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## British Columbia Synod

Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

**April 24, 2024**

BC Synod announcements are sent out on **Wednesdays**. Do you have an announcement you want to send out? Please send it to bcsynod@elcic.ca **no later than 9:00 pm on the Sunday prior to the week of first publication**. All announcements may be edited as needed. Thank you.

### Prayer Petitions for This Sunday

To download the **UPDATED** BC Synod 2023-2024 **Prayer List for Congregations**, please [click here](#). It can also be found on our website [bcsynod.org](https://bcsynod.org) under the Resources.

On April 28, we pray for:

*St. Peter's Estonian Lutheran in Vancouver – Rev. Andres Rebane (Interim)*  
*Peace Lutheran in Vernon*

**Lutheran Anglican Cycle of Prayer** for Advent 2023 to Reign of Christ 2024.

To download your copy, please [click here](#).

### HIGHLIGHTS

- **NEW** To be added to, or removed from the [Pulpit Supply List](#), please contact the Synod Office
- **NEW** [Information for Treasurers](#)
- **NEW** [Morning Brew, More Leisurely Brew and Lay Leaders' Gathering Continue in May](#)
- [Synod Office Staff Update](#)
- **April 30** registration deadline for [2024 BC Synod Convention](#)
- **April 30** [The Good Samaritan Society](#) is looking for clergy for Board of Directors
- **May 5, June 2** [Game Night for Young Adults](#)
- **May 11** [Hearts United for Ukraine](#)
- **May 15** [Missions Committee invites applications](#)
- **July 18-21** [2024 National Worship Conference](#)
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- [CLWR Bible Studies](#)
- Gloria Dei, North Vancouver is looking to [hire a Church Administrator](#)
- [Charitus \(formerly ELFEC\) is Hiring](#)
- [Resources](#): Congregational Stewardship, ELCIC Mutual Ministry Guide, Eternity for Today, and Canada Lutheran Subscription

For more details, other announcements,  
prayer requests and resources, [see below](#).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### One Body, One Spirit, One Hope: BC Synod Convention

BC Synod Convention registration is now open.  
The registration deadline is **April 30, 2024**.

You can find the registration link and other details on our [Convention website](#).



### Synod Office: Staff Update

We are happy to announce that Durga Pandithurai has accepted the invitation to join the BC Synod staff team as a part time in-office administrator. She will officially begin her work this week. Please join us in extending her a warm welcome to this new role.

### Morning Brew / More Leisurely Brew / Lay Leaders' Gathering

Other than the Morning Brew, invitations for these Zoom gatherings are sent via email. If you need the connection details, please contact [bcsynod@elcic.ca](mailto:bcsynod@elcic.ca).

#### Thursday Morning Brew (for active rostered leaders)

Meets monthly

Next date: **Thursday, May 2 at 9 am**

[Click here join the Morning Brew by ZOOM](#),

Or call in by dialing: 778-907-2071

Meeting ID: **408 774 692**

Password: **372384**

**More Leisurely Brew** (for retired rostered leaders)

more leadership from your trained lay leaders,

Meets monthly

Next date: **May 2 at 10am**

[Click here to join the meeting](#), or contact the synod office if you need to connect by phone.

### **Lay Leader Gatherings**

Meets monthly

Next date - **Thursday, May 2 at 7pm**

[Click here to join the meeting](#), or contact the synod office if you need to connect by phone.

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## **Missions Committee invites applications**

BC Synod Missions Committee is once again inviting applications to fund neighbourhood and community experiments and learning opportunities.

The upcoming application deadlines for the ELCIC Mission Fund (formerly know as CECF) 2024 are:

**May 15**

**October 15**

For more information and to access the application form, [check the synod website](#).

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## **"Hearts United for Ukraine: A Celebration of Culture and Compassion"**

To purchase tickets, go to:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/gloria-dei-lutheran-church/events/hearts-united-for-ukraine-dinner/>

For more info call 604-988-5838



May 11 - 6-9pm



1110 Gladwin Dr.  
North Vancouver

Gloria Dei  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

## ELCIC NEWS

### Information for Treasurers

Attention congregational treasurers! A reminder that CRA requires your congregation to submit its Charity Information Return (T3010) no later than six months after your fiscal year-end. Most congregations have a December 31st fiscal year-end, in which case the T3010 form for 2023 must be filed no later than June 30th, 2024.

The recommended method for completing and filing your T3010 return is through CRA's [My Business Account](#) for your congregation.

