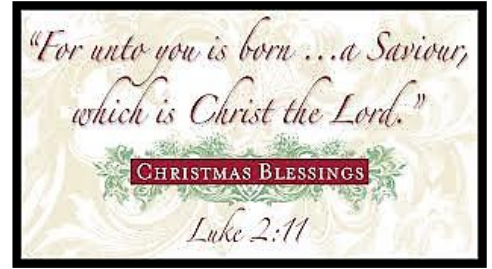


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**We Welcome YOU to Worship at
Trinity Lutheran Church ~ Abbotsford
December 22, 2024 NEWSLETTER**



Holy Communion – The 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

We, 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 true 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.



AS WE GATHER ~ FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

This week's Bible Readings

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Micah 5:2 - 5a

EPISTLE READING: Hebrews 10:5 - 10

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 1:39 - 45

The Lord Comes to Visit Us in Peace

The Fourth Sunday in Advent turns our attention toward the nativity of our Lord. With Mary, we await the coming of the Christ, her Son, conceived in her womb by the Spirit of God. As the Lord dealt graciously with her and did great things for her (Luke 1:48–49), so also He manifests Himself and His glory to us in mercy and gentleness. He comes to rule His people in peace, to “*shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord.*” He comes forth not from the great capital city of Rome or Jerusalem, but from lowly little Bethlehem (Micah 5:2, 4). *He comes to sacrifice Himself, in fulfillment of His Father's will, for the salvation and sanctification of His people* (Heb. 10:10). He who once visited Elizabeth while **hidden in the womb of Mary** (Luke 1:39–45) now comes to visit us today, hidden in the lowliness of simple water, bread and wine.

**ARE YOU
a New Visitor to Trinity Lutheran Church?
Please sign our “Guest Book” on the Narthex
table.**

*thank you
FOR JOINING US*

Announcements

Exciting Opportunity to Serve! Volunteer for Sunday Worship Service in 2025

We're calling all willing hearts and hands to join the team for our Sunday Worship Services in 2025! As we prepare the volunteer lists, there are some key positions that need to be filled, and we'd love for YOU to be part of the team.

Here are the roles available: • Communion Setup • Offering Counting • Projectionist • Readers • Sound Board • Ushers

The best part? Training is provided, and the time commitment is minimal, yet impactful! Serving is a wonderful way to contribute to our worship experience, and the more volunteers we have, the lighter the load for everyone. It's a great chance to make a difference and be part of something special! Ready to jump in or learn more? Please contact Susan Trithardt @ 604-853-9412 or sttrithardt@shaw.ca. We can't wait to have you on the team!

We welcome you to Trinity Lutheran Church this Christmas
December 24th Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 7:00 pm
December 25th Christmas Day Communion Service at 10:30 am

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.
Sign-up sheet in the lobby

NOTICE:

Office will be closed during the holidays from December 24, 2024 to January 1, 2025.

Returning to regular office Schedule:
Thursday January 2, 2025

Sunday, December 29, 2024
10:30 am

Worship Service / The Vajda Hymn Service
(Guest Pastor: Rev. Norm Miller)

Tuesday, January 7, 2025
11:00 am – 12:00 noon
Bible Study

Important Update: 2025 Offering Envelopes Are Coming!



We're excited to let you know that your 2025 Offering Envelopes will be ready for pickup very soon! Please note the following important changes:

- 1. Envelope Numbers Reassigned – Any number above 70 has been renumbered and will now be below 70.*
- 2. New Envelope Color – To help you easily spot these updates, your new envelopes will be printed on blue paper.*

If you have any questions or need clarification, please don't hesitate to contact the Envelope Secretary, Janice Shamber at 604-710-8054 or jshamber@shaw.ca.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

LWMLC - Thank you



Thank you so much to all those who participated and helped in any way at our Prayer Pal Party on Sunday afternoon. If you did not sign up to be a Prayer Pal but would like to, please contact Marj Temple. I am happy to tell you that the offering collected for the Abbotsford Food Bank was \$381.50. We pray this will be a blessing to those less fortunate in our community.

The CANADIAN LUTHERAN

Funeral for LCC President Emeritus Lehman to be livestreamed



Called to Glory

First Synodical President of Lutheran Church–Canada

Rev. Dr. Edwin Lehman

1932-2024

ONLINE – A funeral service for Rev. Dr. Edwin

Lehman, first synodical president of Lutheran Church–Canada (LCC), will take place at Concordia Lutheran Church in Edmonton on December 20 at 11:00 a.m. (MST).

For those unable to attend in person, the service will be livestreamed online at the congregation's [YouTube page here](#). A copy of the Funeral Service slideshow will be available for download at www.concordialutheran.ca.

Those attending in person may pay their respects before the service from 10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m.

All LCC clergy attending the service are invited to bring your vestments with white stole to participate as an honour guard. The service will be followed by refreshments and fellowship. An interment service will begin at 2:45 p.m. at Evergreen Cemetery

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TLC REGULAR OFFICE HOURS 2024:

Tues – Thurs: 9:00am - 2:00pm ~ Monday, Friday & Holidays-Closed

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

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