



# The Proclamation



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***JUNE 2017***

### ***What in God's name are we doing?***

*Question posed by Pastor Barry Boechner*

*at a Nith Valley Ministry Area Shared Ministry Meeting*

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At a recent meeting of leaders in the Nith Valley Ministry Area we had a panel to hear three people and their experience of shared ministry. The three people had varying backgrounds. There was a lay person, Jane Thomas from Zion Philipsburg, a diaconal minister Sister Anne Keffer, and Pastor Barry Boechner.

Pastor Barry has done intentional interm ministry for congregations with a varied spectrum of healthy vs. hurting congregations. Certainly every congregation has some issues they can work on but some hold more tension than others.

A question that Pastor Barry says he often uses to determine the health of the congregation is simply – What in God's name are we doing?

To phrase the question in another way is to ask - What are we doing in God's name?

If our Christian faith calls us to love our neighbor, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and to bring the gospel to the world – than how do we do this in our church in God's name.

For example, the summer sports camp is doing several of these things. It is clearly bringing the Good News of God to kids, it is a way we can offer love and support to our neighbors as we care for families in taking care of their kids. We will also physically feed people that week as well. Sports camp this summer is living out our call as Christians to go out into the world.

We are just in the last stages of our elevator addition which also is strong example of taking care of our neighbor, fighting for justice, and also caring for the needs of our own community.

In God's name we go out into the community to preach good news to a hurting world.

In God's name we fight for justice for our neighbor.

In God's name we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and we care for the earth and all of God's people.

In all the actions that we do together as the church, we do it in God's name so we must make sure our actions are following Jesus example and filled with love, peace, and grace.

Pastor Bonnie

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*Trials without God will break you. Trials with God will make you.*

*Hear what others have to say, but listen to God.*

*Good things come to those who believe, better things come to those who are patient, and the best things come to those who don't give up.*

*Jesus never said it would be easy, but He said it would be worth it! (Matthew 7:13-14)*

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS!**

**June 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Synod Ordination Service at Zion Stratford, 7:00pm

**June 6<sup>th</sup>** – Reformation Event Meeting NVMA – Trinity, New Hamburg, 7:00pm

**June 9<sup>th</sup>** – Youth Event

**June 11<sup>th</sup>** – Baptism

**June 18<sup>th</sup>** – Father’s Day, Church Picnic at the Hammer’s

**June 21<sup>st</sup>** – Council Meeting

**June 23<sup>rd</sup> – July 7<sup>th</sup>** – Pastor Bonnie on Holidays



A Great Big Thank you to Bob and Ann Stever for the church cleaning during this time of construction. There has been lots of mess to clean up every week – Thanks for going over and above to keep our church clean!!

Thanks to everyone who helped out at the garage sale – too many to mention but it was a great day that really helped out our church.

## **CHURCH NEWS**

**Dundee Sports Camp – July 24 – 28<sup>th</sup>**

Location – Bethel Missionary Church

Time – 9:00am until 3:00pm

Ages 6 to 12

Cost: \$60 per camper

Registration at: [www.sucamps.ca/locations](http://www.sucamps.ca/locations)

Every camper will receive a T-shirt, water bottle, Camper Playbook, Bible and Lots of Prizes

## Around the Area – News from the Nith Valley Ministry Area

Dates to keep in mind – November 18&19<sup>th</sup> are the big 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation Events which include a medieval fair, dinner and a joint worship service of the NVMA.

### NEWS FROM AROUND THE ELCIC

#### WOMEN’S AUXILIARY, WATERLOO LUTHERAN SEMINARY

Please see the letter and invitation from the Women’s Auxiliary at the back of the Proclamation.

#### LUTHERAN-ANGLICAN CONFERENCE

**Michael Coren to keynote Lutheran-Anglican conference** - Michael Coren, well-known broadcaster and commentator on issues of religion, is scheduled to be the keynote speaker at a daylong Anglican-Lutheran conference commemorating the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation through creative expressions of worship, music, preaching, spirituality, and justice from the past and present. Co-sponsored by Waterloo Lutheran Seminary and Renison University College.

**Time and date:** 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., Saturday, June 17 (**June 9 registration deadline**).

