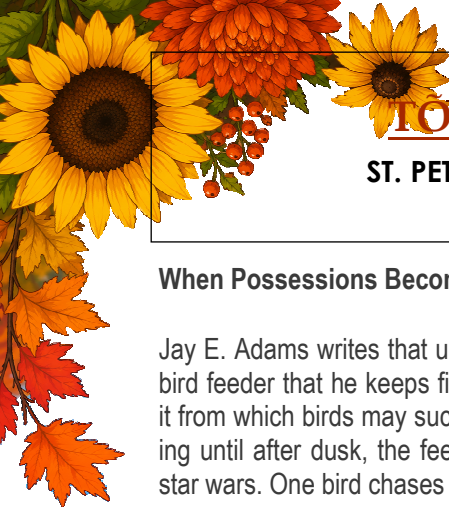




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ST. PETER'S ESTONIAN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF TORONTO
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When Possessions Become a Prison

Jay E. Adams writes that under the roof in his back yard hangs a hummingbird feeder that he keeps filled with sugar water. There are four openings in it from which birds may suck the nectar. Yet, day after day, from early morning until after dusk, the feeder is the source of their own private version of star wars. One bird chases all the others away.

"As I said," Adams writes, "there is room for four birds at a time, and fully that number attempt to feed. But the top dog (excuse my use of this metaphor for a hummingbird!), who now 'owns' the feeder, will not let them. All day long he sits on the branch of a nearby apricot tree guarding 'his' feeder and defying others to transgress on what he has established as 'his' territory.

This ongoing slice of life confronts us throughout the day as green and red hummers streak across the yard, the king hummer in hot pursuit of an intruder. While the chase is on, others sneak a sip or two, only to be driven off when he returns.

The whole business has become a sort of parable for our family. Here is an example of grace: I bought the feeder; I supply the sugar water. The birds do not earn it; they receive it all FREE. Yet, day after day, they fight over who may enjoy it.

How like the people of God! All we have or are that is worthwhile is the gift of God's pure grace. And yet we can be proud, self-centered, envious, and quarrelsome. Often, we fight over God's good gifts rather than expressing our gratitude in humility and sharing what we have been given with others. Just as I am confronted daily with rivalry in my yard, even so God is confronted daily with rivalry in His."



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When Jesus taught us to pray for "our daily bread," He was teaching us that God wants us to depend on Him for our everyday needs.

Give us this day our daily bread. – Matthew 6:11 (KJV)

God doesn't just provide bread for the stomach, He provides bread for the soul. Every new day comes with a fresh portion of grace, strength, wisdom, and provision prepared by the Father.

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NEWS / UUDISED

Toronto Estonian Congregations Commemorated Restoration of Independence and Black Ribbon Day



On the morning of Sunday, August 23, a beautiful Estonian worship service was held at St. Peter's Church, followed by a gathering. The two congregations—the St. Andrew's and St. Peter's congregations—joined by guests, commemorated Estonia's 35th Restoration of Independence Day as well as Black Ribbon Day.

Despite the serious themes, there was a joyful and positive atmosphere in the church. Well over a hundred people gathered, and the two congregations welcomed guests from Estonia, the United States, Sweden, Belgium, and even as far away as Australia. The spirit of friendship and cooperation created a warm and lively buzz throughout the church.

The service was led by Deacon Karl Paju, with Erik Kreem playing the organ and piano. Six members of the Baltimore-Washington Estonian Mixed Choir, joined by Erik Kreem, provided a special musical treat under the direction of Tjorven Hairfield.



As their first performance, they sang two hymns "a cappella". The first was *Mu mano tulge, latse* ("Come to Me, Children"), with its pure, medieval polyphonic sound (arranged by M. Kõlar and K. Hunt). The second was the more contemporary, yet equally richly harmonic, *Sanctus* (arranged by U. Sisask).



