




The Lutheran Church-International and World Lutheran Parish

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Wednesday

Dear Lord, As we enter this Solemn and Holy Season, we pray that you would send your Holy Spirit upon us that we might prepare ourselves for these coming 40 days of Lent. Even though we may no longer wear sackcloth and ashes, we do seek to humble ourselves so that we can understand the magnificence of Your Love for us as You humbled Yourself and gave Your Life on the Cross that we might receive the gift of Eternal Glory with You. AMEN.

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Special intentions:

Prayers are asked for Pastor Scott Christensen and his family at this time.

LC-I ANNUAL SYNOD:

Please make plans to attend the **LC-I Annual Synod** to be held at First Church, Lyons NY during the last week in July 2016. Specifics will be available shortly. One important item for discussion at the Synod will be revisions to the LC-I Constitution and Bylaws. **Please send your thoughts for proposed amendments to the Archbishop at dbldoc@sbcglobal.net. Call 217-691-3090 for further information.**



Prayer Requests:

- for the special intentions of Bishop Aubrey Bougher and his family.
- for the special intentions of Ute Horn and Pastor Richard Horn.
- for world peace in the name of Christ and especially for Christians in Iraq, Syria and all countries threatened by terrorists; for the refugees from conflicts; for the dedicated Christians who are aiding the refugees of all faiths; and for those who struggle to cope with hosting refugees.
- in gratitude for the recent courageous stance of the orthodox bishops of the Anglican Communion as they affirmed Scripture as the norm of Christian behavior.
- for all victims of violence and terrorism in France, Mali, Tunisia, Cameroon, Nigeria, and anywhere.
- for the missionary work of World Lutheran Parish members Pastor and Mrs. Tanuku Prasad in India.
- for World Parish member Fr. Richard Sorfleet.
- for Sister Anthonia and her family in Nigeria, that God bless her and her family and keep them safe. Prayers are also requested for all our Christian brothers and sisters in Africa.
- for World Lutheran Parish contacts in Africa, India and Eastern Europe.
- for our brothers and sisters in the Eastern Rite Lutheran Community.
- for Pastor Horst Gutsche, our friend and brother in Christian ministry.
- for World Lutheran Parish member and minister Pastor Mike Miller.
- for the intentions of Linda Durwachter.
- for our friends in ministry Presiding Archbishop William Sloane of the SEC and Presiding Bishop Huron Manning of the SEC – Reformed, and Archbishop John Brown of ICCCL.
- for LC-I friend Bishop Douglas Pieper and his wife Carol.
- for the recovery of the Very Reverend Canon Ordice Gallops of Maryland, a friend of the LC-I.
- for former U.S. President Jimmy Carter and family; with thankfulness for faithful Christian witness.
- for all those in political office around the world, that they may serve their peoples through God's grace and come to an acceptance of the Gospel of Christ.
- for military and emergency personnel in danger through armed conflict.
- for all veterans, the homeless, the addicted and those in personal or domestic danger.
- in thanksgiving for the continued recovery of Pastor Arthur Sziemeister of First Church, Lyons NY.
- for the ministries of Pastor Jack Whritenour and all of the ministries of Christ Church, Rosedale NY.
- for Pastor Harvey Von Harten, Deacon Anna Haye and the congregation of St. Paul's in Coney Island, NY.
- for Bishop Juan and Carmen Cepero as they minister in Latin America and the Caribbean representing LC-I.
- for Deacon/Vicar William Wigmore and his family.
- for Pastor Philip Barber and his wife.
- for world peace in the name of Christ and especially for Christians in Iraq, Syria and the all countries threatened by terrorists.
- for the special intentions of Pastor William Gies.
- for the special intentions of Pastor Art Hebbeler.
- for the ministries of the Order of Saint Francis - Lutheran.
- for the Lutheran Deaconess Association and Executive Director Lisa Polito. Please remember them in prayer and with your contributions if possible.
- for Archbishop Robert and Lynn Hotes.
- for Pastor Gary Allen as he relocates to New Mexico.
- for Pastor David Rogers and his ministries.
- for all of our other intentions including prayers for our candidates in the United States and Canada.



