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The Annunciation of Our Lord (observed)

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Today's Hymns: [*The first two hymns are printed in the bulletin*] 431, 935

Catechism

P The Creed: The Second Article

C **And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

P What is this?

C **I believe that Jesus Christ—true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary—is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, bought me, and won me from all sins, from death and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death; in order that I may be His own, and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.**

Turn to Confession and Absolution in the Order of Service.

Volunteer Rota

	Music:	Sunday School 1:	Sunday School 2:	Teas:
Today:	John	Barbara	Diane	Sarah
Next week:	Hanna	Sarah		Rosemary

In Our Prayers

Members

Ron; Sindy & Nikola; Žina

Family of members

Alex, Sarah & family; Marie (health); Geoffrey (depression); Ian (Parkinson's); Claire Anniss (health); Doug & Myra (health); Jack Fast (dementia); Howard

(health); Žanna (health); Rita (cancer); Steve (heart failure); Sheridan (health)

Friends of members

Ilse Kelly (old age); Becky Varsogea (brain tumour); Claire & Phil (health); Helen Kriewaldt (stroke, breast cancer); Johann Wiebusch (CP); Mick (terminal

cancer); Charlotte (cancer); John & family (cancer); Brian (cancer); David (cancer); Tim (health); Lynette Wiebusch (Alzheimer's); Janet (cancer); Pauline (cancer); Sharon (brain tumour); Jenny (health); Michael (health); Freddie & Grace (health); Anne & Richard (health); Jean (health); Albert (health)

Local Community

Tina (depression); Treacher family; Leanne (chronic pain)

ELCE

Resurrection Lutheran Church, Pr. Kriger; Pr. Roger and Emily Jones (health); Debbie Edge (recovery from surgery); Wendy Nicolson (cancer)

The Church of God

Lutheran Church of Uganda; Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ghana; Lutherans in Africa, Pr. James May; Somali Lutheran Church, Pr. Mohamed Gurhan; Fareham Methodist Church; Amir family, Jawid (persecution)

ELCE Pilgrimage to Israel—23 Feb–1 Mar 2020

Cost—While an estimate it should not be any more than *£1,700 per person*

What does this include?—Flights from Gatwick on Easyjet. hotels, breakfast and evening meal, entrance into all sites, guide, air-conditioned coach and tips

What it does not include—lunch, anything you wish to purchase

Visa issues?—If you are a UK citizen you do not need a visa, but you do need to have 6 months left on your passport before it expires

Hotels—We will be staying in 3 different hotels, so feel free to search the internet and have a look—1 night at Sea Net in Tel Aviv; 2 nights at Kibbutz Lavi in Galilee; and 4 nights at Jerusalem Gardens.

Payment—A *£200 deposit* will be required and the remainder will be due 6 weeks before we leave.

Single room supplement—if you want a single room, it is possible but it will add another *£367* to the price.

Itinerary—See church noticeboard

How many folks do we need?—It is hoped we have around 25-30

How soon do we need a commitment?—Hotels are booking up quickly as tourism is on the increase in Israel. So the sooner the better, so if we could know a yes by 10 April, that would be extremely helpful. We will know then whether there will be enough folks signed up to go forward.

Safety—Israel can experience troubles, but tourists are very well protected. No one wants to harm the source of income which benefits everyone. I've been to Israel 3 times and never felt in danger.

Weather—in February it could rain and be a bit cool, but the weather will be better than in the UK.

If you are interested, please contact Rev. Jon Ehlers:

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ELCE Restructuring—Public Meeting

10am–3pm, 30 March 2019

Luther-Tyndale Memorial Church, London

All ELCE members are encouraged to attend this meeting to discuss the restructuring of the church. It will be an opportunity to find out the current state of planning for the future, to ask questions, and to offer suggestions to the Restructuring Taskforce.

Provisional Agenda

1. Question time – questions that people have that they would like answered
2. Historical background – why change? (Jon Ehlers)
3. Recent developments (Cynthia Lumley)
 - 3.1. Do we need to be a charity?
 - 3.2. Charity types
4. Who have we consulted – (JE)
5. What have our lawyers told us – (JE)
 - 5.1. Umbrella charity: 3 options
 - 5.1.1. Retain current ELCE charity (charity no. 220466)
 - 5.1.2. Use ELCE Trust and move everything from 220466 into the ELCE Trust Ltd.
 - 5.1.3. Form a new charity
 - 5.2. Individual charities
 - 5.2.1. Single congregations
 - 5.2.2. Group of congregations
 - 5.3. Auxiliary charities – e.g. Westfield House, Seedlings, Harlow housing, etc.
 - 5.4. Umbrella Charity would be joined to individual, group and auxiliary charities by the new Constitution and Memoranda of Understanding (MOU). These would be drawn up by the legal team and agreed as part of becoming a part of the umbrella charity.
6. Review of two Task Force meetings – (Tapani Simojoki)
7. Review and development of organisational structure - (TS)
8. Relationship of synod to congregations and congregations to synod – (George Samiec)
 - 8.1. How do we relate to each other?
 - 8.2. What do congregations want from synod? What does synod want from congregations?
9. What binds us together? – (GS)
 - 9.1. Doctrinal agreement & uniformity of practice
 - 9.2. Property
 - 9.3. Legal requirements – Safeguarding, GDPR, Employment, etc.
 - 9.4. What are non-negotiables?
10. Trustee responsibilities

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

This Week

Today	3 pm	Bible study at Oxford Mission
	4.30 pm	Divine Service (Oxford Mission)
Wed	10.45 am	Pastor's Drop-in (The Hub)
	2 pm	Devotion at Willow Tree Lodge & Hartwell Lodge
	7 pm	Lenten Vespers
Thu	1.10 pm	Bible study (Parsonage)
	6.45 pm	Bible study (Eastleigh)
	10am–4pm	ELCE Restructuring Open Meeting (Kentish Town)
Sun	<i>Clocks Move Forward One Hour</i>	
	10.30 am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)—Mothering Sunday

Further Ahead

3 Apr	10.45 am	Pastor's Drop-in (The Hub)
	7 pm	Lenten Vespers
4 Apr	1.10 pm	Bible study (Parsonage)
	6.45 pm	Bible study (Eastleigh)
7 Apr	10.30 am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)
	6 pm	Youth Club
10 Apr	10.45 am	Pastor's Drop-in (The Hub)
	2 pm	Devotion at Kiln Lodge & Hunters Lodge
	7 pm	Lenten Vespers
11 Apr	1.10 pm	Bible study (Parsonage)
	6.45 pm	Bible study (Eastleigh)
14 Apr	2 pm	Divine Service (Scout Hall)—Palm Sunday
	3.30 pm	Bible study at Brighton Mission
	4.30 pm	Divine Service at Brighton Mission

Daily Readings:

Sun: Genesis 27:30–45; 28:10–22 Mark 9:1–13 *Formula of Concord Solid Declaration II:39–47*

Mon: Gen 29:1–30 Gen 29:31–34:31 Mark 9:14–32 *FC SD II:48–54*

Tue: Gen 35:1–29 Mark 9:33–50 *FC SD II:55–60*

Wed: Gen 37:1–36 Mark 10:1–12 *FC SD II:61–66*

Thu: Gen 39:1–23 Mark 10:13–31 *FC SD II:67–73*

Fri: Gen 40:1–23 Mark 10:32–52 *FC SD II:74–83*

Sat: Gen 41:1–27 Mark 11:1–19 *FC SD II:84–90*

Sun: Gen 41:28–57 Mark 11:20–33 *FC SD III:1–7*

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