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*Jesus Casts Out the Devils
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Sunday School and Bible Class, 10:00 am
Sunday Divine Service, 11:00 am

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Welcome guests and visitors.

We are glad to have you with us. For the time of Easter (Pre-Lent, Lent, and Easter), we will follow the order of Divine Service Setting One, beginning on page 151 of *Lutheran Service Book*. The bulletin insert will guide you through the service and provide you with the parts that are proper for this **Third Sunday in Lent**.

The Season of Lent is the Church's deliberate return to the significance of Holy Baptism. It is a Spring season of awakening from the darkness and death of sin to the life and light of Christ in the Gospel. It calls for that newness of life that emerges and grows in the life of the Christian by way of repentance and faith in Christ. The Christian disciplines of charity, prayer, and fasting, are supplemented with additional opportunities for the church to gather for special services to focus on the victory over sin that is given in our baptismal union with Christ.

We receive the Lord's Supper every Sunday In joyful obedience to the teaching of Scripture, the congregations of Lutheran Church-Canada practice closed communion. We would like you to commune with us, but because of the different teachings about this sacred meal we want you to know what we believe and confess before showing your agreement as you join us in this communion meal. Guests who desire to commune with us are thus asked to speak with the pastor to arrange for a time of instruction before giving their public confirmation of what we believe and confess. Everyone who communes should fill out a communion card and leave it in the offering plate before the service.

This Week:

Today Sunday School and Bible Class, 10am

Divine Service, 11am

Coffee and snacks after the service

Congregational meeting

Wed Wednesdays in the Word, 3:30-4pm

Vespers, 7pm

Thurs Private Confession and Absolution, 4-6pm

Next Sunday: The Feast of St. Joseph, Guardian of Jesus

Sunday School and Bible Class, 10am

Divine Service, 11am

Concordia Lutheran Mission Society online meeting 4p

Installation of Rev. Paul Roggow at Holy Cross Kit 5pm

Coming Events

Mar 22, 29, Vespers, 7pm

Apr 06 Holy Thursday Divine Service, 7pm

Apr 07 Good Friday Chief Service, 11am

Apr 08 Easter Vigil, 8pm

Apr 15 Regional Mission and Ministry Council

Apr 24-26 East District Pastors and Deacons' Conference

The Lutheran Hour

“Thirsting for Life” Rev. Dr. John Nunes. Jesus gives living water to those who are spiritually dehydrated (John 4). Find and listen to inspiring messages at www.lhm.org or listen live Sunday mornings at 8:30am on radio AM1380.

Lutheran Public Radio

TOP PODCASTS IN RELIGION & SPIRITUALITY... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This broadcast consistently ranks among the Top Podcasts in Religion & Spirituality with Apple Podcasts. You can listen at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app, and your favourite podcast provider.

The Easter Vigil Is Back and Bigger... Saturday, April 08, 8pm

It has been a few years since we have had an Easter Vigil, but it is back and bigger this year. We are going to be joined by pastors and members of the other Lutheran Church-Canada congregations in our area. The service focuses on Christ as the light of the world, and Him leading us through darkness and death to the light of the resurrection and eternal life. There will be colouring pages available to help the children through the readings of our salvation history, and everyone is welcome to bring beverages and Easter baking to share after the service.

Wednesdays with the Word... 3:30-4pm

The Bible is all God's Word to you, compiled in 66 different books of different genres, written by many authors from different social ranks spanning 4000 years. Is it best to read cover to cover or to start with the main narrative before going to the prequels and reflective wisdom literature? Let's sit down for a half hour to read the Bible together every Wednesday afternoon. Do you know someone who wants to read the Bible but is struggling or doesn't know where to start. We can help each other. Everyone is welcome.

The Small Catechism, Owner's Manual... Wednesdays in Lent, 7pm
Luther's Small Catechism was written not only to be memorized, but also as an instruction manual for the practice of the Christian faith. At our Wednesday Vespers during Lent we will let the six chief parts of the Small Catechism guide us through repentance and faith to receive our Saviour. This week: The Lord's Prayer

Congregational Meeting

We will be gathering after the service today to receive the year end reports and updates on the life of our congregation and the wider church.

Church Apartment Available for Vacations... Niagara-on-the-Lake

Thinking about summer vacation—getting away or others coming to visit? Trinity Lutheran Church has a two bedroom apartment that can be rented by the day, week, or month. There are beds for four (extras may bring sleeping bags). Guests are welcome to use the church kitchen. The cost is \$150 per night with a \$50 discount per night for pastors and deacons. Niagara-on-the-Lake is a beautiful vacation destination, close to Niagara Falls. For more information, please contact Pastor Ritter at 289-213-8650 or trinitynotl@gmail.com.