

IN TIMES OF BEREAVEMENT

Hosanna Lutheran Church is here to support you and work with you in honouring your loved one and in celebrating the love of God. This page provides some information to assist you.

1. In the event of a death, our pastor is available to meet with you for counseling, and planning and presiding at a funeral service. The pastor and trained members of our congregation are available to help with the grieving process at any time.

2. The funeral or memorial service may be held in the sanctuary at Hosanna. Please contact our church office as soon as possible to make arrangements for the service. Our pastor will work with you to suggest hymns and readings, and an organist is available to play.

If you choose to have the service at any of the funeral service establishments, our pastor may also be available. You will be able to arrange for an organist and a reception using their services.

3. Receptions after a service at the church can be arranged by contacting the church office. For active families of Hosanna, congregational volunteers are available to prepare and serve a luncheon, with costs paid by the family. For those not part of our active membership, reception space is available for rent, and you may hire a caterer or use family members to provide the lunch.

4. Memorial Gifts: If you have chosen Hosanna Lutheran Church as a recipient of memorial donations, we will provide special offering envelopes at the time of the service. The office will process and record these donations, and donors will receive acknowledgment and a charitable receipt at year end. A list of donors can be made available to you if you wish. On the next page are the options for using any memorial donations to Hosanna that we receive.

5. Fees:

There is no cost for the use of the sanctuary or for the services of the pastor.

Organist fee, to be paid by cash or cheque to Kari Heise = \$100

Janitor services, to be paid by cash or cheque to Trina Yarde = \$50-\$75

Reception lunch (for members) is the cost of the food, plus a donation,
payable to Hosanna Lutheran Church (cost to be determined)

Reception room rent (for non members): \$50-\$100; contact the church office for details

All payments may be made on the day of the service or within the following week.

HOSANNA MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Memorial gifts from family and friends in memory of the deceased may be directed to Hosanna Lutheran Church. These are recorded in a special Memorial book which is displayed on occasion. If any donations to Hosanna are received by the family in cards and letters, they should be brought to the church office for processing. Donations to other organizations (the Heart Fund or Cancer Society for example) need to be handled yourself; your funeral director may be able to help with that.

The office will process and record donations to Hosanna. Donors receive acknowledgment of their gift and a charitable receipt at year end. A list of donors can be made available to you.

The options for any memorial gifts are listed below. Please give us direction on how you wish any donations to be used by completing and returning the bottom portion of this page. If you have any questions about the funds, contact the church office.

1. Hosanna Lutheran Church general fund – all church expenses (Sunday School, outreach programs, utilities, staff salaries, etc.)
2. Building Fund – renovations, extraordinary repairs and purchases (examples: roof replacement, carpet, kitchen appliances)
3. El Salvador Student Fund – tuition and other related school expenses (books, uniforms) for selected members of our sister parish in El Salvador
4. El Salvador Parish Fund – support the ministries of our sister parish (salaries, repairs)
5. Undesignated Fund – used for extraordinary items not covered within the regular budget (recent examples: new hymn books, sound system).
This is the default fund if no other direction is given.

The charity solicits your gifts for the purpose identified. However, if the project for which the gifts are received has been fully funded or cannot be completed for reasons beyond the control of the charity, the board reserves the right to use such finds for other similar projects.

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It is requested that all gifts received in memory of _____,
unless otherwise designated by the donor, be designated to:

- Hosanna General Fund
- Building Fund
- El Salvador Student Fund
- El Salvador Parish Fund
- Undesignated Fund

Date

Signature

Relation to the deceased

