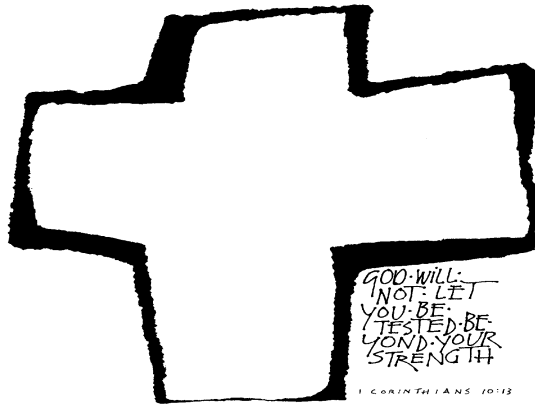


# Grace Lutheran Church

24542 Melbourne Road  
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## Third Sunday in Lent

March 3, 2013

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

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**PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP:** Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for never deserting us or letting us be cut down and destroyed. May we respond by obeying your commands, following your will, and growing and developing as your disciples.

*Nurturing Lord, may we live fruitful lives for you.*

**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:** Confession and Absolution. . . . . p. 151  
Prayer and Preaching. . . . . p. 260

**HYMNS:** 609; 718; 761

**FIRST LESSON:** Ezekiel 33:7-20 (p.721)

**EPISTLE LESSON:** 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 (p.957)

**GOSPEL LESSON:** Luke 13:1-9 (p.872)

**SERMON:** "It's Not too Late to Turn Back!" - Ezekiel 33:7-20

**LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES:** "God's Search and Rescue for the Lost"  
(Luke 15:1-3, 11-32)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Greg Seltz

If we care about finding lost things, especially precious things, God cares infinitely more. Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at [www.lutheranhour.ca](http://www.lutheranhour.ca)

**SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:****ELDER OF THE MONTH:** Lorne Campbell**ALTAR GUILD:** Mayra Castillo, Rosemarie Gmehlin**ACOLYTE:** Logan Mulligan**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

**Special Needs:** Else Jacobsen, John and Maria Paal, Pat Phillips, Alan and Carol Schmitt, Sandra Stewart, David and Imogen Strike, Sandra Stockman, Grace Woolner, Susan Gajdos, Ellen Phillips, Pastor Kenneth Voegel, Nancy Curtis, Lois Juritsch, David Holden, David Chamberlain, Harold and Leone Sillers, Tom Mitchell

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

**Family Focus:** John and Christine Kropp; Mirja Kukkonen; John Lancaster; Jeremy, Heather, Tristan and Quinn Langohr

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** 34 (\*12:27)**COMMUNION ATTENDANCE:** 25**SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:** 7

Our Stewardship of God's Gifts	Current	Missions	Building
	<b>\$439.00</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>	<b>\$95.00</b>
Needed Weekly	<b>\$352.70</b>	<b>\$49.47</b>	<b>\$57.69</b>

**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.

**FAITH/GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH** has organized a trip to Nicaragua for December of 2013 to hold VBS, Adult Bible Study and to undertake some construction projects. This team will organize a few fundraising activities this year. If you would like to donate to this Mission trip, please write "Jesus Salva Mission" on your envelope beside "other".

**PASTOR CASTILLO IS AT GRACE TWO DAYS A WEEK:** Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. for office hours. If you would like a visit from Pastor Castillo, please phone him. Thank you!

**LIFE QUOTES:** "Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use violence to get what they want. That is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion." Mother Teresa – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life · [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)

**MISSION OF THE MONTH:** Lutheran Bible Translators

Work to translate the Scriptures into the languages around the world, so that all people may have the word of God in their own language.

**LENTEN SERVICES**

**THE SACRED SEASON OF LENT** continues this week on Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at Faith. We hope you will join us on Wednesdays 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. Our theme is "What do Christ's Enemies Say". You are also welcome to join us for our soup suppers at 6:20 p.m.

