



The Proclamation



St. James Lutheran Church

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SUMMER 2017



Row, Row, Row your boat,

Let's all join in and row together!!

I often think of church life and faith life as a white water rafting adventure. When things are moving quickly there is fun, laughter, hard work, and lots of excitement. When we hit the torrents of the river it can be dangerous and scary, but it can also be thrilling and can build strength, endurance, and skills.

There are times on the river when it is calmer and things slow down. These are important times too, time to rest, reflect, and prepare for the next intense rapid.

The June council meeting is historically like the quiet ride down the slow flowing stream but this year it was one of our longest meetings, almost three hours and it felt as though we are heading to a very exciting and skill testing rapid with lots of dips and turns but it should prove to be very thrilling.

Our addition is in the process of final inspections, the work by Schiedel Construction is almost done. Soon the paving will be done, then the front lawn and with the completion of the addition there are lots of details to finish the addition and even more ways we can spruce up our original building. The council has completed a job list and an items needed list. They have initiated another work night on Monday June 26th (sorry, I'm on holidays). They have started making plans for both the welcoming of our neighbor church for a site visit, as well as the fall building dedication Sunday Service which is scheduled for September 17th. We have scheduled an August council meeting to prepare and we realize that there is a lot of work to be done to make our building the best it can be so that we can welcome others into it to share God's redeeming love for the world.

Things are moving quickly, it is a lot of work, but if we row together as a team we can flow through these rapids and enjoy the trip along the way.

The Good News, the best news is that God is along on the raft with us, around us, beside us. Or perhaps God is the water beneath us. Surely God is moving us along this path of accessibility. Peter Cooper recently pointed out that it's been 5 ½ years since we formed the accessibility committee and we know that there was work done by others before that committee even met and God has been the water below us pushing us along the river all the way.

This accessibility journey has been mostly a time of rapids and fast moving water, and we have shown our skills and energy which we will continue to need for the next few months as we prepare for the fall and move ahead being a church accessible to all.

The baptismal waters are flowing around us, carrying us along the rapids and slower moving waters of our lives. The baptized community of St. James is living out our call to adventure through swift and swirling waters and gentle rolling currents. Come, jump into the boat with us and get ready for adventure, it's sure to be a wild, exhilarating, and thrilling ride.

Pastor Bonnie



UPCOMING EVENTS!

Pastor Bonnie is on holidays until July 7th

July 9th – Baptists join us for Worship

July 23rd – Sports Camp Volunteer Meeting, 7:00pm

July 30th – Joint Family Worship at the Park – Special Performance by Paul Behnke, 10:00am

August 13th – Cemetery Decoration Day – Service at 2:00pm

August 26th – PB and Councillors go to camp for training

August 27th – Camper Registration, 3:00pm

September 1st – Camp is over at 11:00am – come and join us for lunch before you head home.
Cost: Free will offering.



To Anne and Kathy for co-ordinating Sports Camp this summer – it has been a lot of work but I'm sure it will be an awesome week! Thanks to all the people of St. James that are donating their time and talents to share God's gospel with the kids of our community.



Church Clean up and Organizing Night – Monday June 26th at 6:30

With Schiedel Construction putting the finishing touches on the addition it is now time for the congregation to roll up their sleeves and help make our church refreshed all around.

The storage bin in the parking lot needs to be emptied and some organizing and cleaning in the basement in order to put our church back together and make it a full service facility. Please come June 26th to help start the clean-up process.

