



Martin Luther Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Congregational Newsletter

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With God's Grace in Our Hearts and Hands

During my vacations, I take some time to read. Frequently, I reach for a detective novel. Some of these books are so exciting that I am dying to see how they end. On occasion, I even find myself flipping to the last pages to find out what happens.

In this commemorative year, when we remember the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, much has been contemplated and written as to how the church is to go on. In all likelihood, times have never been changing as fast as they are today. At the same time, the social and political problems are as critical as they must have been in Luther's time.

I personally believe that we can find an answer to the question of God's calling for us through dialogue. Without talking to the people in our neighbourhood, our communities, or our friends, we run the risk of failing to hear the call of God. Try it: keep the theme of the Reformation year, "*set free by the grace of God*" in your head and let it guide you through the day. Look around where the people are who need this message. Look around and think about what grace would be to the people you see and meet. What would change in people's lives if they knew that God's love and attention is there for them?

The way I see it, this is not merely an exciting exercise. It is the way we as the Church can find our way into the future. With God's grace in our hearts and hands, and with the willingness to listen and serve.

Or, in the words of our National Bishop, Susan Johnson (during her report to delegates at the ELCIC's 16th Biennial National Convention):

"We are not just a church and a communion that looks back to the events of our founding, we are a church that God is calling into a challenging and uncertain future, but with the promise that God's hand is leading us and God's spirit is guiding us."

We do not yet know exactly how this journey will be concluded.—Or do we? Have you ever looked at what it says at the very end of the Bible? There, you will find the expectation that Jesus Christ will return. That He will transform the world through His grace. That He will make this grace tangible for each and every one of us. (Read it in **Revelations 21 and 22!**)

I believe He is already using our hands and gifts for that purpose. That His Church should be a place where people experience grace. Not only those who are already there. But, also and especially, to those whom He sends us. Let us discover together how our calling takes concrete shape on the Lakeshore. The meaning of: *celebrating faith, serving and inspiring people.*

Sincerely,
Your



President's Message

Dear Members and Friends,

Summer is usually a quieter time for churches. People are at the cottage, traveling or spending time relaxing at home on a Sunday morning. Not at Martin Luther Church this year. The church has been busy with good attendance in both the English and the German services. Thank you to those who have been coming and for your continued financial donations during the summer months.

I would like to take a moment to thank some people who kept Martin Luther running during the summer months. A big thank you goes to Friedrich Brunzema and Katja Brittain for leading worship services. Thank you to Marlena for coordinating everything in the office.

Thank you to our summer students Nicholas and Jenny—they were busy with our renovation project, they helped with office tasks, church events and kept us present on social media.

We thank Vicar Klein, who was available for pastoral care and took over most of the church services while Pastor Ceconi was on vacation with his family, and also Pastor Katharina Möller from St. Georges who was available to assist as needed.

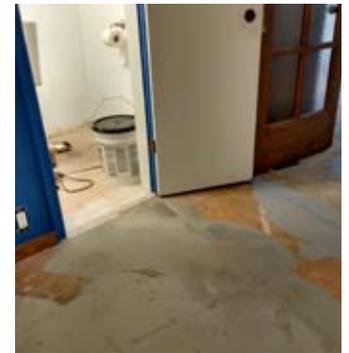
Thank you to Dan and his many volunteers for all the hours they gave in order to finish the renovation of the back of the church.

Every time I come to church I am inspired by the work we do, I am inspired by members of our congregation who have given countless hours to make Martin Luther a place where you want to be. Keep reaching out, keep welcoming others, keep believing and inspiring others.

Tanya Zielke—Church Council President

Back of Church Renovation

The back office hasn't had a renovation since the 1980s so it was high time for a refresher. The new ductwork was installed very quickly in June and didn't disrupt the office, church or daycare. Then, the hard work of the volunteers got started. First, all the furniture and staff moved downstairs to the back room. Next, painting commenced, including ripping out the old carpets and washing all the walls and ceilings over the Canada Day long weekend. Two long days of painting during the week ensured that the renovation stayed on schedule!



