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ST. PETER'S ESTONIAN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF TORONTO
EELK Toronto Peetri Kogudus



WELCOME

Pastor Pamela Kormano



Grace and peace to each of you! My name is Reverend Pamela Kormano, and yet I hope you will call me Pastor Pamela or Pamela. I look forward to leading your October 1st English Worship Service with Holy Communion!

I was born and grew up in Winnipeg, Manitoba and I have lived in different areas of Canada. My husband and I lived in Tallinn, Estonia for the later part of the year in 2008 and I loved this time when I learned about the Estonian

history traditions, culture, experienced Estonian hospitality, food, witnessed the beautiful handmade works of art in the markets, and listened to the heartfelt stories some people shared with me about their lives.

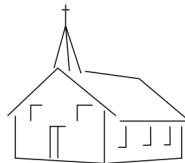
I hope each of you will plan to attend and invite your family and friends to the worship service with Holy Communion followed by a coffee reception with fellowship at St. Peter's Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church of Toronto! I look forward to conversations with each of you and getting to know your congregation!

Let's come together to lovingly give thanks for the many blessings each of us are gifted each day, within this Thanksgiving Worship Service!

God bless each of you!
Peace and Blessings,
Pastor Pamela

A boy and his father were at church together. They spent the morning watching the preacher preach, the choir and soloists sing, the organist play.

"It's quite a show, isn't it father," says the boy, "and all this for just a Loonie!"



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and e-mail transfers accepted.**

WELCOME

Organist Chung Lee

Chung Lee has over 25 years of experience in playing the piano and organ. He accompanies singers, composes music, teaches and performs at various special events, with choirs, and outreach worship teams. He specializes in instant piano music creation/composition, accompaniment, and song arrangement and improvisation. He is an RCM ARCT (Teacher) Elementary Piano Pedagogy written with First Class Honors Certificate.



Before our services, Chung comes to us from playing at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church. Although he will mostly do the English-language services, Chung will be with us at the congregation's 75th anniversary service on September 24th.

UUDISED / NEWS

Confirmation Classes

Do we have young people interested in confirmation this year? If there are enough interested students, Pastor Pamela is ready to run a confirmation class. In order that our future young members best understand the concepts, lessons would be offered in English. Pastor Pamela had an excellent suggestion that we combine our congregation classes with those of a couple of other congregations. This would make classes and discussions more interesting for our young people.

We are having discussions with other Lutheran congregations about this opportunity. If your child is interested in going to Confirmation this year, please advise the office.

Church Apartment Rented

Who are those new faces you are seeing around the church? We welcome our new apartment tenants who are students at York University, Humber and George Brown Colleges studying Kinesiology, Urban Studies, E-Commerce, Sports Rehabilitation and business finance. Welcome gentlemen! We hope to see you at our Sunday services.

A reminder to our church visitors, the parking spot closest to the apartment walkway is reserved for our new tenants.

Sunday School

It is our hope that we will begin to offer Sunday School beginning in January 2024. We have spoken to some families with young children, and the preference seems to be to have the Sunday School lessons in English, but songs and games in Estonian. The Sunday School classes will be offered on the 1st Sunday of each month to coincide with the English language services. If families are interested, you may begin registering your children already with the office.



Are you interested in working with our young people? Do you like teaching Sunday School lessons? songs? organizing Sunday School events? providing snacks? We'd love to hear from you. Please contact Tiitu Roiser at tiitu-roiser@rogers.com, or Tiina in the office.

Pastoral Care Committee

Pastoral care is something we want to foster and grow within our congregation. What is Pastoral Care – it is exactly as it sounds, caring for each other. This is not something that is done solely by a pastor. We are looking to begin a Pastoral Care Committee. These are people our congregation members can turn to when looking for help, advice, or someone to talk with.



We are looking to you, our members, to give us ideas concerning your needs. One such idea is to create a Phone Pals Program, sometimes also called a Friendly Calls Program. Some of our members are doing this already by calling and checking up on each other. We would like to organize this more fully. Please think of some names, perhaps "tervis kaaslased" or "Sõprus sidemed".

