



# FOR PETE'S SAKE"

*St Peter's Lutheran Church*

*Zurich, Ontario*

Pastor: Rev. Nadine Schroeder-Kranz

Ministers: The People of St. Peter's

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Thank you so much for giving my family and I such a wonderful installation into the ministry of St. Peter's! Your support and prayers mean a lot to us. The pageantry and enthusiasm of the installation Sunday felt really good. So far ministry with you has been eventful, educational, and welcoming. I hope we can continue to grow in faith and work to share the good news of Christ at St. Peter's, and here, there and everywhere. It is a pleasure to serve with you!

Over the course of the last few weeks it has occurred to me that I have failed to share information about myself and my family that would help you begin to know us on a more familiar level. Here, I will answer the many questions that have been posed at funerals, weddings, church services, and out and about in the Bluewater area.

As you know, I am a pastor's kid. I was born in Lunenburg, Nova Scotia while my father was serving the Lutheran church in Mahone Bay. When I was growing up my father also served in Deep River, Elliot Lake, and Peterborough, Ontario. My mother was a teacher and a Music For Young Children Piano Teacher, as well as the church organist. Both have retired together to a home in the bush near Burleigh Falls, ON. I have two brothers, both married with children, both living in Ottawa area. I also have a sister in Kitchener who will be married this June. I am the second youngest sibling in my family. I will not divulge my age just yet! I graduated from Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo with my BA. I graduated from Waterloo Lutheran Seminary with my Mdiv and was ordained in 1999. I served the two point parish of St. Matthew, Mildmay and St. Paul, Neustadt from 1999-2006. I stopped working after Russell (#3) was born and we moved to Guelph where I served as interim in Fergus in 2007. In 2008 Owen was born and I continued in various supply opportunities until coming here.

Andy also moved around as a child. Eventually his family settled in Oakville, ON where his father recently retired from Canada Post. His mother continues to carry the mail and clean houses. Andy has a brother and sister, both married. His sister is in Japan and his brother is in Oakville. Andy is the oldest. He's 35. tee hee! Right Reno is Andy's business venture. He has been a contractor specializing in home renovations for as long as I can remember. His current business name began in Guelph and he is working at continuing his business in Zurich area. Andy has electrical training from Mohawk College and is overflowing with hands on contracting experience. Yes, Andy is related to the Reverends Kranz. Rev. Don Kranz is his grandfather. Rev. Doug Kranz is his uncle.

Rachel and Chloe are in grade one. Russell is in Junior Kindergarden. Owen is tossed between mine and Andy's schedules. They love the parsonage yard and the village environment, as do Andy and I! I hope this biography will be helpful to you in figuring out who we are.

*Blessings! Pastor Nadine*

## **London Conference Fall Meeting**

On Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, I attended the London Conference Fall Meeting. The theme of this meeting was "Art in Worship". The Art Show portion of the meeting was very successful. Thank you to those who lent their art for display.

Our Dean, Pastor Rick Brown of Trinity in Tavistock, informed us that our new London Conference Bylaws have been approved by Synod and have taken effect as of the meeting. We also reviewed some results of the National Church Restructuring Committee's survey.



Tom Brook, the Community Relations Director for Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR) presented us with a report and slide show. The purpose of the report was to inform us what our donations to the Haiti Disaster relief were accomplishing. Our donations have been put towards: the renting of land for the tent camps, the supply of necessities (distributed in a way that allows the people to keep their dignity), medical supplies, the building of open air schools, etc. Among the slides was a picture of a woman's foot, with purple painted toenails. Mr. Brooks explained that the foot belonged to one of the female volunteers he worked with there. He asked why she had a "purple foot". She explained that during the course of the day, she could look down at her toes and see something cheerful. I think that statement says much about what conditions really are in Haiti. Another of Mr. Brooks' pictures was of a young boy who followed him around on his last day. Just before Mr. Brooks left, the boy grabbed his hand and in a Creole dialect said "Please send me a ball". *Sad isn't it?*

Mr. Brooks and the CLWR have issued an Advent Challenge. It has to do with the open air schools we have built there. The schools have 2 or 3 classrooms and 50 children per classroom. Each teacher can have 100 children each day as there is a morning class and an afternoon class. In Haiti, the government supplies teachers to the communities but the communities supply the building and all the learning tools. Therefore the advent challenge is for school supplies. They would like to give 3500 children a pack of supplies to use at school.