As well, a list has been started by Church Council of some of the items that are needed to help put the finishing touches on the renovations. There are jobs that need to be done as well as items that we could use:

Jobs to be Done	Items or Supplies Needed
<p>Basement Set up AV Equipment Remove 'Organ Wood' Finish taking down curtain rods from classroom dividing curtains Unpack books from furnace room Paint - Main area, Kitchen, old bathrooms, back hallway Set up shelving in Maintenance room Remove any unnecessary shelving/storage units and bulletin boards to reduce clutter Strip and re-wax floor</p> <p>Front Foyer Pamphlet rack hung up</p> <p>Outside Front Flower bed clean up once paving and lawn complete</p> <p>Choir Loft Section of floor needs tiling Reposition pews and secure to floor Set up AV System Dispose of any furniture in storage room no longer needed Clean higher beams throughout church to remove dust build up from construction</p>	<p>Basement Paint and paint supplies and/or hire someone to paint Plastic shelving for maintenance closet Storage unit for supplies in Handicap bathroom (toilet paper/paper towel)</p> <p>Coffee Counter Garbage can Tea Towel Hanger</p> <p>Choir Loft Desk for AV equipment</p>

****If you are able to help with any of the items or have suggestions on any other items that the church could use to help enhance our church, please reach out to a church council member.

Youth News

Nith Valley Ministry Area (NVMA) Youth Worker

One of the items on the wish list of the NVMA Roundup sessions was the hiring of a youth worker to serve the 14 congregations in the NVMA. That is now almost a reality!

The Eastern Synod Mission Committee has generously given the NVMA a nine thousand dollar (\$9,000) grant to help out with this ministry endeavour. In addition the NVMA is looking to add another three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to that with support from the NVMA congregations in order to provide our youth worker with enough resources to carry out the plans we hope to put in place. The current plan is to have the youth worker start on August 1, 2017 for a one year contract, which has an option of being extended if it is a success.

We are happy to tell you that St. James is in full support of this endeavour and will be allocating some funds from our Youth Fund to help support this wonderful initiative. We are looking forward to getting the youth worker onboard and benefitting from a dedicated youth resource for our NVMA young people.

Submitted by Monica Dickau

CHURCH NEWS

Choir Members Needed!!

On August 13th we are providing music for the Cemetery Memorial Service – please join the choir with us to make this service special. Practices are July 23rd and August 13th after services. Thanks to Winston our Choir Director!!

Sports Camp

July 24-July 28th is our New Dundee Sports Camp hosted by the churches of New Dundee and area. There are still a few spots available so please sign up. The sports featured are Floor Hockey, Basketball, and Soccer. This is an all day camp and the cost is only \$60.00.

July 23rd is a meeting for everyone that is volunteering at New Dundee Sports Camp. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. and it will be an opportunity to meet the other volunteers and the staff from Scripture Union

July 9th - We have invited the Baptist Church to St. James for worship and the first tour of the addition and they have offered to share some special music. Come and join our neighbors in worship.

July 30th – Worship at the Park

We will be joining with other churches that participated in the Sports Camp along with all of the campers on Sunday July 30th in New Dundee Park. Our musical guest is Paul Behnke who will entertain the kids. There will be a BBQ following put on by the New Dundee Optimists. Come and join us and bring your kids and grandkids!!

Donations Needed!

This year at confirmation camp we will be sending some of our counsellors will be doing a service project each day. This will include helping a local food bank, spending time with seniors and packing WE CARE Bags. It is always important for us to remember that helping others is part of our call as Christians.

We Care Bags are bags sent throughout the world to promote good health, and education in places that need encouragement with both. This year we will be packing We Care Bags at camp but we need the items to fill the bags. Can you help us with a donation? For the student kits we are looking for items such as...

- lined notebooks
- unsharpened pencils with erasers
- metric ruler (30 centimetres)
- pencil sharpener
- eraser
- pack of crayons (or pencil crayons)
- small and simple toy (new and not requiring batteries)*
- bar of soap
- toothbrush (new & wrapped)
- tube of toothpaste (expiration date no earlier than one year)

For a teachers Kit the items include...

- 1000 sheets of lined paper and 1000 sheets of blank or coloured paper
- 20 pairs of scissors
- 20 metric rulers (30 cm), 20 erasers and 20 pencil sharpeners
- 10 calculators
- 5 packs of pencils and 5 packs of markers
- 2 geometry sets
- 1 box of paper clips and 1 pack of rubber bands
- 1 deflated soccer ball with sports pump
- 1 stapler with box of staples

Donations can be left at the back of the church or contact a St. James counsellor – Brynn Dickau, Nathaniel Hammer or Marshall Weiss.

