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JESUS TURNS WATER INTO WINE. JAN LUYKEN

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The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday School and Bible Class, 10am
Sunday Divine Service, 11am

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LUTHERAN CHURCH – CANADA

Our Order of Service

Throughout the Season of Christmas (Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany) the Divine Service will follow Setting Three, beginning on page 184 in *Lutheran Service Book*. The bulletin insert provides the parts of the service that are specific to today, **The Second Sunday after the Epiphany**.

Should you participate in the celebration of the Lord's Supper today?

It is always our desire that all Christians share in the Lord's Table together. You need to know what we believe and confess before showing your agreement as you join us in this communion. As Christ here gives to us His holy body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, those who have no desire to put away their sinful habits should not mock Christ and His gift. As the pastor is the steward of this table, those who do not commune here regularly are asked to speak with the pastor to arrange for a time of instruction before giving their public confirmation of what we believe. If you desire spiritual counsel so that you can commune with repentance and faith, please also arrange for a time to speak with the pastor.

This Week

Today Sunday School and Bible Class, 10am
Divine Service, 11am

Mon Mary Martha Society meeting, 1:30pm

Thurs Back to the Bible, 11:30am (Joshua)

Fri St. Timothy, Pastor and Confessor (1 Timothy 6:11-16)

Sat The Confession of St. Peter (Mark 8:27-9:1)

Fri-Sun EDLYA Retreat at Grace Kitchener

Sat Conversion of St. Paul (Galatians 1:11-24)

Private Confession and Absolution, or spiritual counsel is available with the pastor upon request.

Next Sunday The Feast of St. Titus, Pastor and Confessor
Sunday School and Bible Class, 10am
Divine Service, 11am

Coming Events

Feb 02 The Presentation of Our Lord, Divine Service 11am

Mar 01 Choose Life Niagara Annual Dinner, 5pm

Mar 05 Ash Wednesday, Divine Service, 7pm

Mar 12, 19, 26, Apr 02, 09 Lent Vespers, 7pm

Lutheran Public Radio

LIVE DAILY LUTHERAN CHAPEL SERVICE... You can listen to live chapel services weekdays from Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary—Fort Wayne, IN. Lutheran Talk Radio streams Morning Chapel from Kramer Chapel at 9 a.m. Central, Mondays through Fridays. You can listen at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, or a podcast provider.

Choose Life Niagara Annual Dinner... Mar 01, 5pm at Club Roma

Guest Speaker Liana Gordon will share her story from being an adamant pro-choice teenager to a passionate advocate for life and talk about effective ways we can defend the sanctity of life. Details and tickets (\$60, Students \$30) available at www.ChooseLife.ca/Events or call 905-684-7505.

Pastors Seeking to Join Lutheran Church-Canada

Rev. Ben Wyatt of Saskatoon, SK; Rev. Noel Richards of St. Catharines, ON; and Rev. Lemi Eba of Edmonton, AB have submitted applications to the Pastoral Colloquy Program of Lutheran Church-Canada. Communications regarding these applications should be submitted in writing to Rev. Michael Schutz, Chair, LCC Pastoral Colloquy Committee.

Mission Minute: Living Waters Chinese Christian Ministry Vancouver

Our Lutheran Church-Canada mission serves the immigrant Chinese community, speaking Madarin and Cantonese, in the Lower Mainland of British Columbia. Nearly all members have been conversions from Buddhism and Confucianism. In addition to worship services, the ministry also provides Bible Studies, English as a Second Language (ESL) programs, and fellowship opportunities for its members and beyond. Most commonly, the mission serves separated immigrant families, where the father continues to work in China or Hong Kong, and supports his wife who is living in Canada with children or college students.

The ministry began in 2010 when Rev. Dr. Wing Yan (David) Leung and his wife, April, both teachers in a Chinese school, began as volunteer missionaries reaching out to Chinese people in the community. They formed a home Bible Study and ESL groups, and then Chinese Lutheran worshipping communities in New Westminster, White Rock, Ladner, Tsawwassen and Delta areas with the financial support of LCC Missions. These worshipping communities continue to meet in restaurants or homes for fellowship meals, Bible Studies, and prayer under the guidance and leadership of Pastor Leung.

Epiphany Means “Manifestation” or “Appearance”

This season highlights many of the epiphanies of God in human flesh (to the wise men, at His baptism, His miracles, His transfiguration). It is also a season which sets forth Jesus Christ as the Light of the World and inspires us in mission and outreach to all people. As Christ manifests Himself to us today in the Lord’s Supper, His forgiveness empowers us to walk in His light and witness of Him to a world sitting in darkness.

Under the Influence Circuit Event

On Saturday, January 11, 93 members of our Hamilton and Niagara Circuit churches met together at Christ Our Saviour Lutheran Church in Grimsby. After a devotion led by Pastor Lantz, there was a presentation by Rev. Ted Giese, who had been teaching the January short term course for our seminary. He revealed to us the window of influence upon society which some groups push either to the conservative or liberal side of issues such as 2SLGBTQIA+; Medical Assistance in Dying; Acceptable Portrayal of Violence, etc. After a wonderful schnitzel lunch, Pastor Giese reminded us of the treasury of tools we have to protect ourselves against all social influences: The Scripture, the Book of Concord, and the Catechisms of the Lutheran Church. The day’s gathering concluded with the praying of Vespers. There has been positive feedback and desire to do similar events in the future.