

# CHURCH *Matters*



Glory Lutheran Church Newsletter - 02.19 Edition



## Children's Time

Left: Liam McKinnon,  
January 20, 2019

Right: Rhonda Berg,  
January 13, 2019



Sermon Conversation on "The Visitation" - December 23, 2018

## Bishop's Message

Dear Beloved of God –

Over the past several months I have participated in three continuing education opportunities which were each very good learning experiences.

- “Shared Stories: Promising Practices in Canadian Churches” through Ambrose University, Calgary and its flourishing Congregations Institute.
- A leadership development event for Bishops from across North America and representing several denominations.
- The ELCA/ELCIC Bishop's Academy which focused on: Caring for Our Common Home with keynote presenters: Dr. Cynthia Moe-Lobeda and Dr. Larry Rasmussen



Continuing education is an important piece for all rostered and lay leaders, including bishops. As a way to remain diligent to learning goals, ELCIC rostered ministers are expected to engage in at least ninety hours of continuing education over each three-year period. Rostered Ministers have you reported all your 2018 continuing education hours to ELCIC Group Services Inc.? Members are encouraged to submit continuing education hours, even when no funds were used. You can report your continuing education hours to GSI, using the CEP Expense Reimbursement Form: [www.elcicgsi.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/CEP-Sho...](http://www.elcicgsi.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/CEP-Sho...)

Continuing education is not just important and valuable for rostered ministers...and bishops...it is equally as important and valuable for lay leaders and for congregational members.

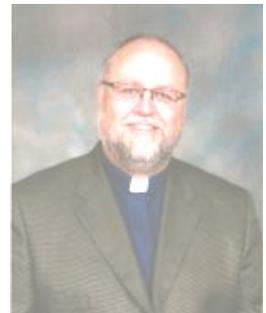
Have you considered participating in “Pathways to Prayer” offered through the Lay Academy at our Seminary? Join Deacon Dr. Faith Nostbakken from our Synod online or in person (Ascension, Edmonton and Hope, Calgary) as we look at the Lord's Prayer and its invitation to intimacy with God. Feb. 2 and Feb. 9, 2019 from 9:30am – 12 Noon. For Registration and Payment see: [layacademy5.wixsite.com/elcicwla/prayer2](http://layacademy5.wixsite.com/elcicwla/prayer2) To learn more about the Lay Academy see: [www.usask.ca/stu/luther/programs-lay-academy.html](http://www.usask.ca/stu/luther/programs-lay-academy.html)

Happy learning lifelong learners!

In Christ Jesus –

Shalom, +Bishop Larry Kochendorfer

*“The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” (Romans 15:13)*



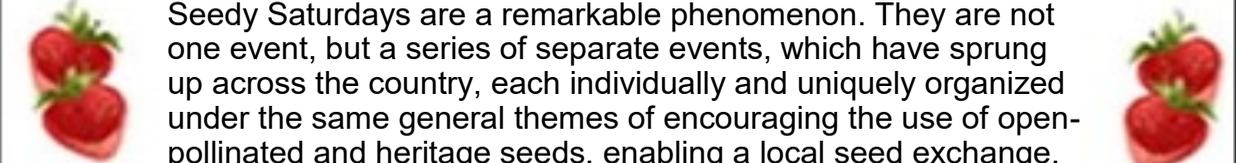


## Seedy Saturday

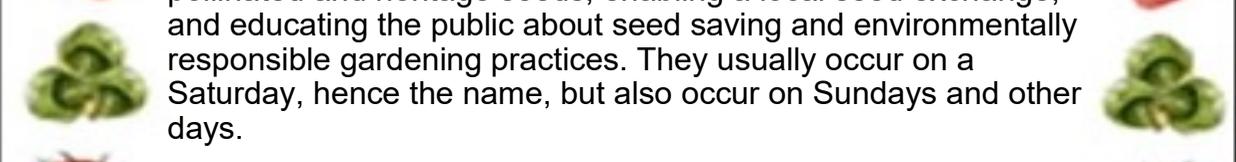


### What is a Seedy Saturday?

Seedy Saturdays are a remarkable phenomenon. They are not one event, but a series of separate events, which have sprung up across the country, each individually and uniquely organized under the same general themes of encouraging the use of open-pollinated and heritage seeds, enabling a local seed exchange, and educating the public about seed saving and environmentally responsible gardening practices. They usually occur on a Saturday, hence the name, but also occur on Sundays and other days.

