery candle for safety.

**Please note Sunday Worship services will continue to begin at 10 AM each week.**

Blessings on your November as together we trust God who walks with us as we find opportunities to walk with our neighbours.

Pastor AnnE

## Rev's Words #2

*This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.*

*1 John 5:14*

### **What to do for Prayer and Bible Study time?**

This is a familiar question. This is due to the difficulty in coming to our church building two separate days - one for prayer and one for Bible Study. Knowing that I have days that work for my schedule and hopefully with you. **Come to what you desire - come as you would like too. You are always welcome to my personal daily prayer.**

Originally, I booked a prayer time of mine to have you pray with me. I appreciate your support, trust and the very praying together. What I found most heartening was that some attendees to prayer felt able to share life concerns knowing that what was said would remain confidential. We would then pray.

As I always pray daily (which you may be doing as well) I pray for friends, members and our congregation - I invite you to join in for a day that suits you! Or pray if you can't come to the church - pray alone when you know others may be praying with me in person or with just me praying at the time (and wherever you find yourself).

**Check the calendar to join me if you desire.**

**Let's pray for each other - whether together or not.**

**CHECK the CALENDAR when prayer is offered that may help you in a decision. Come as desired - as able and perhaps different each week.**

**NOTE - if you plan to join Bible Study on Saturdays - a short prayer time is offered prior to it.**

A short break will occur after prayers and prior to the study.

Time to grab a tea or coffee and bring to the Bible Study! If you can come only for prayer or the Bible Study. Or come to both - your choice!

**This begins this Saturday November 5th**

**Saturdays 10:45 am Prayer; 11 am break to grab a coffee and join Bible Study. Study will finish at noon.**

Pastor AnnE



November 2022 Message for Congregations and Lay and Rostered Leaders

Dear Beloved of God -

I have been thinking a lot about the church lately. I know that many others in our post-pandemic world are also thinking about the church.

A major shift is taking place. A major shift institutionally which will re-shape us, re-form us, and re-make us in ways as yet not imagined or fully known.

The ministry and ministry, our calling as baptized children in the body of Christ, has not changed. We are yet called "...to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with God" (Micah 6:8). But make no mistake we are in the midst of what is a seismic shift.

Authors such as Phyllis Tickle ("The Great Emergence") have written that every 500 years, the church goes through a rummage sale, and cleans out the old forms of spirituality and replaces it with new ones. This does not mean that previous forms become obsolete or invalid. It simply means they lose pride of place as the dominant form of Christianity. Constantine in the late 4th century, early 5th, the Great Schism of the 11th century, the Reformation in the 16th century, Postmodern era in the 21st century now shaped by a global pandemic have all been points of reference for these changes. This rummage sale is not only about the church, but about political systems, financial institutions, education, and the list goes on.

What is emerging is a new form of Christianity, what Tickle named many years ago, "The Great Emergence." One can only guess whether or not it is tribal form, an individualistic form, a social form, a combination of all of them, or something else entirely. But what we can say is that Protestantism in all its denominational forms is losing influence and is giving way to alternative forms of Christian expression.

Of course, the world-wide pandemic has greatly influenced and moved this shift forward, but it is a shift which had already begun.

As I think about church I've been wondering if our ELCIC global mission accompaniment model might be a guide for us as we journey forward together as the ELCIC, its synods, congregations, specialized ministries, synodically recognized ministries, and as full communion, ecumenical, interfaith, and global partners such as The Lutheran World Federation.

Our ELCIC global mission accompaniment model is one of walking together in solidarity, side by side, practicing interdependence and mutuality, in service to God's mission. The values of the accompaniment model are interconnected, and include mutuality, inclusivity, vulnerability, empowerment and sustainability.

The core purpose of these relationships, this accompaniment, is God's mission.

Might we consider journeying forward together as the ELCIC, in whatever institutional structure we are being transformed and lead into, including with local and global partners, as a church immersed and leaning into walking together in solidarity, side by side, in service to God's mission?

An accompaniment model of:

- Mutuality: All/ each of us (national/ synod, synods/ congregations, corporately/ personally, etc.) have gifts to support God's mission. There is no mission to, only mission with and among.
- Inclusivity: We seek to build relationships across boundaries that exclude and divide.
- Vulnerability: Just as Jesus became vulnerable to us, we open ourselves to others.
- Empowerment: We seek to identify and correct imbalances of power, which may mean recognizing and letting go of our own.
- Sustainability. To ensure the longevity of ministries, we seek to embed mission in ongoing relationships and communities.

Relationships and accompaniment are at the heart of our approach to global ministry. Might this also be at the heart of our ministry as the ELCIC, its synods, congregations, etc., including our ministry together with local and global partners? In service to God's mission?

