



The Church of I'd Rather Not

To be honest... There are many times when I think, "I'd rather be a pastor of the Church of I'd Rather Not."

I once preached a sermon in my last congregation where I began the sermon by retrieving a recliner that I had stashed behind the altar, set it up in front of the altar, sat down in it, and reclined back in it. After a little while of just lying there, I wondered out loud, "Why would anyone ever get out of a recliner?". It still scares me how much I enjoy leaning back in a recliner. It seems like my whole body wants to conspire to say, "I'd rather not get up and do anything!" This is an all-too-appt metaphor for what seems to be the inertia of my life!

Many times at home, I'd rather not cook a meal, wash the dishes, sweep the floor, mow the lawn, rake the leaves, shovel the snow, change out a light bulb, clean the car, wash the clothes, make the bed, put up my tools... you get the picture. Many times as a pastor, I'd rather not prepare a sermon, go to meetings, plan in advance, write articles (like this one!), lead worship, visit those who are hurting, prepare Bible studies, lead Bible studies, always be ready to speak up in public... Once again, you get the picture.

Many times as a Christian, I'd rather not get to know people I don't know, be on committees, seek to understand another's viewpoint, give my money to the church, practice forgiveness, look beyond my own wants and needs to the needs of others, practice patience, or develop my prayer life.

Many times I'd rather not let go of "being right", care about the poor & homeless, think about those who are marginalized, worry about the environment and world we're leaving our children, think about how I am the recipient of a great degree of privilege because I am an educated, white male.

Left to my own devices, gravity wants to pull me into the solid membership of *The Church of I'd Rather Not*. But I am a pastor of a congregation called Church of the Cross. This reminds me that I am not just "left to my own devices" but that the God of the universe has chosen to intervene in human history to let us humans (and me!) know about the depth and breadth of God's love. God intervened in a way which is symbolized by the *cross*

Being a member of Church of the Cross reminds me that this God is NOT a God of *I'd rather not* but instead a God of the cross who says, YES I WILL...

YES I WILL choose to love and bless instead of hate and curse.

YES I WILL practice forgiveness instead of holding human failings and sins against them.

YES I WILL send my Spirit on them to lead and guide them.

YES I WILL gather them together as a community to support each other and be a light to the world.

YES I WILL lift up the lowly, comfort those who mourn, and strive for justice.

YES I WILL show them that the way of life is found through sacrificial love and service...

YES I WILL die on the cross to show that there is life after death.

The cross is the ultimate symbol of a God who says YES and also calls into question all our worldly assumptions about God and the way *real, abundant life* works. The *cross* is a symbol of humility, integrity, sacrifice, suffering, obedience, paradox, divine power, self-denial, love of God, love of neighbor, transformation, forgiveness... It is the symbol of what it means to be a Christian. As people of the *cross*, we are called to pick up our own crosses for the sake of the world.



Yes, I am a pastor and a member of the Church of the Cross and that's not all. I am a pastor and a member of *Lutheran Church of the Cross*. We claim that the Holy Spirit was at work in a man seeking God named Martin Luther some 500 years ago. Luther's clearest insight was that the true nature of God is one of grace and relationship AND that God is the initiator of our relationship with God. God comes to us! God comes to me! In the words of the *Small Catechism*, "I believe that by my own reason or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to him. But the Holy Spirit has called me through the Gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, and

sanctified and preserved me in true faith..." [*Luther's Explanation of the Third Article of the Apostles Creed*]

There is nothing we can do to earn or deserve God's love and grace!

I am a pastor and a member of Lutheran Church of the Cross... but that's not all! We also claim the name *Evangelical*. This word that means that we understand and are committed to sharing this *good news* with the world: near and far. The grace and love of God and God's desire for us and all humanity is not a secret. It is a message that has been entrusted to us to share in word and deed. When I remember and claim all that God has done for me, what God is up to in the world (in, among and through us), and how the world needs this message of hope and life, I get yanked out of my membership in the *Church of I'd Rather Not* and am liberated to not live a life focused on me. I'm liberated to live a life in service of others (including my wife, family, friends, neighbors... and even "enemies"). I'm liberated to rise above my own laziness and comfort to join God in the life-giving work that God is already up to.

