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A Story That Has Only Just Begun

At an international conference with other theologians I met a pastor from the Netherlands. As it turned out he was a member of the Brethren (Moravian Church), working on a thesis on religious biographies. Suddenly this entirely unspectacular subject got very interesting when he began to tell me about the background of the biographical reports and with whom he worked.

Older members of the Moravian Church were asked to write down their life story. Quite often this took place with the help of other parishioners. At the base of this practice lies the idea: If we believe that God is active in historical event, revealed in our human history, then it is important to look for the traces of his activity. Reflecting on a life story consequently becomes a search for God's traces in this life and the need to talk about them. The biographies were therefore not written for the sake of glorification or vanity. On the contrary, they were meant to speak about God's work as it was experienced by individuals, to honor God, to become indicators for the next generation and to discover how and where God can be experienced in this world.

Simply a wonderful way to tell a story without being nostalgic. To read the story as God's story, this is how I would like to look back on the anniversary of our congregation. A story that—has only just begun—at least in God's temporal dimensions. We've only just opened with the first chapters and the story will go on. The stories of the elderly are important milestones that aid in retrospect with the orientation for the future. Every Sunday we celebrate God's presence, that we are not traveling alone, but are accompanied and led by his Spirit. We are human beings on the way to God's future. A future that we do not need to create only by ourselves, but receive from his hands. From this let us draw courage, let us trust that God still has a lot in store for us. Let us celebrate that he deems us worthy to serve him and to actively spread his love in this world. With us he sets signs and will continue to do so. Yesterday, today and tomorrow!

What a blessing we are a part of.

Grateful and full of joy
about our upcoming anniversary is your

**Praise be to the Lord,
the God of Israel,
because he has come
to his people and
redeemed them.**

*(Luke 1:68—Psalm
of the Day for the 60th
Anniversary Sunday)*

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Martin Luther: Springboard into the Future

Do you **wonder**? Often I **wonder** what would happen if a person long deceased would come back to life. Today, I **wonder** what Martin Luther would discover at the end of 2015, as our 60th congregational anniversary is just around the corner and Christmas is fast approaching. Would he find anything in the Martin Luther Church that was dear to him 500 years ago? I imagine it this way:

Firstly, he'd be interested to learn more about our Luther ambassador, our endeavor to find people who don't know anything about him and to talk about the grace of God.

Secondly, he would be excited to participate in worship in English and in German, two languages used to make sure all are able to hear the word and learn in their language, yet one church.

Thirdly, he'd be thrilled to know that music still plays such a big part in the Martin Luther Church, the newly restored organ playing at the 60th anniversary festivities, the choir singing and the drums sounding.

And as a side note, he'd probably get a kick out of the decorated pine trees standing tall on either side of the altar for our festive services at Christmas.

Then, I can hear him say: "You are doing a great job keeping your heritage. What are you doing to meet the needs of the people in the 21st century?"

What would you say?

My answer: "We are working at..."

- Increasing communication channels that make it easy for people to find us
- Developing mission parameters as guide for decision making
- Offering Programs that are current and necessary
- Preparing to welcome our refugee families
- Analyzing our building in terms of needs for today and the future in working on a roadmap for renovations in light of Mimico 2020
- Creating a wide variety of volunteer opportunities
- Ensuring fair employment and affordable living
- Supporting the revitalisation of our Day Care

This list is by no means complete but surely reflects the depth of our congregational work. Thank you for all your help supporting the healthy development and growth of the Martin Luther Church in 2015. And do you

start to **wonder** now too? What will Martin Luther find next year, or in 2017 when we will celebrate the 500 year reformation anniversary? In 2020???

Happy birthday Martin Luther Congregation, Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year.

*Iris Schweiger
President*

We are Looking for Writers, Photographers and Translators!

All church groups and individual members are invited to contribute to or provide content for the MLC website. This is a great chance to inform the congregation about our church groups, advertise upcoming church activities, report on recent church events, and contribute to our church archives with your historical reflections. Be an author and send us your articles. Be a photographer and send us your pictures. We will edit, arrange for translation if necessary and upload content to the website. Thanks in advance! - The Website Team.

