

# October 2019 Newsletter

## Messiah Lutheran Church

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## 2019 Council

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**Education Ministry:** Merv Bender  
Jean Meyers

**Property Management Ministry:** Dick Honch  
Darren Sundbo

**Worship Ministry:** Colleen Bowen  
Donna Meyers

### Our Mission Statement:

“Through the hearing and sharing of God’s Word, we, as a worshipping community, encourage a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. In faith, we reach out with Christ-like caring for the community and the world in which we live.”



### Sunday Worship

10:00am Coffee On

10:30am Worship Service and Sunday School

Check October's Calendar for services  
with Holy Communion

## Pastoral Installation

You are invited to the  
**Installation Service**

For

Pastor Fran Schmidt

At

**Messiah Lutheran Church**

1796 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue East

Prince Albert, SK

**Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**at 4 p.m.**

**POTLUCK Supper to follow**

(Rostered Leaders are invited to vest, green is  
the liturgical colour, please arrive by 3:30 p.m.)



*Happy Thanksgiving*



*<sup>32</sup> Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another,  
as God in Christ forgave you.*

## **October Newsletter**

**by Pastor Fran**

“To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven....” Ecclesiastes 3:1

In a time when we notice leaves changing their colour and falling to the ground, we can also notice lots of other changes around us. Children and youth, teachers and professors return to school, farmers are in the fields combining. And the landscapes change before our eyes. God gifts us with these seasons, each unique, each with its obvious and subtle differences.

It is a new season! And in this new season at Messiah, we begin a new relationship as Pastor and congregation. In this beginning, I wish to thank the members of Messiah, the call committee, and Church Council for your very warm welcome, the food pantry, help with various details, your enthusiasm, support, encouragement, and comments about services, preaching and my singing. It is a joy to serve as your Pastor! And I look forward to the ways that God will move and work among us.

In this season of new Pastor and new congregation, there is a time to explore who we each are, to learn preferences and differences, and to discover who we will be as we journey together in this ministry God gives us. It is an exciting time, as well as a time of nostalgia. And this is good. We journey on this sacred territory together, feeling all the feels. And God is at the centre, so we know it is good, we know that God understands how navigating those changes and feelings are not always easy. There is a time for even this: getting to know one another; coming to appreciate the uniqueness; holding on what has worked; and embracing some of the newness to find out we might wish to do some things in a new way. There is time for this discovery and thanks be to God!

As many things start-up in this season and as we get to know one another, please know that I am available and open for conversation, prayer, reflection, sharing of thoughts and ideas about ministry, about life, about Messiah, or whatever you need to talk about. If you wish a pastoral visit in your home or if you hear of someone who needs support, please let me know. You can reach me in the office, on my cell phone, by email, or feel free to stop by the office.

A prayer as we begin our ministry together:

O God of all that is, you are with us in every season and you give us a time for every purpose. Guide us day by day, sustain us, and inspire us by your Holy Spirit, to follow you in all that will unfold in this new season of ministry together! We give ourselves, and our whole lives to you, the one who is trustworthy and true, knowing you walk alongside us each step of the way. For this, we give you thanks and praise forever! Amen.

**In God's love and grace,**

**Pastor Fran**

## *Messiah Church Council* - Council Update – October 2019

"I will give them an undivided heart and put a new spirit in them; I will remove from them their heart of stone and give them a heart of flesh." [Ezekiel 11:19](#)

We are given a new spirit as children of God, who turns our hearts from stone to flesh. New beginnings. New mercies. Newness of life forevermore.

It has been a time of transition for Messiah over the past months with the departure first of Pastor Iris and then Intern Pastor Brooklynn. We give thanks for their ministry at Messiah, and for the ministry of Pastor Dan during that time of transition. And now a new beginning, and welcome to Pastor Fran.

Pastor Fran has been meeting with some of the ministry team and church members, to discuss future planning and activities.

Sunday School will be focused on Sundays and Seasons related to each week's Gospel. This will lessen preparation time for those people who volunteer to help teach. Consideration is also being given to having Sunday School scheduled for 10 – 10:30am as a way to help with attendance and teacher volunteers.

Several items related to the service and usher duties were discussed and are being implemented. Please let us know if there are any comments or concerns.

The installation service for Pastor Fran will be on Sunday, October 20, at 4:00pm, with a potluck supper to follow.

Council meets next on Tuesday, October 22, at 5:00pm.

In God's Service

**Cheryl Bauer Hyde on behalf of  
Messiah Church Council**

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## *Caring Ministry*

During the month of October, the **Caring Ministry and Community Support Ministry** team is collecting donations of clothing, kitchen utensils, and books for the YWCA. They are especially looking for winter coats, toques, scarves, and gloves/mittens for all ages.

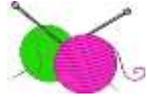
The YWCA provides services to women fleeing family violence, families needing transitional or emergency housing, and support for Newcomers to Canada or the Prince Albert area.

**Leave your donations in the designated boxes in the Narthex.** If you prefer, we can come to your house to pick up items. Just let us know and we will make arrangements.

**Jean Meyers on behalf of  
Caring Ministry and Community Services**

## *Fellowship & Crafts*

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Come join us for *Fellowship & Crafts* on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. the Peace Chapel. Everyone welcome.

Bring a craft to work on or just come for fellowship!

