

Participants in Sunday leadership for June, 2022

Date	Greeter	Reader	Liturgist
June 5	Ralph O	Katharine	Tom
June 12	Rocky R	Pam	Monica
June 19	Jerry B	Katharine	Tom
June 26	Larry R	Pam	Jett

Readings and prayers available on the "Sunday Service" page (and archive) of our website.

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church is located on original lands of Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. We respect the Treaties that were made on these territories, we acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past, and we dedicate ourselves to move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

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Guide our thinking and our speaking done in your holy name.
Motivate all in their seeking, freeing from guilt and shame.

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ELW #401

This June begins with Pentecost Sunday – the story from Acts with the Holy Spirit coming among the people as a rush of wind, drawing them together, and motivating them into Christ-filled living.

In society, we have just come through a month where we've heard of gun violence, again, in the States; we've experienced flooding in our province. Unsettling, upsetting, and life-altering events, and we're still in this time of Covid.

And we're also moving into our third *pandemic Summer*. There are signs of hope, but our health care workers are still struggling.

I am excited about this month's Confirmation service! Our young people are certainly signs of hope for us! Through our embrace and support of them, may they feel God's love!

Newness is around us – as plants are green again, and the sun shines. Also as we emerge, in cautious ways, from a time of isolation and sickness. The hymnist prays that our thinking and speaking be guided by the Source of Life, and that we be freed.

As programs wind down, and Summer months set in, I invite you to consider where we might be a presence of peace and openness in our wider community in the coming months, and how we might invite new life into our midst! *Blessings to you in these times!*

-Pastor Tyler



Food Baskets

Baskets at the back of the sanctuary will be available to receive food donations for The Urban, again.

The most needed items are:

powdered milk, evaporated milk, peanut butter, jam, baked beans, canned lasagna, meatballs, or noodles, Klick, Spam, or small tinned meats like ham, turkey, or chicken, Quaker oatmeal (box of 8 variety pkgs.) Donations Not limited to this list.



The next Ladies Luncheon will be on June 8th at 12noon at Taverna Rodos at the corner of Roblin Blvd. and Harstone Rd.

Please RSVP to Marlene Herman - Phone 204-895-1628 or e-mail alvinmar@shaw.ca **before noon on June 7th**



Men's Breakfast on Thursdays at Salisbury House (Portage and Parkdale) at 8:00am.

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CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2022

Hello, My name is **Taylor Romaniuk** and I am a student in grade 11 at École oak park high school. Some of my favorite subjects in school are English and band in which I play alto saxophone. I believe that God is a way in which people can hold on to hope and stay positive during difficult times. God provides love and light in the midst of hardship. God gives a purpose to build community and a space for people to come together. I believe that God is an all powerful being with the intention to bring peace to the world.



Hi there! My name is **Cameron Mardis**. I am 14 years old and I go to school at Shaftesbury High School. My personal favourite subject is Metal class. I really like that it is hands-on and I can create all kinds of cool metal things! The one thing I find hard is that the metal we are given to weld isn't as good as my dads so it is a bit more tricky than I am used to! When I am not in school, I love to go hunting at our farm and I do Trap and Skeet shooting with the Manitoba Junior Shotgun

Association. Last summer I even won the provincial championship 12-13 novice group!

My favourite bible verse is Zephaniah 3:17:

*The Lord your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save;
He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you with His love,
He will rejoice over you with singing." (NKJV)*

I picked this verse because I feel it is very uplifting and I feel protected by the words. Also, I think it is much easier to understand than some of the other ones! Maybe that is why I connected with it!

Hi, I'm **Lyn Gingrich** and I'm in ninth grade at Oak Park; a favourite subject of mine is math. I enjoy playing the violin, and drawing. I am a member at St Marks Lutheran Church. I'm glad to be confirmed by my father at Gloria Dei (St Mark's and Gloria Dei have shared confirmation classes on Zoom). To me, God is the source of life and love and connects everyone and everything to where, when, and how they are to live.



CONFIRMATION SUNDAY IS JUNE 12th

In June, we commemorate **National Indigenous History Month.**

During this month, take time to recognize the rich history, heritage, resilience and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples across Canada.



June 21 is **National Indigenous Peoples' Day** – find more information at this link: <https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/indigenous-peoples-day.html>



June 4 & 5, 2022 – The Fierté Canada Pride Festival will be

held on the Forks and Parks Canada grounds

More information:
www.PrideWinnipeg.com

Many LGBTQIA+ people have learned by experience that they are not truly welcome in church, even in churches that state, “All are welcome here!”

A general statement of welcome is often heard as meaning “everybody but me,” so it can take a special effort to communicate an authentic welcome to LGBTQIA+ people.

www.ReconcilingWorks.org

Father's Day is June 19



A Pandemic to Bring Things to the Surface

It has been two years since George Floyd was murdered, exposing racism again. It has been one year since it was confirmed, and in the news, that children’s bodies were buried at former Indian Residential School sites across Canada. This pandemic time has exposed inequality in society. You are invited to consider what this means for us, as people of faith.

The pandemic’s most significant outcome will be a worsening of inequality, both within the U.S. and between developed and developing countries. Global billionaire wealth grew by \$4.4 trillion between 2020 and 2021, and at the same time more than 100 million people fell below the poverty line. Just how bad the situation will become depends on how long the disease rages and what policy makers do to control it and its consequences.

In part because of its huge income and wealth inequalities, the U.S. suffered the most COVID-attributed deaths of any country. SARS-CoV-2 went after those with poverty-related health conditions and with jobs that cannot be done in isolation. Surviving from paycheck to paycheck and not having even the most basic rights of health care and paid sick leave, many Americans lacked testing to know if they were infected and either went to work, spreading the virus, or sought help too late.

The poorest will also suffer the most from the pandemic’s economic aftermath—in particular, from the loss of jobs, disproportionately concentrated in low-wage service sectors. Just as worrisome, poorer children have experienced terrible educational setbacks as schools moved online, presaging a potentially long-term aggravation of inequality and deprivation. (<https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/covid-has-made-global-inequality-much-worse/>)

What is a Social Justice Committee?

We are called, always, to care for creatures and creation. The new commandment Jesus gives us is simple, and yet so hard: “love one another.” This committee is open to anyone interested, and we will discuss how to actively *live the faith* through justice work. One group that will guide some of our work is *KAIROS Canada*. You can visit their website at: www.KairosCanada.org

This committee of Gloria Dei will meet on Tuesday, June 14th to look at initiatives we might take at Gloria Dei.