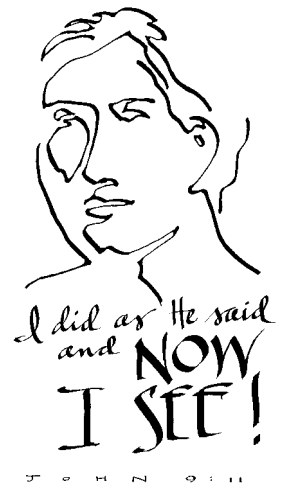


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Fourth Sunday in Lent
April 3, 2011

WORSHIP..... 9:00 a.m.

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PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: We come before You this day to bask in Your presence ... and to receive something from You. May we find in You forgiveness and strength, cleansing and renewal, and, above all, a better understanding of what You want us to be.

Present and eternal Lord, look upon us in love.

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OUR WORSHIP TODAY

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HYMNS: 545; 411; 646

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 42:14-21 (pg.602)

EPISTLE LESSON: Ephesians 5:8-14 (pg.978)

GOSPEL LESSON: John 9:1-41 (pg.895) ~ OR John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39

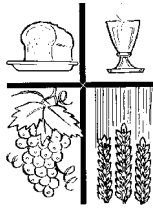
SERMON: The Light Guides Our Way- Ephesians 5:8-14

WELCOME TO YOU ALL! By God's grace we are privileged to worship and grow in Christ through our worship and Bible study opportunities this morning. We are pleased to have you be a part of this. If it is your first time with us, help us to get to know you by signing our guest book, and introduce yourself to the Pastor. We hope that you will join us again as we worship and praise God for His goodness to us in Christ Jesus, our Saviour.

OFFERINGS LAST WEEK: Current 126.25; Missions 5.00; Building Fund 75.00; CLMS (Lent) 25.00; Strathroy 75.00; Loose 4.00

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 21 ('10:15). Sunday School: 3

PLEASE JOIN US FOR REFRESHMENTS AND FELLOWSHIP after the service today! Refreshments are provided this month by Marianne Issendorf Susan Campbell.



THIS MORNING WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

in which our Lord offers us His true body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. By partaking of this Sacrament together, we confess our unity in faith and are drawn closer to one another and to the Lord. If you are a visitor, not belonging to the Lutheran Church-Canada, and wish to commune, please speak with the pastor before the service. All are welcome to come to the altar for a blessing—just cross your arms across your chest and the pastors and elder will know how to respond.

As we come to the Lord's Table today, we prepare our hearts by asking:

- † Do I believe that the Risen Christ is my only Lord and Saviour from sin, death and the devil?
- † Do I believe that the Risen Christ is really present in the Sacrament and that with the bread and wine I receive His true Body and Blood?
- † Do I resolve to dedicate, with the help of God, my life to the service of my Lord in His Body, the Church, by regular worship, thankful living and sacrificial living?

You may also wish to use the prayers before communing and after receiving the Sacrament, printed on the inside cover of the hymnal. You can also use Luther's *Christian Questions and Answers*, on p. 329 of the hymnal.

PLEASE USE OUR RECORD OF FELLOWSHIP: Recording the presence of our **members, visitors and friends** each week is an "Act of Friendship" because it allows us to know who is sitting down the pew from us. Please fill out this form and pass it down the pew. When it reaches the end, pass it back up to the centre aisle. Say hello to those who have joined you in worship today!

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Special Needs: Gail Bugbee, John Crowther, Melvin and Geraldine Dale, Else Jacobsen, Frank Kleiber, John and Maria Paal, Pat Phillips, Carol Schmitt, Sandra Stewart, David Strike, Sandra Stockman, Grace Woolner, Betty Muir. The concerns in Japan; our congregation, as we begin the call process.

Homebound: Becky Ames, Paul and Ana Greksa, Erna Kampken, Marsha Kennedy, Jean Mountenay

Family Focus: Corey, Michelle, Danielle and Justin Gauthier; Jack and Diane Geurkink; Edwin, Pushpa, Gladwin, Calvin and Natasha Gill; Konrad and Rosemarie Gmehlin.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Haiti Lutheran Mission Society

CHOIR MEMBERS CURRENT AND PAST: Please return any copies of old music you may have to the office.

LENTEN SERVICES



JOIN US FOR OUR LENTEN SERVICE this Wednesday at 7:15 p.m., as we journey to the cross, and give thanks to God for the blessings of life and forgiveness that come from our dear Saviour. Soup supper begins at 6:20 p.m.

THE LONDON AREA RIGHT TO LIFE Annual Dinner/Silent Auction, will be held Tuesday April 5th at the Marconi Club, 120 Clarke Rd. Doors open @ 5:45 p.m. Speaker: Rebecca Richmond from the National Campus Life Network. Tickets are \$25 a person. Please contact Theresa at theresafenik@yahoo.ca, or call 519-432-3166, or the LARTLA Office at 519-659-3334.



