



Holy Wars

We live in a time where the words *Muslim*, *Islam*, and *Jihad* seem to be synonymous with *Terrorist*. On Sunday, April 23rd, we were gifted with a presentation by Fatih Sezgin on *Islam and Jihad*. Fatih Sezgin is a Turkish scholar who has done a dissertation on the historical vs. present-day understanding of *jihad*. Last year, he was all set to defend his dissertation and earn his PhD when the so-called “attempted coup” was staged in Turkey. This “attempted coup” seems to have been used as a pretext for declaring martial law and to allow the government to imprison or silence any opposing voices. Mr. Sezgin was viewed as one of these of these voices. Hence, he has ended up in Canada as a political refugee.

In his presentation, Mr. Sezgin, presented a background on *jihad* with many references to the Qu’ran (the holy book of Islam). Below are some of the nuggets, thoughts and insights that stuck with me.

Islam means peace—The name of the religion itself is derived from the Arabic word *salema* which is derived from the Hebrew word *shalom*. *Shalom* is the word used to describe the peace of God and God’s intention of well-being.

The Qu’ran forbids terrorism — There are verses in the Qu’ran that say that it is forbidden to kill women and children or destroy livestock. The sense of what the Qu’ran allows (with regard to war) is self-defense.

The Greater and Lesser Jihads — The Qu’ran speaks of the two types of jihad. The Greater Jihad (the more important one) is the war within oneself to live a pure, righteous life. To strive against those impulses that would harm or diminish the neighbor. The Lesser Jihad is to struggle against the physical or tangible systems that are unjust and work against life and well-being.

Context is decisive—The Qu’ran was written at different times and in different places. Hence, the teachings were given to deal with particular circumstances. Some were given (i.e. in Mecca) when muslims were a small minority and dealt with issues of how to relate to society in that context. Others were given to the established community in Medina where Islam was dominant. Understanding the context helps in a responsible interpretation of a verse.

Proof-texting is problematic—Mr. Sezgin pointed out that quite often a single verse from the Qu’ran is quoted in support of an assertion or to be the answer to what the Qu’ran says about a particular topic. This can be very problematic. Finding a verse to prove one’s point may or may not have integrity with the overall teaching in the book. For example, the Bible quotes Jesus as saying, “An eye for eye and a tooth for a tooth.” To quote that as representative of Jesus’ teaching would be ridiculous.

Religion can be used as a tool by those thirsting power—It was clear to Mr. Sezgin that less-than-scrupulous leaders have recognized that appealing to Islam can be an effective way to gain and hold power.

As I listened to Mr. Sezgin, it resonated that Christianity struggles with many of these same issues:

- Whose biblical interpretation is right?
- What does it really mean to be a Christian?
- How do we resolve conflicting verses in the Bible?
- Is the Bible primarily about others or about ourselves?

- How has Christianity been perverted or corrupted in the past?
- How might it be perverted or corrupted now?

Above all, I came away with a very clear sense that it is good to listen to and to get to know others. There is something divine and godly at work when we overcome our fear of people who are different from us and risk getting to know them and to become friends. My prayers are certainly with our brothers and sisters in Islam who seek to be our partners in creating a world of peace.

Peace,
Salema,
Shalom,

Pastor Paul



A glance at May Ministry Happenings....



May 1— Women's Cursillo Meeting—4:30 pm

May 3 - Sandwich Making—7:30 am

May 5—7- Synod Youth Gathering

May 7— Town Hall Meeting—following cake after worship

May 9 - Prayer and Care—11:30 am (potluck)

May 10 - Council Meeting—7 pm

May 13 - M & M Women's Group—10 am

May 13 - Dutch Canadian Choir—2:30 pm

May 15 - Social Ministry Meeting—7 pm

May 16 - Confirmation with the mentors—7 pm

May 17 - Women's Cursillo Meeting—1:30 pm

May 21 - Weaving with the Confirmands

May 25 - Prayer & Care—5 pm (potluck)

May 27 - Via de Cristo Mtg.—9:30 am

May 27 - Wedding—4 pm—Julie Reimer & Curtis Doornbos

May 28 - Weaving with the Confirmands

**Morning Prayer—9 am—
Monday—Thursday**

**Fellowship & Coffee at
Tim Hortons—every Tuesday
morning at 10 am.
11472 Braeside Dr. SW.**



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Mission

Gathered by God to worship and grow.
Empowered by Spirit to love and care for each other
Living Christ's love by witnessing to all.

