

The Mustard Seed

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The Monthly Newsletter of
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“The Kingdom of Heaven is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field; which indeed is smaller than all seeds. But when it is grown, it is greater than the herbs, and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in its branches.”

Matthew 13:31-32



Pastor's Message

A September “History” Lesson

It is always great to take a holiday or a vacation from the everyday routine. Whether it is in the form of a stay at home vacation; or going away; camping or going to the cottage; becoming unplugged these days is becoming more and more important.

I had the opportunity to be in Halifax this summer for a brief trip. I was able to tour Pier 21

where most immigrants entered into Canada from 1928- 1971. It is Canada's National Museum of Immigration. A person can explore records there related to your family history and genealogy. There are authentic immigrant stories. There are many photos and items that came through this seaport from Europe, Germany, Holland, Italy and so on.

It was a reminder for me that we cannot change our personal history or our Canadian history. Nor can we change our church history. We as worldwide Lutherans celebrate the *500th Anniversary of the Reformation this October 29th*. **There will be an afternoon gathering of Lutherans and Catholics in Pembroke on Sat. Oct 28 to celebrate the date with our Bishop Michael Pryse. We are all invited to attend. Mark your calendar now for this event.** This unique observance enables Lutherans and others both to give thanks for our heritage and to look to the future.

Our history is where we come from. We need to remember it and not make the same mistakes again. We need to start fresh every day and look ahead - not backwards- at where we are going - not where we have been. *"I am told that there is a proverbial phrase among the Inuit: "A long time ago, in the future." Let the children see our history and maybe it will help to shape the future." Romeo Leblanc.*

The same is true for our individual churches and their histories. We can only move forward and ensure that our future generations arrive in a safe faith-filled place. A place where we accept all of God's children. As we move from summer into autumn, may God bless us as we continue to be a faith-full presence in our communities. May the Holy Spirit help us to be a voice of healing and justice in our world.

Pastor Norine

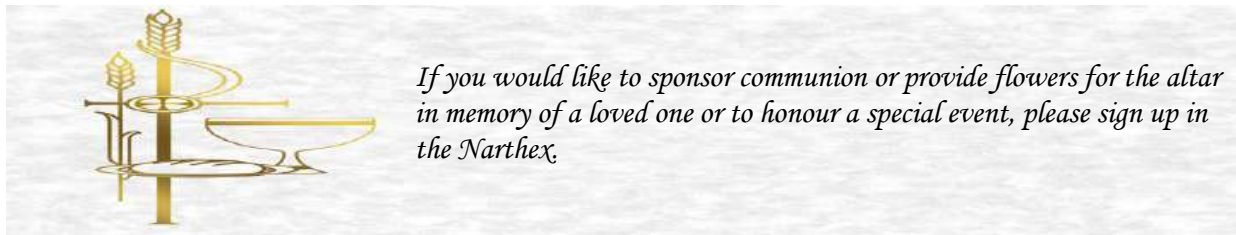


There will be an afternoon gathering of Lutherans and Catholics in Pembroke on **Sat. Oct 28** to mark the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation with our Bishop Michael Pryse. We are all invited to attend.

Don't forget! Mark this date on your calendar today!

September Event Calendar

Sunday	3rd	Worship service with Holy Communion 10:30 a.m.
Saturday	9 th	Men's Breakfast at Jim's Restaurant 8:30 a.m.
Sunday	10th	Worship service with Holy Communion 10:30a.m. Blessing of the Backpacks
Thursday	14 th	Lutheran Pastors Cluster Meeting 9:30 a.m. St. Stephen's, Schutt
Sunday	17th	Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:30 a.m. Rally Sunday - special children's message for first day of Sunday School - Hot dog lunch for social
Monday	18 th	Council Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Sunday	24th	Joint Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:00 a.m. at St. James Renfrew Share the Harvest Sunday with finger foods potluck With the Pilatzke Family Gospel Band (see the ad on page 4 for more details)



Celebrating 60 years together...

