

February 2016



Augustana & St. Timothy's PREVIEW



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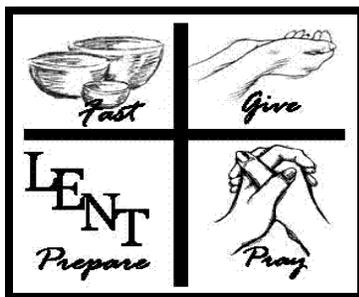
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WELCOMING CELEBRATORY INSPIRING ADVENTUROUS IN MISSION

It seems like only yesterday that we were celebrating Christmas. The sights and smells of Christmas were all around us and we talked about the season of goodwill and peace to all. That illusion was shattered for many of us with the killings in La Loche. We could not believe it had happened in Canada, let alone Saskatchewan. We have all asked many questions about this event and wondered how it could have been prevented and how we can support the families. There are no easy answers, but the easiest thing we can do for the families is to remember them in our prayers.

We are about to enter a season of prayer, contemplation and penitence. The season of Lent a time to remember all that we have done and left undone. In years gone by Lent was seen as a time to give up something. This year, however, what if we did something extra instead? Throughout Lent the Lutheran churches of Saskatoon will be gathering each week at a different church. Each week we will journey to the cross under the theme "Open My Life, Lord". Not all of us will be able to make all the services, but a Lenten discipline of extra prayer and worship aids us in our preparation for the celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord.



Lent is about preparation not about giving up things. Not just about making an extra offering to the church, as some do during Lent, but is about getting ready. Getting ready for baptism and in the case of Augustana - St Timothy, getting ready for a new pastor. Mostly Lent is about getting ready for the most important celebration in the life our church. Easter.

During this Lenten season, as we look towards others and how we can live our lives of discipleship in faithful service to others, let us keep our eyes focused on the cross. The cross which shapes all that we do as Christians. The cross in which we are baptized and which gives us life. The cross on which God gave us his only son to die for us so that we might have life. The cross cost God and great deal it costs us our whole lives as we live them in faithful discipleship to all.

In Christ:

Pr. Michael Diegel +

**Parish
Nurse
Notes**



**February
Health
Awareness**



**Kindness:
One Size
Fits All**



February is wear pink month, representing "Kindness – One size fits all"!!

Kindness – the quality of being friendly, generous, considerate, affectionate and gentle!

People are illogical, unreasonable, and self-centered. Love them anyway. ** If you do good, people will accuse you of selfish ulterior motives. Do good anyway. ** If you are successful, you will win false friends and true enemies. Succeed anyway. ** The good you do today will be forgotten tomorrow. Do good anyway. ** Honesty and frankness make you vulnerable. Be honest and frank anyway. ** The biggest men and women with the biggest ideas can be shot down by the smallest men and women with the smallest minds. Think big anyway. ** People favor underdogs but follow only top dogs. Fight for a few underdogs anyway. ** What you spend years building may be destroyed overnight. Build anyway. ** People really need help but may attack you if you do help them. Help people anyway. ** Give the world the best you have and you'll get kicked in the teeth. Give the world the best you have anyway."

Kent M. Keith, *The Silent Revolution: Dynamic Leadership in the Student Council*

- * "Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see." -Mark Twain
- * "You cannot do a kindness too soon, for you never know how soon it will be too late." -Ralph Waldo Emerson
- * "A warm smile is the universal language of kindness." -William Arthur Ward
- * "Constant kindness can accomplish much. As the sun makes ice melt, kindness causes misunderstanding, mistrust, and hostility to evaporate." -Albert Schweitzer
- * "Carry out a random act of kindness, with no expectation of reward, safe in the knowledge that one day someone might do the same for you." -Princess Diana
- * "Love and kindness are never wasted. They always make a difference. They bless the one who receives them, and they bless you, the giver." -Barbara de Angelis
- * "Remember there's no such thing as a small act of kindness. Every act creates a ripple with no logical end." -Scott Adams
- * "There is overwhelming evidence that the higher the level of self-esteem, the more likely one will be to treat others with respect, kindness, and generosity." -Nathaniel Branden
- * "A single act of kindness throws out roots in all directions, and the roots spring up and make new trees." -Amelia Earhart
- * "What this world needs is a new kind of army – the army of the kind." – Cleveland Amory

May you have a Valentine month of beautiful moments, treasured memories and abundant blessings!