Each pack should contain:

3 - 8"x10" notebooks	1 metric ruler	1 pencil sharpener
6 unsharpened pencils with erasers	1 pack of 12-16 coloured pencils or crayons	

**I would like to challenge St. Peter's, Zurich to provide 50 school packs to CLWR (and 50 soccer balls - deflated for shipping). Seamstresses in the congregation who like to sew are invited to make drawstring bags out of sturdy material, big enough for one school pack. Donations to CLWR of \$5 per pack are also greatly appreciated to help with the shipping from Winnipeg to Haiti.) Can St. Peter's do this? YES we can!**

In our second session we discussed worship practices. We divided into groups to discuss:

What excites YOU about worship?

What scares YOU about worship?

What are some unique things YOUR church does for worship?

What do YOU like most about worship?

What would YOU change about worship if you could? We were asked to pick one change and explain how we would present it to our church community. What holds our congregation back from making changes? I found these discussions fascinating. What would YOUR answers be?



After lunch, Rev. Karen Kuhnert spoke about the Eastern Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations and Waterloo Lutheran Seminary's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. She split us up into groups to discuss what defines us as a conference. Some of the answers our groups came up with were common to other conferences, but Pastor Karen said some were very unique in that she had not heard them before. She told us she is making an anniversary slide show and has thousands of pictures to choose from pre 1950, but has fewer pictures from the years after 1959. Many of the pictures in the archives are about the buildings, not about the people, so she is looking for pictures of OUR church community, for example people ushering, snow shoveling, teaching Sunday School, at their week day work, at their homes, in the kitchen, at the Beanfest, at church--- pictures of people doing whatever it is our church communities do.

Remembering for the Future: a musical play written about the history of our synod and our seminary will be presented Nov. 5 and 6 at the Maureen Forrester Recital Hall at Wilfred Laurier University in Waterloo. Tickets are \$20 and are available through Augsburg or 519-743-1461.

We closed with a worship service, including the anniversary reading that the attending youth participated in. It was a very interesting day.

*Submitted by Tracy Lather*

*London Conference Council Lay Member*

## **Coming Events:**

Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. Annual Fall Roast Pork Supper  
Tickets are still available so invite your friends and neighbours.

Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. NO WORSHIP SERVICE AT ST. PETER'S  
Instead we will be worshipping at Trivitt Anglican in Exeter at 10 a.m. The youth of St. Peter's and Trivitt will be conducting a special service about the CLAY Convention they attended in August. The youth that went to CLAY have said it was the best event they had ever experienced. It is great to see that there are youth that are active in their faith within the church. These youth are not only the future of our church but the PRESENT as well - a point we often fail to acknowledge. We're always planning for the future, but need to focus our energy on the here and now of the church also! EVERYONE is encouraged to attend this worship experience to support of our youth and their advisors.

Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup>

There will be a meeting for ALL women after the worship service to discuss options for a Ladies Group at St. Peter's.



Volunteers are needed for the Fall Supper to help with setup, to serve the supper and to cleanup afterwards. If you like to bake -- pies and cakes are also still required. To volunteer, please sign the sheet posted on the bulletin board by the office door.

More volunteers are needed to serve as lay readers, communion assistants, to serve on altar guild, and for coffee hour. If interested please contact Jen at 519-238-6743 or [jschellenberger@hay.net](mailto:jschellenberger@hay.net) If you would like your name removed from any of the lists or would like to change dates (coffee hour) also contact Jen.

## **Property Projects at St Peter's**

Council has created a list of projects needing to be completed at the church and parsonage. If anyone wishes to help defray the costs of any of the below projects, contact a member of council.