Vision

To be a vibrant and growing congregation unified in sharing the
love of Christ through words and actions.



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Great Gardening Opportunities!

Our Mission Statement:

Lord help us :

To promote stewardship in our Community

To provide food for the greater Community who are in need

To grow in community and outreach at ELCOC

As most of you know, the planting, weeding, harvesting, whatever is required in our community vegetable garden and flower gardens has for several years been tended to by our Kononia Garden Group. We are a small group, and as much as we love gardening, increasingly we find ourselves short of labour and energy. Therefore, we would like to offer all of you garden opportunities at your own convenience.

Rather than schedule the planting, weeding and harvesting of the vegetable plot for weekdays, we will be scheduling most of these activities for evenings and Saturdays to accommodate those who have expressed interest but are simply not able to help because of work commitments.

As well, rather than ask individuals or families to take responsibility for selecting a vegetable, planting it and then maintaining that particular plot over the summer, we plan to make the garden a truly communal as well as community project. Over the past four years we've been able to judge which vegetables do best in our space, and which are the least fragile to make them practical for delivery to the groups to whom we donate them. We will have seed on hand, but you are welcome to donate a package if you have excess in your own inventory.

So you will be able to help with the planting of the entire garden, come and weed at your leisure, and feel free to do the same type of weeding and maintenance in the flower beds if you spy the need.

Very soon, we will be sending out notice of the proposed planting days/evenings and asking that anyone who can spare an hour join us on one of those occasions. There is no need to let us know in advance, no long term commitment; this will be simply a plea for your assistance. We also believe it can be a wonderful way to connect with people you may not know in the congregation and, if you have little or no experience in gardening, to learn from our seasoned group of gardeners.



We welcome families to participate to give our children a sense of ownership in the property over which we are stewards.



Annual Planting of the Remembrance Garden

Saturday, June 3rd, 2017

Rain or shine!

9 am

"Please bring a purple or pink petunia"

Almost six years ago, we created the heart-shaped garden on the north-west corner of the church property to honour the life of our beautiful Brittney McInnes.



Brittney's death in January of that year was a terrible tragedy for her family, the community, her church family and we felt that the new life in a garden would bring comfort to all. We decided that as well as making the garden a remembrance of Brittney, we would dedicate it to the memory of all women who have lost their lives through violence, especially our indigenous sisters.

Lutheran Church of the Cross

10620 Elbow Drive SW

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Cause of the Month for MAY LUTHERAN HOSPITAL MINISTRIES

Our next meeting: **May 15 at 7:00 pm**

Word for Children Ministry

May 7— Laurie Hansen

May 14—Kathy Bishop

May 21—Renate Erickson

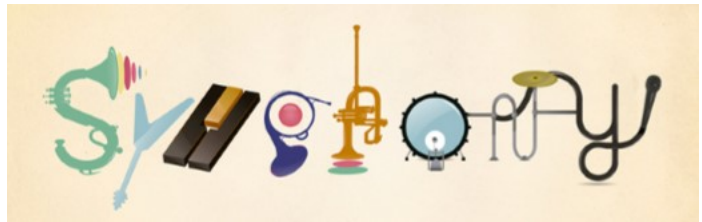
May 28—Hannah Rude

GRAY POWER

The Calgary Philharmonic open senior rehearsals are on the following dates. We car pool from the church and usually go out for lunch after. Except on March 3rd it will have to be a quick snack as it's the same day as the world day of prayer service at our church, which starts at 1pm.