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Sunday, November 29, 2015
from 12-4 pm

Look forward to tasty Christmas cookies, songs, a bazaar with creative, handmade treasures, incredible food (grilled sausages, delicious waffles), punch, lovely people, a magical Christmas atmosphere and... a visit from St. Nicholas.

Proceeds will go to Syrian refugee families for their immigration and integration.

Services at 9:45 am (English)
and 11:00 am (German)



Christmas Play—Reinvented with a Film

This year, instead of putting on a traditional Christmas play on the third of Advent, we will be filming our play. The film will be shown on the 3rd of Advent as part of the service.



Enjoy Two Inspiring Services with Jazz Music

The candlelight service on the 4th Sunday of Advent (Dec 22) will not only provide the opportunity to get and spread the Peace Light from Bethlehem. You will also listen to wonderful Jazz music, performed by Magnus Hjerpe and Elizabeth Martin.

Another opportunity for good Jazz music is the service on New Year's Day, Jan 1st, at 5:00pm. Magnus and Bruce Tatemichi will play. Come and bring your friends. Be inspired by music and God's word.

We Will Bring the Peace Light to the Lakeshore

Each year, a child from Upper Austria fetches the light from the grotto in Bethlehem where Jesus was born. The light is carried in two blast proof miners lamps on an Austrian Airlines jet from Tel Aviv (Israel) to Vienna (Austria) from where it is distributed at a Service of Dedication to delegations from across Europe. They take it back, with a message of Peace, to their own countries. Austrian Airlines then flies the miner's lamps containing the Peace Light from Bethlehem to New York City from where it is distributed in North America. On December 6th it will arrive at the Christmas Market in Toronto's Distillery District and Martin Luther Church will bring it to the Lakeshore and pass it on during the Candlelight service on the 4th Sunday of Advent. Bring a

lantern to take it home and to bring the light of peace to all your friends.

Maybe you'd like to volunteer to bring the light to our church on December 6th (at 5pm after the anniversary celebrations). If so, please contact the church office.

Daycare Board

The Board welcomes two new members, Christiane Böck and Peter Kearns, to lead and support the Martin Luther Day Care. Christiane is from Austria and now lives in Mimico. She has a background in communications and helps a lot in the congregation. Peter Kearns also lives and works in Mimico. His daughter went to the Martin Luther Day Care until she started kindergarten this fall. He looks forward to sending his 10-month old to the Day Care as well.



Left to right: Christiane Böck, Ulrich Karthaus, Heidi Jonuschies, Inge Koo Tze Mew, Eddie Scholz, Christian Ceconi, Peter Kearns

Voices for the Anniversary Impressions of the Spirit of Martin Luther Church and Hopes for the Future

Below are the first responses from different generations and perspectives. We welcome you to make your voice heard as well.

The most important thing is children. The church was built up by offering families Sunday School. Belief in God is important. God accompanies us even in hard times.

— **One of our oldest members**

Martin Luther Church is a welcoming community, with many ongoing highlights, such as the Christmas Bazaar, Bible studies, the influential services held in both English and German! Join us!

— **Confirmand: Ida Hjerpe**

God's Word and the community in our church have become a concrete part of our lives. We wish that God will hold, lead and guide the following generation to stay faithful in the ML Church.

— **Former President: Heinz Gutsch**

Our Martin Luther Church is very special. The founding members, 60 years ago, sought a New Life in a New Country. They wanted to worship with their German Language and uphold German Traditions. We the children now continue to cherish the ties they made. Many of us have moved far away and cannot attend regularly. But we know we belong to this "Greater Martin Luther Church" Community and come together through Church Camp during the summer and other special occasions.

— **Summer camper: Richard Herman**

The Day Care is grateful to the church for restoring 5 Superior. We feel like we are here to stay to serve the community and provide employment to staff which helps fulfill dreams.

— **Supervisor, Martin Luther Church Day Care:
Teresa Kurek**

The spirit of MLC is hospitality: the gift that allows strangers to become friends. And new friends will bring you new life, new love, and renewed faith.