### Urgent projects:

1. Brick pointing on west wall of main church. There are birds still gaining access to the church through these holes.
2. Chimney repair & capping of the chimney at the west end of the main church. There appears to be unstable brickwork at the top and there is water leaking from the chimney access in the old kitchen. The chimney is no longer in use and could be torn down to the roof line and capped.  
*(Numbers 1 and 2 could be a combined project)*
3. Carpet cleaning – Main Church (approx \$200) Fellowship Hall & Hallway (approx \$700)
4. Painting – Exterior window and door trim on church and trim on parsonage porches  
Walls & ceiling in narthex/entrance
5. Repair of the chimes over the pulpit
6. Organ tune-up. Routine maintenance is overdue.
7. New electrical receptacles on the north side of church to accommodate Christmas lights and a heating cable. Dale Miller will install the receptacles this fall.

### Less urgent / major projects:

1. Painting of church steeple and clock faces
2. Renovation of the furnace area above the church office – to correct ice on roof
3. Replacement of the older windows in the parsonage
4. Second sump pump with battery back up (approx cost \$1500)
5. Repair of seams on floor of upper parsonage porch. This has been temporarily fixed but requires more work next summer.

### Projects completed and/or underway:

1. Carpet in Narthex and back of Sanctuary- carpet ordered (approx cost \$1850)
2. Foggy window repair in Fellowship Hall –completed. A donation covered this cost.
3. Caulking on Fellowship Hall windows – completed
4. Heating cable for roof & eaves trough over north entrances. A donation covered this cost.

***Ordinary people can do extra-ordinary things when they trust in God.***

## **Did You Know:**

“Christ in Our Home” devotional booklets are available in the church narthex for your use at home. Also current and past issues of “The Lutheran” are available to borrow.



Have you noticed the extra voices in the choir....a warm welcome to Ann, Peter and Jelica Bornath and Laurie Erb.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Karen (Schade) and Jason McLellan who were married at St. Peter's on October 9<sup>th</sup>.

## **Outreach:**

Caroline Schaefer and Katelin Boles are part of the South Huron Community Youth Choir. They will be performing at the Community Lessons and Carols Service at Trivitt Anglican Church in Exeter on Monday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Caroline and Katelin participated in the Benefit Concert for Canadian Aid in Southern Sudan held on October 3<sup>rd</sup> at Exeter United Church.

Angel Wings meet on the first Thursday of each month at 1:30 p.m. Their repertoire now consists of shawls, baby blankets, hats, mitts and scarves. This change was made to continue the interest and maybe even learn more knitting/crocheting skills. Our numbers have been down slightly but perhaps that is due to our recent warm weather. Come out enjoy the fun!

### Flu Clinics

The seasonal flu clinics are open to the public and hosted by the Bluewater Area Family Health Team. Everyone is asked to bring their OHIP card and wear a shirt or blouse which the sleeve rolls up. The clinics will be held:

- Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4-6 pm –Trinity Anglican Church, Bayfield
- Monday November 8<sup>th</sup> – 5-7 pm.- Zurich Medical Centre, Zurich
- Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup> – 9-11 am – Zion Lutheran Church Dashwood

### Remember the Food Bank:

We are still collecting food items for Blessings on the first Sunday of the month. Your generosity in providing non perishable food items for those who are less fortunate are always appreciated, but especially as we move towards the colder time of the year.



## **Our Deepest Sympathy:**

- We remember the family and friends of the late Mary Haggitt who died on September 26<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Nadine presided at her graveside service on October 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of the late Leona Reichert who died at the Bluewater Rest Home on October 12<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Nadine officiated at her funeral service on October 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Dedication:** On Sunday, October 24, pew envelope holders donated by Ann Steinbach and her family were dedicated and blessed to the glory of God in loving memory of Edgar Steinbach.

## Thank you:

Our church was beautifully decorated for Pastor Nadine's installation service and for Thanksgiving.....a huge thanks to everyone for their donations and time spent decorating.

To Rob Schellenberger for making and installing the pew envelope holders.