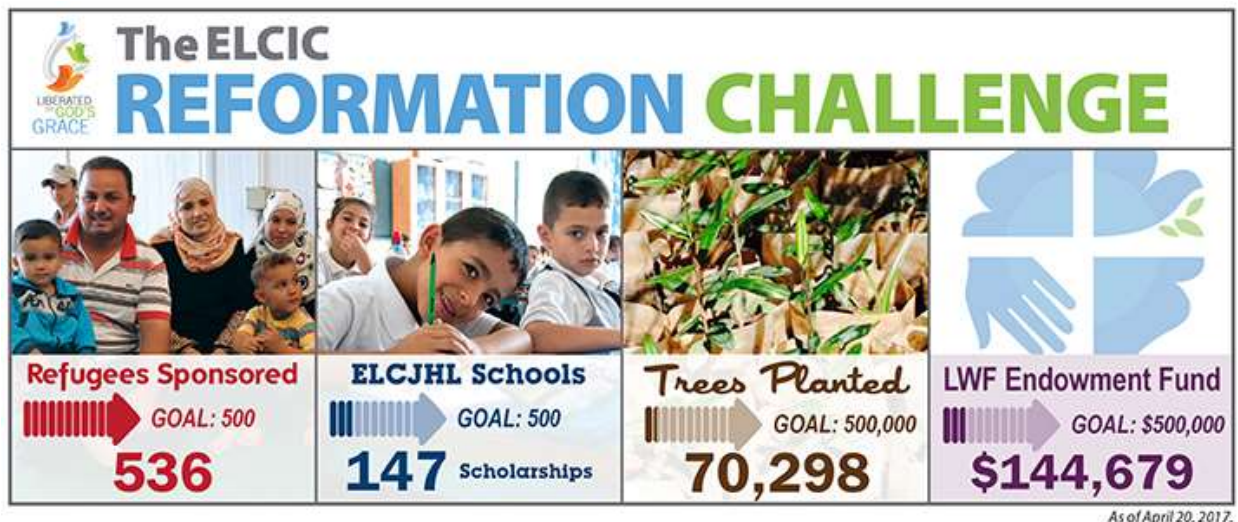
**Location:** Renison University College, 240 Westmount Rd., Waterloo

**Cost:** \$50, includes HST, lunch and parking.

**Registration:** <http://reformation.renison.ca> For details contact: Allen Jorgenson, Waterloo Lutheran Seminary, [ajorgenson@wlu.ca](mailto:ajorgenson@wlu.ca) 519.884.0710 x. 3619.

#### Reformation Challenge Update

May



The numbers keep going up!!

June

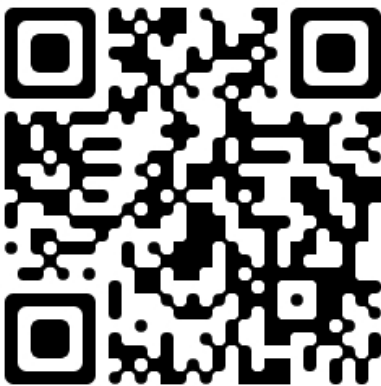


For more information on any of these challenges – check out the website at <http://elcic.ca/reformationchallenge>

Submitted by Pastor Bonnie

### ST. JAMES' NEW QR CODE

Make a donation to your church from the comfort of your home or anywhere you else by using our new QR Code.



The important ministry of your church only happens because of generous people like you. Please try out this new, easy method to make your donation and help St. James make a difference in the community and the world.



## Prayer Board

If you would like someone included in our prayers, just fill out a prayer card and place it on the prayer board and say a little prayer. Please remember to put your name on the back of the prayer card so that we can touch base with you, if needed.

## In Your Prayers

Please remember Pat Becker, Bev Harris, Betty Crawford, Faye (Einwechter) Mitchell, Marina, Magdalene Einwechter, Jean Weber, Eleanor Hilborn Brenda and Dorothy Shantz.

## Contact Information

If you have any items that you would like placed in the Proclamation, you may contact me, Melanie Paterson, either by phone at (519) 684-7372, by email at [melanie.paterson72@gmail.com](mailto:melanie.paterson72@gmail.com) or by dropping me a note in my mailbox at the back of the church. The deadline for submissions is the last Tuesday of the month, or the second-last Tuesday if the first day of the month falls on a weekend. Please send me your submissions for the Summer Proclamation by Tuesday June 20<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

Please also note that if you need to contact our church secretary, **Sharon Faulkner**, she can be reached at [faulknerslair@rogers.com](mailto:faulknerslair@rogers.com).

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## BOOK CLUB NEWS

June 9<sup>th</sup> – The Idea of Canada by David Johnston

- Presenter – Gaby Hartmann
- Host – Phyllis Montgomery

July 14<sup>th</sup> – Everyone Brave is Forgiven by Chris Cleave

- Presenter – Donna Reeves
- Host – Kathy Hilborn



# PRAYER BLANKET MINISTRY

## New Requests

### May 2017

Brenda.....: mother -in-law to Corine Laking, Bernadette and Stan Mayer's daughter. She has started chemo for lung, pancreatic and spinal cancer. She is determined to survive this. Colours are pale green, pale pink and cream. Please have your squares to Jan by June 12.

