

**\*\* January 22, 2017 \*\***



**CORE VALUES:** Faith-Integrity-Growth-Excellence-Community  
**CORE PURPOSE:** “Love God, Grow People”

**Freed & RENEWED**  
**in Christ** 500 YEARS OF GOD'S  
GRACE IN ACTION

## The Messenger



**Are you a first-time visitor?** Please stop by the Visitor Table at the top of the front stairs after the service. We have a small gift of appreciation for you.

### Blessed to Serve Others *Outreach & Servant Events*

**Our St. Paul's Global Mission for 2017 is Costa Rica.** We have pledged \$2,000 this year to assist with missionary stipend, teaching resources and a child feeding program in Cartago, Costa Rica. You may donate through your envelope offering, just mark your designated amount to “Costa Rica.”



### Blessed to Serve Our Church Community *Coming Events & Notices*



**Lutheran Church–Canada (LCC)** has launched a new website sharing information and resources related to the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation, which will be celebrated in 2017. You can visit the website at [www.reformation2017.ca](http://www.reformation2017.ca).



2017 marks the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the start of the Reformation and the founding of the Lutheran Church. In thankfulness to God for five centuries of His blessings, we are undertaking to perform at least 500 acts of mercy in His name during 2017. Our Local Relief Committee has identified Cyrus Centre (the Chilliwack youth outreach program and shelter) as our focus for local support during this anniversary. Cyrus Centre has provided us with a “shopping list” of needed items. Each month we hope to collect at least 50 of one of the items on the list. Some months it will be something relatively small and other months it will be a larger need. **In January we are collecting boxes of #10 legal/business envelopes.)** Bring your items to the church anytime during the month and place them in the Donation Box under the bulletin board at the top of the stairs. You may also contribute with a monetary donation to our Local Relief Fund.

**St. Paul’s Quilters** wish to thank all those who purchased crafts and quilts at Christmas time. This group raised \$230.00 from this sale and the money will be donated to Cyrus Teen Center in Chilliwack. We will also be donating 5-6 quilts for the 6 new bedrooms that will be built this year as the Cyrus Centre expands to meet the needs of youth at risk in the community.



**Ladies’ Potluck Supper & Study** – All ladies and teen girls are invited to this time of good food and good fellowship. Our ladies’ potluck supper is held on the **last** Wednesday of each month beginning at 6:00 pm. Hope to see you all there on **January 25th**.



**“Espresso Yourself” Event!** On Friday, January 27th from 6:30 to 9pm, Gina Marrelli will be hosting 'Espresso Yourself,' a painting, craft and open mic night. Please see the poster on the bulletin board and call 604-997-1248 to attend or participate!



**VOTERS’ MEETING!** There will be a **Voters’ Meeting on Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at the church.** This is to discuss and vote on the 2017 Budget.

**Ladies Prayer Pal Luncheon** takes place in the Fellowship Hall on **Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>** following the second service. *This*



*year we Celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Ladies Prayer Pal Luncheon.* All Ladies and teen girls are invited to a time of good fun and good fellowship. *We will reveal our Prayer Pals from*



*2016 and select our new Pal for 2017.* As a Prayer Pal you will select the name of another woman whom you will secretly pray for and encourage throughout the coming year. If you don't wish to participate in the Prayer Pal program, you are still invited to come to the Luncheon. *If you wish to have a Prayer Pal but cannot attend the luncheon, please contact Marjorie Nielsen.* The Prayer Pal program is organized by the Lutheran Women's Missionary League.



**We Are Cleaning Out the Church Refrigerators and Freezers!** If you or your church group have left items in either of the refrigerators or freezers **please remove them this coming week.** Also, remember to label your items if you plan to leave them in the future so we will know who they belong to and not be used elsewhere. *Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.*

**Sunday School Help Needed!** *Are you looking for a place to serve at St. Paul's?* Our Sunday School could use your help! If you would like to serve in this very worthwhile and rewarding mission please contact the Sarah Slade.

**Helping in Time of Need:** If you are able to help out at Funeral Receptions by either setting up or donating baking or both, then please add you name to the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Your help would be greatly appreciated.



## *What's Happening*

**Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup>** – “Espresso Yourself” Event hosted by Gina Marrelli

**Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>** – First Communion & Grade 1/2 Blessing at Second Service

**Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>** - Cyrus Centre Guest Speaker & Lunch after 2<sup>nd</sup> service

**Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>** – Voters' Meeting at 7:00 pm at the church

**Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>** – Ladies Prayer Pal Tea (after Second Worship Service)

## Please Remember In Your Prayers

- **Bob Weitzel** – receiving cancer treatment
- **Family of Hermann Bloch** – in their recent bereavement
- **Hilda Lakusta** –prayers of thanksgiving & praise for being cancer free.
- **Hannah Thomsen** (daughter of Tove & Henning) – undergoing cancer tests/treatments
- **Nancy Perkins** –recovering from hip surgery
- **Doris Coles** – recovering from surgery
- **Natasha & Gil** (friends of Susan Epp) – Gil is seriously ill
- **Les Norris** – in hospital

## This Week's Special Events

Sun. Jan. 22, 2017	10:45 am 9:45 am	<i>Communion</i> at Second Service Bible Study/ 1 <sup>st</sup> Communion Class
Mon. Jan. 23	7:30 -9:30 pm	Youth Group Bible Study
Wed. Jan. 25	6:00 pm	Ladies Potluck Supper & Study
Fri. Jan. 27	6:30 pm	“Espresso Yourself” Event
Sun. Jan. 29	8:25 & 10:45 am	<i>Communion</i> at “both” Services

### Budget requirements for the Lord's work at St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Undesignated Monthly Envelope Offerings  
Needed to meet our 2016 Budget: \$16,900.00.

December Undesignated Envelope Offering: \$18,506.00



*We Are...*

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