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The Baptism of Our Lord

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 Baptism of Our Lord**.

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

Tues Hamilton and Niagara Circuit Pastors' Winkel, Burlington

Thurs Back to the Bible (Joshua)

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

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

Next Sunday The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday School and Bible Class, 10am

Divine Service, 11am

Coming Events

Jan 24-26 EDLYA Young Adults Retreat at Grace, Kitchener Feb 02 The Presentation of Our Lord, Divine Service 11am Mar 05 Ash Wednesday, Divine Service, 7pm Mar 12, 19, 26, Apr 02, 09 Lent Vespers, 7pm

Gentle Reminders

When the walks are wet or salty, please consider bringing a change of footwear to protect the chapel floor.

When replacing the hymnals in their holders, place them spine down so the pages on the open edge are not crumpled.

Lutheran Public Radio

EDUCATING A NEW GENERATION OF LUTHERANS... Issues, Etc, is a radio talk show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: The Bible & Other Religious Writings; The Small-Town Lutheran Church & Pastor; Church Discipline; Roman Catholic Indulgences; and more. 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.

Nominations for Seminary Award... Jan 2025

Anyone in Lutheran Church-Canada may nominate a candidate for the Delta Chi award, given by Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary, St. Catharines on behalf of the wider church. This "highest and most distinguished award" is "presented to an individual whose life exemplifies service to Christ in his/her everyday living and vocation" in service to the local congregation, the community, the synodical region, the church at large, church service organizations, and educational institutions. Delta Chi refers to the initials of the Greek expression $\delta\iota\dot{\alpha}\kappa$ ovoς χριστοῦ which means "servant of Christ". Please submit your nomination in writing to the seminary or via e-mail to reception@concordia-seminary.ca. The deadline for nominations is 15 January 2025.

Letter of Thanks from Bishop Alexander Yurchenko of SELCU (Ukraine)

To: President Timothy Teuscher and all faithful of Lutheran Church-Canada Dear pastor and brother in Christ Timothy,

The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you...

I am writing to you on behalf of your brothers and sisters in Christ — members of the Evangelical Lutheran Churches of Ukraine. First of all, I would like to thank you for many years of friendship and cooperation with the SELCU, and the immense support your Church provides to our Synod, and also, through us — to many thousands of disadvantaged Ukrainians, those who remain in the country, and those who were evacuated during the war.

We thank you for the fact that, from the beginning of the full-scale aggression of Russia against Ukraine, LCC – without hesitation – extended helping hands to us and stood by us, helping us in serving the Lord and our people.

I would especially like to thank you for your faithful support of SELCU pastor — Oleksiy Navrotskyy, as he fulfills his pastoral and missionary vocation in Mykolaiv city and region. Pastor Oleksiy devotes himself to the "work of service" selflessly (Eph 4:12). And I am very happy that pastor Oleksiy and the entire SELCU brotherhood have such faithful friends and sacrificial partners in you. And I hope and ask you to continue to support pastor Oleksiy and his family and the direction of their wonderful ministry in the future.

May the Lord richly bless you, your family, and the church (mission) during this special season of Advent and Christmas. May God's grace protect us all.

But when the fullness of time had come,
God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law,
to redeem those who were under the law,
so that we might receive adoption as sons.
Galatians 4:4-5

With prayers for you and love in Christ Jesus, Bishop of the Synod of Evangelical Lutheran Churches of Ukraine & all congregations of SELCU