Donations of wool for crocheting or knitting are used to make items for charity, i.e., baby hats/clothes/blankets; and hats, toques, scarves, mitts, slippers and blankets for children and adults

*Moment of Prayer* will begin on Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 in the Peace Chapel. We will meet each Tuesday in the Peace Chapel at the same time. All welcome.

## *YOUTH NEWS - Clay / Youth / H2H*

- **CLAY INFO 2020 – MEETING FOR PARENTS and YOUTH** who want to attend the gathering in Calgary next summer will be held on **SUNDAY OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup> FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICE.**

**What is CLAY?:** CLAY is a gathering of Lutheran and Anglican youth from across Canada who get together to worship, to question, to grow in their faith, and to have a lot of fun! The 2020 theme is: “*En Route*” In Calgary Alberta from August 20 to 23. The whole trip will be around a week (bus trip and CLAY).

**Who can go?** Anyone between the ages of 14-19 in the year of 2020.

**How much will it cost?** We are budgeting \$1500. This cost does not include all meals or extra events/activities that could pop up. Hopefully, we will be able to narrow down the cost when we find out if the bus trip is happening. We budgeted high in most of the areas just in case.

**That's a lot of money?** It's true. Thankfully, we have a congregation that supports youth ministry, so we will have access to some funds along with fundraising.

**Sounds cool. Can I bring a friend?** Absolutely! If you have a friend who is not a member at Messiah Lutheran Church, but would like to come to the gathering and/or pre-gathering events, that is awesome.

If you have any concerns, questions, or suggestions please contact Pastor Fran ([pastor.mlc@sasktel.net](mailto:pastor.mlc@sasktel.net)).



- **Camp Kinasao's Youth Retreat** is coming up soon, **October 25-27!** If you are ages 11-14, and want a weekend at camp reuniting with friends, playing games, and having fun, don't miss your chance to register! You can register online now at <http://www.kinasao.ca/camp-kinasao/register>

- **CONFIRMATION: H2H Confirmation Calendar 2019-2020** has been emailed out to confirmation students. **H2H Confirmation 1<sup>st</sup> class will be held on October 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 p.m.**

**Messiah Lutheran Ladies would appreciate all donations from the congregation for our bake table and craft table.** Craft items may be left at church office prior to Saturday if more convenient. The church will be open at 10:00 a.m. Saturday (26th) for baking and crafts items. We will be selling baking and crafts from 2-4pm and serving tea and coffee with delicious desserts. Come one and all to support this venture.



**Messiah Lutheran Church**

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**FALL FAIRE  
Tea, Dessert and Bake Sale**

*Saturday, October 26, 2019*

*2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.*



- Tea & Dessert
- Bake Table
- Craft Table

*\$3.00 Admission*

*Includes Tea/Coffee & Dessert*

*All are*

*Welcome!*

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**Canada Lutheran magazine** is available at a significantly reduced rate to ELCIC members through the **Congregational Subscription Plan**. Contact Donna in the office to help you start or renew your subscription. **Deadline is November 10th.** Cost is **\$18.56**.

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**YOU could be an Advocate for Kinasao!**

Kinasao is looking for wonderful people like YOU to be an Advocate for Kinasao!

Kinasao Advocates communicate upcoming events and opportunities at Kinasao to their congregation, and assist Kinasao staff in keeping the camp connected with churches. We are looking for people who love camp, and are passionate about helping others experience God at camp!

Do you love Kinasao, and want others to experience the love of God at camp? Are you organized, willing to give announcements in your church, and enthusiastic? Then YOU would make the perfect Kinasao Advocate! There are many perks to being an Advocate for Kinasao, including:

- A super cool Kinasao Advocate shirt and other Kinasao swag!
- Being the first to know about the happenings at camp!
- Getting to attend one Kinasao retreat for FREE!
- A free training retreat to meet the other Advocates and learn about the role

If you would make the perfect Kinasao Advocate, email [Faith!](mailto:Faith@Kinasao.ca) Kinasao Lutheran Bible Camp [faith@kinasao.ca](mailto:faith@kinasao.ca)



**The Central Lutheran Broadcast** was first aired in 1956 and is the longest running radio broadcast by a single organization. The faithful listeners and supporters now see this ministry in its 63rd year. It can be heard each Sunday morning on CHAB 800 AM at 7:45am on the radio, or on cable and satellite providers. Our website is [www.centrallutheranmj.com](http://www.centrallutheranmj.com). There you can see our congregation happenings and listen to past radio services. Our mailing address is Central Lutheran Church, 27 Hochelaga St. West, Moose Jaw, SK, S6H 2E9. Our phone number is 306-694-5575. And, if you happen to be in the area on a Sunday, our worship services are at 10:00am, in the heart of downtown Moose Jaw.



**The Gift**  
**Enjoy God's Gifts Together - November 17, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.**  
**Western Development Museum**

A pre-Advent Evening  
Christmas dinner / Music and Song / Speakers / Inter-Lutheran bake sale / Cake auction

**A LuMinHoS Fundraising Event**  
Donations and Pledges will be gratefully received!  
Tickets \$40 / person – on sale September 17 – to November 4, 2019  
For tickets contact: Rhonda at 306-244-4743 or the  
LuMinHosS office at 306-229-3515; office @luminhos.org  
Website: <https://www.luminhos.org>

**A21 Walk for Freedom on October 19th from 1p.m. to 3 p.m.** to end Human Trafficking. Meet at Plaza 88 - 888 Central Avenue, Prince Albert. For more information: [www.a21.org/walk](http://www.a21.org/walk) or call (306) 960-1471.