Scripture readings were given by Tõnu Naelapea from the St. Andrew's congregation and Anne Liis Keelmann from the St. Peter's congregation. Deacon Karl Paju's sermon was uplifting and inspiring. Thoughts matter, words matter, actions matter, and our goal as human beings should be reconciliation—something that is especially important for society. He reminded us that St. Peter's Church was built by refugees and that words have the power to connect us with our ancestors and those who came before us.



At the conclusion of the service, the choir, accompanied by Erik Kreem on piano, sang two beloved songs: *Oma Saar* ("My Island," arranged by A. Lemba) and *Ärkamise aeg* ("The Time of Awakening," by R. Eespere). The congregation responded with a standing ovation, expressing their sincere gratitude to the performers, and flowers were presented to the choir.

Of course, the choir was not allowed to leave before singing the much-loved encore, *Ta lendab mesipuu poole* ("He Flies Toward the Beehive," P. Sarapik/J. Liiv). Everyone joined in singing!



After the service, attendees were invited downstairs for coffee and refreshments, prepared in the lower hall by Guild Circle chair Aida Shelton together with helpers from both congregations.





In his opening remarks, Thomas Arget, chairman of the St. Peter's congregation board, invited guests who had come from elsewhere to introduce themselves. Several were representatives of Estonian government offices and the Estonian Embassy, including Marti Mätas, Eda Silberg, Kadri Linnas, Anne-Ly Reimaa, Tiina Tarkus, and Külli Siim, as well as archivist Kaia Ivask from Tartu. There were also guests from Brussels, Australia, Sweden, and, of course, elsewhere in Estonia. It was wonderful to hear where everyone had traveled from.



The members of the Baltimore-Washington Estonian Mixed Choir once again delighted the gathering with their singing, joined by many of those present. The food was tasty, the spirits were high, and friendly conversation continued for a long time.



Photos: Tommi Arget, Anne Keelmann, Linda Melders, Tiia Roiser

Heritage Celebration & Commemoration of Great Escape

A significant piece of local history was honoured at St. Peter's Church on September 20, as the community gathered to mark the 1944 Great Escape and celebrate the building's new heritage designation.



The occasion brought together congregation members, residents, community representatives, historians, artists, and others who share an interest in preserving the stories that connect the past with the present. The heritage designation recognizes St. Peter's Church as a place of historic and cultural significance, while the commemoration provided an opportunity to remember a very different chapter of history—the courage and sacrifice associated with the Great Escape during the Second World War.

More than eight decades later, the story of the Great Escape continues to resonate because it represents far more than a daring wartime escape. It speaks to resilience, friendship, sacrifice, and the determination of people living under extraordinarily difficult circumstances. These themes of memory and perseverance were especially meaningful within the walls of St. Peter's Church.

The new heritage designation ensures that the church itself will remain part of the community's story for generations to come. Buildings such as St. Peter's are more than structures of brick, stone, timber, and glass. They provide a physical connection to the people and events

that shaped a community, allowing history to be experienced rather than simply read about.

The event began with greetings from St. Peter's Chair, Thomas Arget, followed by remarks from Mazhar Shafiq, Assistant to the Honourable Robert Oliphant, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Member of Parliament for Don Valley West.

Representing Mr. Oliphant, Mr. Shafiq conveyed the MP's warm greetings and sincere regrets that he was unable to attend the service. He acknowledged St. Peter's as a pillar of faith, culture, and community in Toronto for decades and recognized the extraordinary resilience and spiritual leadership that have shaped the congregation across generations.



Mr. Shafiq also presented a certificate acknowledging St. Peter's heritage designation and its lasting contributions to Don Valley West and to Canada's cultural and spiritual life.



The service was conducted by Rev. Ando Kass and Deacon Karl Paju, with Erik Kreem serving as organist. Musical interludes featured the Estonia Choir, directed by Ingrid Siim, and the Toronto Estonian Men's Choir, directed by Erik Kreem.