Please note: the CRA has updated the T3010 form for charities with fiscal periods ending on or after December 31, 2023. Please ensure you use the correct form.

If you prefer to prepare and mail hardcopy forms you will need:

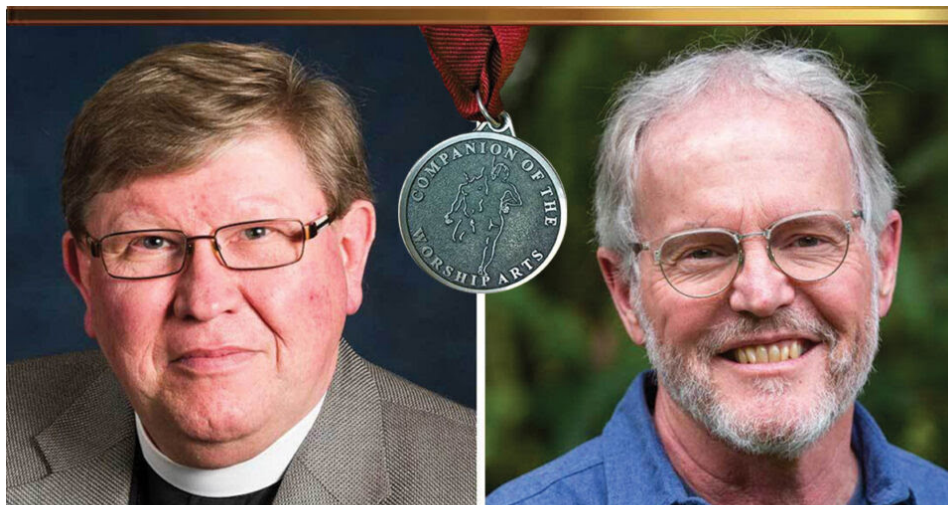
[T3010 Registered Charity Information Return](#) (updated)

[T1236 Qualified Donees Worksheet](#)

[T1235 Directors/Trustees and Like Officials Worksheet](#)

Your completed 2023 financial statements

### 2024 Companion of the Worship Arts Recipients Announced





(From left to right) CWA recipients the Ven. Dr. Richard Leggett and Rev. Lyle McKenzie.

In the continuing spirit of full communion, the [Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada](#) (ELCIC) and the [Anglican Church of Canada](#) (ACC) are pleased to announce the recipients of the **2024 Companion of the Worship Arts** (CWA). The CWA is awarded every three years in recognition of significant contributions to the worship life of both churches. Since 2014, one Anglican and one Lutheran recipient receive the honour, recognizing ongoing inspiration and encouragement to others, and service to God, through worship, spirituality and the arts. This year's Lutheran recipient is the Rev. Lyle McKenzie and this year's Anglican recipient is the Ven. Dr. Richard Leggett. The CWA awards will be presented by ACC Primate Linda Nicholls and ELCIC National Bishop Susan Johnson at the **2024 National Worship Conference "STONES CRY OUT: Praying with the land,"** which will take place **from July 18-21, in Regina, Saskatchewan.** For more information, visit [www.nationalworshipconference.org](http://www.nationalworshipconference.org).

To read the full article and the bios of our 2024 CWA recipients, please [click here](#).

## National Worship Conference

**Registration is open!**

Early bird price, before May 31:  
\$475 per person

June 1 and later:  
\$525 per person

Visit  
[www.nationalworshipconference.org](http://www.nationalworshipconference.org)  
to register now!

The [2024 National Worship Conference](#) titled 'The Stones Cry Out: Praying with the Land' will be held on **July 18-21, 2024** in beautiful Regina, Saskatchewan.

**Registration is now open!** Visit our website at: [nationalworshipconference.org](http://nationalworshipconference.org) and follow us on Facebook [@nationalworshipconference](#) for updates regarding the keynote speakers, workshops, and Friday evening hospitality options!

Gifted keynote speakers will help us to think about, talk about and pray about the ways in which we can transform our worship, in authentic ways - from language and image of empire and colonialism, to one which recognizes our rich multi-cultural and Indigenous heritage. These are challenging and, at times, difficult conversations and learnings. Together we will explore our own experiences, biases, and hopes for new ways of being the church!

## Employment Opportunities

### Gloria Dei

**Gloria Dei in North Vancouver is seeking a Church Administrator.**  
**Permanent Part Time 18 hrs. per week**

Tuesday – Friday, 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM and one evening or afternoon/month  
Please click [here](#) for more information.

