

NBLC's activities

MONDAY

- Ladies' Ministry @ 1 pm
- Bible Study College Park 2 @ 3 pm

TUESDAY

- Meeting at Western Pizza @ 9:30 am
- NBChoir @ 6:30 pm

WEDNESDAY

- Church Meetings
- Pastoral Visits
- Hautz' House Bible Study @ 7:30 pm

THURSDAY

- Wise Guys Bible Study @ 9:30 am
- Music Lessons @ afternoon

FRIDAY

- Time in the Word Online @ 9 am
- Bands Rehearsal @ 6:30 pm

SATURDAY

- Bands Rehearsal @ 10 am
- Brazilian Bible Study @ 4 pm (Once a month)

SUNDAY

- Confirmation class @ 9:30 am
- Sunday Service @ 11:11 am with KFC











WHO WE ARE

New Beginnings Lutheran Church is a welcoming church in Regina, affiliated with Lutheran Church Canada. We are dedicated to serving our Lord Jesus and the Regina community, helping everyone to know Him as Lord and Redeemer.

Our church is led by key groups, including Officers, Elders, Committees, and Ministries, all working together to strengthen our faith and serve others.



SUNDAY SERVICES 11:11 am

Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity. (*Psalm 133:1*)



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This March, our KFC program is gearing up for an exciting lineup of activities designed to engage and inspire our younger members. We'll focus on having fun, growing in faith, and building strong friendships. It's a great opportunity for kids to connect with their peers and deepen their understanding of God's love through creative activities and meaningful discussions. We can't wait to see everyone there!





CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Confirmation classes are an important milestone in the faith journey of our young members, offering essential teachings and preparing them for the sacrament of confirmation. These classes provide an opportunity for spiritual growth, helping participants strengthen their commitment to their faith. For more information, feel free to contact our church!





The NBChoir is back in action, and we're thrilled to kick off this Lent and Easter season of music together! Practices take place every Tuesday at 6:30 PM, and we'd love for you to be a part of it. If you're interested in joining the choir, feel free to reach out for more details. Let's raise our voices and make a joyful noise together!



HE touched me

This remarkable story is found in Luke 5:12-14. Jesus ministry has just begun. He has recruited his band of disciples. Luke writes "While Jesus was in one of the towns, a man came along who was covered in leprosy. When he saw Jesus, he fell with his face to the ground and begged Him: Lord, if You are willing, make me clean..."

Let's know this man. He was a leper, a man hated and shunned by others. He was a man banished from society and exiled from home. Wherever he went, he was required to cry out, "Unclean, unclean!". He was a man doomed to live alone, isolated from family and friends. The social and psychological consequences were just as serious as the physical.

The man saw Jesus. Not far away. The man made his way toward Jesus knowing that he might have to reveal his sores and lesions. He felt shame and guilt about his condition. He could get stoned. But the

man, driven by an intense <u>faith</u> and belief – made his way to Jesus – fell on his face – and humbly asked - "Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean."

By calling Jesus, "Lord" this man believes Jesus is the Son of God.

By saying, "If You are willing" he recognizes the sovereignty of Jesus over his life and is willing to accept the will of God.

"You can make me clean" is his desperate hope - his cry of faith.

Jesus replied to the man with loving compassion.

Luke 5:13 Then Jesus reached out HIS hand and <u>touched</u> the man. "I am willing," HE said. "Be clean." And immediately the leprosy left him.

Jesus reached out to the man ... and touched him. Why? HE could have made the man clean without touching him. HE could have said, "Just wait, stay there. I will make you clean. You don't have to come closer." But HE did not.

Jesus knew exactly what the man needed. Jesus wanted to heal more than his serious physical affliction. Jesus wanted to heal his wounded heart. So, HE <u>touched</u> him. In that touch, HE not only <u>cleansed</u> the man, <u>healed</u> the man – He made him <u>whole</u> again.

Just like Jesus said unto the leper, "I am willing" the same invitation applies to each of us in the present day and in future days. HE does not want us to live a life full of regret, shame from our past, isolated from God. But rather, Jesus desires that we come to HIM by <u>faith</u>, to be touched, forgiven and healed.

Thank you, Jesus, our willing God of compassion, our beautiful Saviour, our Lord, and our eternal hope.

John Matity, Elder of NBLC references: c. mitchler, ubf.

