



2019 NETWORK

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FACING DEATH

Our parish has experienced many funerals lately. John Gerhard was a pastor in the 17th century. His parish saw many births and baptisms, but many deaths also through war and the plague. Death and funerals were a regular part of his ministry.



I thought that this month I would share with you one of his meditations on death from his Manual of Comfort for the Severely Ill (*Enchiridion consolatorium oder Tröstliches Handbüchlein Johann Gerhard's wider den Tod und die Anfechtungen beim Todeskampfe*).

"The afflicted person says: 'My illness could be terminal. I know I am mortal anyway. But this life seems sweet. This world still seems beautiful. The only life I know is this life in this body.'

The comforter says: 'God created you, not for this poor, short life, but for everlasting life. God created Adam and Eve, our first parents, to live forever'.

You were redeemed by Christ not for this hard life but for that blessed life waiting for you in heaven. 'This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.' (1 Tim. 3:15).

Through the Gospel the Holy Spirit has called you into Christ's kingdom, not to be happy for a little while on earth, but to move one day from the kingdom of grace to the kingdom of glory, from the church militant to the church triumphant, from the vale of tears to the land of joy.

If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable' (1Cor. 15:19). If you are soon to be led through the door of death into the life for which the Father created you, the Son redeemed you, and the Holy Spirit called you, do not reject the gracious will of God toward you (Luke 7:30). If God is calling you, follow with joy!"

This little meditation calls us to change our perspective on death and on this life. This life is only a short part of our journey. And the church militant, the church on this side of eternity is the minority! The multitude of believers that have passed on, have passed to the Church triumphant. And this Church triumphant will remain forever while the church militant will end in Christ coming back in glory to establish the eternal kingdom. And remember, we are surrounded by a cloud of innumerable angels and witnesses who have attained perfection (Hebrews 12:22-24). They are watching us and supporting us with their prayers.

Pastor Jason

A message from the Director of Finance ...

Effective September 2019, FaithLife will no longer process automatic withdrawals for congregants who use this mode to contribute to the church monthly. We have switched to EFT Canada for this service.

The system was tested successfully in August with a new donor who signed up recently but was not in the FaithLife database.

We expect that all 13 donors will see the withdrawals from EFT Canada on September 20, 2019 and every month after that until they choose to cancel.

Please consider signing up. It helps avoid the temptation of using the money marked for giving used for other purposes when one does not attend church regularly. It also helps us to manage the finances of the church when a predictable cash input is available.

You are able to cancel at any time.

Signup forms are available at the church office.

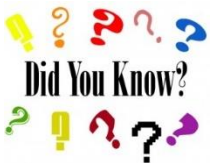
Michel Poliquin
Director of Finance



Church Rooms

The “*narthex*” is what people often call the “*foyer*”. This is the area where we are encouraged to visit with each other before and after the service.

The area where the pews are is the “*nave*”. People mistakenly call it the “*sanctuary*”. The sanctuary (or “*chancel*”) is the area where the altar is located and from where God’s holy gifts are given to us (Word and sacraments). The nave is for prayer and receiving God’s Word and sacraments.



Thus, our hymnal provides us prayers inside the front cover to use before, during and after the Divine Services. Please consider using those prayers while you are in the nave.

Pastor Jason



1. How many books are in the New Testament? _____
2. What man wrote at least 14 books of the New Testament? _____
3. Who baptized Jesus? _____
4. Finish this line from the Lord's Prayer:
"Give us this day our _____."
5. For how many days was Jesus tempted in the wilderness? _____
6. Which two brothers were the first of Jesus' disciples? _____
7. Who came to Jesus at night and asked how an old man could be born again? _____
8. Jesus touched and cured a man with what contagious skin disease? _____
9. What man did Jesus raise from the dead, four days after he died? _____
10. Where did Jesus tell His disciples to find a coin they needed to pay a tax? _____
11. Who was Bartimaeus? _____
12. Where was Jesus' hometown in which His teachings were rejected? _____
13. Who went up the mountain to pray with Jesus when He was transfigured? _____
14. Who carried Jesus' cross before He was hung on it? _____
15. Who was the first one to see that the stone had been rolled away from Jesus' tomb? _____
16. On the day of Pentecost, which one of the disciples preached boldly to a crowd explaining about the arrival of the Holy Spirit?