Carol Kostiuk – Parish Nurse 306 291-2586

AUGUSTANA & ST. TIMOTHY'S

Readings for February:

February 7

Exodus 34:29-35
Psalm 99
2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2
Luke 9:28-43a

February 14

Deuteronomy 26:1-11
Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16
Romans 10:8b-13
Luke 4:1-13

February 21

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18
Psalm 27
Philippians 3:17-4:1
Luke 13:31-35

February 28

Isaiah 55:1-9
Psalm 63:1-8
1 Corinthians 10:1-13
Luke 13:1-9



Many Thanks to our **Altar Guild Members** who so readily help out with setting up for communion and other worship requirements. For February, this will be Sandra Cey

Lectors

Feb. 07 Eileen Carlson, Heather Kleiner
Feb. 14 Nicole Smith, Ruth Zuk
Feb. 21 Austen Smith, Deborah Buck
Feb. 28 Sharon Morley, Vange Lundgren

Prayers

Margareth Peterson
Monica Johnson
Linda Stauffer
Bonnie Moser



Our Welcoming Statement

We are a Christ-centred, welcoming community. We commit ourselves to modeling Christ's unconditional love in our worship, learning, fellowship, friendship, and service to others. Just as God welcomes and cares for us, so we welcome everyone to participate in all aspects of our community, without regard to sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, race, culture or ethnic background, physical or mental abilities, family or economic status, gender, or age. We pledge to ourselves and all others that we will strive to live as a reconciling people in our life together and in our outreach to the world.

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Parish Nurse: Carol Kostiuk 291-2586
Custodians: Tammi/Brandi Schumaker
Chair: Bruce Voldeng
Vice-Chair: Gabriela Lindenbach
Treasurer: Ron Belke
St. Timothy's Liaison: Jim Sharp

Augustana's Policy Regarding Designated Offerings:

Spending of funds is confined to Augustana's approved programs and projects. Each restricted donation toward an approved program or project will be used as designated on the understanding that when the need for such a program or project has been met, or cannot be completed for any reason as determined by Council, the remaining restricted donations designated for such program or project will be used for a purpose determined by Augustana Council to be consistent with the spirit of the gift. Remember: when writing cheques for funds that will go through Augustana, make your cheques payable to Augustana Lutheran Church and not directly to the charity who will ultimately receive your gift.

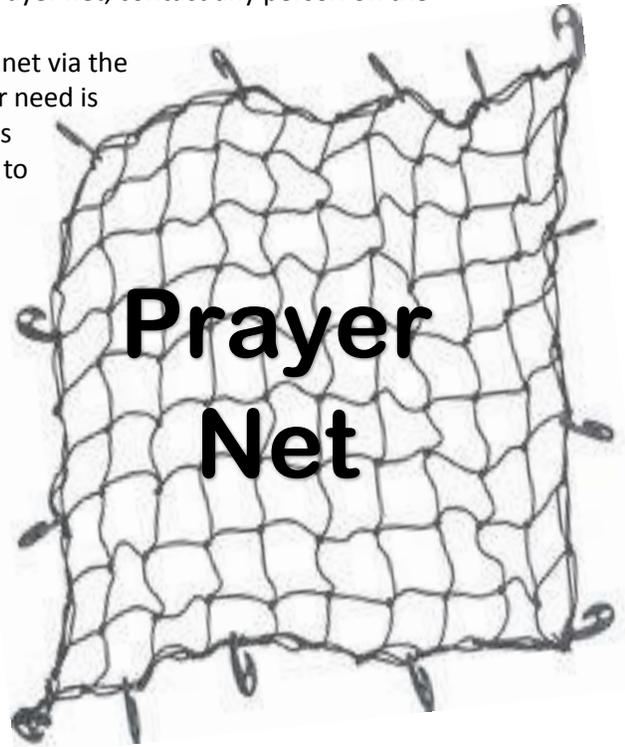
Our Mission Statement

Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Church is a family in Christ. We gather to worship God and to celebrate God's grace received through faith. We are Christians who proclaim the universal lordship of Jesus Christ and, as Lutherans, we believe that we receive salvation through faith, not through our own works. Our congregation aims to serve God and use our different talents in Christian service in our community and the world. Through the Holy Spirit, we draw closer to Christ, spreading His good news and sharing His love through word and deed to foster the continual growth of the church.

