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# **Bread Crumbs**

# Join Bread of Life for Sunday Morning Worship In Person at 9:30 a.m.

Masks are still mandatory for the safety of all.

# We WILL also continue to welcome everyone ON FACEBOOK LIVE

(At the usual 9:30 am time... and is available on our website afterward)

## Join us on the Bread of Life Facebook page

https://www.facebook.com/breadoflifelutheranchurch/?ref=aymt\_homepage\_panel&eid=ARDUm-Ngck\_itDM-D\_0dTF3eXWATI-Xxxq9IDq2HBh5NwuSDXbuMadipilD70QtDHZN64zdBznZke7gh

It will then later be posted on the Bread of Life Webpage

https://www.breadoflifelutheranchurch.ca/

#### Curious How You Can Support Bread of Life

The methods you can use to give to Bread of Life include:

- Cheques, or post-dated cheques (mailed or dropped off)
- Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) for more information;
   <a href="https://www.breadoflifelutheranchurch.ca/about-us/giving">https://www.breadoflifelutheranchurch.ca/about-us/giving</a>
- By credit card or PayPal on https://www.breadoflifelutheranchurch.ca/about-us/giving
- eTransfer to <u>breadoflife@sasktel.net</u> (Please include your email in the notes)

### What would happen IF....?

"It is customary to blame secularism for the eclipse of religion in modern society. But it would be more honest to blame religion for its own defeats. ... When faith becomes [only] an heirloom rather than a living fountain, when religion speaks only in the name of authority rather than with the voice of compassion – its message becomes meaningless." - Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel.



As we now move through the last weeks of the Easter season and arrive (almost) to Pentecost, I found the above quotation quite striking. For those unfamiliar with the tradition, the day of Pentecost is often talked about as "the Birthday of the church" and so to pause for a bit to think about who we are, (as church) have become does seem appropriate. (As an aside.. there is, right now, a committee of our church meeting to formally take on exactly that task – and to wonder outloud what we need to be "next"!)

That said.. no matter who you are Rabbi Heschel's words ARE quite challenging. For years we have tried to blame the world outside the church for marginalizing us (complaining about hockey games on Sunday mornings.. stores being open on Sunday.. work being too consuming etc.). All of which very comfortably kept us from facing the ways we may have been marginalizing ourselves and turning people off. (And to be clear.. the Rabbi is being just as critical of his own community here as he is Christian communities.)

In the Pentecost Story (Acts 2) we hear how the disciples are touched by tongues of fire and swept away by a mighty wind that DRIVES THEM into the street to tell the story (in a literally babbling way) - and thus begins the work of drawing people to faith in Christ. And indeed, from that first insane day (when they were so ecstatic in their joy that people thought they were drunk) the church as a community of people called to faith *in* and discipleship *of* Jesus has swept across the world.

And so, I wonder... what it would take for you and I to likewise get that "crazy" in/touched by our faith and the Spirit of God within us? What would it look like if we too felt driven into the streets to babble(Babel) about how life-giving the grace of God is for us.. about how life-transforming the love and peace of Christ have been for us?? And even more critically.. I wonder what it would mean for us to rediscover our call to be the kind of people of compassion Jesus commanded us to be (vs. just naggy judgemental voices)?

In these days when we should all be that much more aware of how precious it is to nurture and celebrate community and life, how might you rediscover your call to set the world on fire with hope?? In these days when there are so many harsh and horrific wounds on the earth inflicted by hate & fear, violence & prejudice, how might your life become a tiny space of healing and peace?

I wonder.....???

Be well, be safe, BE HOPE!!!

- Pastor Stewart, May 19/22

### **Bread of Life**

# Indigenous Christian Fellowship



Come join our walk to bless our community

to walk together in prayer

for faith, hope and love

and to fundraise

for our Ceremonial Gardens and

Christian Indigenous leadership training.

You are invited to walk where you like by yourself or with family and friends on

Pentecost Sunday, June 5th

#### For more information or registration forms, contact:

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## St. Paul's Edenwold



May 22 – Lay Service

May 29 - Refugee Presentation by Meredith Cherland on the Regina Lutheran Refugee Sponsorship, followed by a group discussion and how St. Paul's Edenwold will be involved to support this program.