Throughout the rest of July new carpeting was laid, new furniture purchased and the bulk of the work done. Special thanks go out to Dan, Iris, Matthew and all our volunteers who are keeping this project on schedule and on budget! Teresa, the daycare supervisor, says it best: "Looks to me like everything is covered. Looking forward to seeing the results. We will survive; after 5 Superior anything is possible."

Canada Summer Job Students

My name is Jenny and I'm just finishing my last term at the University of Waterloo. I spent the last 4 years studying in a small program called Sexuality, Marriage and Family Studies and will be returning to school in September for a diploma in Human Resource Management. I have been a lifelong resident of Mimico and feel incredibly fortunate to have this opportunity to give back to the community.



Jenny

I feel fortunate that I have the opportunity to learn about Martin Luther Evangelical Church and all that it brings to the community. I have a passion for community building and love the opportunity to join and learn about this community with such wonderful members. I've been working on Party in the Park as well as finding new ways of marketing the church and finding new ways to connect with the community at large.



Nicholas

This internship has been about as far from boring as you can get. It's been a terrific opportunity to get involved in a wide range of projects: everything from assisting with renovations, to conducting research and accompanying the daycare on

summer day outings and more.

I'm a recent U of T graduate, having just completed my degree in Economics and International Relations. This fall, I'll be returning to further studies in Vancouver at the University of British Columbia.

Summer Camp 2017: Kingdom of God

The theme for this year's summer camp from August 19–25 will be the Kingdom of God. We will talk about and creatively interpret mustard seeds and Jesus' blessing of the children.

This year's program includes our traditional canoe trips in the morning, daily bible studies for children, youth and adults, a day at the beach, building a zip line, campfire at night and much more. Our youth will test their courage and spend one night on a deserted island. We are happy to have already received more than 60 registrations. If you are interested in joining this year's camp, don't hesitate, and sign up today to save your spot! Registration forms are available in the church and can be downloaded from our website. Weekly rate: \$410 for adults and for youth attending on their own. The rate for children attending with their families over the age of 10 is \$150, and for those under the age of 10 is \$100.

Sign up right now by contacting the church office:

churchoffice@martinluther.ca, Tel: 416-251-8293.

Contact: Anna Lisa Wienecke, Tel: 905-939-7441 or campdirector@martinluther.ca

MLC Birthday Project

The next step in maintaining our church records is to make your day! Especially your birthday. Please confirm your birthdate with the office over the next couple of months so you can be part of this evolving project. Your birth year is not necessary but it would be helpful in order for the Visiting Ministry Team to serve members who are 70 years of age and older.

Using the birthdays we have confirmed, we hope to acknowledge our members in 2018 through:

- **Cards:** We hope to develop a concept to send you a birthday card.
- **Sunday Worship:** We would like to include your name in the Prayers of Intercession during a worship service around the time of your birthday.

We appreciate your help and respect your privacy. If you are interested in joining a team to help with birthday cards, please let us know.

Thank You and Farewell to Intern Alena Mathis During Services on August 27



Alena came to us 5 months ago as an intern from Germany—she is leaving us now as an active member of our congregation. Alena was involved in quite a few projects in and around Martin Luther Church. She led us in chanting psalms, sang in the choir, took care of the children's program at the EKD Conference, organized

the children's Bible Study to lead it during Camp Lutherlyn, helped in the daycare, at Moll Berczy Haus, participated in council and the Seniors' Group and helped in the office as necessary. Thank you for sharing your many talents with the Martin Luther Church. We wish her all the best as she continues her studies back in Germany!

All are welcome to say goodbye to Alena on Sunday August 27 during the services at 9:45 am in English, 11:00 am in German.

