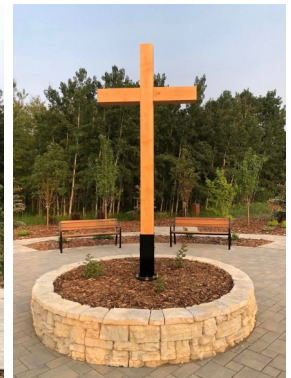


# CHURCH *Matters*

Glory Lutheran Church Newsletter - 06-07.23 Edition



## Luther Rose Memorial Garden Dedication June 25, 2023



Information brochures with details regarding the Luther Rose Memorial Garden are now available online and in the narthex.

*Photos by Rita Spain*

See pages 16 & 17

# Message from Pastor Markus

June/July 2023

Dear Friends,

I have been asked several times during my home visits how I think the church, and our congregation in particular, is doing. Behind the question I often sensed a feeling of unease, or even of fear, that things are not as they should be, or as they once were, or as we'd like them to be. After three years of pandemic pandemonium, periodically locked church doors, and continual "hybrid worship", it's no wonder that things are not the same. Every sector of society and every place of work and worship, learning and service has experienced tremendous change, stress, innovations, and in some cases atrophy. You have all been part of the change.

Some of the change is difficult to accept. Some long time members and contributors, siblings in faith and companions on our faith journey are no longer with us. Some have died, others have moved, some have joined different congregations, others have moved to a different community, some have gotten used to worshiping online, others have gotten used to not worshiping altogether. We grieve these lost relationships. We ask God to give us courage to reach out where we can, to help us accept what we cannot change, and for wisdom as we move on.

Some of the change is wonderful and reason to celebrate. New worshipers have joined us, siblings in Christ who found their faith sustained or renewed through our online presence during the pandemic. Some are attending in person now. Some are participating in music and other forms of leadership. Some are being baptized or confirmed or both. Some are taking up new causes of ministry. I am personally touched by the faith and love that I have sensed in the new relationships that are forming within our congregation.

Some of the changes have been very tangible. For instance, the purchase of the property from the ELCIC, for which we fundraised during the first year of the pandemic. Then the Memorial Garden project, which we also fundraised for and which is now at the point where we can make use of it. What a project! Read more about it in this newsletter. The community garden has found a new site. The beavers have built new dams and the herons have built new nests. Everything is in flux and life continues to thrive.

We are blessed with an energetic young youth worker, Elizabeth DeCorby, who organized a number of events during her first few months with us. We have a

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small but energetic group of kids who come up for children's time in worship and who love it when there is Sunday School. We have parents who are teaching the children creatively and faithfully about the love of God.

Do I have to mention our 50 Plus group who visited the mosque Masjid in the Park recently and learned how people of another Abrahamic faith worship and practice their faith? Do I have to mention the small groups that have been meeting bi-weekly to read a book and encourage one another in faith? Is there a need to mention that we were approached by the Solar Power Investment Cooperative of Edmonton to see whether we'd be interested in letting them install panels on our roof and reap the benefits of free electricity and a reduced carbon footprint?

Sometimes we have to remind ourselves how blessed we are. We have many reasons to give thanks, to go forward in mission with hope and courage during this era of change and uncertainty.

At Sunday worship over the past few weeks we've been reading stories from the book of Genesis about Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob and Rachel, the patriarchs and matriarchs of faith. As these men and women left the old behind and stretched towards the new at God's command, may they inspire us to do the same. As they disregarded their old age in order to welcome a newborn, as they gave up their comforts and security for the fragile but reliable and precious promises of God, as they savvily followed God's leading against the draw of tradition, as they wrestled with God for the blessing that was promised, may we become younger ourselves as we get older, may we sacrifice what we think we own in order to receive what God wants us to have, may we hold to the promise of life and wrest a blessing from God without breaking our own fragile promises. May we fulfill the mission God gave to his people through Abraham and Sarah: to be a blessing to all nations and families of the earth.