In our posture in global ministry, we seek to actively listen to our partners and companions, share in their joys and sorrows, support them in their mission – as they support us in ours. Might this stance of active listening, sharing and support, including receiving support, be a model for our living and ministry as the ELCIC, its synods, congregations, etc., together with our local and global partners? Walking and working together in service to God's mission?

I've been thinking about the church lately. I realize that many others are too.

In Christ Jesus –

Shalom, +Larry

## **Worship**

TWO IMPORTANT NOTICES:

1. On Saturday night, before Nov 6<sup>th</sup>, we will be turning our clocks 1 hour back.
2. Nov 6<sup>th</sup> is also the day we will be returning to have Sunday services back at 10:00 am.

Nov 6<sup>th</sup> is All Saints Sunday, the service will start at 10:00 am. Please bring a picture of your loved one to set on the table and you can light a candle for them.

The congregation's mail boxes are now to the left of Kathy's area when you come into the condo. Take a peak every once in a while, you may have mail. Your number should be the same as before. The number list is on the end of the mail stand.

Here are November's services:

6<sup>th</sup> Nov All Saints Sunday service at 10:00 am with Holy Communion

13<sup>th</sup> Nov Holy Communion service at 10:00 am

20<sup>th</sup> Nov Lay Service at 10.00 am led by Anne Tucker

27<sup>th</sup> Nov 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent, Holy Communion service at 10:00 am.

It is heartwarming to see so many people remaining for fellowship after the service.

Enjoy your extra hour of sleep,

Your Worship Committee

## **Witness & Outreach Committee**

Soap Drive, focus for October will be extended for November also. This soap will be given to the Cold Lake Food Bank.

November focus will be donations for the Cold Lake Food Bank either groceries or cash.

There is a basket for soap donations and Rubbermaid tub for groceries at the church.

The Discretionary Fund is in need of monetary donations. This is a fund that provides Pastor AnnE with money to help people who come to her needing help. She uses her discretion of how to help like taking them out for a meal, a coffee, or giving them a gift card like Tim Horton's.



# Canadian Lutheran World Relief

600-177 Lombard Ave, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3B 0W5

## A special gift from:

Dorothea Mathews  
Box 5132  
Bonnyville Alberta T9N 2G3  
45628

- YES, I want to help families facing extreme hunger in countries like Ethiopia become self-sufficient!**
- I believe in a world where people live in peace with hope, justice, dignity and equality. That's why I'm making a gift to Canadian Lutheran World Relief's life-changing programs and services today.

**Just \$35 can provide 25 grams of seeds and crop management for one family facing hunger. How many families can you help today?**

**Here is my caring gift of...**

- \$35 to provide 25 grams of seeds and crop management training for one family
- \$70 to provide 25 grams of seeds and crop management training for two families
- \$140 to provide 25 grams of seeds and crop management training for four families
- \$520 to provide 25 grams of seeds and crop management training for 15 families
- \$1,050 to provide 25 grams of seeds and crop management training for 30 families
- An amount of my choice: \$\_\_\_\_\_ to provide seeds and training to as many families as possible

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## BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES in NOVEMBER



Rorie Singleton  
Clay Shipclark  
Chantel McMillan  
Helen Flaming

JoAnne Primeau  
Marlene Walchuk  
Dave Unrau

Grey Wickstrand  
Thekla Radke  
Rosalea Naugler



Jessica and Chris VanHappen

### Directed Giving up to September

Cold Lake Food Bank \$1915.00  
AB Synod \$150  
John Howard \$200.00  
On Eagles Wings  
Fall Supper \$645.01  
Anglican Church \$385.00  
Fire restoration/contents \$625.00

Hosanna Lutheran  
Seminary \$80.00  
Pastor Rude  
Campus Ministries \$15.00  
Support \$650.00  
Fire Restoration/building \$3824.37

CLWR \$4825.00  
Refugee Support  
Adopt a Family \$255.00  
Lac La Biche  
Sunday School Bibles \$85.00

Thank you for your generous gifts to others

Anne Tucker, Financial Secretary

Please remember the Clocks go back one hour on Sunday 6th November



## Wednesday's Word

Just a reminder to always check the latest version of Wednesday's Word as it provides many opportunities for the entire Synod to enjoy many different classes.

There are lots of learning and sharing opportunities that we are all able to take part in.

## **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 e-transfer  
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.

## Sobeys and No Frills Gift Cards

If you purchase groceries at either Sobeys or No Frills, please remember that you can purchase gift cards for these stores from Helen Runke 780-594-2440. For each card sold Lakeland Lutheran is given a small percentage which aids our fundraising efforts. As they say, 'every penny counts', so please consider using the gift cards to purchase your groceries.



## **CHECK OUT THE NOVEMBER CALENDAR FOR ALL ACTIVITIES**

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

Please make sure that any inclusions for the December Newsletter reach the church office by  
**NOVEMBER 23rd**