

Lutheran Church of the Cross

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People of the Cross

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	You can use this calendar during your daily prayers; just include these suggestions!					<i>1</i> For members of the Synod Missions Committee
<i>2</i> 9:30 a.m. <i>Gottesdienst</i> 11:00 a.m. <i>Worship</i> 1—4 p.m. <i>Urban Communion</i> Thanksgiving for Sabbath rest times in my life.	<i>3</i> 12:45 - 4:30 p.m. <i>WRHA</i> For Kim Scherger, director of Luther Village and her staff.	<i>4</i> 12:45 - 4:30 p.m. <i>WRHA</i> 12:00 p.m. <i>Frauenverein</i> 6:00 p.m. <i>Church Council @ 605 Avila Ave.</i> For members of the Synod Education Committee.	<i>5</i> 10:00 a.m. <i>Worship Committee</i> 1-4 PM <i>Urban Men</i> 6-8:30 p.m. <i>Urban Meal</i> For those close to me who need healing.	<i>6</i> 6-8:30 p.m. <i>Urban Meal</i> For Rick Scherger MNO Synod Communications.	<i>7</i> 1:00 p.m. <i>Golden Agers</i> For Synod Bishops Greg, Larry, Cindy, Elaine, and Michael.	<i>8</i> For our young adults returning from Taize.
<i>9</i> 9:30 a.m. <i>Abendmahl</i> 11:00 a.m. <i>Holy Communion</i> 1-4:00 p.m. <i>Urban Communion</i> Thanksgiving for Sunday School and VBS staff.	<i>10</i> 7-9:00 p.m. <i>Urban Board Mtg.</i> For Debbie Beyer, MNO Synod administrator.	<i>11</i> For our rostered leaders as they head to Leader's conference.	<i>12</i> 1-4 p.m. <i>Urban Men</i> 6-8 p.m. <i>Urban Meal</i> For our Anglican brothers and sisters at the Leader's conference.	<i>13</i> 12:45 - 4:30 p.m. <i>WRHA</i> 6-8:30 p.m. <i>Urban Meal</i> For ecumenical shared ministries in Carman and Teulon.	<i>14</i> 1:00 p.m. <i>Golden Agers</i> For ecumenical shared ministries in Thompson and Winnipeg.	<i>15</i> For those who prepare to lead music for our service.
Pastor Kolleen away at study conference. Call the Office in case of an emergency.						
<i>16</i> 9:30 a.m. <i>Gottesdienst</i> 11:00 a.m. <i>Worship</i> 1—4 p.m. <i>Urban Communion</i> For the preacher in my congregation today.	<i>17</i> For members of the Synod Youth Committee	<i>18</i> 12:45—4:30 p.m. <i>WRHA</i> 1:30 p.m. <i>Women of the Church</i> Thanksgiving for where I have seen God at work today.	<i>19</i> 1-4:00 p.m. <i>Urban Men</i> 6-8:30 p.m. <i>Urban Meal</i> For the board and staff of the Urban in Winnipeg.	<i>20</i> 12:45 - 4:30 p.m. <i>WRHA</i> 6-8:30 p.m. <i>Urban Meal</i> 6:30 p.m. <i>Appler Wedding Rehearsal</i> For those with whom I will work today.	<i>21</i> 1:00 p.m. <i>Golden Agers</i> For members of the Synod Candidacy Committee.	<i>22</i> 1:00 p.m. <i>Appler Wedding</i> For the shut-ins in my community.
<i>23</i> 9:30 a.m. <i>Gottesdienst</i> 11:00 <i>Holy Communion</i> 1—4 p.m. <i>Urban Communion</i>	<i>24</i> 8:30 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. <i>WRHA</i> Prayer for the 23: Thanksgiving for all those who bless my life today. Today's prayer: For members of the Synod Worship and the Arts Committee. Prayer for the 30: For guidance for all delegates to ELCIC convention.	<i>25</i> 12:45- 4:30 p.m. <i>WRHA</i> For Synod Council and executive, Brian, Allan, and Carol.	<i>26</i> 1-4:00 p.m. <i>Urban Men</i> 6-8:30 p.m. <i>Urban Meal</i> For members of the Synod Church in Society Committee.	<i>27</i> 6-8:30 p.m. <i>Urban Meal</i> For Bishop Susan and staff for preparing for ELCIC convention.	<i>28</i> 1:00 p.m. <i>Golden Agers</i> For the ministries of each of our 61 MNO congregations.	<i>29</i> For those in our world that struggle with hunger and poverty.
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NEWS

June 2013 Newsletter

From the MNO Synod:

To Pastors and congregations of Metro Conference:

On August 16th we will receive four women from Cameroon who will be visiting our MNO synod to gain experiences in rural ministry, rural programming for youth, safe teen training around violence against women, congregational programming and mentoring by rostered ministers. There are many preparations that need to be done before they arrive.