As you will read elsewhere in this newsletter, I will be part of our synodical delegation to Colombia. This journey of hope in the midst of challenges is one way we can reach beyond our own church community and synod to strengthen our relationship with people in the global south. I thank you for your prayers as we travel. I trust that you and I will be blessed, even as we bless the people we encounter during these summer days and these changing times.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Markus Wilhelm

# Council Highlights

June/July 2023

June started with another wonderful Church Music Sunday, followed by a luncheon put on by our choir. Thank you to Pat Becker, Lynnette Woodrow, and all of the talented musicians and choir members for their ministry throughout the year! The month ended with a service that included a blessing for our graduates and the dedication of the Luther Rose Garden, followed by our annual picnic. Thank you to Rita Spain and the Memorial Garden Committee for the countless hours spent in bringing us to this dedication milestone! Thanks also to Pat Becker and our Congregational Life team of volunteers for the celebration!

July is typically quieter, as people go on vacation and Council does not usually meet this month. However, that doesn't mean things aren't happening! The Memorial Garden Committee has been looking into construction of a pathway down to the Luther Rose Garden. We have also had some people on site doing an assessment as to the feasibility of installing solar panels here at Glory. Please note, too, that we are back to meeting weekly throughout July and August for Fireside Wednesdays, so please come out and join us for food and fellowship.

We're pleased to say that the position of Treasurer has been filled and are delighted to welcome Ken Hankinson to Council. Lynda Kiel is continuing to help with the transition and we thank her for the continued support.

Although we had hoped to hold our Council retreat and planning day in June, conflicting schedules have bumped that back to August 19, 2023. If you are currently serving on a committee or are interested in doing so, you may want to consider joining us for part of the retreat. If so, please contact me at the number or email below. Additionally, if you have questions, ideas, or matters of concern that you would like us to consider in our long-range or short-term planning, I invite you to send an email or give me a call to discuss same.

Pastor Markus will soon be leaving for Colombia with the Alberta Synod delegation led by Bishop Larry Kochendorfer. Bishop Larry asks that we keep this group of travelers in our prayers and has prepared a daily itinerary and prayer list for the trip taking place from July 24 to August 3, 2023. Please keep all of the members of this delegation in your prayers and, in particular, remember Pastor Markus in your prayers on August 1, 2023. Safe travels to them and to all of our Glory members, wherever this summer may take you!

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# VACATION!

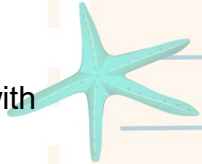


The word conjures up images of lazy days at the lakeshore, campfires with roasted marshmallows, maybe sleepy kids sharing rooms. Often those sweet pictures in our head don't quite match up with the reality of a vacation.

Vacations can be stressful, taking us out of well-developed routines and throwing us at the mercy of compromise, or overtiredness or cranky-ness. During those stressful times, prayer for your vacation is needed the most.




There are moments on vacation when you are not giving thanks, joy is hard-pressed, and prayer may not be what's being muttered under your breath. But God is right there with you!




Does that mean your vacation will be perfect? Probably not. Does that mean there will be golden moments of beauty mixed right into the chaos that follows you or your family? You bet! So, go ahead, take some time alone, or take some time with others.

## A Prayer for Your Family Vacation



Dear Lord, Please bless this time of family vacation. Help my family to get along, to enjoy one another.

May we be able to see the wonder You instill within the chaos of our days – whether we go near or far away from home.



Open my eyes to see that vacation will end but the memories of it will remain and give me the strength to make them sweet. Pour some of that strength into my very being and bring me through to the end of vacation with a thankful heart and unceasing praise.

Help me to take time to “Smell the Flowers”, relax, and maybe even let You lead.

Amen.

*[Author Unknown]*



# 🔥 *Fireside Wednesday* 🔥

*Wednesdays @ 6pm*

**ALL AGES, ALL SUMMER!**

It is a great way to enjoy our summer evenings and get to know our church family in an informal, relaxed way! Guests are welcome! We hope you will plan to attend! Bring your own BBQ item and beverage, and a side dish or dessert to share.