Friday June 2, 10am Mozart & Mahler with Andre Laplander Conductor - Roberto Minczuk Soloist - Andre Laplante, piano
Please email hgray64@icloud.com by **Tuesday 23 May** if interested in attending.

There are no tickets issued for the rehearsals; but we do have to book one week (or any earlier) before the rehearsal date to reserve our spots as space is limited.



Solar Power Workshop on Monday, April 24th.



Many thanks to Jacqueline Leeflang for her presentation on Solar Power. If you would like to do a quick calculation to see what kind of savings you might realize by adding a solar array to your house, go to <PVWatts.nrel.gov/index.php>. For more information, see the presentation on the website (churchofthecross.ca) under "Special Speakers" or talk to Jacqueline.

FAITH STORIES

An Evening with Matthew Brook



*Come one, come all.
Come, be inspired by faith in action.
Come, be inspired by God's amazing grace.
Come, be inspired by Matt Brook.*

Tuesday, May 16, 2017 7-8:30 pm

Light refreshments will be served

Matthew Brook is a Stress Engineer (P.Eng Mechanical) with Pi Engineering Inc.

Born and raised in Calgary and baptized as an adult at Lutheran Church of the Cross, Matt has immersed himself in small group adult studies, beginning with *Starting Point* and moving on to Luther and other studies. He recently completed the Anglican Cursillo weekend and is challenging the congregation to pick up where Jesus left off. We are called to teach, heal, love, transform. And we begin where we are.

Come and hear Matt share about his childhood, search for career, love, and a family of his own and how faith in God inspires him every day.

Faith Stories is a series sponsored by the Confirmation program of Lutheran Church of the Cross and intended to help every day people see God at work in their own lives, learn to ask guiding questions as they discern faith and action, and witness boldly to everyone around them.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

FOR THE CALGARY PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE

Sunday, May 14 - Sunday, June 18



Your change can
Change lives

Your change can change lives through the **Baby Bottle Campaign** for the Calgary Pregnancy Care Centre. Help women facing an unplanned pregnancy find the hope needed to welcome their babies into the world. **Pick up a bottle on Mother's Day and for the next 5 weeks fill it with coins, cash, or a cheque.**

Return it to the church by **Father's Day, June 18**. Alternatively, you can text "BABY" to 596-801-1840 to donate or online at www.pregcare.com. When you give to the Baby Bottle Campaign for the Calgary Pregnancy Care Centre you're helping relieve financial and emotional pressures for hundreds of women facing unplanned pregnancy.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY MARY & MARTHA BIBLE STUDY

Saturday, MAY 13, 2017

At 10:00 a.m. in the north meeting room

Topic: *You are Not Alone ... When you are afraid When you don't want to be generous ... When you must say goodbye ... When you are at a crossroads ... When people around you are struggling... When you need forgiveness... When you are sure you are right... When life is going your way ... When you are feeling jealous ...*

Please join us for discussion on what it means to trust God, who knows us completely, with our joys and our struggles as we hear and reflect on the diverse stories of women from different generations.
(see the May issue of Gather, pgs 23-29)

To view Gather Magazine online go to www.gathermagazine.org

On the left sidebar click on Digital Gather. Click beneath the issue you want to view. Log in with email address: churchofthecross@shaw.ca

And then password is: **maryandmarthagroup**

****Note to M&M ladies** – for the month of May coffee set up/cleanup will be done by our group. Please sign up to help as you are able.

Thank you.

The **DUTCH CANADIAN CHOIR** of Calgary Presents

SPRING SING

Director: Carey Gruber
Accompanist: Gaylene Hennan



Join us for a lovely afternoon of song to welcome glorious Spring!

Special Guests

Calgary Multicultural Choir

Director: Nancy Jackson

Kerby Recorder Ensemble

Director: Peter Baljeu

Instrumental Duo

Violin: Pearl Wu

Piano: Gaylene Hennan

Tickets

\$15 (adults)

\$5 (children under 12)

For advance tickets
please contact:

Hanny
587.284.5354

Coffee, tea and dessert follow the concert – all ages welcome!

