



ST. TIMOTHY'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH - ELCIC

*A Welcoming Compassionate Church
Nurturing our Christian Faith and Reaching Out to Others*

The Herald **MARCH 2026**

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From the Pastor's Korner.....

We are now deep into the season of Lent. How is it going? Do you still have the cravings for the things you have given up? Yes, it is difficult to sit down and watch television without that dish of chips or the glass of soda. Maybe you are one of the folks who added to your life this Lent; such as a prayer.

This month's Pastor's Korner you will find this prayer. I would encourage you to pray this prayer in the morning as you rise for the day. Think of someone and pray this prayer. May God guide you and those you pray for on your Lenten Journey.

I Said a Prayer for You Today

Author unknown

I said a prayer for you today,
And I know God must have heard.
I felt the answer in my heart,
Although God spoke no word.

I didn't ask for wealth or fame,
I knew you wouldn't mind.
I asked to send you treasures,
Of a far more lasting kind.

I asked that God would be near you,
At the start of each new day.
To grant you health and blessings,
And friends to share your way.

I asked for happiness for you,
In all things great and small.
But it was for loving care,
I prayed the most of all.

Peace!

Pastor Bruce +

WORSHIP

Those in our Prayers.....

Nancy Briscoe, Mike Harrington, Lila Martinat, Irlavere Tubbe, Bobby Keuhl, Adele Krieger, Tracy Schori and Christa Reitlingshoefer.



Wednesday Evening Worship

During this time, Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm., the parish will be joined by the Rev. Matthew Brown, the clergy team and the members of Parish of the Valley. We will gather to sing, pray and listen to God's word. The Lenten series is entitled, 'Thy Will Be Done'. May Wednesday evening be apart of your Lenten journey. Bring your friends – they are always welcome.

LEARNING



Sunday School

For the month of March, please note Sunday School is scheduled for March 8th and 22nd.

SUPPORT



Executive of Congregational Council 2026

Chairperson – Robert Murphy*

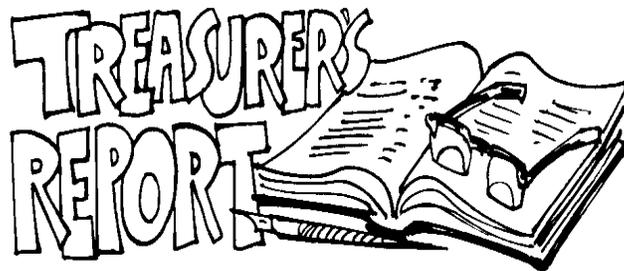
Vice Chairperson – Susan Buske*

Secretary – Angela Bezanson

Treasurer – Rick Eustace

*Robert and Susan will switch these positions on April 1, 2026.

Thank you for your willingness to serve your church and Lord.



Are you looking for...

Thrills, Chills, Action, Adventure, and Romance!??

Unfortunately, you've come to the wrong place.

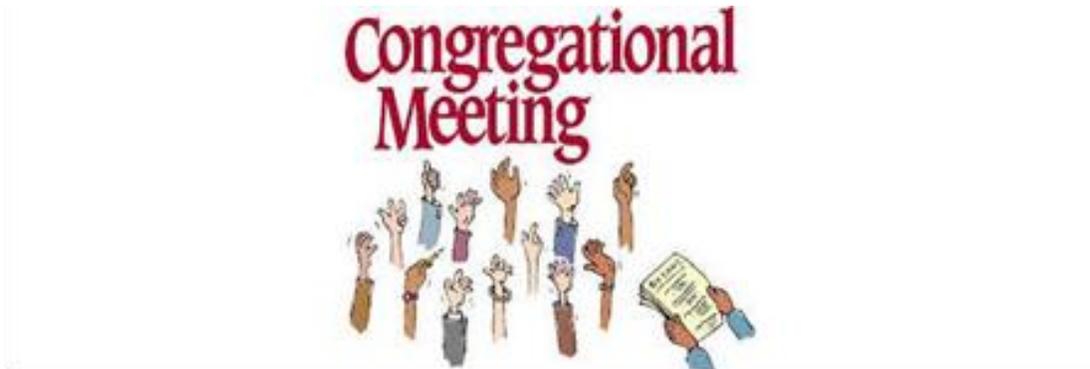
However, I will be presenting the annual financial statements at the AGM in March and I encourage you to attend.

Rick Eustace, Treasurer

Changing Bank Account for PAR

For those members on PAR, the funds are withdrawn on the 20th of the month. Any changes to information must be with the PAR team by the 10th of the month.

IMPORTANT – If you are changing the bank account that the deduction is taken from, please do not close the old account until the change in banking information has been given to Lawrence Lupton or Debbie Junop and they have received confirmation from the PAR team. This usually takes a couple of days.



Annual Congregational Meeting

Jubilee Hall

Sunday, March 22, 2026

following our morning worship

Reports available March 8th

Purpose of the meeting:

- Approve Minutes from 2025 Congregational meetings
- Approve the 2026 Budget
- Approve the 2026 Investment Plan

Thank you for your participation in the life of the congregation.

WITNESS



Our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper was very well-attended with 73 people enjoying a delicious supper of pancakes, maple syrup, sausage, baked beans, fruit and beverages. Thank you to all who attended and who helped serving the supper and with providing the sausages, maple syrup, and baked beans.