*Photos from July 5 Fireside supplied by Dave Hauf:*



# Membership at Glory

We become members of the body of Christ, the universal church through the sacrament of Holy Baptism. We become active members of a Lutheran church through an “Affirmation of Faith” (also called Confirmation). And we can join a Lutheran Congregation from another Lutheran (ELCIC) congregation by way of a transfer of membership.

There are many roads people take to get to Glory Lutheran Church. **On Sunday, July 23, we will celebrate Membership Sunday**, including an adult baptism.

If you are interested in or have any questions about membership with Glory Lutheran Church, please speak to Pastor Markus.



**New Member Sunday**

**July 23, 2023**

## Upcoming Journey to Colombia

The departure date for those traveling to Colombia with the Synod delegation is fast approaching--July 24, 2023.

Bishop Larry asks that you keep the individuals who will be participating in your prayers. A [daily itinerary and prayer list](#) for the trip is on the following page. Your prayers now and during the Journey to Colombia are greatly appreciated.



Participants pictured:

**Back row:** Pastor Markus Wilhelm (Glory, Sherwood Park)

**Clockwise on-screen from top**

**left:** Pastor AnnE Zimmerman

(Lakeland, Cold Lake),

Cathy Kochendorfer (Trinity,

Edmonton), Mark Heinen (Good

Shepherd, Lethbridge),

Rev. Dr. Bill Harrison (Lutheran

Theological Seminary, Saskatoon)

**Middle row (L to R):** Bishop Larry,

Beth Hendricksen (Hosanna,

Edmonton), Rev. Dr. James

Hendricksen (Hosanna,

Edmonton), Diane Primeau (Trinity, Grande Prairie)

**Front row (L to R):** Ava Hendricksen (Hosanna, Edmonton), Patricia Hoepfner

(Ascension, Edmonton), Kathy McHan (St. Peter's, Millet)

Perhaps the following might guide our prayers:

**O God**, who calls your people to venture and to dare, grant courage to those who travel with the Synod delegation. Be with them as they prepare and as they journey together; protect and guide them, that their travel will be safe and secure. Give each traveler joy in the assurance of your sustaining love for them and for those with whom they walk.

**Loving God**, be with those in Colombia who prepare to host the delegation. Send your blessing on the hands and hearts of those who worship you through their work in preparing a welcome for the travelers from Canada. We give you thanks for their gifts of hospitality, generosity, and open hearts.

**Gracious and holy God**, we ask your blessing on the delegation to Colombia, that the bonds of love and partnership between the synods might be strengthened and that walking together, minds may be stretched, hearts enlarged, struggles and joys shared, and that, by God's great faithfulness and grace, hope may bear fruit.



**ABT Synod Delegation to the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Colombia (IELCO)  
Itinerary for JULY 24 – AUGUST 3, 2023**

