



Prince of Faith

LUTHERAN CHURCH

April 2nd, 2017 Fifth Sunday in Lent



In today's gospel Jesus reveals his power over death by raising Lazarus from the dead. The prophet Ezekiel prophesies God breathing new life into dry bones. To those in exile or living in the shadows of death, these stories proclaim God's promise of resurrection. In baptism we die with Christ that we might also be raised with him to new life. At the Easter Vigil we will welcome new sisters and brothers at the baptismal font, as we renew our baptismal promises.

Prayer for the Call Process

Gracious and Holy God, we give thanks for the many ways you have guided us, your people of the Prince of Faith Christian family from the beginning. We give thanks for each one of the pastors you have sent to guide us. We give thanks for one another. Now as we look forward to a new chapter in our Christian mission, we thank you for the leader and pastor that you are already preparing for leadership amongst us. Bless this person with peace and a clear sense of purpose as they discern their call. Give wisdom, insight and diligence to our call committee as they seek your guidance and will. Give to all of us, patient and eager hearts so that we may be open to the new mission and work for which you, O God, are preparing us
In Jesus name, Amen

Our Readings Today...



1st Reading
Exekiel 37: 1-14

Gospel
John 11: 1-45

Assisting with today's worship service:

Worship	<i>Rev. Helen Belcher</i>
Music	<i>Liz Archibald</i>
Usher	<i>Bob Arnold & Sue Cliff</i>
Lector	<i>Darcy Cates</i>
Communion	<i>Deb Cates & Jan Engel</i>
Prayers	<i>Thank-you</i>
Altar Guild	<i>Thank-you</i>
Counters	<i>Sonja Morrison</i> <i>Renita Racicot</i>

We Remember in our Prayers

For healing: *Irene Pankonin, S.K., Nicole B, Sophie Boghean, Muriel Mocke, Rene Boghean, Rob Fehr, Irene Hohm, Leah Duncan, Ed Henning, Mark Bowden, James Bowden, Kayden, Len Thistlethwaite, Ron Wenzel, Richard Oliver, Kathy Moyer, Margaret, and Stafford Lee*

For the family of God at Prince of Faith:

- + Raewyn Janota
- + Nancy Van Achte

For the wider Church:

- for Bishop Elaine Sauer, Bishop of the Synod of Manitoba/ Northwestern Ontario, and for the synod staff, rostered members and people of the Synod of Manitoba/Northwestern Ontario
- for Rev. Trish Schmermund, Dean of the Northern Conference and the rostered leaders and people of the Northern Conference
- for our Lutheran Campus Ministries in Canada and especially for Rev. Richard Reimer, Chaplain of Lutheran Campus Ministry, University of Alberta
- for retired bishops, pastors, diaconal ministers and other retired church leaders
- for Edmonton New Life Chinese Lutheran, Edmonton and Holy Spirit Lutheran, Edmonton
- for Seminary Student Lisa Smith, studying at Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon
- for the pastors and people of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Argentina
- for the members of the Lutheran Deaconess Community
- for the Most Rev. Fred Hiltz, Primate of the Anglican Church in Canada
- for the Right Rev. Mark MacDonald, National Indigenous Bishop of the Anglican Church in Canada
- for the ministers and people of the United Church of Canada
- The dean, council, and congregations of the Manitoba East Area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offering report for March 26, 2017

General Offering	\$ 755.00
Direct Deposits (dd)	<u>\$ 820.00</u>
Total General	\$ 1,575.00
Teen Challenge	\$ 20.00
Mortgage	\$ 50.00
Mortgage (dd)	\$ 25.00
CLWR (dd)	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$ 1,690.00

To meet the budget, total general offerings need to average \$2,278 per week.

To the end of February our income exceeded expenses by \$14,821.63

An option is available for pre-authorized offerings through automatic monthly debit from your bank account. If you wish to sign up for this program or, if you are already on the program and want to change your monthly contribution, forms are available in the narthex or the office.

- Rev Helen Belcher is available for Pastoral care needs. Please contact her by phone at (403) 826-7135 or via email at pastor@princeoffaith.ca
- Jubilations are very delighted that some members of the Prince of Faith congregation are to join Jubilation for the Easter Sunday Service. We will send the music (lead sheets) by e-mail prior to the first practice for anyone wishing to join us. We will practice the Easter music line up on Thursday April 6th and Tuesday April 11th. We strongly encourage attendance at both practices but if that isn't possible, attendance at 1 is mandatory to be able to sing. Practices start at 7:30 pm or shortly after so we ask that vocalists arrive by 7:15 pm. The church will be open at 7 pm both nights. Please email wendymoore2@yahoo.ca
- Check the bulletin boards in the Narthex for updated and new events taking place in our worship community and the outside community.
- Cleaning Bee – Saturday April 22
Please meet in the Church basement @ 2pm

SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK:

Sun	9:00 am	St George's Anglican
	10:15 am	POF Sunday School
	10:45 am	Prince of Faith Lutheran
	2:00 pm	Iglesia Vida Nueva
	6:00 pm	Pilgrims of Jesus Bible Study
Mon	9:30 am	Coffee and Care Group
	8:00 pm	AA
Wed	9:00 am	Primal Time
	6:00 pm	Soup Supper
	7:00 pm	Lenten Study
Fri	6:00 pm	Iglesia Vida Nueva
Sat	9:30 am	ICV Fellowship (Spanish)
Sun	10:00 am	Joint Service (April 9) With St George's Anglican

**OUR JOURNEY THROUGH LENT
TOWARDS EASTER**

Shared with St. George's Anglican Congregation.

- Lenten Series, Wednesday evenings March 8 - April 5, starting with Soup Supper at 6:00 pm in the lower hall (sign up sheet in the Narthex) with the study beginning at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Based on You Are What You Love, by James K. A. Smith.
- Palm Sunday - April 9, 10:00 am.
- Maundy Thursday - April 13, 7:00 pm.
- Good Friday - April 14, 11:00 am.
- Easter Sunday - April 16, potluck breakfast at 8:30 am, service at 10:00 am: the Celebration of the Resurrection!

Prayer for Lent

Gracious and Holy God, give me diligence to seek you, wisdom to perceive you and patience to wait for you. Grant me O God, a mind to meditate on you; eyes to behold you; ears to listen for your word; a heart to love you; and a life to proclaim you through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ our Savior & Lord, Amen

Community Outreach Ministry sponsored by Prince of Faith

*Free clothing give-away and free soup/bun lunch
at Prince of Faith on Saturday*

April 8, 2017 from 11:00-3:00 p.m.



You can contribute by donating adult and children's gently used, in reasonable shape [Not needing repair] clothes. This can include coats and shoes, purses and jewelry. Please canvas your friends/family for clothes. It's also a tremendous help if you're able to label the bags you bring identifying male/female; adult/child; and size.

If you have questions or know of places you can place a poster advertising the event please contact Sonja Morrison nepal2008@live.ca

JOIN US ON MAY 6, 2017 FOR OUR "20TH ANNUAL WALK/RUN FOR LOVE"

Thank you to all walkers and donors for your unfailing generosity towards Lutheran Hospital Ministries – Southern Alberta in the past walks. We are again asking for your support. Our annual fundraiser, a Walk/Run for Love, will take place on May 6, 2017. We will meet at Faith Lutheran Church and walk or run a 5 km course through Confederation Park.

If you love to walk or run, come and join us. We meet at Faith Lutheran Church, 1903 – 19 Ave NW at 8:30 am. The Walk begins at 9:30. This once-a-year fundraiser supports the Ministry in our training program for volunteer visitors, who visit patients in hospitals and care facilities. If you cannot walk or run, consider being a "virtual walker" by collecting pledges.

Our goal this year is to raise \$22,500. Faith Life Financial is a sponsor and will match donations up to \$300. Please contact your Church office for more information about the grant.

For more information about the Walk please contact us at (403) 264-4045 or lhmsac@gmail.com. Thank you for your faithful support

Sermon Notes:

Pander Anew
what the Almighty can do

Join Bishop Larry for dinner.
 Listen to stories of God's work in
 and around the Synod.

Save the Date!

May 28 - Brooks	June 24 - Calgary
June 10 - Red Deer	June 25 - Camrose
June 11 - Edmonton	

Venues TBA

There will be no cost to attend. Watch for more information on the Synod website and in Wednesday's Word.

Who to call?

About Pastoral Counselling Emergencies? Helen Belcher 403.826.7135

About Council? Neal Jones 403.703.5545
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About the Building? Renita Racicot 403.889-6505
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About the Joint Committee between churches at Prince of Faith? Laura Edmonds
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About the Call Committee? Dorrit Hoff (403) 275-6846 dorrit@shaw.ca

Council Meets on the third Thursday of each month. All are welcome to sit in with us, our meetings begin at 7pm and we try and end by 8:30pm.

If you did not receive this bulletin via email please be sure to drop a note to office@princeoffaith.ca and will add you to the list! Do you know a member that we can add to the mailing list? Please let us know.

Introduction to the Hebrew Language

Thursday Nights - 7 to 9 pm for 10 weeks
March 2nd until May 18th (two week break in April)

Taught by Hebrew teacher Orly Shalev, it is designed for Adults to learn and experience some of the richness of the Hebrew language.

Cost: \$100 for the 10 weeks

RSVP to office@oursaviourchurch.ca or 403-253-1453 by February 27th
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