The end of the service provided opportunities for guests to bring greetings and offer reflections.



Estonian Honorary Consul in Toronto Thomas Heinsoo spoke on behalf of Gert Auväärt, the new Ambassador of Estonia to Canada, conveying congratulations from the Embassy of Estonia in Ottawa.



Toronto City Councillor and Mayoral Candidate Brad Bradford spoke about the arrival of Estonians in Canada in 1948 and the many contributions they have made to Toronto in the decades since.

Reflecting on the heritage designation, Bradford said: "Toronto looked at what you have known for years, what your parents and grandparents built, and said this is part of Toronto's story, this is something that ought to be preserved and remembered and revered for decades going forward because a city that builds the future and forgets to protect places loses something that we can

never get back."

He continued by reflecting on the lessons represented by the church and its community, noting the resilience and strength of those who had lost almost everything yet came to Toronto, built new lives, and created something beautiful.

Heritage is About People

Patrick Brown, Heritage Planner, Policy and Research/Heritage Planning, Urban Design, City Planning, spoke on behalf of himself and Tamara Anson-Cartwright, Program Manager, Heritage Planning at the City of Toronto, who was also in attendance.



Brown explained that heritage is about much more than buildings. "When we talk about heritage, people often assume we just refer to buildings, but we always base it on communities, value, and cultural heritage."

He noted that cultural heritage can encompass many forms of value, including spiritual significance, culture, language, belonging, and history.

In his closing remarks, Brown alluded to 1 Peter 2:4–5, emphasizing that people themselves are important to heritage—the "living stones."

Remembering Those Who Built St. Peter's

Christine Mann, daughter of Michael Bach, was in attendance and represented the Bach family. She expressed the family's deep gratitude to everyone who has cared for the building over the past 70 years.



She said her father would have been very happy to know that his work is being appreciated today and that the building will be preserved. But, she added, he would perhaps have been even more delighted to see everyone gathered together. Community was always important to Michael Bach, she noted, and he was proud of his Estonian heritage. Knowing that the Estonian community remains strong and that his contributions to the city are being recognized is, she said, a tremendous gift.



Stained-glass artist Ernestine Tahedl also addressed the congregation and reflected on the preservation of her windows, which have become an important part of the church's character and legacy. "You have given me a gift of preserving the windows, which will be a legacy of my life. I hope the gift of the windows will accompany your worship and your prayers for many generations to come."

At the original dedication of the church windows, Tahedl had received an Estonian belt

as a gift from the congregation, representing the belt formed by the design of her stained-glass windows within the church. She explained that she had the privilege of keeping the belt and, on this occasion, returned it to the congregation.

Greetings from Estonia and Beyond



Written greetings were received from the ELCIC and from Bishop Ove Sander in Estonia. In his message, Bishop Sander wrote: "I warmly congratulate you on the wonderful news that your beautiful and cherished church building has received special recognition and distinction from the city. Together with the congregation, I thank God that you have this magnificent sanctuary, so important both historically and spiritually, where you can receive grace from the Lord and give thanks to Him and serve Him. May God bestow His abundant grace upon this holy place and upon your congregation." (Translated)

"Tervitan Teid südamest nende heade uudiste puhul, et Teie kaunis ja kallis kirikuhoone on saanud linna poolse erilise tunnustuse ja äramärgimise. Täna koos kogudusega Jumalat, et Teil on see imekaunis ning ajalooliselt ja vaimulikult oluline pühakoda, kus Te saata Issandalt armu vastu võtta ning Teda tänada ja teenida. Andku Jumal oma rohket armu sellele pühakohale ja Teie kogudusele."

Toronto Mayor Olivia Chow sent her congratulations, writing: "We appreciate the congregation's longstanding contribution to Toronto's Estonian community and the care that generations have taken to preserve the church's history, architecture and role as a place of worship and community connection. Congratulations on this significant heritage designation milestone."