<b>MONDAY – July 24</b>	<b>TUESDAY – July 25</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY – July 26</b>	<b>THURSDAY – July 27</b>	<b>FRIDAY – July 28</b>
Travel	Arrival: 4:00am El Dorado International Airport, Bogotá  Afternoon: Visit to LWF – World Service, Bogota  Lodging: Casa Emaus, Bogota - Head Office IELCO	7:30am Leave for Caracoli  Home Visits to Elders - Good Shepherd Center – program, devotional with communion – a ministry supported by our Synod  Lodging: Casa Emaus, Bogota - Head Office IELCO	7:00am Leave for Sogamoso - CELCO School in Sogamoso - conversations with Teachers and students at the Lutheran school  Leave for Nobsa, free time, shopping  Lodging: Nobsa	7:30am Return Trip to Bogotá - IELCO's mission and/or projects, including Ministry of Education, Lutheran School of Theology, Emmaus Road Foundation  Lodging: Casa Emaus, Bogota -Head Office IELCO
Pray for: all participants	Pray for: AnnE Zimmerman	Pray for: Bill Harrison	Pray for: Ava, Beth and James Hendricksen	Pray for: Cathy and Larry Kochendorfer
<b>SATURDAY – July 29</b>	<b>SUNDAY – July 30</b>	<b>MONDAY – July 31</b>	<b>TUESDAY – August 1</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY - August 2</b>
Travel via plane to Medellin  Visit to Comuna 13 – social transformation project in Medellin/ Worship service Emaus Lutheran Mission in Medellin. Lodging: Medellin	Conversations with Coordinators of IELCO Projects  Lodging: Medellin	Visit to other IELCO projects in Medellin  Return flight to Bogotá  Lodging: Casa Emaus, Bogota - Head Office IELCO	Morning: Mt. Monsarete and Market  Visit to La Vid Verdadera (True Vine Project)  Lodging: Casa Emaus, Bogota - Head Office IELCO	Morning: Salt Cathedral – UNESCO site  Visit Evaluation and Meeting with Leadership of IELCO  Lodging: Casa Emaus, Bogota - Head Office IELCO
Pray for: Diane Primeau	Pray for: Kathy McHan	Pray for: Mark Heinen	Pray for: Markus Wilhelm	Pray for: Tricia Hoepfner
<b>THURSDAY – August 3</b>				
Travel				
Pray for: all participants				

# Confirmation Sunday



*Aiden Jones*

May 21, 2023

*Owen Jones*

Aiden Jones and Owen Jones (no relation) were confirmed on May 21st. Confirmation is also called the Affirmation of Baptism. Those who are baptized are saying YES to this gift, affirming the promises of God. In weekly classes over two years, Owen and Aiden have learned the promises God gave them, explored what they mean for them and developed skills in asking the right questions. They have mined parts of the Bible, the catechism and church traditions to find some appropriate answers. Most importantly they have learned that it is God who affirms their baptism. This day we prayed that the Holy Spirit may confirm them in faith, guide their life, empower them in service to others, give them patience in suffering, and bring them to everlasting life.



## CONFIRMATION 2023-24

Confirmation is the Lutheran Church 2-year ministry with students usually in grade 7 and 8 (or thereabouts); however, one can be confirmed at any age. Therefore, we would like to extend the invitation to older teens who may not have been confirmed in Grade 8. Whatever the age of your teen son, daughter, or grandchild, they are invited to participate in our weekly program.

Students meet regularly on Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at Glory, from October until May.

Please contact the church if you would like to register for the Fall confirmation program.

O God of all, give us your power to help us to be faithful to the promises made at the time of baptism, or when we "affirm our baptism". Amen.

Everyone Is  
Welcome

**Are you new to Glory? We welcome you!  
Please sign our Guestbook!**

To stay in the loop, please call or email the office to receive a database entry form and request offering envelopes to ensure you will receive tax receipts.

You may also contact the office to get a mail folder and nametag; and subscribe to our congregation email distribution list to receive weekly e-news and important announcements.



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# Our *Spiritual* Journey

*A Message from Pastor Nickel*

-- Part 2, on "Fear"

Yes – there's a lot of FEAR in the world now; we encounter it at time when we are on our spiritual journey.

Today, do we have more reasons to be fear-ful? No; instead there are a lot of people manufacturing "fear", and using social media to stir up more fear than in the past.

Why? – fear "sells", makes money for a lot of people, persuades/redirects, and is one of the strongest motivators to influence you "for" or "against" something, or someone. A couple of studies I have seen tell that over 1/3 of all people are more easily influenced/motivated by fear than other factors.

For our Spiritual Journey of life, look INSTEAD to:

- + "The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?"; and
- + "The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"; and
- + "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself".

Fearful? Pray to God for help with fear -- that the Holy Spirit will help us.

- + We have the reminder, "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son."
- + We have Jesus' message of: "Peace be unto/with you."
- + Jesus said that we should take his message of love with us, and also that he would be with us in our journey of life [no fear there].
- + He loves us now and invites us to love others, to forgive and be forgiven, and to have mercy, and more -- and that does help us overcome fear.

