Gifts from the Heart

Give a meaningful gift from the comfort of home with Canadian Lutheran World Relief's *Gifts from the Heart catalogue*. Your gift to a loved one will provide meaningful, tangible items for people around the world facing hunger, poverty and the threat of COVID-19. No matter which gift you choose, the gifts you give will change lives and touch your loved ones! Visit www.clwr.org/GFTH to learn more.

The 2021 Offering Envelopes are in your church mailboxes. The envelopes are wider so you can easily place bills in the envelopes without having to fold them. Please make out all cheques to Emmanuel Lutheran Church even if designating to other charities. Do not post-date cheques and please print the amount of your offering on the front of the envelopes. It makes the deposit easier. Remember your box is above your name. If you would like envelopes and did not receive any, please contact Connie Grieve at 306-630-5591.

Happy New Year

Connie Grieve

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE:

- 1. What time of day was Adam created? *Just a little before Eve.*
- 2. Why didn't they play cards on the Ark?

 Because Noah was always standing on the deck
- 3. Why didn't Noah ever go fishing? *He only had two worms.*
- 4. How do groups of angels greet each other? *Halo, halo, halo!*
- 5. Why did Noah have to punish and discipline the chickens on the Ark? *They were using fowl language.*



Emmanuel Lutheran Church of Moose Jaw

A member congregation of Lutheran Church – Canada

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First Sunday after Christmas December 27, 2020

Lutherans Living Christ

Our Vision: To be an active group of people serving Moose Jaw and surrounding area with a Lutheran spirituality

Our Mission: To engage people in authentic Biblical worship leading to growth in Christian living.

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Service Time Changes

As you are aware, the government restricted our worship services down to only 30 people. To allow God's people to receive His gifts of grace at this turbulent time, we have decided to move to two services on Sunday mornings: 9AM and 11AM . **Attendance is by RSVP only.** Please email the church, phone the church office at 306-692-9078 Monday-Thursday, use the RSVP form on the church website or Facebook page to book your time. We will follow up with you to confirm your time and if the services are already full, we will let you know. Our senior members without access to technology have been notified by phone call of the changes.

At each service, people will only be seated on 1/2 of the sanctuary. This will help us limit cleaning and allow the two services to go back to back. Sanctuary lights will be on where you are supposed to sit and off where you are to avoid sitting.

An online service will be prepared during the week and made available in the morning on the church website, Facebook page and YouTube channel for those who will be/still are staying home. Thank you for your patience and your prayers!

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Special Prayer Requests:



If you have special prayer requests, please contact the office to let us know.

New Year's Prayer: Help us Lord, to break out of the old ways as we leave the old year and rise to new ways of living in the light You have given us in Christ. Point us toward patterns that bring fulfillment and joy as you put us on a new path of service that leads finally to Your Kingdom. Amen.

Readings for the Week: Isaiah 61:10-62:3 Gal 4:4-7 Luke 2:22-40

The Lutheran Hour You can listen to The Lutheran Hour streaming audio and podcasts at www.lutheranhour.ca on your phone or computer. You can listen to the Lutheran Hour on radio station CKRM 620AM Regina next Sunday at 7:30 AM or CJWW 600AM Saskatoon at 7:00 AM **January 3 "Too Much"** Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The Gospel according to St. Mark shows us the Savior Who is always on the move. (Mark 1:1-2:12)

Blessed to Give Program

Are you looking for a simple way to support your congregation with your offerings? Why not take part in the "Blessed to Give" program. A person decides what he/she would like to give as a monthly offering. This amount is taken out of their bank account each month automatically by our financial institution. If you wish to donate to other funds or missions you can still do so by using your offering envelopes. If you are presently writing a cheque for the same amount each time, you might want to consider having one monthly payment. Forms are available at the church office.

Remember Lutheran Church-Canada's mission and ministry partners in prayer:

MISSIONS IN NICARAGUA

Deaconess Then BunTha serves the Lutheran Church in Phnom Penh as an instructor of the faith. As well as studying at the Luther Institute for Southeast Asia

Prayer: Heavenly Father, since Your Son has saved the world through His holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death and sent forth His Church to proclaim the Good News of this salvation to the ends of the earth and to distribute His saving gifts of grace, we pray that You would sustain Deaconess BunTha by Your Spirit and richly bless her labours for the sake of the Gospel; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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