The *Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Cross* is a huge name to live into, but I'd rather spend my life trying to own it and live into it than to settle for the self-centered *Church of I'd Rather Not*.

How about you?

Peace,
Pastor Phil

A glance at March Ministry Happenings....



- March 2** - Men's Breakfast - 8 am
- March 6** - Sandwich making - 7:30 am
Ash Wed. worship - 7
- March 7** - Congregational PHD - potluck
- March 13** - Council Mtg. - 7 pm
- March 14** - Lenten Worship - 7 pm
- March 16** - AGAPE Café - 5 pm



March 21 - Lenten Worship - 7 pm

Caring Conversation - 5pm

March 23 - Men's Breakfast - 8 am
Women's Ministry - 10 am

March 28 - Lenten Worship - 7 pm

Caring conversation - 5pm

Lenten Worship

Ash Wednesday: The beginning of Lent Wednesday March 6, 7 pm

Sunday worship: 10 am

Midweek worship: Thursdays March 14, 21, 28 and April 4 & 11, 7pm

Holy Week Worship

Palm Sunday: April 14, 10 am

Holy Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday: April 15-17, 9 am

Maundy Thursday: April 18, 7:30 pm

Good Friday: April 19, 10 am

The Great Vigil of Easter: Saturday April 20, 8:40 pm (sunset)

Easter Sunday Sunrise service: April 21, 6:29 am (sunrise)

Easter breakfast: April 21, 8 am

Easter Sunday worship: April 21, 10 am



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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.



CHURCH OF THE CROSS

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Cooking and Studying with the Turkish Muslim Community **A monthly gathering for women of all ages**

If you are interested in developing friendships with women in the Turkish Muslim community this gathering might be for you! Once a month we meet in someone's home, alternating between women in the Turkish community and women in our congregation. We cook together and share a meal, learn a simple lesson from the Bible or the Quran, and share about our lives. Our gathering is for all women

Calling all artists!

Church of the Cross is hosting an art show for all students and all children. Give your art a title and bring it to Pastor Laura's office by April 7.

The art show will be held on Palm Sunday, April 14 following worship.

Invite your friends!



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party



It's time to clean out your pantries! Traditionally, the few days before Lent are a time to rid your kitchen cupboards and refrigerator of indulgent sweets and fats, in preparation for the austere season of Lent.

This tradition has given rise to some well-known regional parties, such as Mardi Gras in New Orleans and Carnival in Rio de Janeiro, as people found ways to use the abundance of foods and drinks considered inappropriate for consumption during the days of Lent.

The day before Ash Wednesday is often called "Mardi Gras" (Fat Tuesday), "Shrove Tuesday", or even "Pancake Tuesday", as it has become associated with a simple food that can be dressed up with nearly anything fat or sweet found in the common kitchen.

We too have such a party. On March 5, we'll feast on pancakes, sausage, applesauce and some decadent delights as we purge our own kitchens in preparation for Lent. But this is no ordinary pancake supper. It's a pancake extravaganza complete with homemade New Orleans beignets and pralines, traditional pancake flipping, and "The Master's Chef" cooking competition. We'll collect a free will offering to benefit Canadian Lutheran World Relief. Bring a friend...the more the merrier. Festivities begin at 6 pm. Activities are sponsored by the Tuesday evening faith study groups. Pancake supper provided by Social Ministry.

Cause of the month for March

Our annual Pancake Supper will be held on Shrove **Tuesday, March 5th at 6:00 p.m.** A free will offering will be received with all proceeds going to C.L.W.R. Join us for pancakes, desserts and fun games!