**PLEASE SAVE YOUR POP TABS** and bring them in to Grace. You can place them in the designated container.

**FELLOWSHIP SUPPLIES NEEDED:** Can you help? We are in need of coffee, creamer, and cookies for our post-service coffee time. Please sign up for what you are willing to bring on the sheet posted in the parish hall. Thank you!

**BIBLES** have been ordered! We will soon have new Bibles to be placed in our pews. To help offset this cost, you are welcome to match a gift of \$15.00 per Bible. Please indicate on your envelope and/or cheque "Pew Bible" beside "other", and a Bible will be labelled as gifted by you, either in memory of a loved one or for a special occasion of Thanksgiving. Please provide name(s) to the pastors.

**REMINDER:** Next Sunday marks the beginning of Daylight Savings Time. Remember to set your clocks ahead (spring ahead!) so that you don't miss the opportunity, privilege and joy of being in God's house each week!

**THE EAST DISTRICT EVANGELFEST 2013** will be held on April 19-20 at Faith in London. The guest presenter, Mr. Bruce Sutherland of Lutheran Hour Ministries, will speak on “Seven Styles of Faith Sharing.” Registration forms are available from the pastors or can be accessed from the District website. Cost will be \$60.00 per registrant.

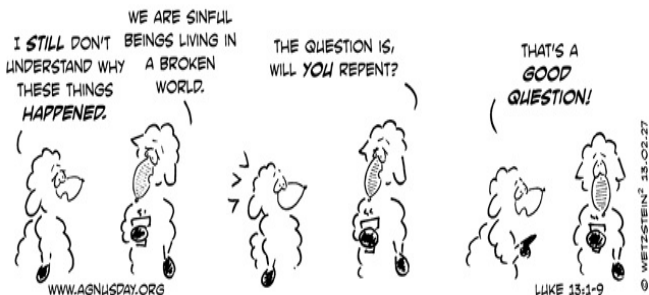
**LWML SPRING RALLY:** Join us on Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at Faith. Our theme is “Hold Fast the Word”(1 Cor. 15:2). Registration is as 2:00 p.m. Service starts at 2:30 p.m.

**SEMINARY GUILD MEMBERSHIPS** are now due. We invite *EVERYONE* to support the St. Catharines Seminary Guild - \$5.00 yearly. See Pam Oelke for details.

**LWML MEETING** will be held at Faith on Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Our speaker, Jim Mulligan(BSc, HBSC) is a registered dietitian and the topic is “Successful Aging”. All are welcome to attend.

**EASTER SUNDAY:** March 31<sup>st</sup> will be celebrated with a breakfast at 9:00 a.m. and a Divine Service with Holy Communion at 10:00 a.m. You are welcome to sign up for breakfast and bring a dish to share with others.

**NEW SUNDAY SCHEDULE** begins on Easter, with worship at 10:00 a.m. In the weeks following, Sunday School and Bible Class will begin at 9:00 a.m., with worship at 10:00 a.m.



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### THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

<b>Mon.</b>	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers / Staff Meeting
<b>Tues.</b>	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers
	10:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation classes at Faith
	8:00 p.m.	Council Meeting
<b>Wed.</b>	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers
	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study at Faith
	6:20 p.m.	Soup Supper at Faith
	6:40 p.m.	Chimers
	7:15 p.m.	Midweek Lenten Service at Faith
	8:15 p.m.	Choir
<b>Thurs.</b>	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers
	10:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation classes at Grace
	7:00 p.m.	EMV Committee Meeting at Grace
<b>Sat.</b>	10:00 a.m.	Nicaragua Mission Team Meeting(Simcoe)
	4:00 p.m.	Spanish Bible Study at Faith
<b>Sun.</b>	2:00 a.m.	Daylight Savings Time begins
	9:00 a.m.	Grace Morning Worship with Holy Communion
	9:30 a.m.	Faith Sunday School/Bible Class
	11:00 a.m.	Faith Morning Worship with Holy Communion