June 5- Pastor David

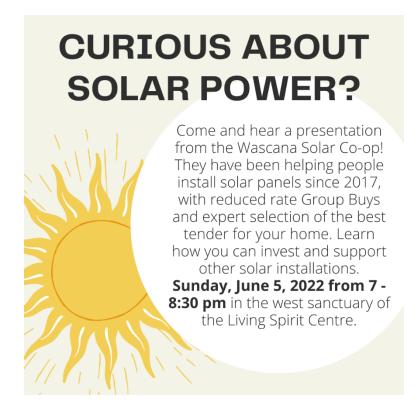
June 12 - Pastor Stewart

June 19 - Pastor David June 26 - lay service

#### **Living Spirit Centre**

Living Spirit Centre Council have advised that masks are no longer required but encouraged if you wish to wear them.





#### **In the Community**

#### **Webinar Explores How Racial Justice Has Evolved**

The <u>World Council of Churches</u> (WCC) will host a webinar **on May 25** - to be held on the same date of the tragic killing of George Floyd and which will explore how the racial justice landscape has evolved, particularly in the United States as well as at the United Nations (UN), **May 25, 2022, 3:30 p.m. Central European Summer Time (CEST).** For more information on this webinar and to register for this event, please <u>click here.</u>





The Regina Board of Police Commissioners invites you to a **Community Information Night**. This is an opportunity for the public to discuss issues facing our community with Board members.

There will also be an opportunity for the public to ask questions that may arise.

Date: May 24, 2022

Time: 7 - 9 pm

Place: Living Hope Alliance Church - Auditorium - 3800 Green Falls Drive

All members of the public are welcome

You are invited to attend the **Luther College High School's Home Concert**: *The Road Home,* featuring their choirs and string orchestra on **Friday, May 27**<sup>th</sup> at **7pm at Christ Lutheran Church,** 4825 Dewdney Ave. The concert will also be live streamed on their Facebook page.



# The TLC Pantry 2nd Annual Water Fundraiser

#### Did you know....

- Accessing drinking water is incredibly challenging for people experiencing homelessness
- Last year the TLC Pantry ministry provided over 8000 bottles of water to the people we serve between June and September
- Reusable water bottles are not a viable option for people experiencing homelessness

This year our goal is 10,000 bottles of water

You can help by dropping off bottles of water at Trinity Lutheran, or through financial donations (tax receipts provided).

E-transfers can be sent to trinityoffice@trinityregina.ca Please indicate "water" in the memo.

Thank you for supporting this life giving ministry.

#### Thoughts on Ageing and Ageism and How to Overcome Them

Thursday, June 16 from 1:30-2:30 pm

at 2155 College Avenue in College Building Room 112 (take elevator on east side of lobby or go up stairs to 1st floor)

Join Lifelong Learning Centre staff and members of the Seniors University Group to learn about ageism and ageist comments they have experienced and to share yours. This is part of a national campaign to eliminate ageism by recognising the important contributions older adults make to their families and their communities. Discussion and light refreshments to follow.

We look forward to seeing you at these presentations with a friend or here to make new ones at the Lifelong Learning Centre. This email can be shared with others you know who might also like to learn more about these issues.

**Register** online at <a href="https://www.uregina.ca/cce/personal-enrichment/current-courses/lifestyle.html">https://www.uregina.ca/cce/personal-enrichment/current-courses/lifestyle.html</a> or by calling 306-585-5748 for these in-person events which will have a Zoom option. Note you must register 24 hours in advance to receive the Zoom link.



#### Register Now for a Free Learning Event - Religious Community in a Digital World

The Saskatoon Theological Union comprised of <u>Lutheran Theological Seminary</u>, <u>Saskatoon</u>; <u>College of Emmanuel and St. Chad</u>; and <u>St. Andrew's College</u> along with St. Thomas More College is holding an online event - *Religious Community in a Digital World* on Monday, June 13 through Thursday June 16. This virtual event will explore our new digital church landscape through historical, theological, and pastoral lenses. Attendees can expect to learn and gather new insights from conversations that will arise from the keynote presentations, workshops, and digital spaces, that will altogether be missional and life-giving, practical and prophetic. For more information and to register for this free event, please click here.