17. Who prayed for Saul's sight to be returned after he was blinded on the road to Damascus? _____
18. Name the book that includes the verse, "And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus." _____
19. In which book of the New Testament do we read about the Fruit of the Spirit? _____
20. Fill in the blanks: "For it is by _____ that you have been saved, through _____
and this not from yourselves, it is the _____ of God, not by works,
so that no man can boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9)



Thanks to Director of Music, Janice Maxfield for
submitting this quiz.
Answers may be found elsewhere in the Network!

W.O.R.S.H.I.P. NEWS

(Women Of Redeemer Sharing Helping In Prayer)

September Meeting W.O.R.S.H.I.P. will resume meetings beginning Wednesday, September 25 at noon with a soup lunch. Following lunch and devotions we will assemble the "Handy Hand Bags" for the Women's Interval Home. Presently there is a collection basket in the church foyer by the coat racks for donations. A list of required items is available near the basket.



Student Encouragement Program



It is that time of year again! The names and postal addresses of students away at college or university are being collected so that we can put them on our mailing list for our "Encouragement Packages". Each package contains a letter from W.O.R.S.H.I.P., a message from Pastor, and other seasonal material, as well as a gift card from Tim Hortons. If you would like your student(s) to be added to the list, please forward their name(s) and postal address to Sheila Ginn at the email address in the church roster or leave the information in her church mailbox. We send out three mailings during the school year, with the first being sent late in the fall.

Funeral Receptions

If you would like to be a part of the Funeral Reception Ministry Team, please contact Sheila Ginn at 519-542-3663 or by email. Volunteers are necessary so that we can provide families with caring service during their time of need. Both men and women are part of this group.



Kitchen News

Please refer to the user-friendly maps posted in the kitchen to locate dishes, utensils, etc. When working in the kitchen, **please return items to their proper places and ensure that all used items are cleaned and emptied before being put away.**



Anyone wishing to donate items to the kitchen should first contact Sheila Ginn.



Thank you to all the volunteers who assisted in any way with the funeral receptions (set up, clean up, serving, laundering) following the services for John Voytko, John Slancek and Eliza Gruening. The families appreciated your service. Thanks to Barb Barraclough and Sheila Ginn for coordinating the funeral receptions.

CHURCH STATISTICS

FUNERALS

August 17, 2019

John Voytko

June 23, 1932 – August 10, 2019

August 27, 2019

John Slancek

March 23, 1921 – August 20, 2019

August 31, 2019

Eliza Gruening

July 6, 1928 – August 24, 2019



BAPTISMS

June 9, 2019

Finlay Carter Pender

Son of Pete and Meghan (Rose) Pender

June 9, 2019

Na'Talia Wharwood

Daughter of Vern Wharwood and Victoria Maharaj



Welcome
to our
Church Family



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L.A.F. GOLF EVENT

"Best Ball"

Sunday, September 22 at 2:00 p.m.

Sunset Golf Course on London Line

**Steak BBQ & swim to follow
at 4:00 p.m. at home of Sheila Ginn
987 Allandale Drive, Sarnia**



**Cost: Golf - \$18.00 per person,
\$25.00 if a cart is required
(paid at course)**

**Dan Hansen will be in charge at the golf course.
Teams will be made up from names
on the sign-up sheet.**

**Cost: BBQ - \$20.00 per person for a 3 course
steak dinner. Please pay Sheila for the meal.**

**Please supply your own liquid refreshments
at the BBQ.**

**Bring your towel and bathing suit to enjoy
the heated pool!**

Non-golfers welcome at Sheila's after 2:00 p.m.