On Friday October 22, Tracy and 3 youth attended the U2charist at St. Paul's Cathedral in London. Pastor Nadine was the co-celebrant. We all attended the pre-concert/service pizza party, which raised over \$1200 for the "12 for 2012" project (see below for more info). I can't wait to find out what the total was including the free will offering collected at the concert/service. We were treated to some awesome renditions of US songs by the U2 cover band "Elevation". Our guest speaker was Father Bill (the same Anglican Priest who was the guest speaker for the CLAY gathering this summer). He asked whether we were at all concerned that several hundred children in the city of London were going to bed hungry that night. YES! Are we at all concerned that only 2 blocks away, there are people who are so down, that they are shooting up heroin? YES! Are we at all concerned that, 5 blocks away there are people who have so little; they have to sell themselves on a street corner, just to put a roof over their heads? YES! Father Bill does not know how to fix these problems, but he pointed out to us that the answer starts with LOVE--the love that God has graced us with, so that we can go out and give it to someone who needs it. It was a very powerful message of acceptance and love. After the service, we joined with a number of other youth groups from out of town (one group from as far away as Elora) and spent the night at Christ Church playing get to know you games, eating, singing karaoke and just having fun.

## FUNDRAISING

At the end of **CLAY** (Canadian Lutheran Anglican Youth Gathering) ([www.clay2010.ca](http://www.clay2010.ca)), a youth initiative was set for the attendees to take back to their churches, deaneries, dioceses, and synods. We were asked to raise money to build 12 sustainable communities in developing countries by 2012. "**12 for 2012**". It costs approximately \$5000 to make a community sustainable in a developing country. So, through **Canadian Lutheran World Relief** (CLWR) and **Primate's World Relief and Development Fund** (PWRDF), the Anglican Church of Canada's agency for sustainable development, relief, refugees, and global justice, a portion of all money raised by our youth group will go towards "**12 for 2012**". It is our hope that between our group and the other groups who attend SOC events that we can fundraise \$5000 in the next two years for the **12 for 2012** initiative.



## **COMING EVENTS**

For those of you who haven't joined us at one of our Youth Events before, we strongly encourage you to come out and try it, bring your friends. (You never know, you may even like it!)

**Friday, October 29 6:30 pm** - Youth group official opening event. This is open to ALL youth age 12-19 and their parents. Snacks will be provided. Join us for fun, fellowship and bible study. You are welcome to bring a friend.

**Saturday, November 13** at Trivitt Anglican in Exeter - Article One Concert. (ALL AGES)  
Tickets are \$15 each. St Peter's youth who purchase their tickets through Tracy will be subsidized (you pay \$10 only). If you wish to go, please sign up on the bulletin board at church, so we know how many tickets to get. If there are any youth who can not afford the price of the tickets, but want to attend, see Pastor Nadine. For those interested, we have also been invited to sleepover.

**Sunday, November 14** at Trivitt Anglican - CLAY follow-up service. There will be no church at St. Peter's on this Sunday. Article One (the Band from Saturday night's concert) will be providing the music for the service as well.

**Friday, November 26** at St. Peter's - Youth group meeting/and Bible study. (Planning for Christmas)

*We sincerely hope to see all of you and your friends out to at least one of these events.*

Prayer for our Youth Group;

Loving Father, we know that You always watch over our youth group. You have blessed us leaders with the opportunity to get to know these youth as individuals, with names, faces, likes and dislikes. They are not just "youth". With hearts open, we humbly pray that You guide us in showing them how valuable they are to us. Please, grant the leaders the wisdom to know when changes need to be made, and grant the youth the courage to tell us how to make youth group better for them. We pray that all of our youth members, their parents and all the members of St. Peter's continue to help our group evolve, so that we can continue to grow our faith in You, through fun, fellowship and the Bible. AMEN

Peace and Blessings

Tracy Lather and Marg DeVries

### **Confirmation Class Schedule:**

Confirmation is held on Sunday mornings after the worship service from 11:15 to 12:00 p.m.