Member of Provincial Parliament Stephanie Bowman also sent written greetings. Although she was unable to attend because of a prior commitment, she described the official heritage designation as a meaningful recognition of the church's rich history and architectural and cultural significance.

She also recognized the generations whose dedication and stewardship have helped preserve St. Peter's as a treasured place of worship and heritage, extending her warm congratulations to the congregation and the Estonian community.

Honouring Those Who Helped Build the Church

Individuals and family members connected with the creation of St. Peter's were called forward and recognized during the celebration. They included stained-glass artist Ernestine Tahedl; Christine Mann, daughter of Michael Bach; and Marjut Nousiainen Karu, whose father designed the Finnish Boys Memorial. Flowers were also presented to choir directors Ingrid Silm and Erik Kreem in recognition of their contributions to the musical life of the congregation.



Architect family members, speakers, guests from the left: Pastor Peeter Vanker, Thomas Heinsoo, Pastor Kim (TKOC), Ernestine Tahedl, Patrick Brown, Christine Mann, Rev. Ando Kass, Marjut Nousiainen Karu, Deacon Karl Paju, Ingrid Silm, Erik Kreem, Brad Bradford.

Sharing the Story with a New Generation



The church basement was filled to capacity as guests gathered for fellowship and refreshments, including catered sandwiches, fruit, cakes, and coffee.



During the gathering, guests viewed a new 32-minute documentary about the history of the congregation and the church building, titled *The Story of St. Peter's Church: The History Behind a Toronto Heritage Treasure* prepared by Tiitu Roiser. The film is now available through the church's [website](#), [Facebook page](#), and [YouTube channel](#).



The documentary adds another dimension to the effort to preserve the story of St. Peter's, ensuring that future generations can learn not only about the building itself, but also about the people, faith, traditions, and experiences that have shaped the congregation.

A Living Heritage

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The September 20 service and fellowship gathering were both a celebration and an act of remembrance: a celebration of a historic building newly recognized for its heritage value, and a solemn reminder of the people whose courage and sacrifice should never be forgotten.

Those attending were reminded, as Patrick Brown emphasized, that heritage is ultimately about people. Preserving a historic building means preserving a place where stories can continue to be told—stories of faith and community, as well as stories of courage, sacrifice, resilience, and hope.

At St. Peter's Church, those stories remain very much alive.

Images: Thomas Arget, Väino Einola, Anne Keelmann, Tiitu Roiser.

We Need You — Will You Serve With Us?

Every Sunday, we come together as a church family to worship, fellowship, encourage one another, and grow in faith. But behind every welcoming smile, every prepared space, every cup of coffee, and every smoothly running service are people who have simply said, "I'm willing to help." Today, we're asking you to be one of those people. You don't have to be perfect. You don't need special skills. You simply need a willing heart.

There are many ways to serve—welcoming people, helping with setup or cleanup, assisting with refreshments, supporting children and families, helping during the service, and many other opportunities.

Will you join us? Will you lend a hand? Will you help make Sunday a little better for someone else? If you're willing to serve, please speak with Anne Keelmann or Tiina Jenkins

Sunday School

1st class on October 18th.

If you are interested in bringing your child to Sunday School, please register with the church office at 416-483-5847
stpeterstoronto@rogers.com



Sunday School & Moms, Pops & Tots

Not too late to register! The first classes will be held on October 18th. Sunday School lessons with Leena Gates-Kass will be offered in English.



Moms, Pops & Tots

This group meets in the downstairs hall of the church during church services. It is a drop-in play group so you can come and go as you please.

First get-together Oct. 18th.