How about, fear of "death"? The message of Easter reminds us that no matter what happens to us, the Father will not let defeat and death be, "*the end*" – He will raise us up just as he raised up Jesus. "Because He lives, we shall also live." We need NOT fear death any longer

Fearful of your message and mission: to spread the good news of God's love to our neighbor, the stranger, the homeless, the alienated, the hungry and the thirsty, and the fearful and the angry? Do it with the help of the Holy Spirit! Then you are not alone and do not need to fear doing it.

Interested in sharing your faith? We are told to, "Go and tell", because "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." God will help you do it.

Compare Jesus' message of love with the messages of fear that are now around us

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all the time, such as: fear of being left behind, or left out -- if you do not buy "their" product, idea, or deal!

Did you notice recently, a tv "personality"/commentator was fired from his multi-million dollar job for emails that showed that what he said on air was not what he believed, but rather, his program was shaped to keep his audience and his multi-million dollar salary and prestige. Another packaged his own white supremacy beliefs within the most popular political comments to make them "sell". And, across the border, sales figures show that fear sells guns, and a few gun companies hire people to promote that fear in order to sell.

This last year, there has been talk of whether there is more racism in North America and the world, or not. My look at recent investigative studies by those who track these concerns over decades, show that there IS an increase of racism against Jews, people of another skin colour, and of being other-than-you-are. It's mostly because of an increase by those who communicate that message wrapped up in fear on social media and tv.

Ok, we have problems in Canada, and we can do our part to help. During two recent weeks in Canada we had: an Anti-Bullying Day, Red Dress Day for missing/murdered indigenous women, and Caring for the Earth Day to help focus our worries about our earth. "Days" like that encourage us to think about these concerns and what you can do, as well as to ignore the "fear" factors that often swirls around them.

Food for thought:

- + Jesus tied murder and anger together and spoke against anger [in Matt.].
- + Jesus did not use fear or anger to harm another person nor sanction violence against any person. Instead he spoke against violence, warned about the dangers of fear and anger, and admonished his followers when they were inclined to harm others.

What place does fear have in your life as you go on your Spiritual Journey? Pray for the Holy Spirit's help. Want to talk about it? We're available... May the Peace of God ...be with you,  
Gary

PS: "**Fear**", versus "**Afraid**"

- Fear is an emotion experienced when encountered with a threat. Afraid is the feeling of fear.
- Afraid can also be used to express regret, concern or to express reluctance.
- Fear cannot be used to express these feelings.
- Fear tends to trigger extreme reactions in the individual experiencing the emotion. Being afraid does not always trigger extreme reactions.
- Afraid is a word that sprouts from the word fear.

# GLORY 50 PLUS Barbecue



Glory 50 Plus enjoyed a barbecue lunch while tapping their toes to the music of entertainer, *Bobby Vann*, who sang popular tunes from the '60's and '70's.



## Change is in the Air

### Glory 50 Plus

plans to meet informally during the summer.

**Friday, July 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:00 noon**

Bring your own "Paper Bag" lunch and beverage.

Bring a chair too!

Anyone who is 50 plus,  
is welcome to join this gathering for an informal visit.

No meeting    No agenda

An opportunity to visit  
and get to know each other a little better.



## A VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU!

We are looking for a group of volunteers willing to be on a "**set up/take down**" list and people to call on to **help out in the kitchen** on an occasional basis. There is a sign up list in the Narthex or you can contact Pat in person; by email [glc.life@glorylutheran.ca](mailto:glc.life@glorylutheran.ca); or by phone or text 780 239 5345.

Thank you for considering this request! 😊

O God of love, inspire us to tell others of the truth of Christ's death and resurrection -- to those in need of the good news. May what we say and do come out of our lives devoted to serving others -- as Christ was the servant of all. Amen.