## Charitus (formerly ELFEC) is Hiring

Charitus (formerly ELFEC) is inviting proposals from proposals from professionals or groups who can lead in the identification and development of case studies that provide comprehensive information surrounding the reimaging and/or redevelopment of faith communities in Canada and support positive engagement with congregations and other expressions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC).

More information about this position:

<https://charityvillage.com/jobs/rfp-for-case-study-development-remote-in-nationwide-ca/>

### More Announcements

## Game Night for Young Adults Organized and Hosted by a Lutheran Young Adult

A poster for a Game Night event. The background is light green. On the left, there are illustrations of a board game, a card game, and two dice. The text is arranged in a clean, modern layout with horizontal lines separating sections.

SUNDAY APRIL  
7TH, MAY 5TH, &  
JUNE 2ND, 6PM-  
8PM

COME TO...  
**GAME NIGHT**  
FOR YOUNG ADULTS

EVERYONE WELCOME

FOOD PROVIDED

BRING A BOARD OR  
CARD GAME TO PLAY

ST. LAURENCE ANGLICAN  
CHURCH (825 ST LAURENCE  
ST, COQUITLAM, BC V3J 6G7)

ANY QUESTIONS? PLEASE FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT TO:

## CLWR Bible Studies



Did you know that CLWR has created Bible studies to help congregations delve deeper into themes of injustice and compassion by engaging with Scripture and considering how God calls us to act together?

These studies can be adapted for your congregation's needs and are free to use. We have been adding a new study to the collection monthly and each one focuses on a unique topic, while exploring local, national and global connections. The most recent study, based on 2 Kings 5:1-14 and focused on health, is available now - download it directly [here](#) and keep an eye on [clwr.org/bible-study](http://clwr.org/bible-study) for more!

## RESOURCES

### Congregational Stewardship Resources

Looking for stewardship resources to assist your congregation? Consider the [resources from the Lake Institute](#). Their library of resources offers a wealth of information on generosity. You can also find all the archived resources from the Ecumenical Stewardship Centre - which are the resources the National Office previously mailed out to all ELCIC congregations

### ELCIC Mutual Ministry Guide

The [Mutual Ministry Guide](#) is designed to nurture good and healthy mutual relationships between rostered ministers and church leadership, and encourage regular evaluation of congregational ministry.

### Eternity for Today - Our Daily Devotional Publication

The ELCIC National Office has taken over the publishing of our daily devotional resource. Congregations and individuals with a current subscription should be receiving their April-May-June copies any day now.

- **New to *Eternity for Today*?** Consider subscribing to this daily devotional series written by ELCIC members. Subscribe today using this link:

<https://simplecirc.com/subscribe/eternity-for-today> You can also GIFT a subscription to someone using the following link: [https://simplecirc.com/give\\_a\\_gift/eternity-for-today](https://simplecirc.com/give_a_gift/eternity-for-today)

## Canada Lutheran Subscriptions

- Subscribe to Canada Lutheran today by using our new online link: <https://simplecirc.com/subscribe/canada-lutheran>
- For new congregational subscriptions, please call the ELCIC National Office to set up your new subscription at 204-984-9177.
- Gift an individual *Canada Lutheran* subscription here: [https://simplecirc.com/give\\_a\\_gift/canada-lutheran](https://simplecirc.com/give_a_gift/canada-lutheran)

## Transitions in Ministry

Transitions, Vacancies and Call Processes in the BC Synod can be found here: [Transitions in Ministry | Resources | British Columbia Synod \(bcsynod.org\)](https://www.bcsynod.org/transitions-in-ministry-resources)

### BC Synod Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

BC Synod staff work a variety of hours in various locations, including from home offices. To better serve you, please contact the synod office before dropping by to ensure someone is present to receive you.

**Website:** [British Columbia Synod \(bcsynod.org\)](https://www.bcsynod.org)

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eTransfers are linked to the office email address: [bcsynod@elcic.ca](mailto:bcsynod@elcic.ca)

Auto Deposit has been enabled. No password is required.

The message field of the eTransfer should explain what the payment is for. (It is like the memo field of a cheque, but with more space).

If a congregation is doing their monthly congregation remittance, then the remittance form can be emailed or mailed separately at the same time that the transfer is done.

Do the church council and members of your congregation receive the Synod Announcements directly?



We encourage you to forward this email to them so that they can  
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