Saturday, May 13 2017
Lutheran Church of the Cross

10620 Elbow Drive SW, Calgary

2:30pm (Doors open at 2:00pm)





The Cursillo Movement offers a three-day renewal experience providing people with a powerful experience of grace, forgiveness, and Christian community that restores hope for the church and world. People who experience a Cursillo weekend often remark that they feel the depth of God's love and a renewed connection to God's beloved community, the church. A number of people here at Church of the Cross have participated in this experience. One of them is Matthew Brook, who writes to all of us following his experience. If you would like to participate, please talk to Pastor Laura, or anyone you know who has completed this weekend experience.

What game are YOU playing?

It all started out as a game of "*Simon Says*" in the form of the Old Covenant. How better for God to lead His children, than with a simple children's game. Unfortunately, we were not very good at this game as demonstrated by the complete disobedience of many, and even the partial obedience of Abraham, Moses, Saul, King Jehoshaphat, and so on. For some interesting insights on partial obedience, see the A Lot of Trouble blog post (robpetkau.wordpress.com/2017/03/25/a-lot-of-trouble/)

When God was born as a man in Jesus Christ, the game continued. Still "*Simon Says*", but with a perfect, physical example to follow. Kind of like a super fit aerobics instructor. So easy to follow right? Wrong! He showed us all the motions, and all we had to do was follow. What did we do? We didn't see the point. We didn't believe that this workout was necessary, i.e. "*I'm fine with the extra 50 pounds*". We got tired. We got human. We fired our instructor.

God realized, even before Jesus was born, that we were terrible at "*Simon Says*". We didn't find it fun, understand it, or even really participate. He realized that a new game was needed.



When Jesus Christ was crucified and resurrected, the long anticipated "*New Game*", New Covenant, began. "*Simon Says*" is over! Looking at the gospel of John 13:13-15 we see that Jesus has washed our feet, and so shall we wash one another's feet. Jesus did something to us, and we should do that same thing to others. What game does this sound like to you? It reminds me of my favourite childhood game, tag. So, how do we play, what's the current state of the game? Jesus tagged us, now **WE are ALL "IT"**. We shall all go out with open arms, patience, understanding and love to share the grace of the Lord with all who need it. Let's face it. I need it, you need it, everyone needs it. So, go out and remember...

Tag, YOU are "IT"

Matt Brook

Germany: Luther, Bach & the Beatles



THERE IS STILL ROOM—October 21—November 4, 2017

Your church staff is traveling to Germany to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation and you are invited to join them!

If you are interested, reserve October 2017 on your calendar and have a conversation with Pastor Laura.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

MAY 7—DORIS & DON URQUHART

MAY 14—DIANNE & GATES FORTIER

MAY 21—GEORGINA & DOUG NORMANDIN

MAY 28—RANDA & GREG NEMISH

COMMUNION SET-UP

MAY 7—OLGA SEIFRIDT

MAY 21—PEARL SCHUSTER

MAY 28—TAKAKO DRIEDGER

READERS

MAY 7—ALEX SCHMIDT

**MAY 14—LLOYD HAKL & MAX
THOMSON**

MAY 21—MARILYN JONASSON

MAY 28—DAVID BAKER



SUNDAY MORNING

COFFEE SET-UP

MAY— M & M GROUP

Acolyte Ministry

MAY 7—ISAK LARSEN & MIKAELA RUDE

**MAY 14—NYACHANG REATH &
NATALIE RUDE**

**MAY 21—BLAKE CRAVEN,
MATTIAS ALLISON, SAM URQUHART**

**MAY 28—MAX THOMSON & JUSTIN
BAILEY**

Message from Our Bishop

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ –

I invite your prayers for the 12th Assembly of the Lutheran World Federation taking place May 10-16, 2017 in Windhoek, Namibia. The ELCIC will be represented by four delegates: National Bishop Susan Johnson, Rev. Katherine Altenburg, Dan LeBlanc and myself. In addition, I have been nominated by the North American region to serve as a council member of the LWF. Including travel time to Namibia I will be away May 7-19.

