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We Welcome YOU to Worship at  
Trinity Lutheran Church ~ Abbotsford  
NEWSLETTER – November 17, 2024

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**Holy Communion** - Lutherans believe and teach



that in this precious meal we receive is not only the bread and wine, but also Christ's true Body and Blood given and shed for the forgiveness of sins. Proper spiritual preparation is necessary to rightly receive this sacrament. Please read the Communion policy card in the bookrack of your pew.

Please be attentive to the ushers. They will guide you to come forward to receive the Holy Communion.

Ushers: please let the members come forward during the Agnus Dei.

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**AS WE GATHER ~ Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 28B)**

**This week's Bible Readings**

FIRST READING Daniel 12:1–3

EPISTLE READING: Hebrews 10:11–25

HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 13:1–13

***The Crucified and Risen Body of Christ Jesus Is the True Temple of God***

Despite its “wonderful stones” and “great buildings,” the Jerusalem temple would be torn down, with not one stone left upon another, just as this present world and its kingdoms will come to an end (Mark 13:1–8). But that temple pointed beyond itself to Christ, to His sacrifice upon the cross and to the resurrection of His body as the true Temple of God. In the midst of sin and death, by the proclamation of the Gospel, He now gathers disciples into His body, wherein “*the one who endures to the end will be saved*” (Mark 13:10–13). For He is “*a great priest over the house of God,*” who “*will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.*” By the pure water of His Baptism, they “*draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith,*” and by His flesh and blood, they enter the Holy of Holies (Heb. 10:17–22). Thus are His people delivered, “*everyone whose name shall be found written in the book.*” For by the wisdom of His Gospel, He turns “*many to righteousness,*” so that “*many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake*” to everlasting life (Dan. 12:1–3).



**ARE YOU a New Visitor to  
Trinity Lutheran Church?**

**Please sign our “Guest Book” on the Narthex table.**

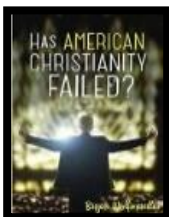


## **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Sunday School at Trinity Lutheran Church is in full swing. It takes place every Sunday morning, starting right after the children’s message (about 15 minutes into the Divine Service).

All children from K to grade 7/8 are welcome. Teens are invited to come and help out. Please contact Hella Beckmann if you have any questions or would like to volunteer.

### **DO YOU HAVE A COPY TO DONATE?**



*Pastor Henock is collecting copies of this book: "Has American Christianity Failed?" By Brian Wolfmueller – This was last year’s Book Study. If you have a copy you would like to donate that would be fantastic! Please let Pastor Henock or the office know.*

**Tuesday Adult Bible Study!** Pastor Henock invites you to join him for his weekly Tuesday bible study, from 11:00 – 12:00pm. **All are welcome to attend!**

## **Christmas joy in a Shoe Box Ending!!**

The best Christmas gifts are the ones that come from the heart. And sometimes, they come from a Shoe Box!

The Canada-wide 2024 Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box collection season has begun, and thousands of individuals, families, churches, businesses, and community groups will be filling Shoe Boxes with gifts for less fortunate kids around the world.



These Shoe Boxes bring joy and hope to children in desperate situations around the world, regardless of gender, race, religion or age.

Literature on the procedure of the project is included in each Shoe Box. Please fill a Shoe Box or two or even three and help bring the joy of Christmas to children around the world.

**\*\*The return date for gift-filled Shoe Boxes is November 17<sup>th</sup>**



## Ladies LWMLC FV Zone Fall Renewal

Saturday, November 23, 2024

At St. Luke's, Surrey

\$15. Registration - Coffee and Lunch included

Craft workshop to make Christmas card and worship service after lunch.

Please see poster and sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex.

All ladies welcome.

### Ingathering for the Surrey Food Bank

If you would like to contribute to the ingathering, please bring a food item and put it in the marked container in the narthex before Wednesday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>. Staple food items, dry and canned, are best. Thank you.



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### Mite Envelopes

Mite envelopes are available in the Narthex. These donations, to help cover LWMLC Mission Projects, go to the national office, and they issue a tax receipt. You can hand your envelope in to Rosalind Plumtree who remits the Mite donations once a month, or as needed. Thank you.

### LWMLC Prayer Pal Party

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. The party will follow the morning church service. Invitations will be in your mailboxes soon to give you all the information.

FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT  
Abbotsford Canucks Hockey Game  
January 10, 2025 @ 7pm

Tickets: \$20 Adults, \$10 Kids 12 and under

Contact Trish Blondin for more information and to pay for your tickets.

Phone: 604-309-6427 or email [Blondin@telus.net](mailto:Blondin@telus.net).

Sign-up sheet in the lobby

## TLC's ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BANQUET

**Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>!**

*The program will start at 4:30 p.m. in the sanctuary and the dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. in the gym.*

**Tickets will be on sale in the Narthex after Sunday Service, on November 24, December 1 & 8, 2024**

- **\$35.00 / per adult**
- **\$17.50 - children from 6-12 years of age.**

**Children 5 and under are free**

*Please pay with cash or cheque (made out to Trinity Lutheran Church).*

*All are welcome to attend the Christmas program (there is no cost) in the Sanctuary on Saturday, Dec. 14 at 4:30 p.m., even if you're not planning to stay for the banquet.*



## Pastors with Alternative Training (PAT)

Besides the traditional M.Div. for becoming a pastor, LCC has an additional route to the pastoral ministry. The PAT (Pastors with Alternate Training) program is now accepting applications for a renewed version of this program for older, experienced men who want to serve in a pastoral role under an accelerated, online format. They will usually serve in small, remote locations.

If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Pastor Rob Mohns, our West Regional Pastor, for an application for those in the West Region. Contact him at 1-403-650-7766 for phone/text and via email [rmohns@lutheranchurch.ca](mailto:rmohns@lutheranchurch.ca).

**OFFICE HOURS** Tue - Thurs: 9:00 - 2:00pm  
Friday & Holidays Closed

**\*\*Please make arrangements in advance should you require access to the church outside of posted hours.**

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