

# Grace Lutheran Church

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**Seventh Sunday After Pentecost**  
July 31, 2011

**WORSHIP. .... 8:30 a.m.**

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**PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP:** O Lord, our Provider, we thank You for nourishing our bodies with good food and drink. And we praise You for providing food for our souls. May Your Word, the bread and wine of Holy Communion, and our daily prayers continue to sustain us and fulfill our every spiritual need.

*O Giving Saviour, we give You thanks and praise.*

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## **OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** ..... Matins p. 219

**HYMNS:** 711; 684; 918

**FIRST LESSON:** Isaiah 55:1-5 (pg.615)

**EPISTLE LESSON:** Romans 9:1-5 (6-13) (pg.945)

**GOSPEL LESSON:** Matthew 14:13-21 (pg.820)

**SERMON:** Jesus Sends Us To Care For Others- Matthew 14:13-21

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.

**OFFERINGS LAST WEEK:** Current 98.50; Missions 6.00; Building Fund 95.00; Strathroy 70.00; Loose 25.00 **PTL!**

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** 31 ('10:33)



**JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP** following the service this morning. We thank the Campbell's and Lynn Kearns for hosting.

**MISSION OF THE MONTH:** London Area Right to Life is an educational, registered, charitable organization based on the belief that every human being is unique and of infinite value. We believe in the sanctity of all life, from the moment of conception until natural death. Every human life has a right to care and protection before and after birth and society has a duty to protect these rights.



**JOIN US FOR MIDWEEK SUMMER SERVICES AT FAITH** each Wednesday during the summer. If you are travelling on Weekends, working, or just looking for that midweek lift, these services are just what you need! God's Word is the one thing needful: take every opportunity to hear it, read it and grow in it. Services begin at 7:15 p.m.

**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, Doris Jensen, Erna Kampken, Juliana Schieman, Konrad Gmehlin, Marianne Issendorf, Michael Dieterle, Susan Gajdos.

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

**Family Focus:** Jim Mulligan; Matthew, Tania, Mia and Logan Mulligan; Fred, Carolyn, Mark, Eric and Ed Neumann; Marie Nixon

**WE EXTEND OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** and the glorious hope of the resurrection to Anna Wissing, Martha Fonger and their families at the death of their niece, Norma. We pray that God would comfort this family with His everlasting love and comfort.

**FAITH SPORTS NIGHT FOR ALL AGES:** Come out and support our SPORTS NIGHT for all ages, every Thursday starting at 6:30 p.m. We'll be playing soccer and volleyball! Other games may be added if there is interest. Please bring your own snacks and drinks and feel free to invite your family and friends.

**THE COMMUNITY FAMILY FUN DAY EVENT** at Faith will be held on Saturday Sept. 17. Mark it on your calendars and stay tuned for more information!



**OUR CHURCH PICNIC** will be held on Sunday August 21<sup>st</sup>, at the new Grace Church location at 2 p.m. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided. Please bring salads and desserts to be pooled together for a picnic supper and your own beverages. You'll also want to bring ball gloves, sports equipment and lawn chairs. Mark the date, and join us for this fun day of fellowship!



**TO BE BAPTIZED INTO THE CHRISTIAN FAITH** on Thursday August 4<sup>th</sup>, and into God's family here at Faith/Grace, is Clarence Makoto Highfield, son of Brad and Rie Highfield. His sponsors are Allan and Brenda Gates. We pray that God would bless Clay and his family, and that He would keep him in His grace, poured out this day.

**DISTRICT RETREAT FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY** Time with God at Home and On-the-Go. Family Day Retreat for all families with children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews (you get the idea). Bring your entire clan! Come for a morning devotion, a presentation by Rev. David Gallas, "Life Together: The Family Devotion", lunch, and an activity filled afternoon with your children. September 10, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Christ our King Lutheran Church, Mississauga, ON. Only \$20 per family no matter how many children you bring (includes lunch, beverages, snacks). Registration forms are available from Pastor Castillo.

**WE REJOICE** with Marissa Humphrey at the birth of her first child, Callie Lynn Humphrey, born July 21, 20011. We pray that God would surround this young family with His love and grace always.

**OUR FOOD BANK IS LOW** and we need *your* help to help others with this important resource. We have a number of people who call on us for help each month, including families with young children. Helping others to meet their daily needs is one way that we can share Christ's love with our neighbours. Please consider how you can help.



**WHEN THE WEATHER IS WARM AND SUNNY** there are many activities that tempt us to miss church on Sunday. While we need the time of recreation and relaxation—in fact, that is one of the reasons why God gave us the Sabbath, we still need to remember that God’s Word is the “one thing needful”. Do not let the devil get you out of the habit of worship; don’t think of it as an option each week. Faithfully set aside time to be in the Lord’s house; to meet with our God, and to be fed, nourished and forgiven by Him; to be strengthened for the life we still live in this sinful world. God calls us here to be in His glorious presence, that He may bless us. Let us take the time to honour Him who is our forgiveness, life and salvation.

**GOOD SHEPHERD’S VBS** for ages 4-12, will be held on Sunday Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>-Thursday Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. The VBS theme is Big Jungle Adventure!



**PLANET ZOOM - WHERE BOLD BEE-LIEVERS ZIP, ZAP ZOOM FOR JESUS:** is the theme of our VBS this summer. Our VBS will be held Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. We still need helpers! WE NEED YOUR HELP to make this a time of encouragement for our children.

**THE TRIP TO CREATION MUSEUM** is getting closer and we are now accepting down payments. The amount is \$70 per person and will cover the cost of the bus. We ask that you try to submit the down payment within the next 2 weeks. Please add to the "Other" line on your offering envelope and mark it Creation Trip. If you would prefer, a separate envelope may be used as long as you indicate your name and that it is for the trip. Cheques should be made out to Faith Lutheran Church, however, please note you will not receive income tax receipts for this amount as it is being used to pay for a service and is not a charitable donation. If you have any questions, please contact David Livingstone.



**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE BULLETIN:** Please always feel free to contact Michelle by phone during office hours or by email, with any Grace announcements that you would like included in the bulletins each week. Ideally, announcements should be submitted by 10:00 a.m. Wednesday mornings in order to assure that they can be included in the following Sunday’s bulletin.

### THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

<b>Mon.</b>	9:00 a.m.	Office Prayer/Staff meeting
<b>Tues.</b>	9:00 a.m.	Faith VBS
<b>Wed.</b>	9:00 a.m.	Faith VBS
	7:15 p.m.	Midweek Worship Service w/Holy Communion
<b>Thurs.</b>	9:00 a.m.	Faith VBS
	6:30 p.m.	Sports Night
<b>Fri.</b>	9:00 a.m.	Faith VBS
<b>Sun.</b>	8:30 a.m.	Grace Morning Worship w/Holy Communion
	10:15 a.m.	Faith Morning Worship



**“I HAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT SOME OF YOU ARE NOT CONCENTRATING ON THE SERMON.”**