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Toronto

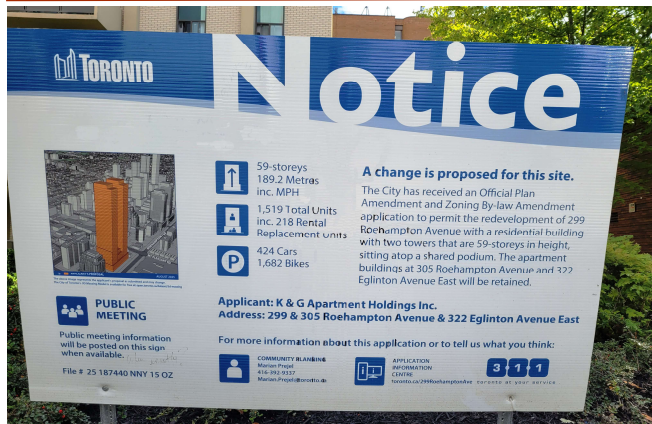
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Confirmation Classes

Confirmation classes to begin in the fall.
Registration on Sept. 20th or via
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Keeping You Informed

As some of you may be aware, a large notice billboard has been posted on the property adjacent to St. Peter's regarding a rezoning application and development proposal for 299 Roehampton Avenue, directly adjacent to the church, as well as other lands near the church on Eglinton Avenue East.

The developer first submitted its application to the City of Toronto Planning and Development Department in July 2025; however, the review process appeared to stall in late 2025 with no Statutory Public Meeting taking place, and no decision from the city to approve or reject the proposal.

In early July 2026, the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) notified nearby property owners of the developer's escalation of its application to a provincial level, citing lack of action by the City of Toronto. The OLT initiated its tribunal process and invited all interested parties to participate, including St. Peter's.

The proposed development would replace two existing 12-storey residential apartment buildings on Roehampton Avenue with two 59-storey towers. A similar high-rise tower is proposed for the southeast quadrant of Mount Pleasant and Eglinton. If approved, both developments will significantly impact St. Peter's and the surrounding neighbourhood.

More information about the proposed site-plan is available at: <https://299roehamptoninfo.ca>

St. Peter's Involvement in the OLT Process

We have retained legal counsel and were granted Party status at a recent Case Management Conference (CMC). This allows St. Peter's to participate fully in the OLT process, challenge aspects of the proposed development, and advocate for the best interests of the church and its property. There are currently seven other participants involved in the matter.

Area residents already express wide-ranging community concerns. As the property directly adjacent, St. Peter's legal counsel recommends building a case against the proposed development that is on specific risks and long-term threats to the church:

- **Loss of natural light in the church:** The massive 59-storey tower and its close proximity will permanently leave St. Peter's in its shadow, blocking the natural light we rely upon inside the church, especially during Sunday morning services.
- **Snow and ice accumulation:** Studies have already shown that the height of the proposed towers will cause significantly higher winds around St. Peter's, potentially causing increased snow loading and ice accumulation affecting the church roof, the columbarium, parking lots, and adjacent streets and sidewalks; amplifying the risk of property damage and compromising personal safety.
- **Protection of the heritage building:** We need to ensure that appropriate measures are in place to protect the structure of St. Peter's during construction and long-term. This includes assurances that any damage caused by construction or related impacts, or long-term infrastructure deficiencies such as drainage is fully assessed, restored to the required heritage standard, and fully compensated financially by the developer.
- **Construction-related vibration and structural impacts:** Given the age and heritage character of the building and precious contents such as stained glass windows, the organ, etc., we are also investigating appropriate monitoring and preventative measures to protect the church during excavation and construction.
- **Unacceptably Narrow Set-back:** Wind and shadow effects notwithstanding, the large footprint and very close proximity of the proposed apartment tower next to St. Peter's eastern property line poses numerous concerns during and after construction.

Next Procedural Steps

The OLT process is expected to proceed according to the following timeline:

- A Procedural Order, setting out the key participants, steps and rules for the hearing process, was delivered by the Appellant through the OLT in August 2026.
- An Issues List, which is nearly complete from St. Peter's perspective, is due in January 2027.
- The OLT hearing is currently scheduled for June 2027, giving us 10 months to prepare our submissions and supporting evidence.