**Sign up on the poster in the church foyer
BEFORE September 19.**



**Contact: Sheila Ginn
519-542-3663 or
sginn@cogeco.ca**

ALTAR GUILD MEETING

**There will be a meeting of the
Altar Guild on Saturday,
October 19 at 10:00 a.m.**



MEN'S BREAKFAST Saturday, September 14

**The men of Redeemer meet
regularly for breakfast on the
second Saturday of each
month. The September gathering will be on
Saturday, September 14 at 9:00 a.m. at
Nick's Restaurant on London Line. The
reservation is made under the name
"Lutheran Men's Group" at Nick's.**



**If you have any suggestions or would like
more information about these gatherings,
please contact Ron Steinman at
rsteinman45@cogeco.ca.**

THANKSGIVING DECORATIONS NEEDED

A list of fruits and vegetables that are needed to decorate the church for Thanksgiving will soon be posted in the foyer. These items will be delivered to the Women's Interval Home following the service on Thanksgiving Sunday, October 13. Please visit the sign-up sheet in the foyer if you would like to help beautify our sanctuary and provide food for the Interval Home.

**The items need to be at the church by 9:00
a.m. on Saturday, October 12.**

**Please speak with Connie Yarc if you
would like to assist with the display
set up or food delivery.**



**Please speak with Jane Anne in the
church office if you have any questions.**

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS



**Sunday School will officially begin
on Sunday, September 15 for all
children ages 3 to Grade 7. We look
forward to meeting our children and
teaching them the Good News! The
teachers this year are Daphne**

**Whitson, Lisa Saul, Dana Heno and Deb Paisley.
Parents are encouraged to bring their little ones
each week to sing, pray and hear the wonderful
news of God's love for them.**

Blessings from the Sunday School staff!

**I would like to say a special
thank you to Pastor Kouri for his
support and guidance since the
passing of my husband, John.
Also many thanks to Jane Anne,
Vonda Hutchins, Barb Barraclough and her team
and anyone else who was involved in making
our goodbye to John an easier but memorable
time.**



**Sincerely,
Anne Voytko**

**Congratulations to Pastor Ted Radke who
recently celebrated the 50th anniversary of his
ordination. He was honoured after the morning
worship by the Grace, Mitchell congregation.**

Congratulations

SPECIAL CONCERT AT REDEEMER

On Sunday, November 17 there will be a special concert at our church featuring Edward and Kristine Klassen. This concert is open to our members as well as people in the community.

Edward plays the Paraguayan harp, accompanied by his wife Kristine on the keyboard. He will be performing many hymns familiar to all.



You will not want to miss this concert. Mark your calendar. More information and time of the concert to follow.

John Emrich



The Men's Bible Study group will resume on **Thursday, October 3 at 9:00 a.m.**

They will continue their study of II Corinthians.

Please contact Peter McPhail at 519-336-3055 if you have any questions about this group.

Love to sing?

Why not consider joining the Redeemer Choir?



Charles Wesley was told by a friend: "If I had a thousand tongues, I would praise Christ with them all." This inspired him to write the classic hymn, "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing, My Great Redeemer's Praise". It was written to celebrate the one year anniversary of Charles' conversion to Christianity. This declaration of Christ's power and victory in his own life, rich in Biblical imagery of the Kingdom of God, becomes our own hymn of praise. We stand with the angels before the throne of God, lifting our voices as one church to glorify the one who "bids our sorrows cease".

Psalm 47:6 Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

Please come and join us for fun, fellowship but ultimately for the praise of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Everyone is welcome.

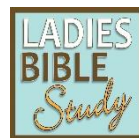
Choir resumes on Thursday, September 5 at 7:00 p.m. Contact Janice Maxfield with any questions.

LIVING WAY BIBLE STUDY

BEGINS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

9:30 a.m.



The Living Way Bible Study group will be meeting again this year on Tuesday mornings in Luther Hall. We welcome you to join us for a morning of sharing God's word and our faith, and fellowship. Coffee and tea are available and our sessions are 1 1/2 to 2 hours in length.

Our study for this year is called "**Great People of the Old Testament**". In his introduction to this study, Rev. Martin E. Mayer writes "The purpose of the Old Testament is to tell us the story of God's chosen people and how He directed the course of their history until His promise, first given to Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 3:15), could be fulfilled and the **Saviour**, who would redeem the world from sin, could come into the world. This makes these writings vitally important, for they speak constantly of this coming **Saviour**, the Messiah.

Another important consideration is that we are dealing today with the same God who was involved in the lives of the people of the Old Testament. Our God is **unchangeable** (Malachi 3:6; Psalm 102:27). What a comfort that is for us! The gracious manner in which God dealt with these people is the same way He deals with people today. Everything written about Him and His relationship with man is applicable to our day.