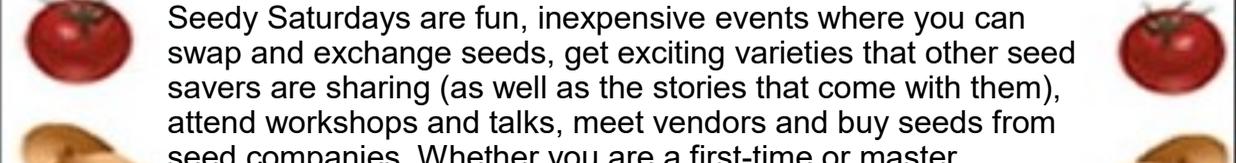


Seedy Saturdays are fun, inexpensive events where you can swap and exchange seeds, get exciting varieties that other seed savers are sharing (as well as the stories that come with them), attend workshops and talks, meet vendors and buy seeds from seed companies. Whether you are a first-time or master gardener, seed enthusiast or expert seed saver, there really is something for everyone.

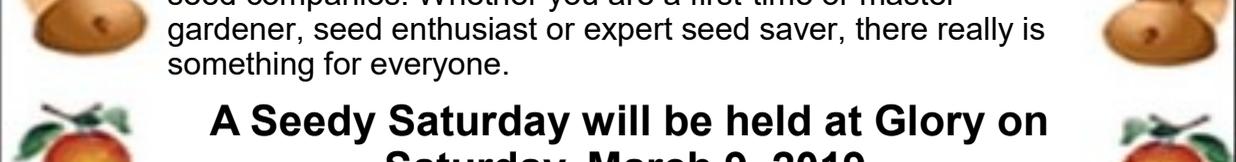


### A Seedy Saturday will be held at Glory on Saturday, March 9, 2019.

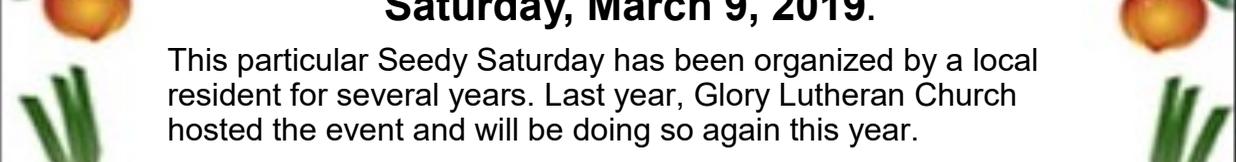
This particular Seedy Saturday has been organized by a local resident for several years. Last year, Glory Lutheran Church hosted the event and will be doing so again this year.



**We will be looking for volunteers** in various capacities - setting up and taking down, attending the parking lot, and various other things. Please keep this date in mind and consider helping out when the time comes.



**Please watch for a volunteer signup sheet in the Narthex Mid-February.**



# **GLORY MEMBERS**

*in the Spotlight*

*... a place to celebrate the lives and good works of Glory People.*

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## **Delores and Charlie Friske**

Delores and Charlie were born less than a mile apart on their family farms near Saskatoon, SK. Their parents were friends. St. Paul's Lutheran Church was across the road from Delores' farm.

Delores, the third of eight children, moved with her family to Tisdale where she attended Salopian School which necessitated either a three-and-a-half mile walk or a horse and buggy ride. At the age of nine, Delores' life took a dramatic turn when she was seriously burned in a house fire. After spending most of Grade 5 in hospital for burn treatment, and almost another year in the Saskatoon hospital for skin grafts, she returned home to find her family living in two granaries – one for cooking, the second for sleeping.