## **Memorial Garden Dedication Service - June 25, 2023**

### **Luther Rose Memorial Garden Project Summary - Rita Spain**

It was not long after we moved into our new church home here at Glory, that congregation members first brought up the idea of a memorial garden. The notion resurfaced over the years and in March 2019, Brett Woodrow, Gaylene Sitler-Ard, Irmgard Lindquist, Nick Ronsko, Tim Kihn and I, had our first meeting as the Landscape and Memorial Garden committee.

Our beloved Irmgard passed away a year and a half later. She was a staunch supporter of a memorial garden and I believe she would be pleased with what has been accomplished here.

The committee's first task was to design a Landscape Master Plan for our beautiful property - a plan that was to include an area for a memorial garden. The Master Plan was completed by the end of 2019 and then our focus turned to developing the memorial garden.

The Luther Rose, a symbol of our Lutheran faith, was the inspiration for the garden. The circular design, the center cross, and the red and white roses are elements of the Luther Rose. Dora Berry, of Nature's Elements, was hired in 2020 to design a plan for the garden. She understood our vision for the Luther Rose Garden and was a joy to work with. Even though our meetings with Dora involved ZOOM, telephone calls, social distancing and masks, the design plan was finalised towards the end of 2020.





During the following year, the plan was presented to the congregation and the Stewardship Committee kicked off the fundraising event.

In 2022, Three Seasons Landscaping was hired to develop the garden and on June 13 of last year machinery was brought to the site and construction began! A few days of rain slightly delayed work but the last shrubs were planted on July 29, 2022. I admit that I shed a few joyful tears when I was told that the last shrub was planted. Around you are 34 trees, 77 Shrubs, and 23 rose bushes.



Two grant applications were submitted to Strathcona County and we are very grateful that these applications were approved. The grant money from the first application was used for benches, which were installed seven weeks ago, and the funds from the second grant application went towards the beautiful fir cross, which was installed just two weeks ago.

Trellises for the memorial plaques will be installed later this summer.

This, dear Glory family, is the Luther Rose Garden! To God be the Glory!



# Thank You!

We acknowledge and extend our thanks to the following companies that provided goods and services during the development of the Luther Rose Garden. Each company exemplifies outstanding customer service and have been a pleasure to work with.

- Dora Berry, *Nature's Elements Sustainable Landscape Design.*
- Darren and staff, *Three Seasons Landscaping Ltd.*
- Jesse and Jordan, *Triple Two Rentals and Landscape Centre.*
- Paul, Nicholas and staff, *Landmark Metal Works Ltd.*
- Matthew, *Superior Lumber Ltd.*

In addition, grant applications were submitted to Strathcona County to contribute to the Luther Rose Garden; one for the addition of benches and one for the cross. These grants were approved and it is with great appreciation that we thank Councilor Aaron Nelson, Mayor Frank and all Strathcona County Councilors for their support of our memorial garden.

Thank you, also, to the volunteers from our congregation who have given of their time to help with various tasks including installation of benches and the cross, watering the garden, spreading mulch and planting shrubs.

*The Memorial Garden Committee*

# Thank You!

Come Lord Jesus, be our guest,  
Let these gifts to all be blessed. Amen

As we celebrate the dedication of the Glory Memorial Garden we are reminded by this very simple children's prayer that this a place of blessings and peace and that at the center is our guest, Jesus.

Throughout the garden planning, center of the foundational work and many hours of organizational efforts is a dynamic group of people who kept the vision of Jesus at the center of the Glory Memorial Garden. We wish to say a sincere THANK-YOU to this committee.

**Brett Woodrow**  
**Irmgard Lindquist**  
**Rita Spain - Chair**

**Gaylene Sitler**  
**Nic Ronsko**  
**Tim Kihn**

Additionally, we want to acknowledge the stewardship committee and their work in this project. As well, a heartfelt thank you is given to this congregation for the financial gifts given for the garden.





## Bishop's Message - June 2023

Dear Beloved of God -

Plans are well underway for our Synod's journey to The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Colombia (IELCO), our Companion Synod Partner, from July 24-August 3.