The Lutheran World Federation (LWF) is a global communion of 145 churches in the Lutheran tradition, representing over 74 million Christians in 98 countries. Once every six years, delegates from the member churches gather to convene an Assembly, and set the vision and priorities of the communion. As well as determining the direction of the LWF, we examine issues facing our churches, and worship together in a celebration of communion and cultural diversity. As the LWF's supreme authority, the Assembly is responsible for safeguarding the Constitution, electing its next set of leaders, acting on reports, speaking out on issues concerning the life and witness of member churches, and setting the overall direction for the ensuing period.

The theme of this Assembly is, **Liberated by God's Grace**, with sub-themes focusing on issues pertinent to our time: that salvation is not a gift that can be bought, and that exploitation of people and environmental degradation are critical issues of our time that demand our attention.

Each LWF Assembly is unique. It is shaped by the historical juncture in which it takes place, its venue, and the people who help shape its character, define its purposes and determine its outcomes. The Assembly is excited to meet in Namibia, a country that is deeply rooted in the Lutheran tradition.

The year 2017 marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. This Assembly is the venue for its global commemoration.

The choice of Namibia as the venue for the Twelfth Assembly has great significance for the LWF. The story of the relationship between the LWF and the Lutheran churches in Namibia is closely intertwined with the national struggle and victory against apartheid so that justice, freedom and dignity could be achieved for all Namibians. To anchor the Assembly in Namibia is to epitomize and celebrate this accompaniment made possible by the grace of God. It is also significant that the global commemoration of the Reformation is taking place in Namibia during the Assembly. With Lutherans comprising half the population, Namibia exemplifies the way in which the Lutheran faith has been embraced and has effectively taken root in other lands outside of Europe.

Hopes for the Twelfth Assembly are summed up in four key words: *joyful, transformative, forward-looking, outward-looking*.

Joyful – we celebrate diversity and the sense of belonging to one global communion;

Transformative – we will develop clear insights and a powerful narrative of what it means to work together towards a just, peaceful and reconciled world;

Forward-looking – we will embrace the future with courage and hope and in this process upholding the generation that embodies this future;

Outward-looking – we will strengthen ecumenical involvement and engagement in the world through compassionate diaconal concern and unwavering passion for the Gospel of Jesus Christ



In total, around 800 participants – including nearly 400 delegates – will gather in Namibia. The Assembly will be hosted by the three Lutheran member churches: Evangelical Lutheran Church in Namibia, Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Republic of Namibia and Evangelical Lutheran Church in Namibia-German Evangelical Lutheran Church. These churches are joined and work together through a common platform, the United Church Council of the Namibian Evangelical Lutheran Churches.

I encourage you to follow the Assembly online:

Website lwfassembly.org

Instagram www.instagram.com/lwfassembly/

Facebook www.facebook.com/lwfassembly

Twitter twitter.com/lwfassembly

Youtube bit.ly/LWFAsssemblyYoutube

Assembly hashtag #LWFAsssembly

And please join me in prayer:

Draw your church together, O God, into one great company of disciples, together following our teacher Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving in Christ's mission to the world, and together witnessing to your love wherever you will send us; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Evangelical Lutheran Worship – the mission of the church, pg. 75)

In Christ Jesus –

Shalom,

+Bishop Larry Kochendorfer

Join us for a free
Health and Wellness Information Event

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

The St. Andrews Heritage Seniors group in conjunction with the Nursing Health Ministry will be holding a senior's Health information event, on **Monday, MAY 1, 2014 from 10.30am -11:10 and 11:15 – 11:55 am**



Two sessions to choose from:

1. Aging Visionary
2. Diabetic and don't know it

\$12.00 Pre-paid luncheon tickets available until April 27

For tickets or information, call

John 403 255-7613 or Ron 403 720-0136

**Scandinavian Centre
 Spring Concert
 7 pm Friday May 5
 739 20 Ave NW**



**With the
 Scan Centre Choir
 Youth Choir
 and Backups Band**

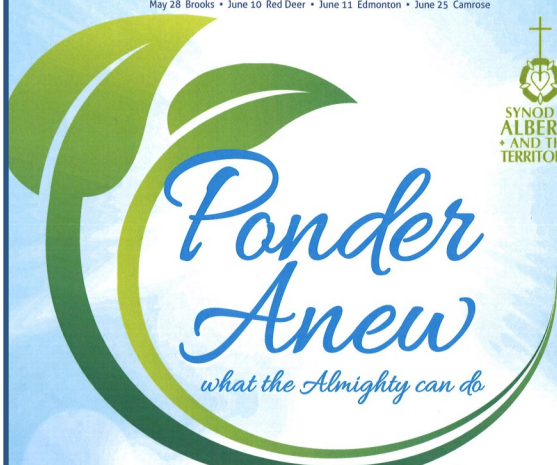


**Advance tickets available
 at the Scan Centre,
 ph: 403-284-2610
 \$10/adult
 free for age 16 and under**

Refreshments included

AROUND TOWN

Can't make it on the 24th? We would love to see you in another city!
 May 28 Brooks • June 10 Red Deer • June 11 Edmonton • June 25 Camrose



**Join Bishop Larry for dinner.
 Listen to stories of God's work in
 and around the Synod.**

**at the
 Ambrose University (Airhart Theatre)
 150 Ambrose Circle SW, Calgary
 June 24, 2017 6:00 p.m. (doors open 5:30)**

**There is no cost to attend. Please RSVP to the Synod Office
 by June 9. More info is available on the Synod website.**

Heritage Seniors
St. Andrews Presbyterian Church 703 Heritage Drive SW

STRAWBERRY TEA

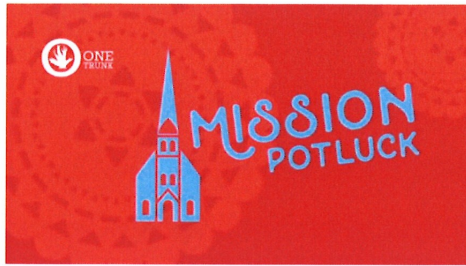
**Saturday,
 May 13**

**1:00 -
 3:00 pm**

**\$6:00
 each**



Come to our
 Art display,
 crafts, books and
 BAKE sale



Hope Lutheran Church

June 23, 7:30 pm

Tickets \$25

MISSION POTLUCK

A mashup of comedy, music and poetic monologues, *Mission Potluck* brings to the stage the story of a Lutheran Ladies League's ill-fated fundraising efforts in Gimli in the 1920s. This perfectly devised ensemble piece is inspired by the true story of First Lutheran's (Winnipeg) fundraising efforts to build Gimli's first seniors home in the early part of the century. One Trunk Theatre (OTT) flips history on its head in this play collectively created and performed by comedienne **Claire Thérèse** (Shakespeare in the City, *A Behanding in Spokane*, *I Dream of Diesel*(OTT)), **Gwendolyn Collins** (title role of RMTC's *Alice Through the Looking Glass* & OTT's *I Dream of Diesel*, 204FM), **Andraea Sartison** (OTT Artistic Producer & co-creator of all productions), **Jacqueline Harding** (*Mr. Burns* (District Theatre Collective), *Les Misérables* (Rainbow Stage), *A Man of No Importance* (Dry Cold Productions)) and Anna-Laure Koop (Le Cercle Molère including *Plus (+) Que Toi* and *Le Père*, and Theatre of the Beat's *A Bicycle Built for Two*).



The show has toured Winnipeg and the Interlake region with the Nuna Festival from 2015-16. Audiences call it "**hilarious**", "**best show I have seen in years**", and say "**the music was amazing**", "**you had my 80 year old grandmother and I laughing through the entire play**". A play uniquely crafted for prairie people, *Mission Potluck* gives audiences an entertaining and heart-wrenching reflection of a familiar Canadian story.... with an Icelandic twist. *Mission Potluck* is a perfect recipe for entertainment combining local history with physical comedy, and familiar hymns with the pop music of the day.