Prayer Changes Things

Prayer Net -- Volunteers on this list will respect the confidential nature of information given to them. As members of the prayer net, our commitment is to .pray for those who ask for special prayers or for those whose need has been made known to us. To activate the prayer net, contact any person on the list; that person

will then spread the information to other members of the prayer net via the internet as soon as possible. When a prayer request is received or need is known, we should pray as soon as possible and as often and for as long as seems appropriate. Prayer is a gift God has given us to use to share joys and sorrows. God hears our prayers. Intercessory prayers, prayers for others, are offered as we follow Christ's example.



THE PRAYER NET

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Saskatoon InterLutheran Lenten-Midweek

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PRESENTER</u>
Feb. 10-Ash Wednesday	Trinity	Zion
Feb. 17-Lent 1	Zion	Redeemer
Feb.24-Lent 2	Augustana	Augustana
Mar. 2-Lent 3	Resurrection	King of Glory
Mar. 9-Lent 4	Redeemer	Trinity
Mar. 16-Lent 5	Good Shepherd	Resurrection
Mar. 24-Maundy Thursday	Individual Congregation	
Mar. 25-Good Friday	Individual Congregation	



Volunteer Opportunity: The Saskatchewan Synod Biennial Convention is being held in Saskatoon, June 3-5, 2016. Help is needed in the finalizing of details and volunteer resources for this event. If you are able to assist with this project, please call the Synod Office-306-244-2474 and talk to Lindsay or Joan.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Augustana Youth!
We're always on the go!

Would you like to help serve lunch at the **Friendship Inn** on an occasional basis? Augustana's day is

Thursday, February 11th
from
11:30 AM - 1:15 PM
Contact Heather at 306-244-2726 for more information or to volunteer.

Please note that off-street parking is accessible from the alley at the bottom of the ramp.

Handicapped Parking may be used by anyone with the appropriate parking permit. There is also room for a couple of vehicles to park at the bottom of the ramp for those who need it.

Augustana & St. Timothy's Previews info

Please feel free to submit items for the newsletter to publicize events or activities in your group.

Digital pictures from events would be great!

Information should be submitted in detailed written form to the office

by February 23rd for the March issue.
augustana@sasktel.net 306-242-9553

We remind the people of Augustana & St. Timothy's that the church is a **scent-free zone**.

Please be considerate of others who have serious allergies or reactions to scents, especially artificial ones. Fragrance is a part of many cosmetics or lotions, and the combined effect of several products can be overwhelming to some.

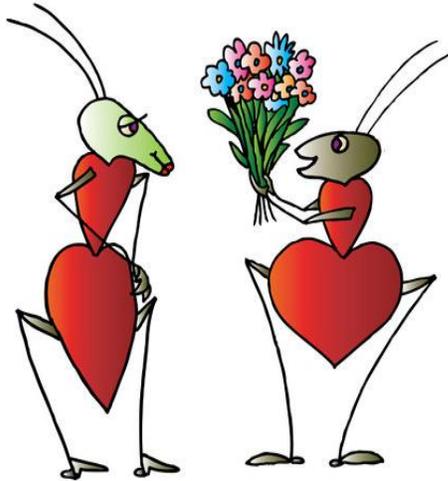
Trail appreciation in your wake – not perfume!

Please be advised, effective immediately, ALL keyholders are responsible for ensuring that all exterior doors are locked at all times. Please have someone monitoring the door until all the people for your meeting, committee, etc., have arrived and then the door is to be locked. Any questions or concerns may be directed to Gord Morley-306-290-4746

Thank you for your cooperation.



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FOREVER . . . In Motion



The InMotion Exercise Group have their Tuesday/Thursday morning exercises at 10 am. It's an excellent way to stay limber & socialize at the same time!

JESUS YOU! JESUS YOU!