Twelve participants will experience, embrace and engage in "Daunting Challenges – Wellsprings of Hope" through the varied contexts and



ministries of IELCO and of the Lutheran World Federation World Service office, through relationships formed and deepened with our siblings in Christ, and through many opportunities for learning and listening, for discovery and community.

It has been a gift and transforming experience for me to journey with, and to facilitate these journeys, with youth and adults from our Synod since 2009.

During our 2011 journey to Colombia, Rev. Eduardo Martinez, Bishop at that time, was asked to share his thoughts regarding the value of mission experiences such as ours, which focus on the building of relationships – for Synod participants, and for the people, congregations, missions and ministries of IELCO. He responded:

- this mission journey enables the participants to experience the context of ministry,
- this mission journey strengthens relationships – we are able then to pray specifically and to share one another's story,
- this mission journey encourages individuals, congregations, missions and ministries of IELCO through listening, learning and affirmation,
- this mission journey enables each to experience similarities and differences, yet we are all the same,
- this mission journey enables the members, congregations and ministries of IELCO to know that they are not alone; instead, they are a part of a large family around the world,
- this mission journey encourages all to see different ways of living the faith – of being Christian in daily life in different ministry contexts, and
- this mission journey affirms the history of missions and missionaries in Colombia from Alberta.

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I scrambled to write these words in my journal that day.

Today these words strike me in a new, different and fresh way as I consider my own ministry context. As lay and rostered leaders, as congregations, as Synod, as the ELCIC, we journey together in mission learning of one another's contexts for ministry. Relationships are strengthened and we are able to pray for another with specificity and share one another's stories. Ministries are encouraged through listening, learning and affirmation. We journey in mission together experiencing similarities and differences, yet we are the same. We discover that we are not alone but part of a family – a congregation, a Synod, the ELCIC, IELCO, the Lutheran World Federation, the Anglican Church of Canada, the Moravian Church, and so on. We journey together in mission seeing a multitude of ways of daily living the faith in various ministry contexts, and we affirm our history and experience of being in mission together.

Would you pray for our Synod delegation and for the IELCO family as together we experience, embrace and engage in "Daunting Challenges – Wellsprings of Hope."

In Christ Jesus –  
Shalom, +Larry





# SUMMER YOUTH

**GLC & MOLC Youth**

**July 20 6-9pm:** Painting, Art, and Board Games at Mount Olivet. All youth and young adults are welcome.

**August 24 5-9pm:** Spikeball tournament AND favourite summer activities at Glory. All youth and young adults are welcome.

**P.S.** there may be the occasional impromptu sports or board games evening during the summer. Share your number with me to join our WhatsApp chat for these sorts of evenings.

Lizzie at [youth.coordinator@glorylutheran.ca](mailto:youth.coordinator@glorylutheran.ca)

### DATES TO REMEMBER

<b>July 20</b>	Youth - Painting, Art and Board Games at Mount Olivet 6:00-9:00pm
<b>July 21</b>	Glory 50 Plus - Paper Bag Lunch 12:00pm
<b>July 23</b>	New Member Sunday - during worship
<b>July 24-August 3</b>	Pastor Markus is away on the Journey to Colombia
<b>August 19</b>	Council Retreat and Planning Day
<b>August 24</b>	Youth - Spikeball Tournament 5:00-9:00pm
<b>Tuesdays</b>	Praise Band Rehearsal 7:00pm
<b>Wednesdays</b>	Fireside Wednesday 6:00pm throughout Summer
<b>Sundays</b>	Worship 10:30 am (Communion 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays)



# PRAYER



# CHAIN

**Did you know we have a Prayer Chain at Glory?**

**The Prayer Chain at Glory is available to anyone wishing to send or receive prayer requests. It is private and confidential.**

**Members with or without e mail are welcome.**

**Please contact Donna Dawson at [dawsondl@shaw.ca](mailto:dawsondl@shaw.ca) for details.**

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

Please note that Heidi may be working from home.

Email and phone calls will continue to be answered during office hours. Please call the office if you would like to visit the church.

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