You should be aware, that we are currently having discussions with another organization to provide community care. Contact Anne Keelmann at akeelmann@rogers.com if you'd like to help out.

*"Sellepärast pange tähele iseen-
did ja kõike karja, kellele Püha
Vaim on pannud teid ülevaata-
jais karjastena hoidma Jumala
kogudust, mille Ta on omanda-
nud Iseenese vere läbi."
Acts 20:28*

Email Campaign Savings

We ask that everyone please register your email with us so that we can send you information in a timely manner. Emails to your inbox will reach you faster than by regular mail, and, it is a huge savings for the church.

Our last email notification was sent to almost 400 individuals. This is a great savings for printing and postage. If you have not yet done so, please register your email address with the church office.

Allocation of Donations

We are updating our membership list.

To ensure that all individuals are accurately reflected as members, if you as parents are donating on behalf of your children or other family members, it is imperative that you indicate this on your donation.

For example, if a parent donates \$500, that amount will be allocated to that member's church account. If a part of this \$500 was also on behalf of their son, daughter, or spouse, this allocation must clearly be indicated with your donation. Otherwise, your children's church accounts will show that they are not active members and have not contributed to the church.

Jõululaat/Christmas Craft Sale

We are having a holiday craft sale on Sunday, November 12th. Mark your calendars for early Christmas shopping. Visit the guild café for tasty treats and hot drinks.

Vendors, do you have crafts you'd like to sell? Would you like to rent a table? At print, there are still tables available to rent for \$15.

We are also looking for donations of new items for the lottery.

Contact Anne Keelmann at akeelmann@rogers.com or Tiiu Roiser at tiiu-roiser@rogers.com

Jõululaat

**Käsitööd, ehteid,
maiustusi, jne.
Kohvik**

**Pühapäeval, 12 novembril, 2023
Peetri kiriku alumises saalis.
Kell 11:00 - 4:00
Sissepääs \$2.**

**Alustage jõuluostudega
varakult, toetades samal
ajal kirikut ja kohalikke
käsitöölisi.**

CHURCH SERVICES & EVENTS / JUMALATEENISTUSED & ÜRITUSED

October 1 -

11:30 Thanksgiving service. *Tänapüha Jumalateenistus.* English-language service with Pastor Pamela Korman. Chung Lee organist. A light reception will follow. Come meet Pastor Pamela.

November 5 -

11:30 English-language service with Pastor Pamela. Chung Lee organist.

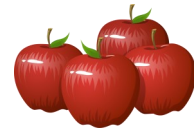
November 12 -

11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Christmas Craft Show - *Jõululaat* Come visit our Christmas craft show and café. \$2 donation for entry. Purchase your Christmas gifts, socialize, enjoy home-made treats and coffee in our Guild café. Vendor tables for \$15 still available. Contact Anne Keelmann to purchase a table akeelmann@rogers.com or tiuroiser@rogers.com.

Daughter to father, "You may be getting a letter from school today."

Father, "Oh, why?"

Daughter, "When I went for lunch in the cafeteria today, there was a bowl of apples with a sign that said 'Take one only, God is watching.' I kept walking down the line and then I saw a plate of brownies, so I put a sign that said 'Take as many as you like, God is watching the apples.'"



Kodumaalt lahkumise aastapäevaks

*Kui hinges tõusvad hirmu tuuled,
Mu umber mühab vetevoog,
Siis palvetavad väsind huuled:
Ma olen nagu murtud roog,
Silm vaatab üle lainte harja,
Mind päästa, Issand, kaitse, varja.*

*Ja rauged maru, muutub meri,
Mu süda tunneb, mõistab meel:
Ka seal, kus tõuseb murevari,
Sa pilvesambas käid mu eel.
Su juures valu vaikib, vaob,
Kõik kartus ununeb ja kaob.*

*Su poole oma ohked saadan,
Mu Jumal, raske häda sees.
Su armule ma kindlalt loodan
Ka siis, kui ootab õhtu ees.
Õõ valgustad mu elulaeva,
Mis randa ruttab läbi vaeva.*

- Aleksander Abel, Eluallikal -