" Butterflies are reminders than miracles happen every day"

~ Robyn Nola

The Listening Team invites you to claim the places and times you have seen God at work. Where have you witnessed God's healing, rescue or influence? What little (or big!) things sustain you, give you joy, or let you know life is worth living?

"Miracles are signs, and like all signs, they are never about themselves; they're about whatever they are pointing toward. Miracles point to something beyond themselves. But to what? [To the very essence of God.] That's the point of miracles - to point us beyond our world to another world." - Eric Metaxas (American author, speaker, and radio host)



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*Women's
Ministry*

Women's Bible Study (a.k.a. Mary and Martha Group)
will meet **Saturday, March 16, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.**

Please join us!

Friday, March 1, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.

World Day of Prayer Service at Lutheran Church of the Cross

Theme: "Come – Everything is Ready" -Written by the people of Slovenia

Lutheran Church of the Cross has an exciting opportunity to host this ecumenical service in our area of Calgary for World Day of Prayer, with coffee/fellowship time to follow.

You can participate by volunteering your time: as a reader, an usher or greeter, set up, bring baking or fruit, clean up, or by helping count the offering (done immediately after the service)

Please contact me (Marilyn at 403-968-2049) directly if you are able to take part, as Dianne will be away on vacation in Feb. (For Everyone: men, women and children)

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet other Christians in our area of Calgary and be united in worship together!



The WDP service sponsored by The Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada (WICC), the only national ecumenical council with representatives from 10 church partners, focusing on four main concerns of social justice, women's issues, ecumenism, and the growth of women's spirituality. The annual World Day of Prayer is coordinated by WICC. Through World Day of Prayer grants, WICC supports grassroots work to help women and children both in developing countries and here at home escape the cycle of poverty and violence



Practical Christianity

Richard Rohr's Daily Meditation for

Thursday, January 24, 2019

When the Christian tradition chose an imperial Christ, living inside the world of static and mythic proclamations, it framed belief and understanding in a very small box. The Christ of the creeds is not tethered to earth—to the real, historical, flesh-and-blood Jesus of Nazareth. Instead, this image is mostly mental abstraction with little heart, all spirit, and almost no flesh or soul. Sometimes it seems like Christianity's only mission is to keep announcing its vision and philosophy. This is what happens when power and empire take over the message.



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Did you know that the first seven Councils of the Church, agreed upon by both East and West, were all either convened or formally presided over by emperors? This is no small point. Emperors and governments do not tend to be interested in an ethic of love, service, or nonviolence (God forbid!), and surely not forgiveness unless it somehow helps them stay in power.

Mere information is rarely helpful unless it also enlightens and transforms your life. In Franciscan theology, truth is always for the sake of love—not an absolute end in itself, which too often becomes the worship of an ideology. In other words, any good idea that does not engage the body, the heart, the physical world, and the people around us will tend to be more theological problem solving and theory than any real healing of people and institutions. Ironically, healing is what Jesus was all about!

The word “healing” did not return to mainline Christian vocabulary until the 1970’s, and even then it was widely resisted, which I know from my own experience. [1] In the Catholic tradition, we had pushed healing off to the very last hour of life and called the sacrament “Extreme Unction,” apparently unaware that Jesus provided free health care in the middle of life for people who were suffering, and it was not just an “extreme” measure to get them into the next world.

You wouldn’t guess this from the official creeds but, after all is said and done, *doing* is more important than *believing*. Jesus was clearly more concerned with what Buddhists call “right action” (“orthopraxy” in Christianity) than with right saying or right thinking. You can hear this message very clearly in his parable of the two sons in Matthew 21:28-31: One son says he won’t work in the vineyard, but then does, while the other says he will go, but in fact doesn’t. Jesus told his listeners that he preferred the one who actually goes, although saying the wrong words, over the one who says the right words but does not act. How did we miss that?