You can help with hosting one, two, three or four women for a period of two weeks, three weeks, one month, two months----- whatever you and your family can manage. Responsibilities would be room and board; occasional transportation. The women will spend longer periods of time in rural and urban settings- Brokenhead Conference and Metro Conference. Shorter times will be in other places across the synod.

You can help with transportation around the synod for day or overnight trips. The women will have bus tickets for transportation in Winnipeg.

You can help by extending an invitation with possible activities/ events that they might attend. We are looking for a wide range of experiences and opportunities. Visitation responsibilities might include transportation within the area or community as well as meals and some accommodations as necessary.

Please send names and contact information to Kelly Speak or Bishop Elaine at mnosynod@elcic.ca.



Grace and peace to you from God our father and our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

We give thanks to God for the gift of life and the breath of the Holy Spirit filling us and lifting us up to new life and the opportunities for growth.



May 26, 2013 Outreach BBQ
Photo: Danielle Da Silva

From the Pastor's Desk

There is much happening in this Pentecost season – much growth. In July I will be attending the Joint Assembly of ELCIC and the Anglican Church of Canada in Ottawa. There are some motions that will be made that will affect us as a congregation of the ELCIC. The following are from a letter from Bishop Susan Johnson:

A few broad strokes about the proposed changes.

1. First of all, you will see significant change to the Constitution— it is greatly slimmed down! We have adopted the principle that the Constitution will only describe the “who and what” the ELCIC is. All the details of “how” things happen are moved to the Administrative Bylaws.
2. The biggest substantive change to the Constitution is the creation of Synodically Recognized Ministries which will allow people to hold membership in our church in ministries that are smaller than congregations. I think this is a wonderful new option that will provide flexibility and help our church to grow.
3. The other main changes are to the size and frequency of the National Convention, to the size of National Church Council, and to the composition and terms of the Officers of the church. These changes are driven by both governance principles and by the need for cost savings. I hope that they will allow us to direct more resources towards mission and ministry!

Bishop Susan urges us to read through the Structural Renewal Implementation Guide that outlines in more detail the proposed changes that are coming to the 2013 Joint Assembly. If you are interested in reading the amendments to the Constitution and the draft Administrative Bylaws and wish to discuss the please let me know and we can arrange to provide you with a copy and also arrange a time for discussion to then let Bishop Susan know what we are thinking!

A Prayer For Joint Assembly

Faithful God,
You loved the world so much
that you gave your only Son to be our Saviour.
We give you thanks
for the Communion we share in the Gospel
Together for the love of the World,
we gather from every corner of this land.
Bless and empower us through your Holy Spirit
that with joy and steadfastness,
we may proclaim by word and deed,
the reign of your love and peace for all people.
As you, O God, are holy, make us holy,
Through the grace of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen

Lutheran Church of the Cross Mission Statement Draft (from 2007). Please take this opportunity to look at and discuss this mission statement draft. A decision about this mission statement will be made at the next Annual Meeting.

Mission Statement: Guidance - Participation - Invitation

Born again through water and spirit (John 3) we are guided by God's word in service of our daily life and the life of our worship service. We participate in the life and worship service of the church in heaven and earth, of all times and all places.

We invite our neighbours in the West End to join this service: *And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.* (Acts 2)

Unser Auftrag: Führung - Teilnahme - Einladung

Wiedergeboren aus Wasser und Geist lassen wir uns im Gottesdienst unseres täglichen Lebens und im gottesdienstlichen Leben durch Gottes Wort leiten.

Wie nehmen teil an Leben und Gottesdienst der Kirche im Himmel und auf Erden, aller Zeiten und Orte.

Wir laden unsere Nachbarn im Westend zu diesem Gottesdienst ein: *Sie blieben aber beständig in der Apostel Lehre und in der Gemeinschaft und im Brotbrechen und im Gebet* (Apostelgeschichte 2).