



"FOR PETE'S SAKE"

St Peter's Lutheran Church

Zurich, Ontario

Pastor: Rev Nadine Schroeder-Kranz

Ministers: The People of St. Peter's

May 2011

"In Jesus Christ, not only humanity, but all of creation, is redeemed and caught up into divinity." Romans 8:23



Easter is a season of flowering. It's a time for visions and dreams and waking up to the surprise of resurrection. The meaning of resurrection unfolds gradually and keeps expanding. We need time to take it in, and discover what it means for us *this year*, under *these* circumstances. Has it been a relatively quiet year, without dramatic changes? Perhaps there has been a significant recovery or restoration of a broken relationship, healing from an illness? Has there been a death in the family, the loss of a job, the rejection by a loved one? Some years, just surviving is a victory. Our experience affects the way we receive the Good News. Regardless of personal baggage, we stand at the open tomb with all who call on God's name, and together we are invited to drink in the wonders of the new life of freedom, and allow the reality of "*risen from the dead*" to soak in. As we emerge from the cave, ready to be renewed - we can boldly declare:

Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Peace! Pastor Nadine.

Upcoming in April:

April 21st Maundy Thursday Seder Supper at 6 p.m.

April 22nd Good Friday Service at 10:00 a.m.

April 24th Easter Sunday Youth "SON"Rise Service at 8 a.m. followed by continental breakfast hosted by St. Peter's Youth Group --- Freewill Offering.

Worship Service with Holy Communion at 10:00 a.m.

April 30th London Conference Spring Meeting

The conference will be held at Bethany Lutheran Church in Woodstock and will feature the Waterloo Lutheran Seminary global music choir, INSHALLAH.



- 9:30 a.m.- Noon: Lutheran London Conference business & Youth program
- 1:00 p.m: Global music workshop
- 3:30 p.m: Holy Communion Service with Pastor Nadine preaching

CHURCH COUNCIL FOR 2011

Chairperson: Paul Klopp 519-236-4291 klopps@hay.net
Vice-Chairperson: Doug Thiel 519-236-4983 doug@hay.net
Secretary: Ann Steinbach 519-236-4097 eandaonmill@hay.net
Treasurer: Jen Schellenberger 519-238-6743 jschellenberger@hay.net

Councilors:

Matt Eagleson 519-238-2676 Matt@eagleson.com
Peter Bornath 519-227-1555 pabornath@isp.ca
Susan Cordell 519-238-5522 rscordell@gmail.com
Pastor Nadine (ex officio) 519-236-4337 nschroderkranz@hotmail.com



COMMITTEES FOR 2011

Learning: Peter Bornath, Pastor Nadine, Jenni Boles
Service to the Community: Pastor Nadine
Facilities: Doug Thiel, Matt Eagleson,
Stewardship: Matt Eagleson
Worship & Music: Chris Eagleson, Jen Schellenberger
Communications: Sharon Sanders, Matt Eagleson
Youth: Pastor Nadine, Tracy Lather
Parish Life: Peter Bornath, Ann Steinbach,
Mark Heimrich, Jenni Boles
Cemetery: Steve Haberer, Paul Klopp, Claire Deichert
Green Team: Tracy Lather, Jenni and Steve Boles,
Susan Cordell
St Peter's Ladies: Ann Steinbach, Pastor Nadine, Michele Haberer,
Pauline Miller, Chris Eagleson

Financial Update as of April 10th, 2011

Current Account	
Income to April 10	25,566.40
Expenses to April 10	<u>24,186.39</u>
Balance	1,380.01
Missions	
Benevolence Commitment	9,000.00
Amount Received to Date	<u>1,350.00</u>
Amount Outstanding	7,650.00

\$2617.92 is required each week to meet the 2011 budget passed at the annual meeting.

**Generations of Faith
St. Peter's Lutheran Church
Celebrates 150 years in 2011**

150 years ago May 1861 – Confirmation

The Christian education of their young people was the first priority of the Lutheran settlers in Hay Township. Presumably, young people when they were fifteen years of age attended “Saturday School” to learn the doctrine of the Lutheran faith before being “confirmed” into that faith on Palm Sunday. In 1861, Rev. Muenzinger, the first pastor of St. Peter’s congregation, confirmed twenty two young people mostly fifteen years of age with a few as old as twenty four. In 1862 there were seventeen confirmed, eleven in 1863 and eighteen in 1864.

In the 20th century the practice of holding confirmation on Palm Sunday was continued with few exceptions until 1960. Public examination of the class was left to the discretion of the pastor after 1942. A two year course was introduced in 1922 by Rev. Rembe. This practice was reintroduced in 1955 by Rev. Winter and continues to this day. After Rev. Fischer’s arrival in 1960, Pentecost became the day of confirmation with communion served to the class the following Sunday. For many years confirmation gowns made by the church ladies were worn by the confirmands.

Submitted by Phylis Deichert

Bach Quilt Committee

Thank you to everyone who came out to enjoy the “Heritage Quilt” Show at Trivitt Anglican. The goal was to have 50 quilts on display with the expectation that 500 people would come to view the quilts. Instead there were 90 quilts on display as well as the Fagan Family collection and Jane Egan’s collection of quilts. Over 1000 people attended the event. The huge success is contributed to the hard working committee members which included Michele Haberer.

Members of our congregation submitted several beautiful “Heritage Quilts”. Michele is sure there are even more of these quilts to be cherished tucked under beds and in trunks in attics of our homes for the next Heritage Quilt Display.

Spa Day

Again this year the Spa Day afternoon was very successful. Special thanks to Shannon Keller-LaPorte, Marlene Taylor, and Kim Fisher for donating their talents for the many appreciative clients and to Francine Vanasse for opening her home for the day. Kim Fisher also donated 10% of her product sales. Thanks to all the women who participated.