The 2017 tour is presented by **Canadian Lutheran World Relief**, one of Canada's most experienced relief and development agencies. <http://www.clwr.org>

ONE TRUNK THEATRE

Manitoba's company for new, interdisciplinary, collaboration.

One Trunk has been called "**the most wildly imaginative theatre company in Winnipeg**" (-Terry McLeod, CBC). Creating new theatre from scratch with artists of all media- graphic novelists, hip hop dancers, rappers, ballet dancers, videographers, One Trunk is always pushing the boundaries of what theatre can be. Led by founding Artistic Director Andraea Sartison, One Trunk aims to explore and expand the theatre art form, through collaboration and partnerships with other artists, students, community members and organizations.

One Trunk is also available for artistic consulting, workshops, lectures, and interested in creating original theatre productions for specific purposes and communities. We'll work with you to create something completely original to meet your artistic goals.

Contact:

Andraea Sartison, Artistic Producer
204.333.2666
andraealaurensartison@gmail.com
www.onetrunktheatre.com



Canadian Lutheran
World Relief



Tickets can be purchased online or from Leslie-Ann Sartison (leslieannsartison@gmail.com), to whom you may also direct any questions about the production.



WALK OR RUN FOR LOVE Saturday, May 6, 2017

Support Lutheran Hospital Ministries – Southern Alberta's Visitors
Who bring Jesus' Healing to Patients in Hospitals and Care Centres

Join the Fun



Raise the Funds \$\$\$

Walk or Run 5 km through Confederation Park

Sponsor a Walker or Runner

Support by Donations

8:30 am Enjoy a healthy breakfast and register at

Faith Lutheran Church

1903 – 19 Avenue NW, Calgary

9:30 am Walk & Run Begin

Finish with healthy snacks at Faith Lutheran Church

Tax Receipts will be issued for sponsorship donations of \$10 or more.

Pledge forms are available from your Church Office
or from

Lutheran Hospital Ministries – Southern Alberta
66 – 7 Street NE, Calgary, AB T2E 4B7

Phone: (403) 264-4045 email: lhmsac@gmail.com

Website: www.lhmsa.ca

THE WALK WILL TAKE PLACE COME RAIN OR SHINE, OR SNOW



Walk for Love 2016

Sponsored by Your Faithlife Financial Chapter



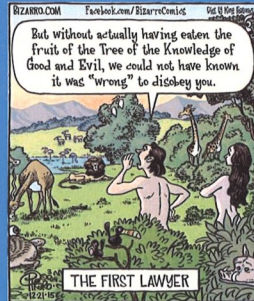
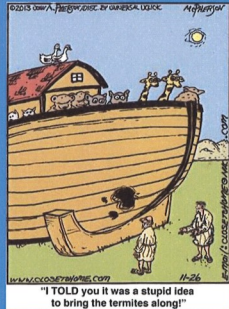
Calgary Interfaith Council



Invites you...

Interfaith Bible Study

(From the Creation through the Flood)



Tuesdays

May 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30
1:00 – 2:30pm

Beth Tzedec Congregation
1325 Glenmore Trail SW

Free and Open to All
Please Register: wisdomcentre@stlaurence.ca

Facilitators:

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey (Beth Tzedec), Rabbi Mark Glickman (Temple B'nai Tikvah),

Rev. Tara Livingston (Holy Nativity Anglican),

Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee (St. Laurence Anglican and the Wisdom Centre)

Summer is around the corner and we would like to offer you an opportunity to enjoy our beautiful Church gardens. Take 15 minutes, every second day, for one week in June, July or August to water flower pots at our entrances.

Bring your children along and smell the roses!

Sign up sheet is in the narthex by the mailboxes.