Dorothy Shantz: wife of Ralph Shantz. Dorothy has been a friend of Marie Weiss's for many years. Dorothy is having surgery as well as celebrating her 80th birthday. Colours are burgundy, rose and cream. Please have your squares to Jan by June 12.

### Blessed:

### End of April 2017

**Brother's Blanket:** this is for Don and Beth Poth. They live in New Dundee, and are very active in many aspects of the community. (We are hoping to surprise Don and Beth with this blanket) Don's brother, Richard Poth died of cancer last year, and Beth's brother, Doug Becker, died recently of a heart attack while snorkelling on his honeymoon in Antigua. Doug had just remarried after losing his wife two years ago. The colours are burgundy, black and silver grey (light grey). Knitters are Ann Parker, Kathy Hilborn, Marilyn Sararus, Marie Weiss, Lynn Weiss, Jean Glazier, Alice Bowman, Sonya Wilkins, Ruth Egerdee, Elisabeth Hohnsbein, Bonnie Bauman, Marilyn Einwechter, Laurie Weber, Jan Cressman-Weiss, Phyllis Montgomery, Blanche Simpson, Judy Bierman, Bernadette Mayer, Marian Witmer, Shirley Poll, Marj Lautenslager, Bev Fried Ruth Fried, Carol Wilkins, Audrey Fiederlein. Assembled by Jan Cressman-Weiss, blessed by Pastor Bonnie and crocheted by Carol Wilkins.

### May 2017

**Maddy Kleinsasser:** Their father, Gideon, passed away on March 23, at 56 years of age, of cancer Maddy is in grade 11. She loves books and reading. Colours are her favourite - purple and white. Knitters are Marian Witmer, Ann Parker, Jean Glazier, June Reick, Sonya Wilkins, Miriam Gole, Bonnie Bowman, Phyllis Montgomery, Judy Bierman, Nancy Thomas, Marie Weiss, Carol Wilkins, Jan Cressman-Weiss, Ruth Egerdee, Marj Lautenslager, Marilyn Einwechter and Alice Bowman. Organized by Jan Cressman-Weiss, crocheted by Phyllis Montgomery and blessed by Pastor Bonnie Schelter-Brown.



**Justin Kleinsasser:** Their father, Gideon, passed away on March 23, at 56 years of age, of cancer. Justin is in grade 9 and is into baseball. He plays for the Innerkip Jr Eagles. Colours were the baseball team colours of light grey and red. Knitters are Carol Wilkins, Marj Lautenslager, Alice Bowman, Ann Parker, Sonya Wilkins, Miriam Gole, Marilyn Einwechter, Ruth Egerdee, Phyllis Montgomery, Elisabeth Hohnsbein, Judy Bierman, Marie Weiss, Jan Cressman-Weiss, Bonnie Bowman, Marian Witmer, and Jean Glazier. Assembled by Jan Cressman-Weiss, crocheted by Carol Wilkins, blessed by Pastor Bonnie Schelter-Brown.

**Audrey Sararas:** Audrey's husband Alvin died a couple of weeks ago. He was very active in the New Dundee community serving as post master, later moving to New Hamburg. He and Audrey continued to work with the New Dundee Board of Trade. Colours are cream, beige and taupe. Knitters are Marie Weiss, Marilyn Sararus, Elaine Bock, Phyllis Montgomery, Judy Bierman, Jean Glazier, June Rieck, Laurie Weber, Sonya (Montgomery) Wilkins, Ruth Egerdee, Ann Parker, Bernadette Mayer, Alice Bowman, Blanche Simpson, Marian Witmer, Bonnie Bauman, Ruth Fried, Elisabeth Hohnsbein, Jan Cressman-Weiss, Marj Lautenslager. Assembled by Jan Cressman-Weiss, crocheted by Phyllis Montgomery and blessed by Pastor Bonnie Schelter-Brown.

**MaryAnn Dietrich:** sister to Bernadette Mayer, one of our faithful knitters. MaryAnn's best friend and fiancée died on Friday, Mar. 17th. Colours are celery green (pale green), soft pink, and cream. She worked with a jeweler for many years so of course, she loved jewelry. Many squares had a piece of jewelry attached to them. Knitters are Marie Weiss, Ann Parker, June Rieck, Jean Glazier, Ruth Fried, Margaret Schelter, Sonya Wilkins, Sandy Siragusa, Miriam Witmer, Bernadette Mayer, Ruth Egerdee, Shirley Poll, Miriam Gole, Phyllis Montgomery, Judy Bierman, Marj Lautenslager, Marilyn Einwechter, Blanche Simpson, Carol Wilkins, Jan Cressman-Weiss, Bonnie Bauman, and Alice Bowman. Organized by Jan Cressman-Weiss, crocheted by Phyllis Montgomery and blessed by Pastor Bonnie Schelter-Brown.

