

Announcements – October 11 - 17, 2026

1. **The church office will be closed on Thanksgiving Monday.**
2. Mon. Oct. 12 –Belleville Choral Society- 6 – 9:30 pm
3. Tues. Oct. 13– Stitchers and Knitters – 9 am – 12 noon
4. Tues. Oct. 13–Harmony Music Program – 4:30 – 5:30 (loft)
5. Tues. Oct. 13– Youth Group – 5:30 – 7:00 pm (loft)
6. Wed. Oct. 14 – Harmony Music – Piano – 4:30 – 5:30pm
7. Wed. Oct. 14– Bible Study – 6:30 – 8:00 pm
8. Fri. Oct. 16 -set up for funeral (am)
9. Sat. Oct. 17 – funeral for Barb Durnford 1:30 pm

Coming events/ Activities

1. **Beef Stew Dinner** – Sunday, October 25th 5 – 7 pm

This is a fundraiser! The cost of the meal is \$25 and will consist of Beef Stew, roasted potatoes, bread, dessert, tea/coffee (vegan option – Shepherd's Pie)

Please see **sign-up sheets** near kitchen for volunteers. We appreciate all of your help and support.

2. **2027 Church Calendars are here.** They will be on sale after the church services starting Oct. 18 for **\$6.50 each** (also available at the church office). Calendars can be lovely Christmas gifts!!!

3. Yamaha C3 Conservatory Grand Piano replacing the Baldwin Hamilton Piano

The Yamaha C3 Conservatory Grand Piano was donated to St. Thomas Parish by F. K. Cross and Bruce Swan in memory of their parents. The Baldwin Hamilton is being disposed of in accordance with Canon 6 and permission was granted from Bishop William Cliff for the following reasons:

- a) Keyboard touch requires excessive weight between 58 and 77 grams. It should be in the range of 30 to 35 grams for a grand piano. Thus, resulting in strain on the arms, wrists and hands of any pianist. It is a health and safety issue.
- b) The bass bridge cap has two substantial cracks, and there is a large crack through the treble bridge cap and five cracks in the sound board.
- c) Three separate piano technicians and tuners reviewed the piano.

4. **Spanish Bar Cake for Sale** (baked by Clare McKie)

\$15 each Only 30 available

Proceeds to St. Thomas' Church.

Please contact church office to order. Pick up will be on Sunday or Tuesday mornings.



5. **PIZZA BINGO** – Sat. October 24 –

4:30 -6:30 pm

Cost: \$4 per person Family of 4 - \$12

6. **Help Our Music Community Grow!**

Harmony Music Lounge has applied for funding through The Commonwell L.E.A.F. Initiative to help us continue growing and strengthening our music program.

We are asking for your support! Please visit our project page, leave a comment sharing why Harmony Music Lounge is valuable to our community, and share the page with your family and friends.

Please follow the link below to support our project:

<http://leaf.thecommonwell.ca/projects/harmony-music-lounge/>

7. **Christmas Market 2026**

The Christmas Market, November 21st, welcomes donations from parishioners, for the many tables where items will be available for sale.

Below is a list for your consideration:

Sewing, Knitting, Baked Goods, Gift Cards for a wreath, Christmas items and decor, Jewellery, gift baskets. There will also be a Café and Preserves for sale.

Please consider donating. **** All Gift Cards, monetary donations, Christmas baskets, Christmas décor are to be dropped off at the church office only.**

Request for volunteers will be posted at a later date.

***** There are some baskets in the church office if you need one to do a gift basket.**

8. ANNUAL OKTOBERFEST DINNER AT THE LUTHERAN CHURCH

516 Victoria Ave, Belleville (next to Eastside SS)

All are invited to **Holy Trinity Lutheran's Oktoberfest Dinner** on Friday, October 16 at 4 pm.

Feast on a traditional dinner of BBQ Oktoberfest Sausage & Sauerkraut, warm potato-bacon salad, red cabbage, spaetzle, homemade rye bread and pies for dessert!! Tap your toes to live music by local duo "Good To Go". European folk costumes are welcome!! Adults: \$22.00, Age: 6-12 \$10.00, Children under 6: no charge. TAKEOUT is available. Call 613 969-1257 for reservations. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is wheelchair accessible with free parking. Volunteer support from Belleville International.