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Second Sunday of Easter

April 7, 2013

WORSHIP SERVICE. 10:00 a.m.

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PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: Risen Lord Jesus, we are a very visual society, and often we feel we must see everything for ourselves before we say we believe. Forgive us for doubting you just because we have never seen you. Keep our eyes of faith open, Lord, so that we may know in our hearts who you are.

Our Lord and our God, we believe in 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: Divine Service Setting 4. p. 203
Holy Communion

HYMNS: 465; 474; 456

FIRST LESSON: Acts 5:12-20(21-32) (p.913)

EPISTLE LESSON: Revelation 1:4-18 (p.1028)

GOSPEL LESSON: John 20:19-31 (p.906)

SERMON: "As Christ is Risen, So Are His People!" - Rev. 1:4-18

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "A Resurrection Do-Over" (John 21:1-17)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Greg Seltz

In the redeeming hands of the risen Saviour, your life becomes a work of art. Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, April 14th at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

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

GUESTS AND HOLY COMMUNION: In the early church, the celebration of the Lord's Supper was viewed as a continuation of the resurrection appearances of Jesus. It was viewed much the same as when the risen Lord said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see My hands. Stop doubting and believe" (John 20:27). As Jesus promised, we believe that He is really present in this Sacrament with His very body and blood for our forgiveness. As the Sacrament was received by the early Christians only by those who were united in "the apostles' teaching" (Acts 2:42), we also follow this ancient practice of closed communion and thus ask visitors desiring to commune to speak with the pastor before the service.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

ELDER OF THE MONTH: Matt Mulligan

ALTAR GUILD: Tania Mulligan, Marianne Issendorf

ACOLYTE: Mia 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, 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 Mounetenay, Melvin Dale

Family Focus: Tom, Shirley and Scott Mitchell; Keith and Shirley Monk; Sean, Shari, Kiera and Brayden Moore; Chris and Ashley Hawlik

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 43 ('12:43) **COMMUNED:** 29

ATTENDANCE GOOD FRIDAY: 31 ('12:27)

Our Stewardship of God's Gifts	Current	Missions	Building
	\$445.00	\$5.00	\$20.00
Needed Weekly	\$352.70	\$49.47	\$57.69



NON-BUDGET GIFTS: Capital Improvement 220.00; Flowers 12.00; Grace Bibles 30.00; Loose 10.00 **Praise The Lord!**

CELEBRATIONS

- * to **Grace Bibles** from *Gene and Anna Makish* in thanksgiving for blessings received.
- * to **Grace Bibles** from *Reiner and Marianne Issendorf* in celebration of Reiner's 70th birthday.
- * to **Grace Bibles** from *Kimble and Roxanne Kirschner* in thanksgiving for blessings received.

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*".

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutherwood

Lutherwood is a not for profit organization that provides a wide range of mental health, employment, housing and family support services. Lutherwood annually serves more than 22,500 people in the Waterloo Region.

MUSIC NIGHT: A special night of music is being planned for Saturday, April 13th at 7:00 p.m. Set aside this evening as we celebrate God's gift of music together. A free will offering will go towards *Jesus Salva* Nicaragua Mission 2013 to purchase VBS and construction materials.

NEW SUNDAY SCHEDULE began on Easter, with Sunday School and Bible Study at 9:00 a.m. and worship at 10:00 a.m.

THE EAST DISTRICT EVANGELFEST 2013 will be held on April 19-20 at Faith in London. The guest presenter, Mr. Michael Creutz 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.

ELECTRONIC DEPOSITS: We have now set up electronic deposits for offerings through LCC - East District. There is no cost to you if you choose to use this method. The amount will come out of your bank account on the first day of every month. If you are interested in more information or would like to start using this deposit method, please contact Barb Werner.

BE SURE TO "LIKE" US ON FACEBOOK! Join Faith Lutheran Church's new online community at www.facebook.com/faithlutheranlondon.

LOOKING FOR BILLETS FOR EVANGELFEST: Would you have a spare bedroom that would accommodate one or two people for the nights of Friday, April 19th and Saturday, April 20th? If you could help out, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Brad Schieman at 519 204 8016 or email him at bradschieman@yahoo.ca or you could leave a note in his mail slot.

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!

LONDON AREA RIGHT TO LIFE DINNER AND SILENT AUCTION:

Come enjoy good food and fellowship and get energized in the Cause forLife by speaker, Jonathon Van Maren, CCBR - dedicated activist for Life.

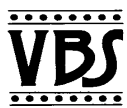
Topic: "Meet Canada's End the Killing Youth Movement"

When: Thursday, April 18 at the Marconi Club. Tickets are \$25(Students only \$15)

Contact Theresa at 519-432-3166 or theresafenik@yahoo.ca

BIBLES were bought and placed in our pews! They have been blessed. 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.

FAITH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be held once again this summer.



Judy Balasch is our director - we are in need of teachers as well as other volunteers. If you are interested in serving in this rewarding ministry, please contact one of the pastors or the church office. We will also be looking at holding a one-day event here at Grace .

LWML SPRING RALLY: Join us on Sunday, April 28th, 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.

OUR EVERY MEMBER VISITATION (EMV) is coming soon! Some of you may have already been contacted to be a visitor. Prayerfully consider serving in this important work! Training will be given the evenings of April 29th, 30th and May 1st. Visitations will begin May 6th. Let us continue to seek God's help as we work to build up and strengthen the body of Christ for the sake of the Gospel. To God be the glory!

DIRECTORY CHANGES: Please add these corrections to your telephone directory. Bruce and Linda Aitken's postal code should be N7G 0A1. Lorne and Susan Campbell's sympatico email is no longer in effect. Their current email address is lrncmpbll@gmail.com

THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

Mon.	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers / Staff Meeting
Tues.	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers
	10:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation (Faith)
	7:30 p.m.	LWML work night
Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study at Faith
	6:30 p.m.	Chimers
	7:30 p.m.	Choir
Thurs.	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers
	10:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation (Grace)
	7:00 p.m.	Faith Bible Study at Keith Keller's
Sat.	10:00 a.m.	Evangelifest Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Music Night - Jesus Salva Mission
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School/Bible Class at Grace
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School/Bible Class at Faith
	10:00 a.m.	Grace Morning Worship
	11:00 a.m.	Faith Morning Worship with Holy Communion