Sunday School Teachers Needed

Please contact:
Josh or Gabriela Lindenbach
for more information.
306-230-5714

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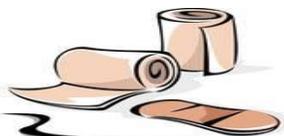
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St. Valentine
February 14

He was put in jail because it was illegal to be a Christian in the third century. He was a priest, a healer and a good & kind man. While Saint Valentine was in prison, he helped and taught the blind daughter of the prison guard. Right before he was executed, he wrote a good-bye note to the girl and signed it "your Valentine".

The **Holy Rollers** are also cutters and tearers and sewers. They work with used sheets from local hotels and they refit them to single-sized sheets when possible; otherwise, they tear/cut strips to measure and roll them into bandages for use in emergency or troubled areas of the world. Join this group on Fridays at 1:00 p.m. if you would like to participate.



The **Holy Rollers** need assistance with laundering sheets. Bags of sheets are in narthex with a "TAKE ME" tag.

Contact Adrienne for more information.

COLLECTIVE KITCHENS



The Bread of Life

Help this worthy ministry & contribute to the purchase of a new oven by making a donation. Designate your monetary offering to the Collective Kitchen.

Rosemarie Tirk
306-260-9571



Mealtime Assistance Program At Luther Special Care Home, we routinely need extra volunteers during every meal to assist residents who are unable to feed themselves. Having enough helping hands on a daily basis for breakfast, lunch and supper can be very challenging. Val Aubichon has stepped forward to volunteer for 2 hours each week as Mealtime Assistance Program Volunteer Coordinator. She is currently gathering information that will help us recruit and train more volunteers to provide timely and courteous meal time assistance to our residents. If you would like more information, or would like to offer your help, please contact Val at (306) 280-0309 or valaub@sasktel.net.

Do you have denim jeans that have outlived their usefulness? There is a demand for quilts made with denim, so your old pants or other denim clothing would be welcome.

Traditional blue is fine, but we would welcome all colours of the rainbow. Thanks for your donation!



CPR CLASSES:
March 7 – 6pm-10pm OR
March 12 – 9am-1pm
Pick a date. Sign up sheet on bulletin board. (The date with the most names will be the date of the class – minimum 6 names)
\$55 plus tax

Augustana ELW will meet on Monday, February 22nd at 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall for their monthly Bible Study and Meeting. All ladies are invited to attend.

A big Thank You is extended to everyone who knit or cocheted articles for our Mitten Tree. It was very much appreciated. The following articles were packed and sent to the Crisis Nursery and Scattered-Site LaRonge:

Mittens: 106 pairs	Toques: 37
Scarves: 13	Slippers: 2 pairs
Headbands: 4	Gloves: 16 pairs
Mitten & Toque Sets: 22	

Inter-Lutheran/inter-church effort to help others . . .

Reclaimed bar soap/shampoo from Saskatoon hotels helps needy persons locally as well as refugees worldwide. Contact Adrienne Kinchen at 306-244-5770 or kinchen@sasktel.net or Allan Grundahl at 306-244-3748 or grundahl@sasktel.net



In need of rinsed 750 ml or smaller bottles with FLIP top.

Bible Study

Tuesday afternoon Bible Study
 1:30 pm. We usually conclude at 3:00 sharp (or no later than 3:05!)

Having studied recently the life and times of King David and the conquest of the city of Jerusalem and the building of the Temple, we will now embark on a study of some of the Psalms found in the Old Testament.

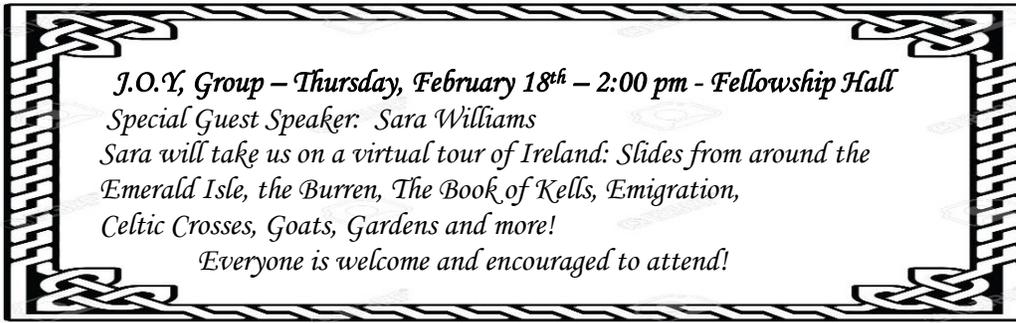
Do consider joining us!
 Any questions, contact Ken Peterson at: kpeterson2@shaw.ca or 306-343-6417

Health Cabinet Soup & Bun Lunch
FEBRUARY 7th - 12 Noon
Feeling stressed & worried about financial planning?