— **Rev. Paul Shepherd,
formerly Wesley Mimico United Church**



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A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words

The 60th Anniversary photo team is looking forward to taking your picture. Sign up by phone, email, online (SignUpGenius.com/go/30E094DACA72EA5FF2-2015), or in person at church to have your photo taken. We invite you to bring an item that shows your connection to your Martin Luther Church so you can pose with it and/or our green Martin Luther statue.

Photo Session Times:

- Sunday November 29 before, during and after the German service
- Sunday December 6 before and after the festive service

If you are unable to attend a photo session at the Martin Luther Church please:

- Send a photo to the office. Indicate whether you give Martin Luther Church permission to include the image in any multimedia format or if it is restricted to sharing within the congregation only (e.g. member book).
- We can drive to you to take a photo of you with the green Martin Luther Statue.

For questions, or if you are able to assist with the photo project, please contact the church office:
416-251-8293 or churchoffice@martinluther.ca

— 60th Anniversary Programme —

Sign the guestbook

**Have your photo taken by our team
(if you haven't already)**

**Pre-order a copy of the
60th anniversary member book**

11 am service with Bishop Pryse

Holy Communion

The congregational choir

Slideshow presentation

**Greetings and messages
from special guests and contacts**

About 1 pm catered lunch in the church basement

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)

Bishop Bedford-Strohm Reelected

Term of office until 2021. Heinrich Bedford-Strohm remains chair of EKD Council

Bremen, November 11, 2015 This morning, Heinrich Bedford-Strohm, bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Bavaria, received 124 of 125 votes cast by the Synod and Church Conference of the Evangelical Church in Germany (EKD), currently convening in Bremen. Congratulating him on his election, Synod president Irmgard Schwaetzer declared, "We are delighted about this outstanding result." Together with the members of the Council, Heinrich Bedford-Strohm would guarantee the presence of the church in contemporary societal debates, she added. "There is a growing need for ethical orientation," she underlined. "And the upcoming Reformation anniversary will also pose high demands on public communication by theologians and church leaders."

Bedford-Strohm (55), born in 1960 in Memmingen, Bavaria, has been bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Bavaria since the end of 2011 and a member of the EKD Council since November 2013. At the end of 2014 he followed Nikolaus Schneider as its chair. Having started out as a pastor in diaconal and congregational ministry, Bedford-Strohm then became professor for Systematic Theology and Contemporary Theological Issues at Bamberg University. Heinrich Bedford-Strohm is married and has three adult children.

*EKD Press Office
Carsten Splitt*

About the EKD Synod: the EKD Synod, with the Council and Church Conference, is one of the three governing bodies of the EKD. It is convening from 8 to 11 November in Bremen. In accordance with the EKD's constitution, the 12th Synod has 120 members. The assignments of Synod include drafting declarations and decisions on contemporary questions and accompanying the work of the EKD Council by issuing guidelines. Synod also discusses and adopts the budget and church laws. Synod is chaired by a body of moderators (presidium), under its president Irmgard Schwaetzer. She is also a

member of the 15-person EKD Council to be elected in Bremen. Chair of the EKD Council is the Lutheran Bishop of Bavaria, Heinrich Bedford-Strohm. The EKD is a community of 20 Lutheran, Reformed and United regional churches in Germany. 23 million Protestants belong to one of the 15,000 congregations.

The Pope Visits The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Rome

Rome Pope Francis has indicated the possibility to freely make a conscious decision in regards to joint Communion celebrations for Catholics and Lutherans. Life is "greater than interpretations," he said on November 15th during a visit to the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Christ in Rome in light of the difference in understanding the sacrament of Catholics and Lutherans. Both share the same baptism. Everyone needs to find an answer for themselves.

"I would not dare declare it, because that is not in my competence," said the head of the Catholic Church. The faithful should speak to God and move forward. "That's all I venture to say," added the Pope.