Thanks for your help!!

Youth – Drop in on Tuesday afternoons and bring a friend – there will be freezies waiting for you – 3-5pm, except when PB is on holidays or at camp.

Let's do some visiting this summer!! A few of our members have made some changes and all of the people on this list would love to see you this summer. Can you share an hour or two to bring joy to our seniors?

Magdalene Einwechter
519-745-2053

Forest Heights
60 Westheights Dr. Kitchener

Ruth Howling
519-579-4175

Highland Place
20 Field Gate St., Kitchener

Elizabeth Ruge
519-896-3876

Sunny Side
247 Franklin St. N., Kitchener

Jean Weber

Parkwood Mennonite Home
726 New Hampshire St., Waterloo

Elizabeth Hohnsbein
519-569-8408

Winston Park – Apt. 305
695 Block Line Rd. Kitchener

Esther Ackernecht
519-744-9463

309 Forest Hill Dr. Kitchener

Pat Becker

St. Andrew's Terrace
255 St. Andrews St., Cambridge

Mary Harrison

Nithview
200 Boullee St., New Hamburg

Durward Rohman

Trinity Village Care Center
2727 Kingsway Dr., Kitchener

Helen May

519-696-2952

Around the Area – News from the Nith Valley Ministry Area

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

Reformation Challenge Update

June



As of May 25, 2017.

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, Betty Crawford, Faye (Einwechter) Mitchell, Marina, Magdalene Einwechter, Jean Weber, Eleanor Hilborn, Heather Berry 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 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 September Proclamation by Tuesday August 22nd. Thank you.

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

BOOK CLUB NEWS

July 14th – Everyone Brave is Forgiven by Chris Cleave

- Presenter – Donna Reeves
- Host – Kathy Hilborn

August 11th – Emancipation Day (One Book One Community) by Wayne Grady

- Presenter – Phyllis Montgomery
- Host – Coral Bradshaw assisted by Anne Hammer

September 8th – Lilac Girls by Martha Hall Kelly

- Presenter – TBD
- Host – Gloria Richardson

October 13th – **Looking for Recommendations**

- Presenter – TBD
- Host – TBD

November 10th – Life and Bronze: A Sculptor's Journal by Ruth Abernethy

- Presenter – Ruth Abernethy
- Host – TBD

December 1st – Christmas Party – Beneath the Wake by Ross Pennie

- Presenter – Ross Pennie (to be confirmed)
- Location – St. James Lutheran Church
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Recommended Readings

- Mennonite in a Little Big Dress
- Orphan Train
- Delicious



PRAYER BLANKET MINISTRY

New Requests:

June 2017

Heather Berry: has breast cancer and has had surgery for a double mastectomy. She has already had chemo therapy, now surgery and later radiation treatment. Heather is a single Mom of two adult boys and is very fond of her cat, Lacey. Her colours are dark and light grey, turquoise and purple but please not dark purple.

Sue: has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. Colours are shades of cream and light beige. Due June 26th.

Thank you's....

“Thank you very much for the blanket. I will treasure it dearly.” -- Madelyn Kleinsasser

“Thank you very much for the prayer blanket. It means a lot to me. :)” -- Justin Kleinsasser

Submitted by Jan Cressman-Weiss,
crsjanweis@netflash.net

God is more concerned about your heart than your performance. If your heart is right, your performance will catch up.

