

**Grace
Lutheran Church**
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Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 22, 2011

WORSHIP. 9:00 a.m.

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PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: Jesus, You are the Way--the Way to the Father, the Way to the truth, the Way to forgiveness, the Way to renewal, the Way to refreshment, the Way to life everlasting. May we never stray from Your Way. And may we never stop looking ahead to all that You have prepared for us on our road of life.

Guiding Lord, lead us to the glory yet to come.

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OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: As Printed

HYMNS: 912; 526; 411

FIRST LESSON: Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60 (pg. 914-15)

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Peter 2:2-10 (pg. 1014)

GOSPEL LESSON: John 14:1-14 (pg. 901)

SERMON: Jesus: The Way to Heaven- John 14:1-14

A JOYOUS WELCOME to all who worship here this morning. May you find forgiveness and strengthening through God's Word and promise. If you are visiting, please honour us by signing our guest book at the back of the church. If there is any way we can be of service to you, please speak to the pastor or one of the elders. If you have no church home of your own, please consider making Faith your church.



JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP downstairs following the service this morning. We thank the Mulligans and Lynn Kearns for hosting.

OFFERINGS LAST WEEK: Current 188.00; Missions 5.00; Building Fund 60.00; Sunday School Mission (cows!) 295.00; Books/Devo 110.00; Strathroy 70.00. **PTL!**

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 18 ('10:22); Sunday School 6.

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 Doris Jensen, Erna Kampken.

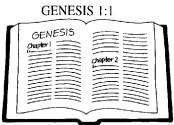
In Hospital: Michael Dieterle (LRMH); Juliana Schieman (VIC); Else Jacobsen (UH)

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

Family Focus: Erna Kampken; Chad and Tammy Harris; Lynn Kearns; Warren, Samantha, Peter and Johnathan Keller.



BAPTIZED INTO THE CHRISTIAN FAITH, and into God's family in our Faith / Grace parish, is Lincoln Charles Thurston, son of Greg and Crystal Thurston. His sponsors are Ryan Maille and Andi Beecroft. We pray that God would bless Lincoln and his family, and that He would keep him in His grace, poured out this day.



THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE is planning a trip to the Creation Museum in Kentucky later this year. This facility gives us an opportunity to see for ourselves and show our children, scientific evidence that provides an alternative to the world view of evolution. We are trying to get an idea of the number of people interested and when the best time would be for the trip. Although we can't give a definite cost until final arrangements are made, initial estimates are about \$125/adult and \$100/child, and includes the bus ride, admission and hotel accommodations (minimum of 2 people/ room). Prices for families of 4 or more will be even less. Sign up using the sheet at the back of the church or let the church office know. Check out the museum on-line at www.creationmuseum.org.



THE SUNDAY SCHOOL thanks all the members who joined us for our “Sunday School stampede” last Sunday. Our efforts raised enough funds to sponsor two cows and a plow on behalf of the old sheriff, Pastor Bode. We truly appreciate your generosity, which will lead to help for those who do not have the blessings we enjoy.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Ark Aid Mission

There are more and more ‘street people’ in our world. Ark Aid seeks to reach out, teach and encourage people in their needs. Your support helps with this growing need.

FLY NEWS

Our next FLY meeting will be on May 28th at 2:00pm!! Bring a friend!

FAREWELL & GODSPEED OPEN HOUSE: You are invited to a farewell open house for Pastor and Brenda on Saturday, June 11th at 2:30 p.m. Parish members, colleagues, family and friends are invited to an informal gathering inside & outside (weather permitting), under tents. At 4:30 p.m. dinner will be provided (we ask that you bring a salad or dessert - there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board). We are asking those from around the circuit and district to RSVP. We also ask that you bring your own lawn chair.

Pastor Bode will preach his last service at Faith and Grace on June 12th.

AN ASCENSION DAY SUPPER AND SERVICE will be held at Our Saviour Lutheran Church on June 2nd. Supper begins at 6:00 p.m. and Divine Service at 7:30 p.m. Reverend Ron Mohr will speak after the Supper about Lutherans for Life Canada and be the guest preacher for the service. Supper menu includes: Sausage, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, salad and dessert. Tickets are Adults \$6.00; Children 5-12 \$3.00; 4 and under are free. For tickets call Our Saviour Church office @ 519-455-4730



THE ALOA GROUP will be meeting at Betty Muir's for a Pot Blessing Dinner on Friday May 27th at 5:30 pm. Come for an evening of food and fellowship!

THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

Tues.	9:00 a.m.	Pastors at Prayer
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation
Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	6:30 p.m.	Chimers
	7:30 p.m.	Choir
Thurs.	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study @ Marie Nixon's
	7:00 p.m.	Sunday School Teachers
Fri.	5:30 p.m.	ALOA Pot Blessing
	6:30 p.m.	Circuit Pastors' Social
Sat.	2:00 p.m.	FLY (Faith Lutheran Youth)
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Grace Morning Worship
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School/Bible Class
	11:00 a.m.	Faith Morning Worship

INVITATION TO INSTALLATION SERVICE: You are cordially invited to the installation of Rev. Larry Gajdos as Mission Executive for LCC, East District. The service will be held at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Burlington at 3:00 pm on May 29, 2011. Participating pastors are asked to bring red vestments. All are welcome.

DO YOU HAVE A FAVOURITE HYMN? May has a "5th Sunday", and we like to give you the opportunity to sing your favourite hymns on our Hymn Sing Sunday. We will take your suggestions and will try to incorporate as many of these as possible into our worship on May 29th.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IN THE PARK: We once again hold a one day VBS in the park as an outreach of our Grace parish. VBS Will be Wednesday July 27th, from 9:00 am until 3:30 and will focus on God's creation. Please give prayerful thought to how you can serve.

God is So Good To Us! I offer to serve Him in Vacation Bible School as:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Shepherd a class | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation assistant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shepherd's assistant | <input type="checkbox"/> Meal/Kitchen co-ordinator |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts co-ordinator | <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen staff |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assist with crafts | <input type="checkbox"/> I will bring food from the food list |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible Challenge Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> I will sponsor a child (\$5.00 each) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Leader | |

Signed: _____



PASTOR RAY DESPERATELY TRIES TO REMEMBER HIS POINTS IN YESTERDAY'S SERMON: "FEAR NOT."