Introducing Eva-Katharina Kingreen, German Intern to Arrive in September

Dear MLC Congregation,

my name is Eva-Katharina Kingreen and I am 23 years old. Right now, I am in my 8th semester of Protestant Theological Studies in Munich. Throughout my studies, I frequently wondered how life in the parsonage transpired in other families, communities and countries; having myself grown up as a "PK"



(Pastors' kid), as my siblings and I called it, with two pastors for parents. I have also contemplated the question of the importance of the pastor's personal presence for a church's congregational life. My perspective as a pastors' kid did not allow me to observe the duties and creative tasks required in a parish from an adequate impartial distance, and removed from familial influence or contexts. So, I am delighted to have the opportunity to experience this desired change of perspective for one month in your church community.

I am very grateful for the hospitality of the MLC community, which I have already encountered communicating with

Pastor Ceconi as well as through the support I received in my search for a place to stay.

*See you soon,
—Eva-Katharina Kingreen*

Annual New in Canada Info Night

September 8 at 7 pm, we again invite all those who are interested in a New in Canada Information Night. Short presentations will provide information about everything, from weekend getaways to tax returns, church and shopping. We've invited a diverse group of experts who are available to answer questions for all new residents. We also offer plenty of opportunity for discussion.

Contact: Martin Häfele, mhafele@rogers.com.

Services with Blessing at the Start of the New School Year on September 10

It's "back to school" after the summer holidays and for many back to church, too. This year we will combine the two and invite all children and youth to the English and German services. Children who are going to school for the first time (and all other children who'd like) will be blessed during the service.

Definitely mark your calendars: September 10, at 9:45 am in English and 11:00 am in German.

A New Year of Confirmation Classes

Our next year-long confirmation course begins after the summer holidays. It ends with Confirmation on Pentecost 2018. It is aimed at young people who will be in grade 7 after the summer holidays or who are 12 to 15 years old (exceptions are possible in consultation). The course will be taught in English and German, based on the language abilities of the confirmands.



Confirmands 2016-17

The confirmands meet once a month at Martin Luther Church from Saturday afternoon until noon on Sunday. There will be two three-day weekend retreats, one in the fall and one in the winter. This year's course begins on September 22. There will be a parent meeting before the first class (TBD). On Sunday September 24, we will welcome the new confirmands together with their families during the services.

You can register until the middle of September. For questions and to register, please contact: Pastor Christian Ceconi, pastor@martinluther.ca, Cell: 416-567-2487, or Marlena in the office.

Confirmation Class Schedule: 2017-18

Classes:

• October 28-29	• April 21-22
• November 25-26	• May 5-6 (TBD)
• January 27-28	

Retreats:

- September 22-24
- February 9-11 or 23-25

Confirmation Service: Pentecost, May 20, 2018

We Mourn...

At the age of 99 on May 31, 2017, **Hedwig Sems** passed away.

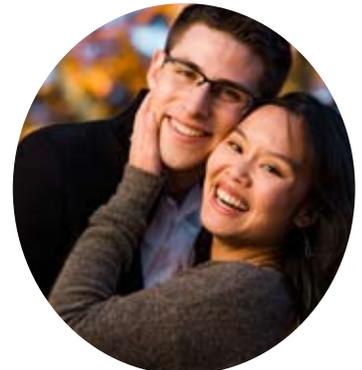
At the age of 84 on June 22, 2017, **Pastor Joachim Knaack** passed away. We said goodbye to him at a funeral service on June 27, 2017.

At the age of 87 on July 23, 2017, **Herta Stepka** passed away.

Because I live, you also will live. (John 14:19)

We Congratulate...

On July 17, 2017, **Andrew Mahon and Leeann Yee** were married in Niagara-on-the-Lake. We offer heartfelt congratulations and wish them God's blessing on their path together!