I can do everything through him who gives me strength. –Phil. 4:13

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

DATE	GREETERS	FELLOWSHIP	LECTORS
July 2	Jody & Rob Weiss	Robert & Kathy Hilborn	
July 9	Jim & Marie Weiss	Sandy & Frank Siragusa	Melanie Paterson
July 16	Brad & Cindy Habel	Jim & Marilyn Einwechter	Jerry Finnen
July 23	Peter & Susan Lade	Willis & Bonnie Baumann	Melanie Paterson
July 30	Robert & Kathy Hilborn	Steve & Melanie Paterson	Linda Jacob
Aug 6	Tom & Janice Weber	Cindy & Brad Habel	Janice Weber
Aug 13	Jody & Rob Weiss	Peter & Anne Cooper	Frank Siragusa
Aug 20	Peter & Anne Cooper	Janice & Tom Cooper	Kathy Hilborn
Aug 27	Brad & Cindy Habel	Frank & Sandy Siragusa	Jim Rodger

DATE	COMMUNION ASST.	AV MONITOR	ACOLYTES
July 2		Lukas Habel	Josh & Ben
July 9		Melanie Paterson	Maggie & Lily
July 16	Frank Siragusa	Melanie Paterson	Olivia & Breanna
July 23		Jacob Paterson	Lily & Eryn
July 30		Sharon Faulkner	Josh & Kian
Aug 6	Frank Siragusa	Lukas Habel	Maggie & Eryn
Aug 13		Nancy Hilborn	Breanna & Maggie
Aug 20	Laurie Weber	Lukas Habel	Ben & Kian
Aug 27		Sharon Faulkner	Breanna & Lily

Altar Guild – July: Kelly Hammer, Susan & Erika Lade; August: Marilyn Einwechter & Linda Jacob

Counters – July: Jerry Finnen & Peter Lade; August: Robert Hilborn & Monica Dickau

Bread Maker – July: Melanie Paterson; August: Marg Klodt

Assisting Ministers – July 16th – Lukas Habel; August 2nd – Lily Hammer; August 20th – Jacob Paterson



July & August Birthdays and Anniversaries



July 2 – Lucas Ferber
July 4 – Rick & Annette Becker (1998)
July 7 – Matthew Tsetsekas
July 11 – Sara Watson
July 11 – Rudi & Flo Jahnke (1970)
July 14 – David Dickau
July 19 – Andrea Finnen
July 21 – Nelson & Lorrie Grigg (1984)
July 21 – David McLaren
July 23 – Brandon Grigg
July 24 – Dan & Jennifer Giulietti (2004)
July 25 – Kelsey Priebe
July 25 – Dorothy Hein
July 26 – Julianne & Amedeo Rubino (1997)
July 28 – Rob Weiss
July 28 – Natasha Pettigrew
July 29 – Janice Weber

Aug 1 – Kiera Dickau
Aug 3 – Peter Blake
Aug 4 – Nick Pfohl
Aug 9 – Melissa Schmidt
Aug 13 – Kayla Boshart
Aug 17 – Bruce Weiss
Aug 17 – Murray & Pat Becker (1968)
Aug 20 – Frank Siragusa
Aug 24 – Adam Shoemaker
Aug 26 – Jaydon Cressman
Aug 28 – Steve & Brenda Toman (1976)
Aug 28 – Ed & Donna Niewinski (1982)
Aug 30 – Floyd Behnke
Aug 31 – Julianne Rubino

Happy moments: Praise God

Difficult moments: Seek God

Quiet moments: Worship God

Difficult moments: Trust God

Every moment: Thank God

JULY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3	4	5	6	7	1 ----- 8
9 Worship Service with the Baptists	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 Worship Service with Holy Communion	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 Worship Service Sports Camp Volunteer mtg – 7pm	24 ***	25 S P O R T S	26 C A M P	27 JULY 24 -	28 28 TH ***	29
30 Joint Family Worship in the Park – 10am	31					
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AUGUST 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Worship Service with Holy Communion	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Worship Service Cemetery Service – 2pm	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 Worship Service With Holy Communion	21	22	23	24	25	26 PB & counsellors go to camp for training
27 Worship Service Camper Registration- 3pm	28	29	30	31		
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PHOTOS OF THE MONTH.... Our Accessibility Addition