November: 7, 21, 28

December: 5, 12, 19

January: 9, 16, 23, 30

February: 6, 13, 20, 27

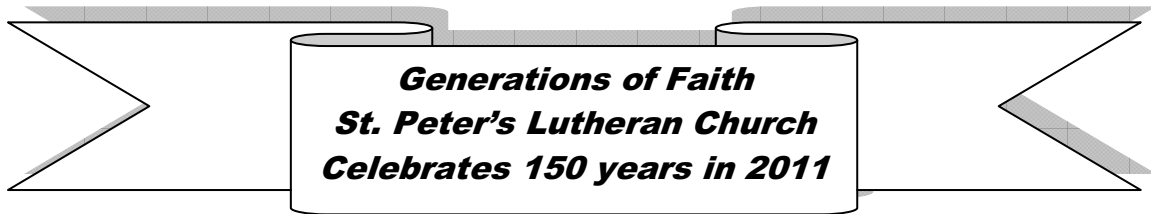
March: 6, 27

April: 3, 10, 17

May: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

June: 5

June 12 is Confirmation Sunday



The Anniversary Committee continues to meet twice a month to plan for St. Peter's upcoming 150<sup>th</sup>. We are requesting your help in the following areas.

1. In preparation for St. Peter's 150th anniversary, we want to create a "work of art". We would like to have a quilt made by our members to hang in the Fellowship Hall as a reminder of our "Generations of Faith". For any group, family or individuals who would be interested in making a quilt block, the requirements are as follows:.

*If you are doing a pieced block it should be an 8" finished block, 8 ½ " unfinished. To those who want to appliqué, paint, cross stitch etc the block needs to be 8 1/2" using only the centre 8".*

These blocks need to be completed and handed in no later than January 31st. There will be a sign up sheet outside the office door for those who wish to participate in making a square for "The Generations of Faith" quilt so we know how many squares to expect. Contact Michele Haberer for further information. Use the envelopes in the pew

2. We would like old family and congregational photos identified with names and year, placed in an envelope and given to one of the anniversary committee members. These photos will be returned as soon as they are scanned for a DVD.
3. We are requesting historical church records for cataloging and placing in one central location.
4. We are requesting donations towards the cost of printing anniversary placemats to be used throughout the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary year. Use the envelopes in the "new holders".

Phylis Deichert has prepared the following historical information. Phylis also has a photo display and a copy of the "temple talks" she gave throughout 2001 that can be borrowed. This display can be found on the window sill in the Fellowship Hall.

#### **150 years ago November 1960**

The first Lutheran cemetery was situated east of the public school near the frame church. Burials made in this plot are recorded from August, 1860 until 1886. Henry Volland sold ½ acre of land, part of Lot 20, Concession 11 for the burial ground in March, 1864. Over 120 burials took place in this cemetery, many of whom were our ancestors who came to Canada by boat to seek a new life here. Also, many children died as a result of disease and are buried here.

Reverend Muenzinger, using the old German script, recorded historical accounts of each person who died. The entries were usually written with such details as the birth date and birthplace of the deceased, most of which name some province in Central Europe. They tell of the migration to Canada, the occupation, the marriage relationships and other notes of interest.

Over the years the graveyard has been kept in excellent condition as a token of gratitude to the founders of the Lutheran church, most of whom crossed the sea from Germany in the 1850's.



## LABOURS OF LOVE FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

### USHERS

Captain: Phil and Laurie Erb  
Alternate: Ted Sanders  
Claire Deichert  
Ross Cordell  
Harvey Norton  
Mitchell Dietrich



### LAY READERS

November 7 Karen Rader  
14 No service at St. Peter's (We will be worshipping at Trivitt)  
21 Tracy Lather  
28 Sharon Sanders

### ACOLYTES

November 7 Kurt Bornath  
14 No service at St. Peter's (We will be worshipping at Trivitt)  
21 Matthew Thiel  
28 Michaela Devries

### COMMUNION ASSISTANT

November 7 Michael Schaefer, Don Rader  
21 Laurie Erb, Doug Klopp

### ALTAR GUILD

Shelley Miller, Diane Klopp, Karen Rader

### COFFEE HOUR

November 7 Anne Schade / Karen McLellan / Doreen Webb  
14 No service at St. Peter's (We will be worshipping at Trivitt)  
21 Hub Thiel and family  
28 Donna Klopp