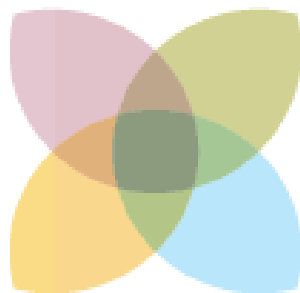
Humanity now needs a Jesus who is historical, relevant for real life, physical and concrete, like we are. A Jesus whose life can save us even more than his death does. A Jesus we can imitate in practical ways and who sets the bar for what it means to be fully human.

[1] See Francis MacNutt, *Healing* (Ave Maria Press: 1974). I worked with Francis in the 1970s and witnessed many levels of healing with my own eyes. Just as in the Gospels, healings triggered a great deal of fear, pushback, and denial from the “faithful.”

Adapted from Richard Rohr, *The Universal Christ: How a Forgotten Reality Can Change Everything We See, Hope For, and Believe* (Convergent Books: 2019), 105-107.



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Coming in Spring 2019

Dying to Know

Coming In March 2019 is our new monthly education program: Dying to Know. The program is open to anyone interested in the variety of topics that we will be covering related to death and dying.

These interactive sessions will provide information on preparing for end of life, offer strategies for staying resilient through challenging times, and help care partners to become more confident in their role. Participants will have the opportunity to share and network with others while learning about available resources.

The sessions are on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 6 – 8 pm. They are free of charge and will always feature expert speakers and professionals.

DYING TO KNOW 2019 PROGRAM

MARCH 19
Facing Advanced Illness
Together

APRIL 16
Advanced Care Planning

MAY 21
Spirituality and Ritual at
End-of-Life

JUNE 11*
Funeral Planning

SEPTEMBER 17
Care Partners at Home

OCTOBER 15
As the Last Chapter
Approaches

NOVEMBER 19
Near Death Experiences

*Please note June's session is on
the 2nd Tuesday of the month

Upcoming Sessions

MARCH 19 - Facing Advanced Illness Together

Most Canadians want to die in their home, wherever that may be. Informing ourselves of the available options can go a long way towards making plans. Erin Forsyth, Director of Clinical Care, and Kathy Bach Paterson, Community Hospice Family Counsellor from Hospice Calgary, will share information about Hospice and Palliative Care as well as how to access services and resources.

APRIL 16 - Advanced Care Planning

In this first of two sessions with Janine Violini and Jamie Whittaker, we will discuss tips to complete the paperwork we need before death occurs. These include Personal Directive, Power of Attorney and the types of Wills one might consider. These topics are part of their *Crows in a Row* program designed to help achieve an end-of-life plan so legacy is defined, wishes are honoured, and loved ones are taken care of.

MAY 21 - Spirituality and Ritual at End-of-Life

As we reflect on our mortality, spirituality can have new or clearer meaning. Similarly, rituals can deepen our lives and the experience of dying. Darrin Parkin, Hospice Calgary's Spiritual Care Coordinator, and Blair Collins, personal coach and Marriage Commissioner will explore the history of spirituality as it impacts palliative care. Participants will have the opportunity to engage in a meaningful ritual.

JUNE 11 - Funeral Planning

Janine Violini and Jamie Whittaker return for the second part of their *Crows in a Row* program. In this session we'll discuss aspects of funeral planning and obituaries. The objective of these conversations is to alleviate stress by helping obtain a sense of empowerment, peace of mind, and completion.

All *Dying to Know* sessions are at Sage Centre (1245 70 Avenue SE) with free parking available in front of the building and across the street at Trail Appliances. To register for our seminars, for current information on our education opportunities and to access additional resources, visit our website or contact our team:

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AFFIRMING MINISTRY TEAM



Affirming PIE Day!



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PIE = Public. Intentional. Explicit. These are the standards developed by Affirming Communities for congregation when they become Affirming, Welcoming, or Inclusive communities.

PIE = Public. Intentional. Explicit. These standards help us become a safe space for people who face discrimination, oppression, or exclusion because they belong to the LGBTQ2SIA+ community.