Guest Speaker: Darren Ulmer-Sunlife Financial

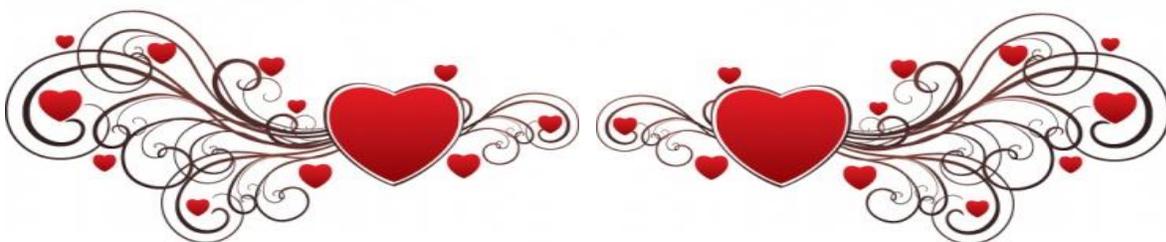
City Prayer Service for the Community of LaLoche
 Tuesday, February 2, 5-6pm
 St. John's Cathedral - 816 Spadina Cres. E.
 Free Parking behind the Cathedral
 Call 306-242-5146 for more information

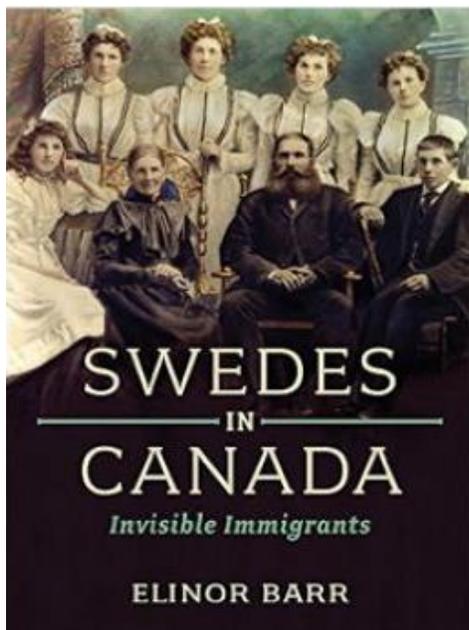


Shrove Tuesday - February 9th

Pancake Supper

6:00 PM





Book Review of *SWEDES IN CANADA* by Elinor Barr
 (publisher: University of Toronto Press, 2015)
 554 pages, including Appendices, Notes,
 Bibliography, and Index

This encyclopedic work carries the subtitle “Invisible Immigrants” and Elinor Barr well develops this theme in the 269 pages of the actual text of the book. However, it is the personal aspects that are most interesting. She captured my attention already on page 6 when she writes of an event I as a teen-ager attended with my parents. I was one of the 18,000 people who filled the old Chicago Stadium for the Swedish Pioneer Centennial in 1948, an event she says excited little interest in Canada.

Well researched, as is abundantly demonstrated by the copious notes (one needs a bookmark in the Notes section to read more on many topics), the organization of the book at first bothered this reader. I found several references to

the same person or event in various chapters. However, ultimately, the fact that these persons or events had an impact on a variety of topics that are covered in the many chapters made up for what seemed to be a failure to write in a chronological fashion.

Most readers of this review will be mainly interested in the chapter entitled “Religion.” In this chapter, she quite fairly included other denominations as well as Lutheran. However, I would have preferred that she would have used the term “denomination” rather than “religion.” Also, in that my personal knowledge is more of the Swedish Lutheran work on the prairies of western Canada, I learned a great deal about the work of the various Swedish denominations throughout Canada. One can always say, “you left out something,” but in general I was pleased with this chapter that included, among other enterprises, the Covenant Bible Institute that was the only Swedish Bible Institute in Canada.