Relocation

As you may know, on Feb 23, there was a brief meeting to discuss relocation of New Beginnings. At least 50% indicated they wanted us to explore other churches that may be willing to allow us to join/rent with them. Over the following week, the committee – Pastor Terry, Laverne, Rolfe and I met to discuss next steps. Pastor Laverne suggested we brainstorm some possibilities and we came up with several. Pastor Terry approached the Archdiocese of Qu'Appelle (Anglican), Pastor Laverne did the same with the Catholic leadership in the city as well as a couple of non-LCC Lutheran churches, Rolfe and I approached a number of others.

We received some responses that we can follow up on but most seemed to be uninterested. Pastor Laverne encountered a pastor of a church at Souls Harbour during the chili cook off and is following up on that as well.

I would summarize that we have heard for the members of NB with the consensus being that we look for something besides the status quo. There is no pressing urgency from our brothers and sisters at Grace but we recognize that there is a need for us to look to the future and maybe now is as good a time as any. We can take our time and try to make the best decision that God would have for us.

We will keep everyone informed and ask for your continuing prayers.

Cam Thomas, Officer of NBLC.

What is Lenten?

The Basics

Lent is a season in the Christian liturgical calendar that begins on Ash Wednesday and leads up to Easter. It lasts about six weeks, spanning 40 days of observance.

Though often associated with Roman Catholicism, Lent has been observed since early Christianity, with references dating back to the Council of Nicaea in 325 CE. Today, many Christian traditions—including Catholic, Orthodox, Anglican, Lutheran, Methodist, and some evangelical communities—continue to observe it.

What's the Purpose?

Lent is a time of spiritual preparation, mirroring the 40 days Jesus spent fasting in the wilderness (Matthew 4:1-2). It encourages self-examination, renewal, and growth through fasting, abstinence, and active practices such as almsgiving, acts of mercy, forgiveness, and prayer. Many Christians give up certain comforts during Lent to focus on these meaningful acts, preparing their hearts for Holy Week and Easter.

Holy Week

Holy Week is the culmination of Lent, beginning with Palm Sunday and followed by Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday. It marks Jesus's journey from his triumphant entry into Jerusalem to his Last Supper, crucifixion, and resurrection.

By observing Lent with humility and reflection, Christians have the opportunity to meditate on the sorrow and sacrifice of the cross, deepening their appreciation of Easter. May this season inspire us to pause, reflect, abstain, and act as we turn our hearts toward the meaning of the cross.

(Based on Robin Basselin's explanation of Lent.)
Paulo Brum, Pastor of NBLC.



MID-WEEK AND ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

Join congregations for mid-week and Ash Wednesday services!

Dates:

March 5: Ash Wednesday

March 12: Mid-Week 2

March 19: Mid-Week 3

March 26: Mid-Week 4

April 2: Mid-Week 5

April 9: Mid-Week 6

Times and Locations:

<u>Grace Ash Wednesday:</u> 5:00 pm pancake supper & 7:00 pm service

Grace Midweek Service: 11:00 am,

soup and sandwich to follow

Good Shepherd: 7:00 pm

Mount Olive: 7:30 pm

Prince of Peace: 7:00 pm

PALM SUNDAY



Join us for Palm Sunday this year on April 13 as we begin Holy Week with a celebration of Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem. It's a special time to gather, worship, and reflect on the significance of His journey. We invite you and your family to come and be part of this meaningful service as we prepare our hearts for Easter. We look forward to seeing you there!

GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER

We invite you to join us for our Good Friday service on April 18th @ 6:30pm as we solemnly remember the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ. It will be a time of reflection, prayer, and gratitude for His love and sacrifice on the cross. Then, celebrate the joy of the Resurrection with us at our Easter service on April 20th @ 11:11am!



DO YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENED?



SOULS HARBOUR

Souls Harbour takes place every third Tuesday of the month, and March 18 will be our next opportunity to serve! It's a powerful chance to make a real difference in the lives of those in need within our community. We're also excited to share that NBLC earned 3rd place in the recent Chili Cook-Off competition! If you're passionate about helping others and want to get involved, we'd love to have you join us. Whether you're interested in volunteering or simply want more information, please reach out to Dot Zwack to learn how you can be part of this incredible ministry. Your time and heart could truly make a difference!

PRAISE & WORSHIP

Our Praise and Worship event on February 21 was truly a blessed moment! It was a powerful time of connection, song, and worship, bringing our church family together to lift up the name of Jesus. Thank you to everyone who joined us and made it such a special experience. We look forward to more moments like this in the future!





WASCANA LEADERSHIP

Our Wascana Leadership in MOLC, led by Pastor Gust was a truly productive gathering. Representatives from New Beginnings, Mount Olive, Grace, Good Shepherd, and Prince of Peace Lutheran Churches came together for an inspiring and fruitful discussion. We are grateful for the collaboration guided by God!