Ken Keenan

Please join Fr. Ken Thursday nights in Lent for Bible Study starting at 8pm EST.
COME TO THE FACEBOOK PAGE TO START.

This is a great opportunity to share in growing in the understanding of God's Holy Word and to participate in the global outreach of the LC-I. If interested, please contact Fr. Ken on the LC-I Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/LutheranChurchInternational/>.

MINISTRIES:

- We are grateful to the Lord for new candidates for both diaconal and pastoral ministries in North America. Please pray for their intentions.
- We are grateful to God for the new LC-I ministries in Sacramento CA and the ministries of Pastors James Townsend and Donald Schedler. Please keep them in special prayer.
- We also thank God for the dedicated service of the congregations and ministers at Christ Church Rosedale NY, First Church Lyons NY, Zion Montpelier OH, our congregations and missions in Virginia, South Carolina, Maryland and Canada, and all other LC-I missions and congregations. Please send us news notes for this BULLETIN.
- Please send pictures and information on the activities of people and ministries in your parishes and groups of faith. We in the LC-I are a family in our faith and ministries and need to keep in touch in His service. archbishop@lutheranchurchinternational.org

Visit the LC-I on the Internet:

<http://www.lutheranchurchinternational.org/>

and both the World Lutheran Parish:

<https://www.facebook.com/Lutheran-World-Parish-348944365237640/timeline/>

and the Lutheran Church – International on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/LutheranChurchInternational/>

Please recommend those sites to others who might be interested.

If you know of individuals who would be interested in receiving this BULLETIN, please forward a copy AND send the names and email addresses to the Archbishop:

Archbishop@LutheranChurchInternational.org



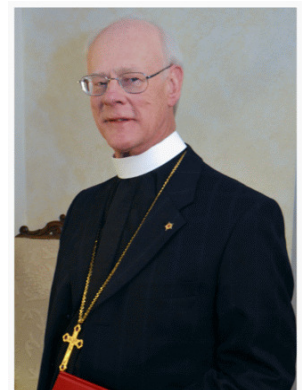
DID YOU KNOW?

- *Did you know* that, as a not-for-profit church body the **LC-I is able to receive gifts and endowments that are tax deductible** in the US? Please let your friends and relatives know about our church and its ministries!
- *Did you know* that the LC-I **does NOT assign “apportionment,”** and does NOT expect a percentage of congregational offerings to be sent to the LC-I? But the LC-I is vitally interested in establishing funds to allow us to engage in more dynamic international and domestic ministries.
- *Did you know* that the LC-I is very blessed to have a **parochial school** at the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Christ in Rosedale, NY? If you are aware of individuals who are able to make tax-deductible contributions to benefit the school please put them in touch with Treasurer Bill Wigmore in Lyons: Treasurer@LutheranChurchInternational.org.
- *Did you know* that the **World Lutheran Parish** is a special outreach of the LC-I as an “irregular” or non-geographic parish within the LC-I? **If you do not belong to another LC-I parish and would like to be a part of this ministry**, please contact the Archbishop at: Archbishop@LutheranChurchInternational.org. If you are blessed to help this ministry, **please consider making a contribution to the work of the World Lutheran Parish.** Any contribution in any amount to help with our annual contribution to the LC-I would be very helpful. Designate the funds for the World Lutheran Parish and direct them to LC-I Treasurer Wigmore at: Treasurer@LutheranChurchInternational.org.
- *Did you know* that the LC-I asks that **all clergy members and congregations pay a nominal amount for their annual dues?** This responsibility is an obligation in Christ’s service and helps the LC-I to fund our needed ministries. Dues for clergy (bishops, pastors and deacons) is \$75 for the Church Year; dues for congregations and ministries is \$150. If there is a temporary personal or parish funding problem, please discuss with your bishop or the Archbishop. Dues should be sent to the LC-I Treasurer:

*The Rev. Deacon William H. Wigmore, III
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*May God continue to bless you
and your ministries throughout this Holy Season of Lent.*

*++Robert
President and Archbishop*



This BULLETIN is designed to provide communication to all members of the Lutheran Church – International community as well as to the members of the World Lutheran Parish.

Please circulate to all those interested in the universal Christian faith and especially to those who share the Lutheran evangelical catholic understanding as expressed in the Lutheran foundational documents.