We're proud to announce that the first annual **National Affirming Day** will be held March 14, 2019, *International Pi(e) Day* (3.14- get it?)

This is a great time for us to host a **Public, Intentional, and Explicit** affirming event...and have fun with it too.

This is a chance for us to celebrate and honour the full inclusion of *LGBTQ2SIA+ people in faith communities and beyond, with everyone across Canada!

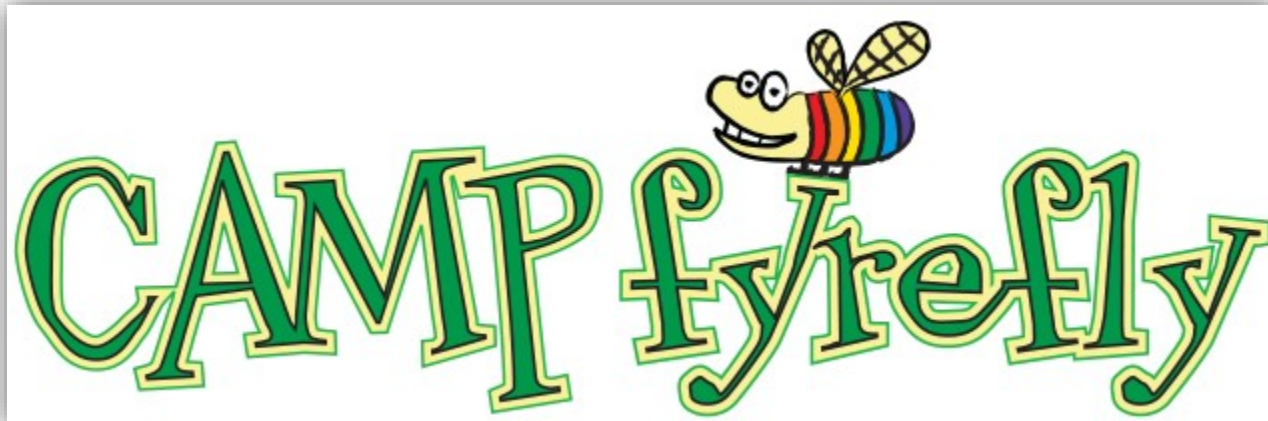
In association with PIE Day, we will host a speaker from an LGBTQ2SIA+ organization and serve pie following worship.

Mark your calendar! **Our PIE celebration will be held Sunday March 17, following worship.**

Can you bring pie to share? Be creative! Bake, cook, or buy apple pie, pizza pie, quiche...all types of pie will be served following worship. And we need your pie to make PIE Day a community celebration. **Please let either Dianne or Betty Jane know if you can bring a pie!**

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AFFIRMING MINISTRY TEAM



[Camp fyrefly](#) is Canada's only national leadership retreat for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, two-spirit, asexual, intersex, queer, questioning, and allied youth. The camp provides a space for youth to explore their identity, build resilience and enhance self-esteem, all while having an awesome camp experience. Participants return home with a support network of positive friendships, trusted adult mentors, and an empowered sense of self.

Youth ages 14 to 24 can attend the camp for only \$25. Youth Leaders are between the ages of 18 and 24, while Adult Volunteers are individuals aged 25 and over who help support the camp through a variety of roles.

[Applications](#) for Campers, Youth Leaders and Adult Volunteers typically open in early March and close in late April. If you are interested in presenting a workshop at camp, these applications open in early March and close in late May. For those looking to support

camp through helping out in our kitchen, and/or donating a meal or snack, check out the Meal Support application.