Francis is the third pope who visited the hundred-year-old Lutheran church in the city of Rome. Prior to this his two predecessors, John Paul II. and Benedict XVI., accepted an invitation from the Lutheran minority church.

New Dean Appointed for Our Central Toronto Ministry Area

In October 2015, Rev. Ilze Kupleans-Ewart resigned as Dean of the Central Toronto Ministry Area. We are very thankful for her good leadership and for serving our Lutheran community in the initial year of the new area structure.

In November Bishop Dr. Michael Pryse appointed our Pastor Christian Ceconi as the new Dean of our area.

The Reformation on the One World

by Hanna Reichel In the common form of the Apostles' Creed, we confess one „holy Catholic church.“ Did that ever catch your attention? Have you ever reacted by thinking: „But I am Lutheran, am I not?“ At Martin Luther Church, it reads: „holy Christian church.“ What may sound like something quite different actually points to the same thing.

The Greek word „*catholos*“ originally means: „universal.“ From early on, Christians saw the church as the earthly body of Jesus Christ. Thus, they believed that the great variety of local congregations was an expression of something more: a truly universal community, founded in Jesus Christ, where all divisions of nation, class, gender and even religion were to be overcome. When we confess the „holy catholic church,“ this is a reminder that beyond all differences of tradition, language, culture, liturgy, confession etc, the Church is *one* because it is founded in the sending of Jesus Christ and the spirit into the *one* world of our *one* God.

On October 31st—which is not only Halloween, but also Reformation day—a new theme was inaugurated for the coming year: „The Reformation and the One World.“ The Reformation was a movement of renewal and transformation of the one Church. However, it resulted in lasting divisions, led to mutual accusations, sectarian strife and wars. Despite the manifold accomplishments of the Reformation, of which we rightfully are proud: The fact that even today we have separate denominations without full communion can be seen as a failure of the Reformation movement, rather than as its achievement. It reminds us that we still need to continue reflecting on and reforming our understanding of what it means to be part of the one Church of Jesus Christ.

From the beginning, the Reformation itself was a pluralistic movement of international scope. Martin Luther was an important one among its many distinct voices. The Reformation was also a starting point for the diversification of the Church. The bible was translated into new languages and read by common people, worship and church organization became more participatory, education and emancipation was propagated, enumerable works of music and fine arts created. In the wake of the Reformation, different expressions of faith, various styles of worship and congregational life, an abundance

of media and cultural resources came to bear witness to the one God. The ensuing diversity is a rich and plentiful, a many-voiced choir for the glory of God and something we as humans also can enjoy.

Not only did the Reformation movement greatly contribute to this pluralisation of the Christian witness but also to the globalization of the one world. From the very beginning, the Reformation went out into the world. Religious refugees and ardent missionaries migrated across the globe in search for freedom or in the enthusiastic proclamation of the gospel. They brought into contact different cultures, societies and customs. As they went, they themselves diversified as well as enriched many a society. Some even became the founding fathers of new, democratic nations. They also paved the ambivalent roads to globalization as well as to imperialism and colonialism. Which responsibilities for the future of our one world do we inherit from this history? Solidarity with refugees, dialogue with other cultures, denominations and religions, the healing of colonial wounds, commitment to justice and peace, tolerance and diversity may not just be optional here.

Today, we live in a „global world.“ But is it really „one world“? John Calvin, another of the great Reformation thinkers, once said about the Church: Holding on to its oneness is actually the strongest criticism one can voice against its current state of affairs. If we today confess the „holy catholic Church,“ this is a powerful objection to any denominational strife dividing the one Church of Christ as well as to the vast injustices and conflicts dividing the one world of God. This confession entails a commitment. *Ecclesia semper reformanda*—the Church always has to be reformed was an important insight of the Reformation: We have to hold on to the „reformation“ of Church and world as a stance and as a movement rather than as a result and an identity. What shape could such a movement take today?



