

NEWSLETTER OF LAKELAND LUTHERAN CHURCH SEPTEMBER 2022

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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:

Dear Friends,

"Everyone likes to give as well as receive. No one wishes only to receive all the time. We have taken much from your culture...I wish you had taken something from our culture...for there were beautiful and good things in it." - Chief Dan George

As we look to the 30th day of this month, we are reminded that it is a Federal Statutory Day - The National Truth and Reconciliation Day. It is a day to honour our First Nations People, our brothers and sisters in Canada. It is a day to open ourselves, and as Christians, our task of discovering more and to walk together.

There are several misconceptions of Aboriginal People in Canada, mostly because we do not take the time to understand them. The Royal Commission on Aboriginal People (RCAP) identified that there was a lack of culturally sensitive material in all levels of education, meaning most Canadians do not know the history or present issues. This would most definitely cause a misunderstanding and more often a lack of understanding when it comes to dealing with the issues currently in Canada.

I invite you to listen to programming of the Canadian Broadcasting Company (CBC Radio and Television) on September 30th. I also invite you to pray that we with our brothers and sisters we will take more steps to learn, care and walk together in the ways God calls to be.

May God assist us to remember that we will be held tightly in the arms of the Almighty.

Peace and encouragement on September the 30th and as we pray to our God to guide us.

As I acknowledge this special day, I am also holding thoughts and concern for all of us and those who have named Queen Elizabeth II as their own. Our Queen was indeed a woman who not only ruled for 70 years, she also was a woman who prayed and served her Creator as well as those she served.

On this Sunday, we will acknowledge the loss of her life and pray in our remembering.

Loving God,

Today as we remember and give thanks for Elizabeth, thinking about reigns and royalty, Your rule surprises us...

For it is most visible in a manger and on a cross.

In Your example,

All earthly leaders may find the wisdom to govern as Your servant, Elizabeth did so memorably.

In Your life, she shaped her life.

Under Your sovereignty, she fashioned her reign.

In Your loving heart, she found wisdom and peace.
May we look to You as we did, in all our endeavours. AMEN
(Inspired by a prayer by Rev. David Scott, the Church of Scotland)

Pastor AnnE

PS Trust to see you this Sunday, September 11th 9:30 AM at our new temporary home of the Lakeland Lutheran Church.

September 2022 Message for Congregations and Lay and Rostered Leaders

SYNOD OF Dear Beloved of God -

As September quickly approaches, I encourage all congregations to make use of the global and ecumenical resource, "Season of Creation," in your worship and educational planning from September 1 through October 4. Visit: www.SeasonOfCreation.org to access the materials.

This year's theme, "Listen to the Voice of Creation," is an invitation to remember God's call and to pay attention to those being silenced in the public discourse on climate change and on the ethics of Earth conservation, such as:

- the voices of those drawing attention to the ethics of earth-keeping;
- the voices of those who suffer the most impacts from climate change;
- the voices of those who possess ancestral wisdom about living with gratitude within the limits of Earth; and
- the voices of those pointing out plants and animals which are drastically declining in numbers and in diversity.

An additional resource is being prepared by our Synod's Care of Creation Ministry Team. In collaboration with confirmands from across the Synod, a set of brief videos, based on this year's "Season of Creation" theme, is being prepared and will be shared through our Synod Office and available on our Synod's website: www.albertasynod.ca.

I encourage you to share these videos with your congregation in your weekly/monthly newsletter, through social media pages and/or as a prelude/postlude to your worship services between September 1 and October 4. I hope that you will share these brief videos of awe, lament and hope for the future of creation seen through the eyes of our youth.

As followers of Christ from around the globe, we share a common call to care for creation. We are co-creatures, and part of all that God has made. Our wellbeing is interwoven with the wellbeing of the Earth. We rejoice in this opportunity to safeguard our common home and all beings who share it.

We listen and raise our voices in prayer this Fall. We act on behalf of this world that God loves. We listen to the voice of Creation.

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

Education

SUNDAY SCHOOL kick off

&

9.30 am

BLESS THE BACKPACKS



Worship

We have come to the end of the use of the Anglican Church and Hall. We are truly grateful to the Anglican congregation for allowing us to share space in their church. It gave us a cozy feeling being in a smaller space; sort of like an old country church, even with a cemetery right there. Attendance slowly grew to our normal count.

Now we look forward to another challenge along our way, renting temporary space in the Iron Horse Business Park Condos behind the Western Budget Hotel. It is very spacious, will give room for our secretary Kathy to work, rooms for Pastor Anne to do her work and to have privacy with people to talk.

There is a storage room for Sunday School materials as well as a room to have Sunday School in. Also a room where council can meet, lunchroom area and a big room that has been set up as the Sanctuary which can be made bigger if needed.

All we need now are the people to continue to attend these services at 9:30 am. Just remember it is not the building but the PEOPLE who make the church.

The next services are all at 9:30 am

Sept 11th Holy Communion with Pastor AnnE Zimmerman

Sept 18th Lay service led by Shirley Kirstein

Sept 25th Holy Communion with Pastor AnnE Zimmerman

Before Fall arrives on the 22nd we will celebrate International Day of Peace on Sept 21st.

Oct 2nd Holy Communion with Pastor AnnE Zimmerman Bless the animals at 1:00 pm

Oct 9th Holy Communion with Pastor AnnE Zimmerman

Oct 16th lay service led by Kathy Pedersen

Oct 23rd Holy Communion with Pastor AnnE Zimmerman

Oct 30th Holy Communion with Pastor AnnE Zimmerman

Oct 30th Reformation Sunday

May you add the people of England, the Royal Family and the Commonwealth to your daily prayers as they mourn the passing of the Queen.

Your Worship Committee



FINALLY Youth (9 years of age until end of High School come to share together, eat together (provided), be together, enjoy time together.....and PLAN what next steps for our Youth Group and the planning of next steps in painting the Sea-Can behind our church building.

Come meet in our Temporary Home of Lakeland Lutheran Church SEPTEMBER 23 Friday 4 PM - 6 PM.

If you are at a close school, just walk over to the church (Pastor will be there from 3 pm onward. If you need a ride, please call. One will be found!)

Supper included.

BRING A FRIEND!



BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES in SEPTEMBER



Kathy Pedersen Grace Safroniuk Jolan March Joy Mann Mary Pelochosky Beckham Strong Dave Ashby Cheryl Benoit Karen Strong Gail Chernesky



Joy and Don Mann

Directed Giving For August

Cold Lake Food Bank \$1665.00 AB Synod \$100 John Howard \$200.00 On Eagles Wings Fall Supper Anglican Church \$355.00 Fire restoration/contents \$75.00 Hosanna Lutheran CLWR \$4440.00
Seminary \$80.00 Refugee Support
Pastor Rude Adopt a Family \$255.00
Campus Ministries Lac La Biche

Support \$650.00 Sunday School Bibles \$85.00

Fire Restoration/building \$1000.00

Thank you for your generous gifts to others

Anne Tucker, Financial Secretary

There is a refugee family from Ukraine that needs childcare for their 22 month old daughter starting in September. The father is working and the mother can have a job but cannot accept it until she has childcare. They are living in Cold Lake North by the senior center/library so somewhere close would be convenient as they do not yet own a car and rely on city transport. If you know of anyone qualified or, who is willing to get a criminal records check if they are not certified for childcare, or are such a wonderful person and can help—please contact Cheryl Benoit 780-207-0446.

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 etransfer from your account.



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 SEPTEMBER 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 October Newsletter reach the church office by SEPTEMBER 25th.