Board Accountabilities: Prudent Decision-making and Rigorous Financial Control

- As a Board, we need to diligently control the ongoing costs of participating in this process and set limits on how much we can reasonably commit to legal and expert assistance. Our financial resources will necessarily influence the strategy we are able to pursue.
- Our immediate priorities include:
 - * Clarifying if, and how, St. Peter's heritage designation affects the developer's obligations to protect the church and prevent damage.
 - * Reviewing the submissions and concerns raised by the other parties to determine whether there are areas of common ground and potential opportunities to collaborate. At the same time, our situation is unique and the expressed interests of local residents' groups and institutions such as Northern Secondary

School, are unlikely to reflect the church's stated issues and demands.

- * Identifying and retaining appropriate technical experts whose analysis, professional opinions, and advice will strengthen our case.
- * Fundraising to help cover legal and expert fees.

We Need Your Help

We will be grateful to hear from any congregation members—or anyone they may know—who has professional qualifications or expertise and/or relevant experience in areas that could assist us, particularly:

- Structural engineering and auditing;
- Architecture;
- Urban planning and land use;
- Construction-related vibration and its impact on neighbouring buildings or infrastructure;
- Geotechnical engineering involving urban excavations;
- Wind effects, including downwash and snow/ice accumulation;
- Heritage conservation;
- Large-scale development/building project management.

If you have expertise in any of the above, know someone who may be able to assist, or have other suggestions regarding how we should approach this matter, please contact any member of the Board.

We will continue to keep the congregation informed as the OLT process progresses. Thank you for your support and for helping us protect the long-term interests of St. Peter's.

Save the Date:

Annual Christmas Craft Sale and Café – November 14th!

Mark your calendars! This year's Craft Sale will take place on Saturday, November 14th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

We're currently collecting prize donations for the raffle and silent auction. If you'd like to contribute gently used items, gift certificates, wine, homemade cookies, or other suitable items, please drop them off at the church by **November 1st**. We are also looking for donations of baskets, platters, bowls, cellophane, ribbons, etc. Fresh baked goods can be dropped off on November 14th.

Interested in selling your crafts? Table reservations are now open! Cost: \$25 per table. Reserve your spot early — space is limited!

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Santa checks his list twice.

You should check out our craft tables twice.

Yarn won't believe how many great gifts you'll find!

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*May God strengthen your hearts in this moment of sorrow,
Granting you comfort and filling your hearts with His Peace.*



Liivi Flauder

(nee Wallaste)

April 17, 1936 – May 5, 2026

*"Come to me, all who labour and
are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest."
Matthew 11:28*

*"Tulge minu juurde kõik, kes olete vaevatud ja koormatud, ja
mina annan teile hingamise!" Matteus 11:28*



Leinalilled

*Kui närtsinud on viimne lilleõis
Ja südamesse jäänud tühjus, lein.
Kui lakanud on küsimused,
Kaastunde avaldused, kallistused.
Siis, Jah siis,
Sa alles tajud üksildust
Ja küsid: Kes ikka hoolib Sinust?
Kes aitab, lohutab?
Usk aitab sind,
Kui närtsinud on viimne lilleõis.*

*Aino Müllerbeck - 14. Aprill 2003
Abikaasa Karli mälestuseks
(1921-2003)*

In Memorium/Mälestades

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our dear mother, Liivi (nee Wallaste) Flauder on Tuesday May 5, 2026. Liivi will be sadly missed by her sons Ben (Yvonne) and Gary; grandsons Alex and Kyle; and sister Urve. Predeceased by her parents Evald and Eugenia and sister Irja. Liivi was born in Kuressaare, Estonia on April 17, 1936.

Her family fled the invasion of Estonia by the Soviet Red Army in September 1944 briefly taking refuge in Sweden and then ultimately settling in Canada in 1950.

