

FOR PETE'S SAKE"

St Peter's Lutheran Church Zurich, Ontario

Pastor: Rev. Nadine Schroeder-Kranz

Ministers: The People of St. Peter's

November 2011



Worship, honour, glory, blessing, Lord, we offer as our gift; young and old, your praise expressing, our glad songs to you we lift... Edward Osler(1836)

Together we celebrate 150 years of ministry in Christ's name! This is a time for reflection and a time for movement. I am very excited about the promise I see in our new St. Peter's Youth Group. They are enthusiastic and committed to working together to make church a welcoming and inspiring place for all

ages. The youth are eager about being asked to perform duties like ushering and assisting during worship services. They think it's great that they have been invited to help out with various activities in the day to day life of this parish. The feeling of acceptance is growing. I am very pleased.

When I interviewed for the call to St. Peter's, the emphasis was heavily placed on boosting the involvement of the young people and families of St. Peter's. I hope that in the coming months we will see this aspect begin to flourish. This does not, however, mean that we must sacrifice our identity that roots back 150 years for the sake of pleasing anyone. We need to educate all ages about our intrinsic habits and beliefs and welcome everyone into the life of discipleship that we share as members of the whole Body of Christ. There is room for tradition and room for the new. We must ask ourselves, what is appropriate to bring us all together, young and old, as a community? What will appropriately nurture us corporately and personally for being the church? Food for thought. Happy November! Blessings, Pastor Nadine

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<u>Coming Events:</u>
Saturday, October 29th 150th Anniversary Celebration Dinner at Hessenland Social Hour beginning at 5:00 p.m. Dinner at 7 p.m.

Sunday, October 30th 150th Anniversary Worship Service at 10 a.m.

Pastor Nadine will conduct the German / English service with Bishop Michael Pryse giving the sermon. Following the worship service there will be a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall and a Family Treasures display in the Sunday School room. There will be no Sunday School classes on this day.

Thursday, November 3rd St. Peter's Lutheran Ladies will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 7 p.m.

Saturday, November 12th SOC Youth Sleepover in Walkerton

Sunday, November 13th The women of St. Peter's will be participating in this service.

Donations to the Goderich Tornado Relief Fund will be received at this service. Funds raised will be matched up to a 2 to 1 ratio by the Province.

Saturday, November 19th at 6 p.m. Annual Fall Roast Pork Supper Tickets \$15 for adults, \$6 for children 6-12 years. They are available at the church office.

Thank you:

Thank you to those who have provided the beautiful outdoor planters of flowers at our church entrances this summer and fall and faithfully watered them. They were definitely admired by our members and guests upon arrival on Sunday mornings.

Thanks also to the women who once again faithfully decorated the inside window sills of the church for the autumn season. These gestures of kindness are truly appreciated.

The fresh flowers that graced the altar throughout the summer were beautiful. A big thanks to those who provided them.

Baptism:

On Sunday, October 16th, we welcomed Edison Stewart Willert through the Rite of Holy Baptism into St. Peter's family. Edison is the son of Janet and Damion Willert and grandson of Hub Thiel.



Congratulations:

- to Dana and Jordan Jeffrey on the recent birth of their daughter, Danica Marjorie.
- to Susan and Ross Cordell on the birth of their grandson, Henry Joseph.



Outreach:



We are still collecting food items for Blessings on the <u>first Sunday of every month</u>. 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.

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 with short sleeves. The clinics will be held:

- Saturday, October 29th 10-11:30 a.m. at Zion Lutheran Church Dashwood
- Wednesday, November 2nd 4-6 p.m. at Trinity Anglican Church, Bayfield
- Wednesday, November 9th 4-6:30 p.m. at Zurich Medical Centre, Zurich

The Bluewater Rest Home Memorial Tree Angel Ceremony will be held on Sunday, November 20th at 7 p.m. in the chapel. Anyone interested in purchasing a memorial light for a deceased family member or friend, please contact Patty Groot at 519-3236-4373 (extension 631).



This a very short newsletter this month ...in order to continue with "For Pete's Sake" I need your input re calendar dates and events, committee reports and activities etc. Thanks, Sharon

LABOURS OF LOVE FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

USHERS

Captain: Phil Erb
Alternate: Ted Sanders

Claire Deichert Ross Cordell Harvey Norton Mitchell Dietrich

Ian Thiel Rick Fisher

LAY READERS

November 6	Mark Heimrich
13	Michele Haberer
20	Ann Schade
27	Karen Rader

ACOLYTES

November 6 Michelle Beeler 13 Kara McBride 20 Ryan Miller

27 Mitchell Schellenberger

COMMUNION ASSISTANT

November 6 Tracy Lather, Michael Schaefer
20 Mark Taylor, Karen McLellan

ALTAR GUILD Ann Steinbach, Alice Deichert

COFFEE HOUR

November 6 Lisa Dietrich, Diane Becker

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20 Anne Schade / Karen McLellan / Doreen Webb

Hub Thiel



