

## FIRST LUTHERAN NEWS

Hello fellow church members. Hope these days of the pandemic find everyone staying safe and healthy.

Although the church has been closed since Boxing Day, council has been busy at work and has a few updates to share.

Our annual meeting was postponed in January and remains in that status. Once it is a safe environment to carry out the meeting we will announce a date.

### \$FINANCIAL REPORT \$

Thank you for all your faithful offerings to our Congregation, Benevolence Funds  
The following is a summary of the first two (2) months of 2021.

Regular Income	Rental	Current Expenses	Benevolence
\$5,211.83	\$2,400.00	\$10,163.76	\$40.00

Submitted By: Sheila Fretz, Church Treasurer

World Day of Prayer took place Friday, March 5th with First Lutheran being the host for Port Colborne Churches. The service was held virtually. The program was written by women in Vanuata with the theme "Build on a firm Foundation". Vanuatu is a group of over eighty islands located in the South Pacific, east of Australia.

Donations can be made and sent to: Women's Inter Church Council of Canada, 47 Queen's Park Crescent East, Toronto, Ontario M5S 2C3.

Our Prayers and monetary support is greatly appreciated.

Submitted by Claudia Brema

Thank you Claudia for all your hard work.

As Niagara has now been placed back in the red zone we are able to re open our doors for Sunday Service.

Our first service will be March 14th. All covid safety protocols will be in place.

Along with the reopening of the church the council has some very exciting news to share with you. We are happy to announce that we have a new interim pastor. We welcome Pastor Ron Sedo to First Lutheran. Pastor Sedo has graciously offered to join us at First Lutheran as interim pastor as we go through the process to secure a new Pastor.

Looking forward to seeing everyone again.

Council Chair Mike Bernatz