More information? <https://www.ualberta.ca/camp-fyrefly/about-fyrefly>





... love God with all your heart



Calgary Interfaith Council Invites You to Take the Civility Pledge

I Choose Civility: Listening, Caring, Engaging

Practicing Civility in the Home, Workplace, and Public Arena

The Calgary Interfaith Council functions on the principle that listening, caring, and engaging others with respect and humility are essential to building healthy and harmonious relationships among people of all faiths and backgrounds. Hospitality is central to all religious and ethnic traditions. Civility is the most basic ingredient in hospitality. As such it is the virtue that sustains a pluralistic society. Civility makes it safe for us to live together and learn to celebrate our differences so that we may experience the benefits of diversity.

We invite you sign the CIC Civility Pledge and be a force for enhancing our society. Please sign the pledge below and take your place among women, men and children who are committed to restoring civility to personal and public discourse.

The CIC Civility Pledge

1. I pledge to embrace the principle that all people are created equal and that each person possesses inherent dignity and goodness.
2. I pledge to encourage genuine dialogue with people who identify as minorities in order to enhance community inclusiveness.
3. I pledge to prioritize relationships over ideologies by striving to appreciate people whose ideas I may disagree with.
4. I pledge to respect others' experiences as true and valid for them and seek to come to new understandings through honest conversations.
5. I pledge to renounce stereotyping and prejudices, including those based on race, ethnicity, religion, sex or gender, and ability.
6. I pledge to enhance my capacity for empathy and compassion by living in the present moment and letting go resentments that derive from my personal history and my cultural memory.
7. I pledge to engage people in an open and neighborly spirit, sharing their joys and sorrows, and caring about their human problems and concerns.
8. I pledge to impart my views with honesty and sincerity on the basis of mutual trust without compromising my faith or principles.
9. I pledge to engage persons of all religions in order to accord them freedom and human rights.
10. I pledge to encourage others to engage in similar efforts to bring civility and compassion in their daily conversations in the home, workplace, and public arena.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

☐ Yes ☐ No I consent to having my name included in the publication of the Civility Pledge

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Agape Café: March 16



St. Valentine was a real person...the bishop of Umbria, Italy. He was an evangelist in the early church and had his faith tested quite regularly. He is said to have restored sight to the blind and converted many to Christianity. He was jailed more than once for sharing his faith and continuing to marry people when the government declared a moratorium on marriage. When he attempted to convert the prefect of Rome, the Emperor Claudius II sentenced him to death. He was executed in Rome on March 14 in the year 269.

“Valentine’s Day” is the feast day of the martyrdom of this amazing witness for Christ, but like other Christian celebrations, it has morphed into something else. Now a day to give gifts of love and send cards, Valentine’s Day is an opportunity for us to share in open expressions of God’s love for us and our love for God and one another. It is a day to remember those who have laid down their lives for love’s sake. The Agape Café was created with this image in mind.

You are invited to an elegant dinner, held in your honor and to celebrate Christian love, on **Saturday March 16 at 5 pm**. Hosted by our young people, the “Agape Café” will feature a four-course dinner, entertainment, and a silent auction featuring the artwork of people in the youth group.

The youth will collect a free-will offering and all proceeds will sponsor CLAY (Canada Lutheran Anglican Youth) Gathering attendance in Calgary in 2020.

Prepare to be impressed and to feast of God’s unconditional agape love for all of us. Child care is available and reservations are required. Sign-up in the narthex or by phoning the church office. The Agape Café provides allergen-free meals.



**March 2019 Message for Congregations
and Lay and Rostered Leaders**

A Message from Our Bishop



Dear Beloved of God –

On the western slope of the Mount of Olives, just across the Kidron Valley from Jerusalem, sits a small chapel, *Dominus Flevit*, from the Latin: *Dominus* – “the Lord”; *Flevit* – “wept.” The name of the chapel comes from Luke’s Gospel, which contains not one but two accounts (13:31f; 19:41f) of Jesus weeping over Jerusalem. According to tradition, it was here, that Jesus wept over the city.

