

OUR SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH PARISH CALENDAR – OCTOBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1. Pentecost 18/ Trinity 17 10 a.m. Bible Study 11 a.m. Worship & Communion 11 a.m. Sunday School	2. Pastor's & Deacons Conference @ Mt Carmel, St Catherines	3. Pastor's & Deacons Conference & Mt Carmel, St Catherines	4. Pastor's & Deacons Conference @ Mt Carmel, St Catherines 7 p.m. Church Council	5. 2-4 & 6-8 p.m. Food Bank	6. 10 a.m. Office Volunteers	7. <i>Henry Melchior, Pastor</i>
8. Pentecost 19/ Trinity 18 10 a.m. Bible Study 11 a.m. Worship & Communion 11 a.m. Sunday School (Music on CD's)	9. <i>Abraham Canadian Thanksgiving Columbus Day (US)</i>	10. Pastor's Winkel @	11. <i>Philip the Deacon</i>	12. 2-4 & 6-8 p.m. Food Bank	13. 10 a.m. Office Volunteers	14.
15. Pentecost 20/ Trinity 19 10 a.m. Bible Study 11 a.m. Worship & Communion 11 a.m. Sunday School	16.	17. <i>Ignatius of Antioch, Pastor & Martyr</i>	18. <i>St Luke, Evangelist (R)</i>	19. 2-4 & 6-8 p.m. Food Bank	20. 10 a.m. Office Volunteers	21.
22. Pentecost 21/ Trinity 20 10 a.m. Bible Study 11 a.m. Worship & Communion 11 a.m. Sunday School (Music on CD's)	23. <i>St James of Jerusalem, Brother of Jesus, Martyr(R)</i>	24.	25. <i>Dorcas (Tabitha), Lydia and Phoebe, Faithful women</i>	26 2-4 & 6-8 p.m. Food Bank <i>Philipp Nicolai, Johann Heerman, and Paul Gerhardt, Hymn writers</i>	27 10 a.m. Office Volunteers	28 <i>St Simon & St Jude, Apostles</i> Christ our King-LWML Rally- Regn 9 a.m.
29. Pentecost 22/ Trinity 21 10 a.m. Bible Study 11 a.m. Worship & Communion 11 a.m. Sunday School Reformation Day (Obsd) 4 p.m. Convocation followed by Worship	30	31 Reformation Day (R)				



DAY OF THANKSGIVING OCT 9

Deut. 8:1–10; Luke 17:11–19

We Praise God for Sustaining Life in and through His Word

The nation resounds with thanksgiving for the earth's bountiful harvest, crops of wheat and grains, all beneath the canopy of God's almighty care. But "*man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord*" (Deut. 8:1–10). The Church is the vessel through which the Word of God penetrates the world with its Law and Gospel. It is this divine Word which proclaims Jesus as the sole source of life, health, and wholeness. It is Jesus who heals lepers with His Word, "*Go show yourselves to the priests*" (Luke 17:11–19). Of the ten cleansed, only one expresses thanksgiving back to Jesus. But true gratitude proceeds from a heart sustained by faith. Jesus bids this one Samaritan to "*rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.*" So also, we are sent from the Divine Service, bolstered in our faith by Baptismal and Eucharist blessing to be thankful in our circumstances of plenty and hunger, abundance and need (Phil. 4:6–20).

Mission Prayer for October 8

Eternal Father, You who gave Isaiah the glorious vision of the feast at the end of time prepared for those who believe from all nations, we give You thanks and praise for the ongoing work of our Lutheran Church–Canada missionaries throughout the world: in Nicaragua, Honduras, Costa Rica, Ukraine and Thailand. Grant to them a steadfastness in doctrine and life and zeal for sharing the good news, that many from around the world may be joined with us and all who trust in You on that last day in Your kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

Mission Prayer for October 9 (Thanksgiving Day)

Gracious God, on this day of national thanksgiving we thank You for Your goodness and generosity toward us, for blessing our nation with so many things which we do not deserve; most of all for the blessing of

being able to freely and openly gather as your people to hear Your Word and receive Your sacraments, and to share that Word without fear of imprisonment or death. Grant that your grace and favour would remain upon us always, that we receive your blessings with true thankfulness that comes from the joy of sins forgiven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

COMING UP

Oct 2-4 Pastor's & Deacons Conference @ Mt Carmel, St Catherines

Oct 8 Thanksgiving Sunday



*Please join your fellow Lutherans from the
Greater Toronto Area for the*

TORONTO CIRCUIT REFORMATION SERVICE

SUNDAY OCTOBER 29th@ 4 p.m.

at Our Saviour Lutheran Church,
2705 Islington Ave, Etobicoke. M9V 2X7

4- 4:30 p.m. Convocation

4:45 p.m. Reformation Worship Service (Sung Vespers)

Guest Preacher: The Rev. Dr Tom Winger (Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary, St Catherines, On). presenting the 500th Anniversary of Luther's Reform of worship: Baptism and Lord's Supper).

Worship leadership provided by Toronto Circuit Pastors

5:45 p.m. Dinner (\$5 per person.) A free will offering will be taken to cover the cost.

If you are coming for the dinner, please sign the sheet posted in the narthex by October 22nd, so we know how many to plan for.