Delores returned to Saskatoon after graduating from the Tisdale High School, where she and a friend entered hair dressing school. Her Dad had to sell a cow to help Delores with her tuition.

Charlie, the fourth of nine children, was, as a young lad, "farmed out" to help neighbors with chores and land work, returning to his family during the winter months. At the age of 20, Charlie moved to Powell River, BC to work in a paper mill. In 1957, he returned to Saskatoon to work in gravel and concrete, remaining with the same company for 46 years, retiring in 2003 (by which time the company was called Inland Cement.)

Never much out of touch with each other – you see, Delores' mother and Charlie's Aunt were sisters – they connected once again. Of course, they both attended local dances. In 1963 they were married at their country church, St. Paul's Lutheran, by the same pastor that had married each of their parents there.

While Charlie worked in the cement industry, Delores became a hair stylist, making herself available to the farm women who came to town on Fridays and Saturdays. Today, Delores continues to provide hair services, especially to those who find it challenging to leave their homes.

When their daughter, Tracy, was born in 1964, their lives became focused on providing special care for Tracy, who was born with cerebral palsy. Despite multiple surgeries and day-to-day challenges, Tracy completed Grade XII, was gainfully employed, moved into her own apartment at the age of 20, and travelled to Arizona to compete in wheelchair square dancing. Charlie and Delores continued to provide strong parental support as the years passed and Tracy's health declined. Tracy died February 3rd, 2018.

Their son, Bradley, was born in 1968. When their family was young, they camped on weekends at Lac La Biche where even the family bird joined their adventures. Today, Brad lives in Edmonton with his wife Cheryl. Their daughter Sarah works at a Veterinary Clinic in Edmonton.

Now in their retirement years, Charlie curls twice weekly in a Men's league where he serves as Third at the Ottewell Curling Club. For 12 years, Charlie has volunteered for the Food Bank. Delores takes part in an informal knitting group. Active members at Glory Lutheran Church, they volunteer as greeters, ushers, part of the funeral "team" and Charlie helps with lawn mowing. They are active in Glory 50 Plus where Delores is a Group leader and Sunshine Custodian. They will celebrate 56 years of marriage in April 2019.

## Dwayne and Sandy Heinsen

Dwayne and Sandy's roots are in central Alberta – Dixon, Spruceview, Innisfail and Red Deer. They met when Sandy was in Grade VII. After graduating from High School, she began a banking career in Red Deer. Dwayne joined the RCMP at 19. Following his base training in Regina, he was stationed in Surrey, North Vancouver, Coquitlam, and Red Deer. Dwayne retired from the RCMP in 2003 with a total of 33 years with the force, served in two separate periods.



When Sandy and Dwayne planned to marry in 1968, the RCMP required their members to have served for two years prior to marriage. This was further complicated by the requirement that they have \$2,000 in the bank. They worked diligently to save and fill their account with the required amount. Once their banking information was approved, they promptly withdrew the money and spent it. Their wedding took place at the Red Deer United Church, their honeymoon spent in a damp, canvas tent. In Surrey, Dwayne joined the Dog Section of the RCMP, which later enabled them to return to Red Deer.

Back in Red Deer with son, Curtis, Sandy was pregnant with their second child. With the encouragement of his granddaughters, Dwayne loves to tell stories about his time as a dogmaster. His most valued story involves a little girl who, in December, had been lost in the woods for several hours, the likelihood of her survival remote. After a lengthy search, she was found, her tiny body stiff with cold, but alive. She made a full recovery. Finding this little girl continues to be a reminder of the amazing abilities of the Police Service Dogs. Exhausted, Dwayne returned home, slept briefly, then returned to work. Meanwhile, baby Curtis was at his Grandma's where he suddenly became ill. Immediately hospitalized, their beloved Curtis died of unknown causes. His sudden, tragic death left them reeling, their lives changed forever.