Another thing to be considered is how God arranged for us to have the story of the lives of these great people of the Old Testament recorded so that we might **learn from them**. As we examine these people, we will discover that they are very much like us. Since they were successful in both their earthly lives and in their relationship with God, there is much to be learned from them."

Living Way Bible Studies are written and/or edited by LCMS pastors and emphasize practical application to our daily lives and present the Bible as the holy, inspired and inerrant Word of God. The weekly lessons provide opportunity for personal home study (questions from the text), small group sharing (questions and answers), and additional insight from the author's notes on each lesson.

Our first meeting on **Tuesday, September 17**, will be a time to reconnect with friends and welcome newcomers, as well as pick up our materials for the "Great People of the Old Testament" study.

Join us!

If you need more info or have questions, please call Daphne Whitson at 519-383-9300 or Betty Smith at 519-869-8087.

CHANGE OF DAY FOR MID-WEEK WORSHIP



It was decided at the June meeting of the Board of Directors to change the day of our mid-week service to **Wednesday** beginning this month.

The first mid-week worship will be on **Wednesday, September 4 at 6:30 p.m.** The service is the same as on Sunday morning, and is held to accommodate those who are unable to attend worship on Sunday morning. The Lord's Supper is celebrated each week.

Sunday worship continues at 10:00 a.m. weekly.

The August and September "Prayer Calendar" from Lutheran Bible Translators of Canada is available on the display board in the hallway.



NO LONGER COLLECTING CAMPBELL'S LABELS



We have received news that the "Labels for Education" program (Campbell's labels) has been discontinued, and we have

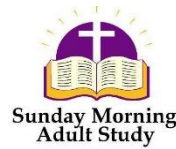
therefore removed the collection box from the narthex. Thanks to those who supported this program by saving labels over the years.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS

We still have a collection box in the front foyer for used postage stamps that are sent to the Canadian Bible Society's "Stamps for Freedom" program. We have been told that they have many eager buyers awaiting our donation. Money collected is used to buy Bibles for distribution.

We ask that you trim your stamps cleanly (cut, not torn), leaving about ¼ inch around the edge.

Jane Anne has recently emptied the collection box and there are many stamps in need of trimming. If this is something you think you could help with in your spare time, please speak with her to get a bag of stamps to trim.



ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Sunday morning **Adult Bible Study** will resume on **Sunday, September 8 at 8:45 a.m.**

The group will be studying the Book of John. All are welcome to attend!

ANSWERS TO NEW TESTAMENT QUIZ

ANSWERS

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1. 27 | |
| 2. Paul | |
| 3. John the Baptist | John 1:29-31 |
| 4. Daily bread | Matthew 6:11 |
| 5. 40 | Luke 4:1-2 |
| 6. John and Andrew | John 1:35-42 |
| 7. Nicodemus | John 3:1-4 |
| 8. Leprosy | Matthew 8:3 |
| 9. Lazarus | John 11:17-43 |
| 10. In the mouth of a fish | |
| Matthew 18:24-27 | |
| 11. A blind beggar whom Jesus healed | |
| Mark 10:46-52 | |
| 12. Nazareth | Mark 6:1-3 |
| 13. Peter, John, James | Luke 9:28 |
| 14. Simon of Cyrene | Mark 15:21 |
| 15. Mary Magdalene | John 20:1 |
| 16. Peter | Acts 2 |
| 17. Ananias | Acts 9:17-18 |
| 18. Phillipians | 4:19 |
| 19. Galations | Chapter 5 |
| 20. grace, faith, gift | |



Many thanks to Daphne Whitson for caring for our church gardens this past summer. We appreciate all of the trimming, planting and watering you have done to beautify our church property.