\$755 plus a \$500 donation from FaithLife Financial for a total of \$1255 was raised from this event with the monies going to the restoration of the old cemetery fund.

Gifts for everyone were supplied by the 150th Anniversary Committee and refreshments were provided by Heather and Diane Klopp from CedarVilla Farms.



Attention Ladies!

Remember when we all had a new bonnet to wear on Easter Sundaywouldn't it be fun if ladies came to St. Peter's on Easter morning this year wearing a hat. We could have our own Easter parade.

Time is running out to buy your tickets for the upcoming **Hat and Glove "Evening of Elegance"** to be held

Wednesday, May 11th at Hessenland Country Inn. Tickets are \$35 and available until May 1st from Chris Eagleson, Michele Haberer, Diane Klopp, Sharon Sanders, Lois Thiel and Alma Westlake.

We are excited to announce that there will be prizes for the oldest hat, the most glamorous hat and the most outrageous hat. However, it isn't necessary to have a hat and gloves to come to this social...so please don't let that keep you away. Our guest speaker is the renowned motivational and humorous, Eleanor Wood. She is from the Hamilton area and is in great demand throughout the year. Let's connect with each other around delicious food, entertainment and humour. Bring a friend or relative...we'd love to meet the people you hang out with!

Photo Directory:

The 150th Anniversary Committee is producing a pictorial family album. Photos will be taken at the church May 12th, 13th, and 14th. There is no cost to have your pictures taken and you will receive a complimentary 8X10 portrait and directory for participating. We need YOU to make St. Peter's Pictorial Album complete.

Registration for the photo directory pictures will take place after church in the Fellowship Hall on April 24, May 1, and May 8. If you are unable to register on the dates mentioned contact Alma Westlake (519-236-4288) or Cathy Hugill (519-235-26763) to book a time. Please pass this information on to your families.



Outreach: *A letter to the Anniversary Committee and members of St. Peter's from Angie Demers - Food Bank Coordinator, Blessings Community Store and Food Bank*

On behalf of the lady clients of Blessings Community Store and Food Bank, I would like to extend a very big heartfelt thank you for the generous Secret Cupid gifts. You have touched the hearts and put smiles on the faces of women whose very last concern is herself. These are women whose main concern is how to pay the bills and put food on the table.

Some of these ladies stated that they had not bought themselves anything nice in years. The hugs I received, I extend to all of you. The tears I witnessed were that of joy instead of hardship and despair.

May God bless you the way you have blessed these wonderful women.

The next **St. Peter's Ladies Meeting** will be held June 2nd at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Women are asked to bring their favourite book or just tell about it if they don't have a copy. A great turnout of sixteen ladies attended the May meeting.

Annual Quilt Work a Thon

On March 15th and 16th eleven ladies tied six adult size quilts and four crib size quilts. Three ladies hemmed these ten quilts. A welcome donation of five flannel crib quilts was also received. Thank you to the ladies who gave of their time for these projects. The quilts are being distributed to CLWR in Winnipeg and to the Women's Abuse Shelter in Goderich.



On Sunday, April 10th we welcomed Adrie Cora Noel Bedard, infant daughter of Amy and Andrew Bedard and granddaughter of Pam and Ron Walper into St. Peter's church family through the rite of Holy Baptism. A big thank you to the Walper family for the delicious lunch served to the congregation following the service.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Saturday, May 7th at 7 p.m. the South Huron Community Adult, Youth and Handbell Choirs are presenting a Spring Concert at Trivitt Anglican Church in Exeter. For more information contact Andrea Schaefer.

On Wednesday June 15th 2011 the Diocese of Huron will come together for an entertaining evening of music and comedy at St Paul's Cathedral in London. The Holy Family Life Teen Band will be opening for Jeff Allen, a world renowned comedian, who has played shows international and at comedy festivals, like Just For Laughs in Montreal, Quebec. He has also appeared on Showtime, HBO, Comedy Central and VH1's Stand up Spotlight, as well as being a two-time featured performer at the National Prayer Breakfast. All proceeds from the evening will go to funding transportation to the upcoming CLAY gathering in 2012 in Saskatoon for the youth of the Diocese of Huron.

St. Peter's Green Team Goals for 2011

- Insulating blanket for the church water heater
- Permanent labels for light switches
- Working paper towel dispensers for the bathrooms
- Coloured cloth table cloths for serving tables
- Soup bowls for the kitchen
- Working with the health unit to establish safe and effective, chemical free cleaning procedures.



If anyone has any other green ideas or would like to join the "Green Team" please contact Jenni Boles or Tracy Lather.

LABOURS OF LOVE FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

USHERS

Captain: Michael Schaefer
Tom McBride
Bob and Elizabeth Merner
Wayne Keller
Ryan Ralph
Mark Taylor
Marsha Taylor

LAY READERS

May 1 Sharon Sanders
8 Tracy Lather
15 Andrea Schaefer
22 Tracy lather
29 Charlotte Norton

ACOLYTES

May 1 Courtney Heimrich
8 Kimberly Hendrick
15 Matthew Thiel
22 MacKenzie Hendrick
29 Michaela DeVries



COMMUNION ASSISTANT

May 1 Tracy Lather, Michael Schaefer
15 Marg C. Deichert

ALTAR GUILD Shelley Miller / Diane Klopp / Karen Rader

COFFEE HOUR

May 1 Ann Bornath / Catherine Beierling
Mother's Day 8 Volunteer Needed
15 Dot Hess / Isabel Gascho
22 Marge Schilbe / Janice Junker
29 Cathy Hugill

