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*Join Us*

at Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary

**February 08, 2026**



The Pharisee and the Tax Collector, by Emma Zamani

**Bible Class and Sunday School, 10am**  
**Sunday Divine Service, 11am**

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LUTHERAN CHURCH – CANADA

### ***Our Order of Service***

The Divine Service will follow Setting Three, beginning on page 184 in *Lutheran Service Book*. The bulletin insert provides the parts of the service that are specific to today, **The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**.

### **Visitors to the Lord's Table**

Oneness at communion presupposes oneness in doctrine. For this reason, Lutheran Church-Canada congregations practice closed communion. For this reason also, guests desiring to receive **the Sacrament** are asked to kindly speak with the pastor to arrange for a time of instruction before communing.

### **This Week**

Today Bible Class and Sunday School, 10am  
Divine Service, 11am

Mon-Fri Daily chapel service with the seminary community, 10am

Mon Mary-Martha Society meeting, 1:30pm  
Catechism Class at Grace, 7pm

Tues Niagara/Hamilton Pastors' Winkel, 9am-2pm  
Divine Service with the seminary community, 10am  
Edmonton Seminary Quest Course, 9pm

Wed Pastoral Ministry and Practice Class, 1:15pm

Thurs Back to the Bible, 11:30am Psalms of the Levite Musicians

**Next Sunday** The Transfiguration of Our Lord  
Bible Class and Sunday School, 10am  
Divine Service, 11am

### **Coming Events**

Feb 10, 17 Quest Course on Cross Cultural Ministry Tools

Feb 18 Ash Wednesday Divine Service with Imposition of Ashes, 7pm

Feb 25, Mar 04, 11, 18, 25 Lent Vespers at Grace 3pm, Resurrection 7pm

Feb 28 Coldest Night of the Year Walk, 4-7pm

Mar 29 Passion Sunday with Palm Procession

### **Winter Considerations**

Watch the weather and road conditions to make sure that it is safe for you to be out. Even if the service is not cancelled, it may not be safe for you to venture out. Please also consider bringing a change of footwear to protect the chapel floor from salt and water staining. Monitor weather conditions to make sure that it is safe to come to church.

## **Church Email Cleanup**

For all church related email, bulletin announcements, and church council business, please use [resurrection.st.catharines@gmail.com](mailto:resurrection.st.catharines@gmail.com). To email Pastor Lantz only, please use [pastorkurtlantz@gmail.com](mailto:pastorkurtlantz@gmail.com). The many other email addresses that have accumulated over the years are being phased out of use.

## **Quest Course on Cross Cultural Ministry Tools.. Jan 27, Feb 3, 10, 17**

Concordia Lutheran Seminary (Edmonton) will hold its upcoming 2026 free Quest course with Rev. Dr. Mike Kuhn on Tuesday evenings at 9pm. Each week will feature a different topic:

Feb 10: Trauma Healing Groups and Resources;

Feb 17: Translating the Bible into Action: Scripture Engagement Guide

## **Baptismal Waters Cover Me... LSB 616**

Our Sunday School hymn for February was written by Pastor Kurt Reinhardt of Trinity Lutheran Church in Kurtzville, ON. He wrote the hymn while a seminary student and reflecting upon his experience of approaching this altar to receive Holy Absolution. The hymn refers to the crucifix behind the altar and the physical touch and voice of the pastor speaking Christ's words of forgiveness. Use the hymn at home and try to commit it to memory by the end of the month.

## **Lenten Vespers: "Lives of Godliness"... Wednesdays in Lent**

*"His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us to His own glory and excellence"* (2 Pet 1:3). Plan to attend the upcoming Wednesday Vespers services during Lent, when we will examine "Lives of Godliness" exemplified for us in Abraham, Job, Joseph, and Mary. These saints were given the same divine power for godliness that the Lord gives to you *"to escape from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire"* (2 Pet 1:4). Services will be held twice on Wednesdays, beginning Feb 25: 3pm at Grace St. Catharines, and 7pm at Resurrection St. Catharines.

## **New Lenten Resources from Lutheran Church-Canada**

"Turning and Returning: A Lenten Journey of Repentance and Renewal" is written by LCC Director of International Mission, Rev. Mark L. Smith and beautifully complemented by original artwork from LCC member Harrison Avery Prozenko (who also produces the icons on our baptismal font). You can download from LCC's website [Turning-and-Returning-Lenten-Devotional-web.pdf](#) or purchase a print copy through Amazon.ca.

## **Conversations**

*What is the Church Year and why do we follow it?*

As the civic calendar revolves around the sun in the skies, so the church calendar revolves around the “Sun of Righteousness” (Mal 4:4), our Lord Jesus Christ, who “is the same yesterday and today and forever” (Heb 13:8). The church year centres on what God has done and continues to do for us, and, as such, it serves to determine the priorities and activities of congregations and their members. (Rev. Dr. Timothy Teuscher, Lutheran Church-Canada President).

## **Mission Minute: New Opportunities in Northwest British Columbia**

Rev. Daniel Cunningham and Redeemer Lutheran Church in Kitimat BC are actively seeking new ways to reach surrounding communities with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, particularly among First Nations Communities. Lutheran organizations such as LAMP (Lutheran Association of Missionaries and Pilots), along with previous pastors and vicars in Kitimat have built sustained relationships over years of service. A particularly encouraging development is Rev. Cunningham’s close relationship with a local First Nations man who shares a strong desire to see sound Christian teaching brought to indigenous communities. He functions in many ways as a local evangelist and partner in mission. Pastor Cunningham and his congregation are an integral part of Lutheran Church-Canada’s growing First Nations missions and ministries.