SERVING AS WE WORSHIP IN SEPTEMBER 2019

SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

USHERS: F. Brown, B. Loerke,
G. Laucek, H. Wyergangs
LECTOR: Kim Soeder
COMMUNION: B. Smith, J. Cadman
ALTAR: B. A. Pounds, I. Wyergangs,
L. Kleinsmith, S. Cooper
ALTAR LINENS: Debbie Cook
COFFEE: George Laucek

SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

USHERS: B. Cadman, J. Cadman, T. Yarc, J. Mutis
LECTOR: Barb Barraclough
COMMUNION: G. Laucek, L. Kleinsmith
ALTAR: J. McPhail, D. Cook, J. Schooley,
G. Behm, J. Behm
ALTAR LINENS: Debbie Cook
COFFEE: Bill & Jane Cadman

SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

USHERS: I. Lough, B. Bork, B. Rose
LECTOR: Jeff Burchill
COMMUNION: R. Klages, M. Poloquin
ALTAR: J. McPhail, D. Cook, J. Schooley,
G. Behm, J. Behm
ALTAR LINENS: Debbie Cook
COFFEE: Sheila Ginn

SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

USHERS: R. Steinman, J. Roszell, R. Honke, S. McPhail
LECTOR: Daphne Whitson
COMMUNION: R. Steinman, P. McPhail
ALTAR: B. Smith, K. Mutis, D. Paisley, J. Huzevka
ALTAR LINENS: Debbie Cook
COFFEE: Kelly Mutis, Kristian Barraclough

SEPTEMBER 29, 2019

USHERS: B. Cadman, J. Cadman, D. Darrach, B. Loerke, T. Townson
LECTOR: Debbie Cook
ALTAR: B. Smith, K. Mutis, D. Paisley, J. Huzevka
ALTAR LINENS: Kim Soeder

COMMUNION: J. Cadman, R. Steinman
COFFEE: Bill & Jane Cadman

BIRTHDAYS IN SEPTEMBER



September 1 –
Brenna Wilson
September 2 –
Gwen Elliott
September 3 –
Lauren Webb,
Dave Messeroll,
Matthew Rose
September 4 –
Brian Easterby,
Cathy Halsall
September 5 –
Richard Higgins
September 7 –
Simon Blunt,
Vonda Hutchins
September 8 – Paul Blunt,
Jacob Wilkins

September 10 –
Colin Burchill
September 11 –
Cheryl Makulski,
Hailey Pounds-Smith
September 15 –
Wanda Hansen,
Jennie McPhail
September 16 –
Tara Webster
September 17 –
Myrna Schindel,
Michael Trombley
September 18 –
Elke Jensen,
Milena Arboine
September 19 –
Kevin Downey,
Jonna Easterby,
Mary Kendel,
Andy Schmidtmeier
September 20 –
Ross Burrows,
Elisabeth Gerber

September 21 –
Hanna Myllyoja
September 23 –
John Smith,
Eleanor Sperling
September 24 –
Bryan Beaudoin, Gail Behm
September 25 –
Petra Arboine
September 26 –
Alyssa Verwegen,
Richard Verwegen
September 27 –
Bjarne Pedersen,
Patricia Rosaasen,
Cooper Webb
September 28 –
Jason Downey,
Chris Hansen



ANNIVERSARIES

Joe & Doris Kusnir
September 1, 2007

Terry & Kim Soeder
September 2, 1978

Matt & Ivona Huzevka
September 5, 1993

Allan & Kim Ebert
September 8, 1979
40 years!

Tom & Marianne Jackson
September 20, 1975

Ross & Jean Burrows
September 22, 1984
35 years!

Dan & Wanda Hansen
September 27, 1980



*Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
Your faithfulness to the clouds. Your righteousness is like the
mountains of God; Your judgements are like the great deep;
man and beast you save, O Lord. Psalm 36:5&6*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:00 am Worship 	2 Labour Day Holiday	3 	4 6:30 p.m. Worship 	5 7:00 pm Redeemer Choir 	6	7
8 8:45 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship 	9	10	11 6:30 pm Worship 7:30 pm Board of Directors	12 7:00 pm Redeemer Choir 	13	14 9:00 am Men's Breakfast 
15 8:45 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship 10:30 am Sunday School	16	17 9:30 am Living Way Bible Study 	18 6:30 pm Worship 	19 7:00 pm Redeemer Choir 	20	21
22 8:45 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship 10:30 am Sunday School 2:00 pm LAF Golf Event 4:00 pm BBQ	23	24 9:30 am Living Way Bible Study 	25 12:00 pm W.O.R.S.H.I.P. Soup Lunch 6:30 pm Worship	26 7:00 pm Redeemer Choir 	27	28
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