**Andy and Helen Sararas** lost Andy's twin brother, Alvin, in recent months. As well, Andy has had health challenges in the past few years. Colors are browns and whites. Knitters are Marj Lautenslager, Ann Parker, Jan Cressman-Weiss, June Rieck, Elisabeth Hohnsbein, Miriam Gole, Phyllis Montgomery, Judy Bierman, Blanche Simpson, Alice Bowman, Marie Weiss, Sonya(Montgomery) Wilkins, Elaine Bock, Marilyn Einwechter, Bonnie Bauman, Ruth Egerdee, Shirley Poll, Bernadette Mayer, Audrey Fiederlein and Marian Witmer. Pillow Squares by Ruth Fried and Marilyn Einwechter. Organized by Jan Cressman-Weiss, crocheted by Phyllis Montgomery and blessed by Pastor Bonnie Schelter-Brown.

Submitted by Jan Cressman-Weiss,  
[crsjanweis@netflash.net](mailto:crsjanweis@netflash.net)



## **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

| <b>DATE</b> | <b>GREETERS</b>           | <b>FELLOWSHIP</b>    | <b>LECTORS</b>   |
|-------------|---------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| June 4      | Susan & Brian Bloomfield  | Jerry & Marg Finnen  | Frank Siragusa   |
| June 11     | Flo Jahnke & Laurie Weber | Janice & Tom Weber   |                  |
| June 18     | Janice & Tom Weber        | Brenda & Steve Toman | Melanie Paterson |
| June 25     | Ed & Dorothy Hein         | Cindy & Brad Habel   | Jim Rodger       |

| <b>DATE</b> | <b>COMMUNION ASST.</b>        | <b>AV MONITOR</b> | <b>ACOLYTES</b> |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| June 4      | Peter Lade                    | David Dickau      | Josh & Ben      |
| June 11     |                               | Melanie Paterson  | Maggie & Eryn   |
| June 18     | Church Picnic at the Hammer's |                   |                 |
| June 25     |                               | Sharon Faulkner   | Olivia & Eryn   |

**Altar Guild** – Judy Bierman & Karina Weber  
**Counters** – Frank Siragusa & Jim Einwechter  
**Bread Maker** – Monica Dickau  
**Assisting Ministers** – June 4 – Lily Hammer



### **June Birthdays and Anniversaries**



|                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| June 5 – Julia Vanderweil             | June 19 – Peter Lade                    |
| June 7 – Rob & Jody Weiss (1997)      | June 20 – David & Melody McLaren (1981) |
| June 9 – Brenda Toman                 | June 21 – Carl Bingeman                 |
| June 10 – Lukas Habel                 | June 22 – Alanna Grigg                  |
| June 10 – Flo Jahnke                  | June 26 – Wayne & Annette Pfohl         |
| June 11 – Rudi Jahnke                 | June 26 – Jim Weiss                     |
| June 13 – Sara Weber                  | June 27 – John & Rita Ferber (1997)     |
| June 13 – Jim Tsetsekas               | June 28 – Alison McLaren                |
| June 16 – Ryan Magnus                 | June 29 – Brad Habel                    |
| June 17 – Monica & Dave Dickau (1995) |   |
| June 17 – Wayne Pfohl                 |   |

## JUNE 2017

| Sunday  | Monday                             | Tuesday   | Wednesday          | Thursday                                   | Friday                             | Saturday             |
|---|------------------------------------|---|--------------------|--|------------------------------------|----------------------|
|   |                                    |   |                    | 1  | 2                                  | 3                    |
| 4<br>Worship<br>Service with<br>Holy<br>Communion | 5                                  | 6<br>Reformation<br>Event Mtg –<br>NVMA, 7pm @<br>Trinity, NH | 7                  | 8  | 9<br><br>Youth Event               | 10                   |
| 11<br>Worship<br>Service -<br>Baptism             | 12                                 | 13  | 14                 | 15   | 16                                 | 17                   |
| 18<br>Church Picnic<br>at the<br>Hammer's         | 19                                 | 20  | 21                 | 22   | 23<br><br>** PB on                 | 24<br><br>Holidays** |
| 25<br>Worship<br>Service                          | 26<br><br>** Pastor                | 27<br><br>Bonnie on   | 28<br><br>Vacation | 29<br><br>Until                            | 30<br><br>July 7 <sup>th</sup> *** |                      |
|   | <b>Church Phone – 519-696-3012</b> |   |                    | <b>Pastor Bonnie – Cell – 519-573-1499</b> |                                    |                      |
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## ***PHOTOS OF THE MONTH....***

From the Victoria Day Garage Sale and Parade