Another chapter that I found most interesting was the one entitled “Literature” that included many facts about Swedish authors. Louise de Kiriline Lawrence, the nurse who took care of the famous Dionne quintuplets, was originally from Sweden and wrote a book about her experiences. Later, she became best known as a naturalist. That short, but most interesting account of her life, in and of itself, would make this book worth reading. Reference in this chapter is also made to Byrna Barclay who has written a number of novels and short stories. She came out of the congregation I once served as pastor and to which I still belong, Augustana Lutheran Church of Saskatoon. I had her mother as a parishioner. In one of Byrna’s short stories, she has the major character as being baptized at the Augustana congregation in Saskatoon.

The Appendices need also to be mentioned. There is much historical information that could be useful to other researchers. I would think anyone interested in the contributions of Swedes in North America would profit from reading this book, realizing that the Swedes, although seemingly “invisible,” have made a great contribution to the culture and history of Canada.

The Rev. Dr. Kenneth Lawrence Peterson

Calendar at a Glance

Monday, February 1	Monday, February 15 - <i>Family Day</i>
7:00 PM Call Committee Meeting	Tuesday, February 16
Tuesday, February 2	10:00 AM InMotion Exercises
10:00 AM InMotion Exercises	1:30 PM Bible Study-K.Peterson
1:30 PM Bible Study-K.Peterson	Wednesday, February 17
Wednesday, February 3	7:00 AM Men's Book & Breakfast-Rembrandts
7:00 AM Men's Book & Breakfast-Rembrandts	9am-5pm CDBA Training
Thursday, February 4	7:00 PM Council Meeting
10:00 AM InMotion Exercises	Thursday, February 18
7:00 PM Choir Practice	9am-5pm CDBA Training
Friday, February 5	10:00 AM InMotion Exercises
1:00 PM Holy Rollers	2:00 PM JOY-Sara Williams-Virtual Tour
9:00 PM AA Meeting	Friday, February 19
Saturday, February 6	1:00 PM Holy Rollers
3:00 PM The Tea Room Group	9:00 PM AA Meeting
Sunday, February 7	Saturday, February 20
10:30 AM Worship & Sunday School	3:00 PM The Tea Room Group
<i>Pastor Greg Fowlie-Neufeld</i>	Sunday, February 21
12:00 PM Health Cabinet Soup & Bun Lunch	10:30 AM Worship & Sunday School
6:00 PM Confirmation Classes-Redeemer	Monday, February 22
Monday, February 8	7:30 PM ELW Meeting
Tuesday, February 9 - <i>Shrove Tuesday</i>	7:30 PM Worship Committee Meeting
7:00 AM Spiritual Growth-H. Kleiner's	Tuesday, February 23
10:00 AM InMotion Exercises	7:00 AM Spiritual Growth-H. Kleiner's
1:30 PM Bible Study-K.Peterson	10:00 AM InMotion Exercises
6:00 PM Pancake & Sausage Supper	1:30 PM Bible Study-K.Peterson
Wednesday, February 10 - <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	Wednesday, February 24
7:00 AM Men's Book & Breakfast-Rembrandts	7:00 AM Men's Book & Breakfast-Rembrandts
TBA Trinity Lutheran	TBA Lenten Service
Thursday, February 11	7:00 PM Shalom-Broadway Roastery
10:00 AM InMotion Exercises	Thursday, February 25
11:30 AM Friendship Inn Luncheon	10:00 AM InMotion Exercises
Friday, February 12	Friday, February 26
10:30 AM Staff Meeting	1:00 PM Holy Rollers
1:00 PM Holy Rollers	9:00 PM AA Meeting
9:00 PM AA Meeting	Saturday, February 27
Saturday, February 13	2:00 PM Canadian Badgers Club
3:00 PM The Tea Room Group	3:00 PM The Tea Room Group
Sunday, February 14 - <i>Valentine's Day</i> 	Sunday, February 28
10:30 AM Worship and Sunday School	10:30 AM Worship and Sunday School
<i>Pastor Michael Diegel</i>	<i>Pastor Michael Diegel</i>
	12:00 PM Annual General Meeting
	Monday, February 29

Pastor Michael Diegel away February 1-6
In case of pastoral emergency please call:
Marilyn & Greg Fowlie-Neufeld 306-374-1726

Parish Nurse, Carol Kostiuk, away
February 21-28