Bethel Stamps

For many years our congregation has collected postage stamps that are sent to Bethel. Bethel can use all stamps and sincerely thanks us for our donations. At the Postage Stamp Department of Bethel, stamps are not only sorted and prepared to be sold to collectors. They also bring people together. Bethel works to improve resources for people with disabilities. You can find a collection box in the church basement. Be careful to leave a 1 cm space around stamps when cutting them out so that the edges aren't damaged. You can find more information on briefmarken-bethel.de/english/

Contact: Inge Koo Tze Mew

Song Study

Dear Congregation,

During the last weeks, a group of people met in the church to explore church music throughout the centuries. For me it was a great pleasure to bring together with Linda the songs and lyrics back to life and find their particularities. We explored the new beginning during the era of the Reformation, the praise to God after the 30-Year-War had ended, the combination of practiced spirituality with the ministry to the world in Pietism and the individual faith underlined by melodies of the Classical Epoch and the romantic lyrics in the 19th century.

There is one more session to come. On Thursday, December 3rd at 7pm, we are going to explore modern music of the 20th century from the Confessing Church to new spiritual songs. I am looking forward to seeing you there.

Best wishes,
Moritz Menacher

Refugee Update

More than 60 people from various backgrounds, private sponsors and members of at least a dozen churches attended the refugee seminar on October 24, 2015 at our church. Knowledgeable guest speakers representing four different help organisations provided an outline of how individuals and groups are able to help refugees all over the world. The personal testimony from the Syrian

Canadian sponsor weighed the pros and cons of the immigration process to Canada.

The families we have co-signed for are at varying stages of their background and medical checks...

We Thank...

the members of the building committee for an exceptional job. Their findings will help decision making in the near and distant future. Thank you Cam, Dan, Ernst, Keith, Martin, Margarete, Peter and Teresa.

Confirmation Retreat in Epiphany Lutheran Church Learning about Jesus in Scarborough

On November 13-15 our confirmands together with Tanya and Pastor Christian went to Scarborough to learn more about Jesus' life and the Holy Land. Thanks to the hospitality of Epiphany Lutheran Church they had a wonderful time, including a surprise concert: The organist came at midnight into the church to practice for Sunday.



We Congratulate...

We congratulate the Cameron Schamburek family! Their son, **Noah Schamburek**, was born on October 11, 2015.



We also congratulate the Menacher Reichel family! Their son, **Joshua Jacob Menacher**, was born on November 11, 2015.



We Mourn...

At the age of 92 on October 7, 2015, **Stella Kakoschke** passed away. We said goodbye to her at a funeral service on October 10.

**So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.
God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.**
(1 John 4:16)

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 Discussion of texts on Tuesdays usually the first and third Tuesday of the month. Will continue in February.
Contact: Pastor Christian Ceconi, Cell: 416-567-2487, pastor@martinluther.ca

Choir Practice every Tuesday at 6 pm for 1st of Advent and 60th Anniversary Celebration on the 2nd of Advent and Christmas.
Choir Director: Linda Marcinkus, Tel: 416-255-2612

Welcome Team
Next meeting: Friday January 8 at 10 am in the church.
Contact: Iris Schweiger, Tel: 905-625-9174

Women's Group
2nd Wednesday of the month at 11 am at church.
Next meeting: December 9
Contact: Daina Wienecke, Tel: 905-939-2601

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

Website Team
Next meeting: TBD
Contact: Eike Schamburek, eike.schamburek@gmail.com

Worship Team Usually the last Tuesday of the month.
Next meeting: January 26 at 7:30 pm
Contact: Pastor Christian Ceconi, Cell: 416-567-2487, pastor@martinluther.ca