Sandy soon gave birth to their first daughter, Leslie. Dwayne left the Dog Section and was transferred to Grande Prairie. Their family grew further when their second daughter, Janis, was born. While in Grande Prairie, Dwayne, with visions of a new career, decided to leave the RCMP – working in real estate, and becoming Assistant Manager of the Red Deer Golf & Country Club. Together, they had the wonderful opportunity to be involved with starting Good Shepherd Lutheran Mission Church.

In 1984, Dwayne became involved in Suicide Prevention. The Calgary based program became a model for Alberta, then Canada, eventually expanding internationally. Through this work they traveled extensively, and met amazing people. These experiences led to Dwayne's transfer to Edmonton where he developed the RCMP's Employee Assistance program for Alberta, NWT, and Nunavut, thus supporting police officers and families struggling with difficult situations.

Dwayne and Sandy, now fully retired, spend free time with their family. Story telling or as Sandy suggests, 'story exaggerating' is special for the grandchildren who range in age from nine to thirteen. They love to hear stories about the police dogs, Cory, Deka and Rebel - their amazing feats or the trouble they found when just wanting to be dogs. Sandy too has stories - like the time she was working at a bank in New Westminster, insisting on helping a man with his banking needs. In the end, the man robbed the bank and threatened he had a gun. Music also plays a large part with the grandchildren. When all the girls are all together, the beautiful sounds of the clarinet; sax and keyboard make for the most enjoyable symphony.

At Glory they were very involved with the refugee family – Sandy forming a special bond with Lina Pu Meh. Sandy has been Financial Secretary, money counter, and is Secretary of Community Outreach. Dwayne has served on Council, performs with the Praise Team., and is a facilitator for the GriefShare program.

thank you

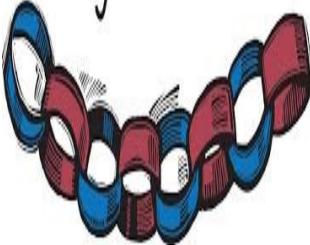
Is there someone in our church family you would like to thank? Please let Heidi in the office know by way of the church email or call and we can include your special "Thank You" in the next newsletter!!

Thank You

Thank you to the volunteers who helped with Audrey's funeral. Also thank you for the prayers for my family, Margy's operation went well.

Thank you all again,  
Elden Josephson

Prayer Chain



**Thank you to the members of the prayer chain for their many prayers over the past year. If you want to be part of the prayer chain or would like to request prayer, please call Donna Dawson at 780-464-7566.**

Thank you to the Property Committee (**Henry Zilm** and **Kirk Nelson**) for ensuring that our church parking lot is navigable during these winter months.



LED LIGHTING

**GO GREEN**  
**SAVE MONEY**

Thank you, as well, for replacing all of the light bulbs in the church sanctuary with LEDs. They will be cheaper to operate and last longer - a win on both counts!



# What's Happening

## GLORY



LUTHERAN CHURCH

### DATES TO REMEMBER

<b>February 3</b>	Annual General Meeting after Worship Service
<b>February 5, 19</b>	Morning Glory 10:00am
<b>February 19</b>	Council Meeting 6:30pm
<b>February 23</b>	PrayerWORKS Breakfast at St. Faith's Anglican 7:00am



### Lost and Found

Many personal items have been left at Glory during the last few months. During the month of February, these items will be on display in the Narthex. If they belong to you, please claim them.

**Unclaimed items will be donated to various charities at the end of the month.**

Thank you.



# PrayerWORKS

## Breakfast Volunteers Needed

**February 23rd, March 23rd, & April 27th**

Volunteers needed for 7am to help cook and serve breakfast.  
Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Please contact Intern Pastor Seth at 250-667-4749  
or the office if you are able to help.



## PrayerWORKS Common Breakfast @ St. Faith's Anglican - January 26



**Tuesday - Friday, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.**  
**Mondays - CLOSED**

Please note that the door to the church will usually be locked and you'll need to ring the doorbell by the front door.



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