Our Congregation is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC) and the Eastern Synod. We are partnered with the Evangelical Church in Germany (EKD) and member of the Deutsche Evangelisch-Lutherische Konferenz in Nordamerika (DELKINA)

EKD Regional Conference

During the first week in June, pastors from North America and Australia met for their joint biennial regional conference for mutual discourse and exchange at the invitation of the EKD (Evangelical Church in Germany). Their families were present, too, so that the Kempenfelt Conference Centre near Barrie was filled with 32 adults and children. The conference was organized by Pastor Ceconi, aided by Vicar Klein and our intern, Alena Mathis. With the central theme of reconciliation, the participating congregations shared their respective insights and experiences. A trip to Sainte-Marie among the Hurons enabled them to partake in the history of Ontario. Martin Luther Church welcomed some surprise guests at the Sunday service before the conference: the husband (Thomas Dietl) and wife (Andrea Pistor) team of pastors from Sydney with their children.

The next conference will be held in July 2019.

Report: ELCIC National Conference

From July 6–8, 2017, the ELCIC met for their Biennial National Convention in Winnipeg. I had the privilege to represent the Eastern Synod.

With the theme “Liberated by God’s grace” the convention discussed what it means to be a church of the reformation for the next 500 years.

Willard Metzger, executive director, Mennonite Church Canada addressed the convention’s theme in his sermon at the opening worship service and noted: “God’s grace is so much more lavish than we can imagine it to be”, as he reflected on Jesus’ parable about the sower and the seeds. “The role of the sower (the church) is to sow lavishly.” “If there ever is a time that the world needs to see the witness of those liberated by grace, it is now”, Metzger said. “And who better to herald this display of liberated grace than Lutherans.”

The following day an ecumenical panel with church leaders from different traditions shared their perspectives of the significance of the Reformation commemoration.

Personally I was impressed by the inspiring worship and prayers, especially when a session finished early and our National Bishop Susan Johnson invited the assembly to: “... take time to support each other in prayer.” 150 delegates began to pray together, bringing our concerns and joys before God for about 15 minutes. What a vibrant expres-



National Bishop Susan Johnson

sion of being church together!

Read and watch the reports about our convention online! There is much to discover! www.elcic.ca

— Pastor Christian Ceconi

Come and Be a Part of the Reformation Events in Toronto

Leading up to October you will have the chance to attend a presentation and celebrate three inspiring services around the commemoration of Reformation in Toronto. Make sure you don’t miss them!

- **On Wednesday, Aug. 9, at 7:00 pm**, St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church presents “500 Years Since Luther: Can Catholics and Lutherans Commemorate Together?” Fr. James Loughran, SA, will speak. He directs Graymoor Ecumenical & Interreligious Institute (GEII) in Manhattan. Graymoor Ecumenical & Interreligious Institute summer ministry interns will also be present. They recently completed a study of interfaith and interreligious movements from a Catholic perspective at Centro Pro Unione in Rome.
- **On Saturday, Sept. 30, at 2:00 pm** we celebrate a Joint Common Prayer Service at St. Ansgar Lutheran Church (at Lawrence and Avenue Rd). Our Bishop Dr. Michael Pryse and Archbishop Cardinal Collins will preside at this ecumenical service which brings together Christians from Lutheran and Roman Catholic traditions. It is a milestone in ecumenical dialogue. Come and celebrate that we are one in Christ and have more in common than what divides us. The service is followed by a reception.
- **On Sunday, Oct. 15, at 11:00 am** we celebrate the closing service of the DELKINA Conference at Martin Luther Church. The DELKINA represents German speaking

Lutheran congregations in Canada and the US. Bishop Dr. Michael Pryse will preach (in English). All German Lutheran congregations from the GTA are invited to come and worship together. The service is followed by a reception.

• **On Sunday, Oct. 29, at 2:00 pm** all Lutheran congregations will gather in St. James Anglican Cathedral to celebrate Reformation Sunday together. We will emphasize

social justice, one of the concerns of the Reformation. The service is followed by a procession to First Lutheran Church where the celebration concludes at about 4:30 pm. There will not be a morning worship service at MLC on that day, in order for all members to support the joint service of our ministry area. You will find more information at www.lutheranstoronto.org.