Lenten Food Drive

Our Lenten Food Drive to support St. Joseph's Food Bank has started and will continue until Easter. If you are able, please support this drive as the need is great. Watch as the table in the entrance of the sanctuary grows with food as we support others. Please check the expiry dates on the items. Also in need are your clean, empty egg cartons (one dozen size) as these can be re-used.

Please note.... Cash donations should be given directly to St. Joseph's and not through your offering envelopes.

NATIONAL & SYNODICAL NEWS

Lutherans Connect Daily Lenten Devotions

LC† From Dust, Still Holy

February 18 - April 8, 2026 - Daily, except Sundays

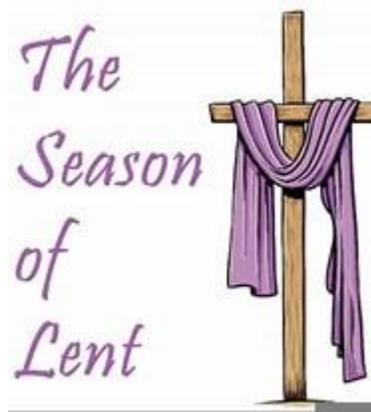
Many people find the season of Lent a helpful time for reflecting on their own journeys of faith. For over fifteen years, Lutherans Connect has assisted in this practice by offering daily devotions with music, scripture, poetry and reflective writing. Once again, we invite you to join us daily (except Sundays) for a time of meditation and renewal.

This season, we look at "the body as sacred space," how each of us is made in God's image. How much do we idealize what bodies should look like or be capable of? How can we challenge those preconceptions to see the sacred that lies within each human being?

Join us as we walk in faith together.

And may the peace of Christ bless you on your Lenten journey!

<https://fromduststillholy.blogspot.com/2026/02/welcome.html>



OTHER NEWS

A Valley St. Patrick's Celebration

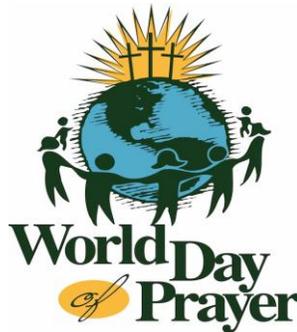
Sunday, March 1, 2026 at 2:00 pm at Festival Hall.

Featuring The Fiddlares & Friends, Dean Lapierre and our own Gillan Rutz.

Tickets – FestivalHall.ca or 343-361-3205. See Poster on “Our Community” bulletin board.

Prayer for Unity Among Christians

Let us gather to pray for unity among Christians on Tuesday, March 3rd here at St. Timothy's at 7:00 PM. All are welcome.



World Day of Prayer

Friday, March 6th at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 68 Renfrew Street at 2:00 pm. For more information, please see the poster on our “Our Community” bulletin board.



Camp Lutherlyn Camper Sponsorships

St. Timothy's is sponsoring up to 5 children/youth for 1 Week each at Camp Lutherlyn this summer. You can obtain an Application Form from the church office and you can register your child online by going to: lutherlyncamp.ca and go to the Registration Page.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, March 8th. Remember to turn your clocks ahead Saturday night.



Hall Bookings

If you are wishing to book a meeting room or Jubilee Hall, please be advised that there is a Booking Book in Room 1 to record your request. Please follow the instructions posted at the front of the book and also on the wall.

Sponsorship for the Guide to Worship and Flowers

If you wish to sponsor the Guide to Worship (cost is \$20.00) or flowers, please contact the Church Office no later than Thursday of the week of your sponsorship to ensure your announcement will be printed in the Guide to Worship. Please provide the wording you would like used – by email or drop off a written copy to the office. Thank you.

When ordering flowers please ensure that the florist is aware that St. Timothy's is a scent free environment. If the flowers are to be delivered to the church – note that office hours are 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, Wednesday and Thursday, Friday until 1:00 or you may bring the flowers with you on Sunday morning. Thank you.

Hospital Visits

Please know that if you wish a visit from Pastor Bruce while you are in the hospital, please call the church office or you may call his home. Because of confidentiality, your stay is not shared by the hospital. Pastor will be honored to visit you. Thank you.

Reminder

If you move, change your phone number, your email, or get a PO Box, please let the office know so that our records can be kept up-to-date.

Submissions for The Herald

The due dates for submissions are as follows: April 17, May 22 and June 19.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
LENT 2 9:30 am Holy Communion 1	Office Closed 2 1:00 pm Shuffleboard 6:30 pm Confirmation 2	Office Closed 3 9:00 am Quilting & Piecemakers	9-12 pm Office Open 4 9-12 pm Tai Chi 7:00 pm Lenten Service	9-12 pm Office Open 5 1:00 pm LV Shuffleboard 6:30 pm AA 6:30 pm Sunday School	9-1 pm Office Open 6 Pastor's Day Off	
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LENT 5 9:30 am Holy Communion Sunday School Congregational Meeting 22	Office Closed 23 1:00 pm Shuffleboard 6:30 pm Confirmation 2	Office Closed 24 9:00 Quilting	9-12 pm Office Open 25 9-12 pm Tai Chi 7:00 pm Lenten Service	Office Open 26 1:00 pm LV Shuffleboard 6:30 pm AA	Office Closed 27 Pastor's Day Off	28
PALM SUNDAY 9:30 am Holy Communion HOLY WEEK 29	Office Closed 30 1:00 pm Shuffleboard	Office Closed 31 9:00 Quilting				28 <i>All Committee Chairpersons, please inform Church Office of dates of your upcoming meetings. Thank you for your consideration</i>