

Grace Lutheran Church

24542 Melbourne Road
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Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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WORSHIP SERVICE. 9:00 a.m.

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PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: We live because You live, O risen Lord. Help us to live according to Your will. Help us to serve, according to Your design. And help us to be the people You want us to be. May our lives demonstrate to others that You are alive in us.

Ever-living Lord, live on in our lives.

WELCOME TO ALL OF YOU in the name of our Saviour, especially the visitors who have joined us this morning. If you do not have a church that you call home, we invite you to make Grace your spiritual home. Amid the trials and tribulations of life it's good that we can come to our Lord for strength through His Word. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor, and fill in the "Worship attendance registration" at the end of the pew.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: See printed Order of Service

HYMNS: 813; 904; 798 v.1-4, 8, 9

FIRST LESSON: Proverbs 9:1-10 (pg.533)

EPISTLE LESSON: Ephesians 5:6-21 (pg.978)

GOSPEL LESSON: John 6:51-69 (pg.892)

SERMON: "Christ's Words can be Hard to Accept" - John 6:51-69

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutheran Bible Translators

IT'S A GO!!!! A mission team has been formed to go to Nicaragua to hold VBS, construction and other activities. Please keep this the members of this team in your prayers and contribute with your offerings. Write on your envelope beside "other" - *Mission Trip to Nicaragua.*

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:



Special Needs: John Crowther, Melvin and Geraldine Dale, Else Jacobsen, Frank Kleiber, John and Maria Paal, Pat Phillips, Alan and Carol Schmitt, Sandra Stewart, David and Imogen Strike, Sandra Stockman, Grace Woolner, Doris and Niels Jensen, Susan Gajdos, Sarah Holden, Ellen Phillips, Pastor Kenneth Voege, Konrad and Rosemarie Gmehlin, Nancy Curtis, Keith Keller, Lois Juritsch, Sophie Wilson, Rev. Dr. Wilhelm Torgerson, Anna Wissing, David Holden, Jeremy Bancroft

Homebound: Becky Ames, Paul and Ana Greksa, Jean Mountenay, Melvin and Geraldine Dale

Family Focus: Wayne, Vickey, Kaity and Ethan Strong; Ian, Stacey, Karlee and Aaron Sutton; Alan and Nancy Taylor; Rainer, Judy, Ian and Kieran Tellers

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 19

COMMUNION ATTENDANCE: 16

OFFERINGS: Current \$220.00; Missions \$25.00; Building Fund \$35.00; Misc. \$15.00; Loose \$7.00 *Praise the Lord!*

OUR MIDWEEK SUMMER SERVICES are held at Faith on Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. These services have been a blessing to many of our members, especially as weekend travel time increases in the summer. They are also a great opportunity for worship for those who work on weekends. We need God's Word for our lives, and the blessings He provides as He serves us through our gathering with Him in His house. Don't miss the opportunity for worship!



AS THE WEATHER BECOMES 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.

PLEASE REMEMBER to bring God our regular offerings and tithes as well for the ongoing work of His Church. God calls us here to be in His glorious presence, that He may bless us. Let us commit ourselves to Him who is our forgiveness, life and salvation.

POT BLESSING at Faith on Sunday, August 26th to be held after morning worship. This special occasion is to recognize Pastor Scholz' 25th anniversary in the ministry. There is a sign-up sheet posted at Faith on the hall bulletin board for what food you would like to bring. Please sign up for any two(2) categories. The choices are main course, salad, and dessert. If you would like to attend, please email or phone the church office with your choice of food to bring.

GREEK , ANYONE? Concordia Lutheran Seminary is offering a full year, distance, non-credit, Greek course starting on September 5. The cost is \$250 per semester, plus materials. Students will work on their own and meet weekly via video conference. Go to www.concordiasem.ab.ca for more information.

SPECIAL OFFERING ENVELOPES (coloured) are available for you to help cover expenses for our upcoming Dedication service. Prayerfully consider making a gift towards this important celebration.

LIFE QUOTES: "You can be a voice of prayer praying for our Church, our country, hurting people. You can be a voice of service reaching out to those who need an encouraging word, a helping hand, a comforting presence. You can be a voice of education helping others understand how God's Word of truth and grace connects to the life issues. You can be a voice of witness pointing people to the true source of rescue. You can be an activist voice participating in Life Chains, Marches for Life, and prayer vigils. You can be a political voice practicing Christian citizenship and bringing your influence to bear through the political process." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life - A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life · www.lutheransforlife.org*

THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

- Tues.** 9:30 a.m. Office Prayers/Staff Meeting
7:00 p.m. Elders' Meeting
- Wed.** 9:30 a.m. Office Prayers
10:00 a.m. Bible Study at Faith
7:15 p.m. Mid-week Service at Faith
- Thurs.** 9:30 a.m. Office Prayers
- Fri.** 7:00 p.m. Drive-in Movie Night at Grace (Courageous)
- Sat.** 10:00 a.m. Nicaragua Meeting
- Sun.** 9:00 a.m. Grace Morning Worship with Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Faith Morning Worship with Holy Communion
12:00 p.m. Potblessing lunch to celebrate Pastor Scholz' 25
years in ministry