Remarks and Reports

Ecumenical Guesthouse 2017—Recap

On June 5, 2017, we arrived in the historic town of Wittenberg, Germany. With the beautiful market square in the background, we made our way to our tent and introduced ourselves to the other congregation members from South Africa and Costa Rica. Then we set to work preparing our booth—complete with a banner of the Toronto skyline, bilingual speech bubbles, and an inflatable moose head!

Our schedule from then on was fairly consistent. At the start of the day, one of our three congregations would lead the morning devotion, sometimes followed by a group activity. The majority of the afternoon was spent conversing with individuals who came into our tent, and of course handing out free samples of pancakes with maple syrup (freshly made by Tanya every morning). A few members from the EKD also conducted couch interviews once or twice a day, the most notable being those with EKD officials Nikolaus Schneider and Margot Käßmann. At the end of the day, a different congregation would lead the evening devotion, and after cleaning up we would head out for the night—often going out to eat dinner together.

During our spare time, we also explored a few of the exhibitions taking place in Wittenberg, including the Lutherhaus (Luther's home, now turned into a museum), Reformation 360 (a panorama of what Wittenberg might have looked like in 1517), and "Luther und die Avantgarde" (a contemporary art show). We also had time to see the magnificent Stadtkirche, where Martin



Luther preached, and the Schlosskirche, featuring the infamous door to which Luther pinned his 95 theses. We were even able to stay for a church service in the Schlosskirche on Sunday. Also of note was the Luther Wedding, a medieval festival celebrating the union of Martin Luther and Katharina von Bora. The streets of Wittenberg were filled with individuals in medieval costumes, selling goods out of medieval themed stands, with bands playing medieval music.

All in all, it was a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Don't hesitate to speak to Anita, Tanya, Manya or myself if you would like to hear more about this trip. A big thank you goes out to the EKD for giving us the chance to represent Canada in Wittenberg! **#DankeDirk**

—Jocelyn Sommerfeld



A Church Picnic Story



The 2017 Church Picnic was held at Sidrabene in Burlington. We had a great service in the forest, for which Iris played guitar and lots of people did readings, then we had a barbeque with sausages, pasta salad, and watermelon. Afterwards, the adults talked to each other for all eternity, while the kids had so much fun. Some of us went to the splash pad or even the pool, but something we were all able to enjoy was the hamster wheel, because it's fun to do and even more fun to watch people fall down on it. I mastered the trick of going really fast on it! (Hint: look out to the side, and walk normally.) Then we had dessert, which was coffee, but also yummy things like muffins. Then we went back to doing gymnastics on the grass, and watching the adults on the hamster wheel. It was hard for everyone to go home when it was time (we were last to leave!!). It was a very fun day, and I think the main highlight was being all together (and the hamster wheel!). For a family like mine that doesn't come to church too often, it's a fun way to keep in touch with everyone we know in the church community.

—Amelia Herrmann



We thank George for waxing and polishing the basement floors.

Party in the Park

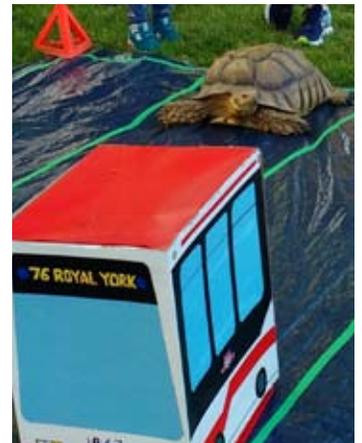
Party in the Park was an unforgettable experience and we felt fortunate to be able to participate as interns. In the week prior to the event, we worked hard to create an activity and display that incorporated both the history of Mimico and our church's involvement in the community. We first created a timeline to highlight many of the historic events that have taken place in Mimico since Confederation, including our church's involvement in the community. Thereafter, we created an accompanying game to engage all ages (including children!) in learning about the area's history!