Church Coffee Team**Contact:** Waltraud Laser, Tel: 416-766-9373**60th Anniversary Celebration Committee****Contact:** Church office, Tel: 416-251-8293, churchoffice@martinluther.ca**Youth Group****Next Meeting:** See MLC Youth Group page on Facebook**Contact:** Amy and Sonja Schweiger, Tel: 905-625-9174, youthgroup@martinluther.ca**Martin Luther Church Daycare Office****Contacts:** Helen Schmidt (Administrator), Teresa Kurek (Supervisor), Tel: 416-259-2861, daycareoffice@martinluther.ca**Martin Luther Church Daycare Board****Contact:** Ulrich Karthaus, Tel: 519-942-6244**Confirmation Classes****Next classes:** December 12-13, 2015, January 9-10, 2016**Contact:** Pastor Christian Ceconi, Cell: 416-567-2487, pastor@martinluther.ca**Support Team for Syrian Families****Next Meeting:** TBD**Contact:** Dieter Schill, schill@rogers.com**Translation Team****Contact:** Church office, Tel: 416-251-8293, churchoffice@martinluther.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). Volunteers always welcome!**Contact:** Kim, Tel: 647-677-5628**Drum Circle** every Wednesday at 10 am**Contact:** Iris Schweiger, president@martinluther.ca**Stonegate Ministry & Great Finds**

Offering quality gently-used items.

Store hours: M-Th: 9:30 am-5:30 pm; Fri: 9:30 am-6 pm**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 services: December 16, January 20**Lakeshore Lodge Long-Term Care** Services on Sunday every few months at 2 pm, 3197 Lake Shore Blvd West, Toronto **Next service:** January 17**Moll Berczy Haus Senior's Home** German services the second Tuesday of the month at 11 am, and the last Wednesday of the month at 10 am, 1020 McNicoll Ave, Scarborough **Next service:** January 12 at 11:00 am**We're Here For You****Pastor Christian Ceconi**

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Worship Service Plan

Nov.29, 2015	1st Sunday of Advent		9:45 am English Family Service 11:00 am German Family Service with Choir, followed by Advent Bazaar	Pastor Ceconi
Dec. 6, 2015	2nd Sunday of Advent 60th Anniversary Celebration		11:00 am Joint Service with Bishop Pryse, the Choir and Holy Communion	Pastor Ceconi
Dec. 13, 2015	3rd Sunday of Advent		11:00 am Joint Service with Christmas Play	Pastor Ceconi
Dec. 16, 2015			10:30 am Service at Delmanor Prince Edward Retirement Home with Holy Communion	Pastor Ceconi
Dec. 20, 2015	4th Sunday of Advent		11:00 am German Service 7:00 pm Candlelight Service	Vicar Menacher Pastor Ceconi
Dec. 21, 2015			7:00 pm Blue Christmas Service at Mimico Presbyterian Church	
Dec 24, 2015	Christmas Eve		4:30 pm German Service 6 pm English Service – Both with Choir	Pastor Ceconi & Vicar Menacher
Dec. 25, 2015	Christmas		11:00 am German Service with Holy Communion	Vicar Menacher
Dec. 27, 2015	1st Sunday of Christmas		11:00 am Joint Service	Pastor Ceconi
Dec. 31, 2015	New Year's Eve		5:00 pm Joint Service	Pastor Ceconi
Jan. 1, 2016	New Year's Day		5:00 pm Joint Jazz Service	Vicar Menacher
Jan. 3, 2016	2nd Sunday of Christmas Epiphany Sunday		9:45 am English Service 11:00 am German Service	Pastor Ceconi
Jan. 10, 2016	Baptism of our Lord Lectionary 1		9:45 am English Service 11:00 am German Service Both with Holy Communion	Vicar Menacher
Jan. 12, 2016			11:00 am German Service at Moll Berczy Haus	Vicar Menacher
Jan. 17, 2016	2nd Sunday after Epiphany Lectionary 2		11:00 am Joint Service with Welcome of New Members 2:00 pm Lakeshore Lodge	Pastor Ceconi
Jan. 20, 2016			10:30 am Service at Delmanor Prince Edward Retirement Home with Holy Communion	Pastor Ceconi
Jan. 24, 2016	3rd Sunday after Epiphany Lectionary 3		9:45 am English Service 11:00 am German Service	Pastor Ceconi
Jan. 31, 2016	4th Sunday after Epiphany Lectionary 4		9:45 am English Service 11:00 am German Service	Vicar Menacher
Feb. 7, 2016	Transfiguration of our Lord Last Sunday after Epiphany		9:45 am English Service 11:00 am German Service	Pastor Ceconi



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.