Inside the chapel, the altar is centered before a high arched window that looks out over the city of Jerusalem. Iron grillwork divides the view into sections, so that on a sunny day the effect is that of a stained-glass window except that what you see through the window is not colored glass, not an artist’s rendering of the holy city, but the city itself, with the Dome of the Rock in the bottom left corner and the Church of the Holy Sepulcher in the center. Down below, on the front of the altar, is a picture, a mosaic medallion of a white hen with a golden halo around her head. Her red comb resembles a crown, and her wings are spread wide to shelter the pale, yellow chicks that crowd around her feet. There are seven of them, with black dots for eyes and orange dots for beaks. They look happy to be there. The hen looks ready to spit fire if anyone comes near her babies. And around the edge of the medallion is a Latin text written in red: “Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!” The last phrase of this text is set outside of the circle, in a pool of red underneath the chicks’ feet: *you were not willing*. Jesus’ words of lament: “Jerusalem, Jerusalem...;” of yearning: “How often have I desired to gather your children...;” of rejection: “And you were not willing.” Lament, yearning, rejection – for the city of Jerusalem, which Jesus sees across the valley, is a city like a chicken coop filled with pale, yellow chicks and at least one fox – Herod.

Jesus weeps over the city seeing that some of the chicks have taken to following the fox around. Others are huddled out in the open where anything with claws can get to them: helpless, unsafe, unprotected. And Jesus, standing on the hillside, looking across the valley weeping, is like a white hen with a golden halo around her head who is clucking for all she is worth. Most of the chicks cannot hear her, and the ones that do make no response or ignore her clucking call. Raised on the farm in the days when chickens often roamed freely around the chicken coop I have seen how a mother hen gathers her brood in protection if it began to rain or if the rooster was let loose or if it was dusk and time to settle down for the night or if the dog came to close. The hen’s wings were large and seemed to expand to cover a surprisingly large number of chicks. The hen would simply cluck and somehow the chicks would know to gather under her wings. And not once did I see a chick ignore the hen. But here, Jesus laments because the brood is unwilling to be gathered. This hen clucks and raises her wings but they do not come, they do not gather. And Jesus weeps. The depth of his love, his lament, is profound – beyond words. Wings spread, breast exposed, he stands open in the most vulnerable posture in the world. Vulnerable to the dangerous, fearful, deathly work of this fox in the chicken coop, for if the fox wants them the fox will have to kill the hen first.

Which the fox does, as it turns out. He slides up on her one night in the yard while all the babies are asleep. When her cry wakens them, they scatter. She dies the next day where both fox and chicks can see her – wings spread, breast exposed. In a few short days, in Jerusalem, this lament, this weeping will echo throughout the city and throughout all time. The compassion of God will be exposed for the entire world to see. For in Jerusalem, Jesus, like a mother hen spreading her wings to gather and protect her chicks, will spread his arms on the cross, spread them wide enough to embrace the world, spread them wide enough to embrace us for all time.

May you be sustained in your Lenten journey knowing this expansive, loving embrace.

In Christ Jesus – Shalom,
+Bishop Larry Kochendorfer

“The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” (Romans 15:13)

MARCH 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Office Closed World Day of Prayer - 1 pm SWCG—7 pm	2 Men's Breakfast - 8 am
3 Adult Study - 9 am Worship—10 am BLAST - following worship Youth - following worship SWCG—1—3 pm	4 Kodaly - 9:15 am Staff Mtg.—10:15 am Cantare Children's Choir - 5 - 9 pm	5 Coffee @ Tim Hortons' - 10 am Faith Formation - 7 pm Confirmation - 7 pm	6 Sandwich making - 7:30 am AHS Caregivers - 1 pm Cantare Children's Choir - 6 - 9 pm Ash Wed. worship - 7 pm SWCG—7 pm	7 Quilting - 9 am Kodaly - 9:15 am - 2 pm PHD - potluck E.A.—7 pm Choir - 7:15 pm	8 Office Closed SWCG—7 pm	9 Cooking and Studying with the Turkish Muslim Community 12pm- 4pm
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