With the game, we decided to highlight the introduction of streetcar service in Mimico in 1892. Public transit has been, and continues to be, a big part of Mimico's identity as a commuter paradise and is something that all the children would be able to recognise and appreciate. It was a fun challenge to try to recreate the iconic bus and streetcars used by the TTC today, as well the original streetcar used in 1892. We additionally recreated some important buildings from Mimico's history, including our church and daycare, to line the street.

Thanks to the hard work of everyone involved, including 5 volunteers, the Party in the Park was a massive success and the racing game was a hit with the kids, the young at heart and a tortoise!

It was an incredibly rewarding experience to be able to take part in this community building event. The close cooperation between the various churches and businesses made this event a great success.

—Jenny and Nicholas



Psalm Chanting

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you very much, that you so openly experienced the singing of the psalms in the Sunday worship services of the last months!

For the psalm chanting in choirs, a special changing form, developed as of the 8th century, went as follows: an antiphon is sung together at the beginning and at the end of the psalm, while the verses are alternately recited by the singers leading and those praying.

Dear congregation, you would have learned this and

much more at the psalm chanting workshop on June 17, 2017, in our church, which unfortunately did not take place due to a lack of registration.

You can read more about the very interesting history of psalms on our website or request a printed copy from the office!

—Your Alena Mathis

A Syrian Wedding

The Rosto and Resto families celebrated the wedding of their son Elias and niece Ninorta respectively in Toronto in July, with an Assyrian Christian wedding service followed by a reception for 500. Knowing that the number of Assyrians remaining in Syria—due to people escaping war and persecution—is now as low as 1000, this traditional celebration with its many meaningful rituals was particularly poignant and special.

We continue to await the arrival of our third refugee family.

Next Refugee Support Team Meeting:

Thurs. Sept. 21, 2017

—Greg and Anneli



Groups and Contacts

Altar Flowers

Sign up on the list in the church entrance. Arrange to have flowers delivered or drop them off before the services on Sunday. You can also donate to the flower fund. Please notify the church office of your plans. You and the person(s) you are donating for will be included in the church announcements.

Contact: Church office, Tel: 416-251-8293, churchoffice@martinluther.ca

Bible Study Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 pm

Next meeting: Resumes in the fall.

Contact: Pastor Ceconi, pastor@martinluther.ca

Choir Practice every Tuesday at 6 pm for Thanksgiving and Closing Service of the DELKINA Conference. Resumes September 5.

Choir Director: Linda Marcinkus, Tel: 416-255-2612

Worship Team

Usually the fourth Tuesday of the month.

Next meeting: Resumes in the fall.

Contact: Pastor Christian Ceconi, Cell: 416-567-2487, pastor@martinluther.ca

Welcome Team

Next meeting: TBD

Contact: Iris Schweiger, Tel: 905-625-9174

Senior's Group

2nd Wednesday of the month at 11 am at church.

Next meetings: Resumes September 13 at the Wienecke farm.

Contact: Daina Wienecke, Tel: 905-939-2601, seniorsgroup@martinluther.ca

Summer Camp Planning Team

Next meeting: TBD

Contact: Anna Lisa Wienecke, Tel: 905-939-7494

Sunday School Team Sunday School every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month (not in summer).