May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<div>Cause of the Month</div> <div>Lutheran Hospital Ministries</div>					
	1 Morning Prayer—9 am Kodaly—9:15 am Staff Mtg.—10:15 am Water2Wine—4:30 pm Women's Cursillo Group—4:30 pm	2 Morning Prayer—9 am Coffee @ Tim Hortons' - 10 am FACE—3—8 pm Faith Formation—7 pm Confirmation—7 pm	3 Sandwich Making—7:30 Morning Prayer—9 am Bible Study—9:30 am AHS Caregivers—1:30 FACE—9 am—8 pm SWCG—7 pm	4 Kodaly—1:15 pm FACE—3—8 pm E.A.—7 pm Choir—7:15 pm	5 Office Closed FACE—9 am—8 pm SWCG—7 pm <div>Synod Youth Gathering</div>	6 FACE—9 am—2 pm Private Rental—4—8 pm
7 Adult Study—9 am Worship—10 am BLAST—following worship Town hall Mtg.—following worship SWCG—1—3 pm	8 Morning Prayer—9 am Kodaly—9:15 am Staff Mtg.—10:15 am FACE—3—8 pm Water2Wine—4:30 pm Dutch choir rehearsing—6:30—9:30 pm	9 Morning Prayer—9 am Coffee @ Tim Hortons' - 10 am Prayer & Care—11:30 pm FACE—3—8 pm Faith Formation—7 pm Confirmation—7 pm	10 Morning Prayer—9 am FACE—9 am—8 pm Bible Study—9:30 am SWCG—7 pm Council Mtg.—7 pm	11 Morning Prayer—9 am Kodaly—1:15 pm FACE—3—8 pm E.A.—7 pm Choir—7:15 pm	12 Office Closed FACE—9 am—8 pm SWCG—7 pm	13 M & M—10 am Dutch Canadian Choir—2:30 pm Youth Movie Night—7
14 Worship—10 am BLAST—following worship SWCG—1—3 pm	15 Morning Prayer—9 am Kodaly—9:15 am Staff Mtg.—10:15 am FACE—3—8 pm Water2Wine—4:30 pm Social Ministry Mtg.—7	16 Morning Prayer—9 am Coffee @ Tim Hortons' - 10 am FACE—3—8 pm Confirmation—7 pm— with Mentors	17 Morning Prayer—9 am FACE—9 am—8 pm Bible Study—9:30 am Women's Cursillo Group—1:30 pm SWCG—7 pm	18 Morning Prayer—9 am Kodaly—1:15 pm FACE—3—8 pm E.A.—7 pm Choir—7:15 pm	19 Office Closed FACE—9 am—8 pm SWCG—7 pm	20 FACE—9 am—2 pm
21 Adult Study—9 am Worship—10 am BLAST—following worship Weaving—confirmands SWCG—1—3 pm	22 OFFICE CLOSED	23 Morning Prayer—9 am Coffee @ Tim Hortons' - 10 am FACE—3—8 pm	24 Morning Prayer—9 am FACE—9 am—8 pm Bible Study—9:30 am SWCG—7 pm	25 Morning Prayer—9 am Kodaly—1:15 pm FACE—3—8 pm Prayer & Care—5 pm E.A.—7 pm Choir—7:15 pm	26 Office Closed FACE—9 am—8 pm Wedding rehearsal—5 pm SWCG—7 pm	27 FACE—9 am—2 pm Via de Cristo Mtg.—9:30 am Wedding—4 pm
28 Adult Study—9 am Worship—10 am BLAST—following worship Weaving—confirmands Young Families Mtg.—during BLAST SWCG—1—4 pm	29 Morning Prayer—9 am Kodaly—9:15 am Staff Mtg.—10:15 am FACE—3—8 pm Water2Wine—4:30 pm	30 Morning Prayer—9 am Coffee @ Tim Hortons' - 10 am FACE—3—8 pm	31 Morning Prayer—9 am FACE—9 am—8 pm Bible Study—9:30 am SWCG—7 pm	<div>Communion Sundays</div> <div>May 7, 14, 21 & 28</div>		