Congratulations - Stan and Joyce Headrick (celebrated August 24th)

And

Henry and Lois Rosien (see invitation from the family on page 5)



Sunday September 24th
You are invited to

SHARE THE HARVEST SUNDAY

Worship Service is at St. James Lutheran Church, Renfrew at 10:00 a.m.
with the Pilatzke Family Gospel Band

We are looking for your contributions to this annual event – fresh produce,
preserves, baking, etc.
We also need you as buyers!

All proceeds go to Renfrew Food Bank, with a matching grant from FAITH LIFE FINANCIAL.

After shopping, there will be a finger foods pot-luck lunch.



Rally Sunday
September 17th

Join us for some fun as we begin Sunday School!

Stay for social and enjoy hotdogs and cake!

YUM!!

Sunday School!



Men's Breakfast

September 9th

8:30 a.m.
Jim's Restaurant
In Arnprior

Please consider joining us for good food and good conversation!



Please join us for an OPEN HOUSE

To Celebrate the

60th Wedding Anniversary

of

Henry and Lois Rosien

Saturday September 9th

1:00 – 4:00 pm

At

1167 Kippen Road/1434 McLaughlan Road White Lake

The home of Kevin Rosien

Best Wishes Only



THANK YOU!

Thanks to Kevin Richardson for transporting shrubs to the church...

Thanks to Rick Frivalt for cutting the grass this summer (and to his wife Cathy for volunteering him 😊)...

Thanks to Mel, Marion, Lorne and Joanne Bretzlaff for hosting the July Breakfast at their lodge in Ladysmith...





It's
Back to
School
Time...



September 11th - 15th
Golden Retreat at Lutherlyn Camp and Conference Centre

This is a time for adults to get away for spiritual renewal, enjoy nature, & meet new people.

Accommodation in the Four Seasons Lodge

Register by picking up a Lutherlyn 2017 flyer or on line at www.lutherlyncamp.ca

For more information contact Rev Charles Nolting at 705-598-2048 or email revc.nolting@gmail.com



The First Baptist Church

279 Alicia Street, Arnprior
Presents two weekly seminars and support groups...



September 12th to December 5th
Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

September 12th to December 12th
Tuesdays 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

For more information call 613-623-3993
Or email at office@fbc-online.ca





Breakfast...

At the Bretzlaff Lodge...



Games....



Juice...



Coffee ??...



Or perhaps a slice of bread...now that's a bread knife!!

A great morning of fun, laughter, good food and good fellowship.

Thank you!

Postings in the Narthex

- Eastern Synod Lutheran Monthly Newsletter (or access online at: <http://www.easternsynod.org/>)
- Upcoming events at Galilee Centre – website at <http://www.galileecentre.com/programs/>



Equinox/Peace Forest Walk & Beach BBQ at Galilee Centre

Friday September 22. 6 p.m.

Info: 613 623 4242 ext. 21 or info@galileecentre.com



Helpers for Ushering and Counting are needed!
If you can help for a Sunday, please sign up in the Narthex.



VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 2017

SUNDAY	USHERS	READING	COFFEE/SOCIAL	COUNTERS
Sept. 3 rd	Lois and Lynn Rosien	Lois or Lynn Rosien	Alison and Dave Burkett	Lois and Lynn Rosien
Sept. 10 th	Lois and Lynn Rosien	Lois or Lynn Rosien	Beryl and Pastor	Lois and Lynn Rosien
Sept. 17 th	Lois and Lynn Rosien	Lois or Lynn Rosien	Deb and Pastor Hot Dog Lunch Yay Sunday School!	Lois and Lynn Rosien
Sept. 24 th	Joint service in Renfrew	Joint service in Renfrew	Joint service in Renfrew – Share the Harvest and Finger food potluck	Joint service in Renfrew

Thank you, volunteers! If you would like to help out, please sign-up in the Narthex!

Note: Volunteers are always needed weekly.
 Free training is available! 😊 If interested, talk to a council member.

Website: <http://stjohnsarnprior.com>



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