Next meeting: TBD

Contact: Tanya Zielke, Tel: 416-622-7032, sundayschool@martinluther.ca

Website Team

Next meeting: August 17 at 7:30 pm

Contact: Marlena Muller, churchoffice@martinluther.ca

Youth Group

Next Meeting: Confirmands' Weekends

Confirmation Classes

Begin with Retreat: September 22-24, 2017

Contact: Pastor Christian Ceconi,

Cell: 416-567-2487

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Martin Luther

Daycare Board

Contact: Pastor Ceconi, pastor@martinluther.ca

Support Team for Syrian Families

Usually 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm

Next Meeting: September 21

Contact: Greg and Anneli Andre-Barrett,

anneliandrebarrett@gmail.com

Visiting Ministry Team

Contact: Gisela Wilhem, Tel: 416-763-3789

Church Coffee Team

Contact: Waltraud Laser, Tel: 416-766-9373

Translation Team

Contact: Church office, Tel: 416-251-8293,

churchoffice@martinluther.ca

Drum Circle Wednesdays at 10 am

Contact: Iris Schweiger, iris.g.schweiger@sympatico.ca

Community Partners

Wesley Mimico United Church

Community lunch 12-1 pm every Saturday and

Food Bank 11-1 pm (except for the last Saturday of the month). Resumes in September.

Contact: Kim, Tel: 647-677-5628

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Contact: Carol-Anne, Tel: 416-255-6282,

2358 Lakeshore Blvd. West Toronto M8V 1C3

Delmanor Prince Edward Retirement Home

Services by Pastor Ceconi with Holy Communion

the third Wednesday of the month at 10:30 am at

4180 Dundas St W, Etobicoke

Next Service: September 20

Lakeshore Lodge Long-Term Care Services usually on the third Sunday every other month at 2 pm,

3197 Lake Shore Blvd West, Toronto

Next Service: TBD

Moll Berczy Haus Senior's Home

German services the second Tuesday of the month, and the last Wednesday of the month at 10 am, 1020 McNicoll Ave, Scarborough

Next Service: September 12

We're Here For You

Pastor Christian Ceconi

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German Radio Devotion

Sundays 9:30 am on AM 530

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Worship Service Plan

Aug. 6, 2017	9th Sunday after Pentecost Lectionary 18		9:45 am English Service 11:00 am German Service	Pastor Ceconi
Aug. 13, 2017	10th Sunday after Pentecost Lectionary 19		9:45 am English Service 11:00 am German Service Both with Holy Communion	Pastor Ceconi
Aug. 20, 2017	11th Sunday after Pentecost Lectionary 20		11:00 am Joint Service	Lay Preacher: Katja Brittain
Aug. 27, 2017	12th Sunday after Pentecost Lectionary 21		9:45 am English Service 11:00 am German Service Farewell to Alena Mathis	Pastor Ceconi
Sept. 3, 2017	13th Sunday after Pentecost Lectionary 22		9:45 am English Service 11:00 am German Service	Pastor Ceconi
Sept. 10, 2017	14th Sunday after Pentecost Lectionary 23		Back to School Services 9:45 am English Service 11:00 am German Service Both with Holy Communion	Pastor Ceconi and Vicar Klein
Sept. 17, 2017	15th Sunday after Pentecost Lectionary 24		11:00 am Joint Service	Vicar Klein
Sept. 24, 2017	16th Sunday after Pentecost Lectionary 25		9:45 am English Service 11:00 am German Service	Pastor Ceconi
Sept. 30, 2017			2:00 pm Common Prayer Service with Roman Catholics and Lutherans in Commemoration of 500 Years Reformation at St. Ansgar Followed by Reception	Bishop Dr. Michael Pryse and Cardinal Thomas Collins
Oct. 1, 2017	17th Sunday after Pentecost and German Thanksgiving		9:45 am English Service 11:00 am German Service Both with Church Choir	Pastor Ceconi
Oct. 8, 2017	Thanksgiving		9:45 am English Service 11:00 am German Service	Vicar Klein
Oct. 15, 2017	19th Sunday after Pentecost Lectionary 28		11:00 am Joint Closing Service of DELKINA Conference with Bishop Dr. Michael Pryse	

A library of Pastor Ceconi's German Radio Devotions is also available online at martinluther.ca



Sundays with the Sunday School symbol have Sunday School take place at the same time as the worship. The children meet in the Church and have their own program after Children's Time.