Liivi lived a long full life. She first worked as a model in her early years in Toronto and then as a bookkeeper until her retirement. She was a long time resident of Blue Heron Drive (formerly McCrae Beach) on Lake Simcoe. She loved to read and garden, and had an extensive collection of garden gnomes. She loved to sit in her sunroom with her dog Coco and admire the daily comings and goings around her neighborhood.

Mom lived the last year of her life being cared for by all the "angels" at Ehatare Retirement and Nursing Home in Scarborough, Ontario. The family wishes to extend its deepest gratitude and thanks to all the wonderful staff for giving her the best care possible. Puhka rahus kallis Ema.

In lieu of flowers we ask that donations be made to the Estonian Relief Committee in Canada to allow for the continued support of Ehatare Retirement and Nursing Home.

Seasons of Life

*Spring is like a beauty fair, Of being born anew,
The sweetness of this time in life, When everything is new.
Summer is a learning time, This experience sincere.
Our God is more pronounced in us, We can feel Him ever near.
The Fall of life is when we feel, The changing of the guard,
A sweet and gentle day in life, For which we've worked so hard.
In Winter we all turn, From all the past's sweet scenes.
We find them in our memory; We feel them in our dreams.
So, we live life's seasons; How grand it was to be
Trying all of the time, my God, To be closer yet...to Thee.
James Joseph Huesgen*

If you are celebrating a joyful occasion such as a christening or wedding, or wish to commemorate or honour the passing of a loved one, please inform the office so the announcement can be included in our newsletter. Kindly note that these notices are not published automatically.



CHURCH SERVICES & EVENTS / JUMALA- TEENISTUSED & ÜRITUSED*

*New events may be added to the calendar—please check our church website for any additions. www.stpeterstorontoestonianchurch.ca/event-calendar

- October 4 1:30 p.m. Joint Estonian Thanksgiving service with St. Andrews congregation at Agricola Finnish Lutheran Church at 25 Old York Mills Rd, in North York. The St. Peter's and St. Andrew's united choir will perform.
- October 7 12:00 noon, Wednesday, Guild meeting. New members welcome.
- October 11 3:00 p.m. Sunday, Estonian language service at Ehatare Retirement home with Deacon Karl Paju. Everyone welcome.
- October 18 11:30 a.m., Sunday, Congregation's 78'th anniversary English communion service with Rev. Ando Kass and Deacon Karl Paju. Sunday School and Moms, Pops, & Tots programs begin. Blessing and presentation of our official church pin to Congregational Council members and all of our volunteers.
- Nov. 1 11:30 a.m., Hingedepäev (All Soul's Day) Estonian service with Deacon Karl Paju. Commemorating last year's departed. Please drop off all non-perishable donations for the Nov. 14th Christmas Craft Sale.

Remembering Others

*O God, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry;
When I have work, help me to remember the jobless;
When I have a home,
help me to remember those who have no home at all;
When I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer,
And remembering, help me to destroy my complacency;
bestir my compassion, and be concerned enough to help;
By word and deed,
those who cry out for what we take for granted.*

- Samuel F. Pugh -



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Tues. 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Wed. 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Thurs. 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Deacon Karl Paju's Office Hours:

Thursdays from
12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m.

To request prayers, please contact St. Peter's office.

Eestpalved võib igal ajal kirjalikult esitada kiriku kontoris:

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If you have not already done so, please ensure that the church has your up-to-date contact information.

*Kui teie ei ole juba teinud, palun saatke oma kehtivad andmed (postiaadress, epost, ja telefoninumber) kiriku kantseleisse:
416-483-5847.*

A devout old shepherd lost his favourite Bible while he was out looking for a wayward lamb. Three weeks later, a sheep walked up to him carrying the Bible in its mouth. The shepherd couldn't believe his eyes. He took the precious book out of the sheep's mouth, raised his eyes heavenward and exclaimed, "It's a miracle!"

"Not really,"
said the sheep.
"Your name is
written inside
the cover."