OUR HOLY WEEK SERVICES help us remember how Jesus suffered, died and rose again to save us from sin, death and hell. We invite you to worship with us at these special services:

- Thurs., April 21 7:15 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship w/ Communion
- Fri., April 22 9:00 a.m. Grace Good Friday Worship
10:30 a.m. Good Friday Worship
- Sun., April 24 11:00 a.m. Easter Resurrection Celebration w/Communion
(9:00 a.m. Easter Service w/ Communion at Grace)


Invite others to join us, as we share this great and glorious news of the Living Lord with our friends and family. Invite them to breakfast, too! We begin at 8:30 a.m. and serve until 10:15 am. Grace has breakfast, beginning at 8:00 a.m.

CONCORDIA LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY GUILD will host the annual Guild Day, Saturday, April 30th, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Special guests Rev. Ron and Karen Mohr will present musical entertainment. Come, enjoy the day together and meet the seminary students and their families. Registration should be sent to Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary by Friday, April 15th, to the attention of Bonnie Stephenson at 470 Glenridge Ave., St. Catharines, ON L2T 4C3. Cost is \$3.00 for the day and \$12.00 for the luncheon.

HYMN OF THE MONTH: Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me?

Paul Gerhardt was an excellent pastor and the best hymn writer the Church has ever known. He wrote a total of 133 hymns. Many of the outward circumstances of his life were gloomy, but his hymns are full of cheerful trust. They show a great faith in a God, who always gives His grace to those who are His through faith in Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

Crosses, sadness, death, and distress even come to the Christian. But the treasures of this life are not that to which the Christian clings. In Christ we have treasures that will last forever. Christ is near, and He is ours. He is the helper who knows how to end our suffering. He gives us good days and tempers our ill. Even death cannot destroy the Christian. It only opens the way to heaven's eternal glory.

See You There!  **PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH IN TILLSONBURG** extends an invitation to everyone in our District to join us as we celebrate the dedication of our new church building at 60 Young St., Tillsonburg, ON. The service will be at 3:00 pm on April 10, 2010. A potluck dinner will follow.

FLY NEWS

Please note: Our next FLY get-together has changed! We will be meeting at Faith at 5:45 pm on April 9th to attend the Good Shepherd youth group spaghetti fund raising event for the Japan Relief Fund. We will return to Faith at approximately 8 p.m.

GOOD SHEPHERD YOUTH GROUP invite you to a spaghetti dinner followed by a fun filled night with Bible Jeopardy. April 9th at 6:30 p.m. Free will offering with the proceeds going to CLWR Japan relief fund, and a matching grant from Faith Life for Good Shepherd's furnace fund. Please sign the sheet on the *Forward in Faith* bulletin board. Prizes, laughter and fun!

AS WE CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION on Easter Sunday, we will again gather for breakfast before worship. There is a sign-up list for those items you wish to contribute to this effort. Join us for the fellowship, with breakfast served as 8:00 a.m. Speak to Kim Wiersema for more information.

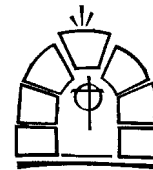
THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

Mon.	9:00 a.m.	Office Prayer/Staff Meeting
	7:30 p.m.	Bible Study @ Parsonage (Bode)
Tues.	9:00 a.m.	Pastors at Prayer
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation
	7:00 p.m.	Trustees
	8:00 p.m.	Church Council
Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	6:20 p.m.	Soup Supper
	6:40 p.m.	Chimers
	7:15 p.m.	Lenten Worship
	8:15 p.m.	Choir
Thurs.	7:00 p.m.	Grace Bible Study @ Lewis'
Sat.	5:45 p.m.	FLY (Faith Lutheran Youth) @ Spaghetti Dinner
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Grace Worship/Holy Communion
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School and Bible Class
	11:00 a.m.	Faith Morning Worship



THE CHURCH COUNCIL has moved to spend \$50,000.00 + taxes to install a lift / access assistance at Faith for those with physical disabilities. We will have a brief congregational meeting at Faith to approve this after service on Sunday, April 10th. Please join us for this meeting, as we undertake this work.

OUR WEBSITE IS UPDATED! We are grateful that Bruce Aitken is working to get the website updated, and he has already established links that allow you to see the bulletin from Faith and the sermons. Why not take a look?



AT OUR BIBLE STUDY: We continue our interim look at what the bible says about heaven, hell and the life to come. We invite you to join us on the first and third Thursdays of the month—our next gathering is on April 7th, and will be at the home of Mary Lewis. Come and join us for this time of study around God's Word!