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## **VOLUNTEERS**

### **PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN SUNDAY WORSHIP**

and are vital in order to celebrate our weekly worship. If you are able to help us out by volunteering for any role (Usher, Reader, etc.), please contact Jane in the office at 519-271-8527. Thank you!!

At this time, there is an urgent need for volunteers as “Ushers”.  
If you can possibly help us out, please contact Jane in the office.

***A SPECIAL “THANK YOU” TO OUR CURRENT VOLUNTEERS  
FOR ALL THAT YOU DO!!***

**ESPECIALLY DURING THESE DIFFICULT TIMES!!**

### **THIS WEEK WE PRAY:**

- >for the family of Doris Bartlett as they mourn her passing
- >for our members and friends with special needs: Anne, Verlie, Mary Anne, Violet, Maria, Brian, Sharon, Susan, Nya, Jane, Brian, Mary, Lynnette, Al, Glenn, Beryl, Cathy, John, Muriel, Katana, Brian and Kolby.
- >for those who have no one to pray for them.

### **SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 27<sup>th</sup> AS WE WORSHIP**

**Greeters:** Volunteers Needed

**Reader:** Wendy Hansen

**Usher Captain:** Steve Lamont Team

**Counter:** Audrey Miller Team



**MARCH 20, 2022**

# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## People of Zion

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## Ministers

Pastor

Visitation Minister

Minister of Music

Organist

Pianist

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**Third Sunday in Lent**

**March 20, 2022**

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**Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your word and obey it, and bring your saving love to fruition in our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

## WORD

First Lesson: Isaiah 55:1-9

Psalms: 63:1-8

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

Sermon:

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Zion Lutheran Church **welcomes our visitors and guests.** We are pleased that you have come to join us in the worship of our God of grace and love. May you be strengthened and uplifted in our time together. Plan to be with us, again, at your earliest opportunity.

All people of faith and those who seek faith are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. This morning, we will be distributing the Lord’s Supper in a continuous fashion. The ushers will invite the congregation to come forward down the centre aisle.

**WELCOME BACK:** We are pleased to be celebrating this morning’s “in-person” worship with you once again.

**Please note that pre-registration is still required until further notice. As well, COVID protocols (masks, social distancing, etc.) remain in place. Please call Jane to register at 519-271-8527 before 3:00 p.m. on Fridays.**

**CONGRATULATIONS to Pastor Jeff and Susan who became “Canadian Citizens” on Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. We are so happy for you!!**

**BAPTISM:** Last Sunday, March 13, 2022 we were blessed to welcome a new member to our Congregation through the Sacrament of Baptism:

**“VICTORIA SOPHIA LALLEMAND”** daughter of  
Katherine Steigmeier & Andre Lallemand.  
Congratulations to the Lallemand family.

**LENTEN SERMON SERIES:** The Stratford and District Council of Churches has produced a series of Lenten sermons focused on the theme *“Aspects of Love”*. The series includes pastors from congregations in our community and are available every Wednesday on the YouTube page of Bethel Penecostal Church: *“Bethel Stratford YouTube: Videos”* or you can follow this link which should take you directly to the youtube video for week 3:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EMcDSplJwic>

**WOMEN OF FAITH GENERAL MEETING:** Just a reminder that there is a general meeting of the Women of Faith taking place on **Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall.

**FRANKLIN FAMME RETURNS:** Franklin will, once again, honour us with his musical talents on the organ next **Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>** at our 10:00 A.M. worship.

**EASTER FLOWERS:** As is our custom here at Zion, donations are now being accepted so the **Women of Faith** can purchase flowers and decorate the church for our Easter celebrations.

Please write **“Easter Flowers”** and your name on a separate envelope and place it on the offering plate, in the locked mailbox, or bring it in to the church office any weekday morning.

#### **QUILTERS NEWS:**

- our quilting ladies have 12 small quilts completed and ready for sale. If you would like to purchase a small quilt, either for yourself or for a loved one, please contact Irene Ehgoetz at 519-271-8878.

- if you, or anyone you know, would like our talented quilting

ladies to make a beautiful quilt for you or as a gift, please contact Irene Ehgoetz at 519-271-8878.

- also, if you have any material that you would like to donate to our quilters to use in one of their creations, please call Irene Ehgoetz at 519-271-8878.

The ladies have been busy bees and are always looking for new projects.

**HOUSE OF BLESSING:** To help the House of Blessing with their significant increase in the number of people using their services since this time last year, as you are able, if you could bring **shampoo or conditioner (or any other hygiene item would be appreciated) or food items such as juice or fresh produce & meats** for the House of Blessing Food Bank and place it in the basket at the entrance of the church. Thank you for sharing your blessings with those in need.

#### **CANADIAN LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF UKRAINE APPEAL**

This is the latest email received on March 8<sup>th</sup> from Karin Achtelstetter, Executive Director, Canadian Lutheran World Relief:  
Members of the ELCIC and friends of CLWR have given generously to support the urgent humanitarian needs of all those affected by the violence in Ukraine. Today we ask you to join the worldwide response to this crisis.

Thanks to our donors, as refugees have fled into neighbouring countries, our partners have been able to provide initial aid to those in need.  
As we move to the next stage of our emergency response, we ask you to join this global effort to support those fleeing the violence in Ukraine.

We are working with our partners to deliver essential provisions to women, children and the elderly who had to leave so much behind as they were forced to flee. From soap, shampoo and toothpaste, to rice, vegetables, milk and canned meat - with your help, we can act quickly to meet people's hygiene and nutritional needs.

**A family hygiene kit costs \$25**

**A family food package costs \$35**

Please donate as you are able at [clwr.org/ukraine](http://clwr.org/ukraine) or by calling **1-800-661-2597 (Mon-Fri 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. CST)** or by putting your donation in an envelope marked **“CLWR Ukraine Appeal”** with your