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Living Our Faith Under His Grace

WORSHIP SERVICE. 9:00 a.m.

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PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: O Father all-creating, O Son all-forgiving, O Spirit all-inspiring, we praise You for being All-in-All for us. Nothing is beyond Your dominion. No one exists without You, O triune God. May we always declare You to be the Three-in-One, the only One who leads us to salvation.

Holy Trinity, may we sense Your presence in every place.

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 / Absolution. p. 151
Prayer and Preaching. p. 260
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HYMNS: 578; 801; 877

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 1:1-2:4a (p.1)

EPISTLE LESSON: Acts 2:14a, 22-36 (p.910)

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 28:16-20 (p.835)

SERMON: "Our God is a Great God!" - Matthew 28:19-20

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: " Dream Giver for Dream Receivers"
(Romans 6:12-23)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Greg Seltz

God's forgiving love for us in Christ is a dream come true that dispels the nightmare of sin and death. Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, June 22nd at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:**USHERS:** Karen Campbell, James Mulligan**ELDER OF THE MONTH:** Ken Beecroft**ALTAR GUILD:** Tania Mulligan, Marianne Issendorf**ACOLYTE:** Mia Mulligan**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

Special Needs: Else Jacobsen, John and Maria Paal, Pat Phillips, Sandra Stewart, David and Imogen Strike, Sandra Stockman, Ellen Phillips, Pastor Kenneth Voege, Nancy Curtis, David Chamberlain, Frank Kleiber, Sophie Wilson, Joanna Bode, Jackson Lavers and family, Helen Livingstone, Doris Jensen, Keith Keller, Pastor Bode, Joshua Bode, Sarah Lawson, Marianne Muller, Larry Beamer, Dan Frederick

Homebound: Becky Ames, Paul and Ana Greksa, Jean Moutenay

Family Focus: James and Emma Wands; Marc, Jessalynn, Kenzie and Austin Webster; Harry and Kareen Weide; Helmut and Diana Welker

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 53 (13:24)**COMMUNION ATTENDANCE:** 32

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS: Current 787.00; Missions 645.00; Building 85.00



NON-BUDGET GIFTS: Capital Improvement 30.00; Haiti 60.00; LBT 10.00; Grace Christ Candle 150.00; Grace 10.00; Loose 2.00 **Praise The Lord!**

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutheran Church - Canada

The work and programmes of Synod is dependent upon the financial support given through individual congregations of each District.



FLOWERS FOR GRACE: If you would like to bring flowers to adorn altar on Sundays for 2014 to commemorate something special in your life, please indicate this by signing your name and including the date on the flower calendar which is in the fellowship hall.

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 SUMMER VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be held July 14th - 18th



from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. The theme is "Gangway to Galilee Amazing Grace Adventures". If you would like more information, please email Judy Balasch at judybalasch@yahoo.ca. If you would like to register your child(ren) and grandchild(ren) or any friends or neighbours, please speak with one of the pastors or phone the church office (519-685-9700).

LIFE QUOTES: Father's Day "The Book of Proverbs offers the best advice the world has ever received on fatherhood. First, seek wisdom from God, not from the man (Proverbs 1:7). Second, learn from what God has taught your own father (2:1; 3:1; 4:1; 5:1; 6:1, 7:1). Third, guard your chastity, whether single or married (chapters 5 and 7). Fourth, actively train and correct your own children (13:24; 19:18; 22:15; 23:13-14; 29:15, 17). Above all, confess your sins and receive God's mercy (28:13). *Ryan C. MacPherson, associate professor of history at Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato, Minnesota* - A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life · www.lutheransforlife.org

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



HYMNS: June has a 5th Sunday, and we would like to give you the opportunity to sing your favourite hymns. If you have a favourite hymn that you would like sung on June 30th, please let the pastor know.

GRACE OUTDOOR SERVICE AND LUNCHEON will be held next Sunday (June 22nd -weather permitting). Come and worship our Lord and enjoy a good time together with food and refreshments. Invite your family and friends. All are welcome. If you are able to help with this event, please speak with Pastor Castillo or Sharon Beecroft.

HOLY COMMUNION has been moved to June 29th since we are hopefully worshipping outdoors next Sunday.



SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE AT FAITH: Our Sunday worship times for the remainder of June, July and August will be at 10:30 a.m.

MIDWEEK SERVICES AT FAITH begin Wednesday, June 25th at 7:15 p.m. The Service of the Sacrament will be held. 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!



VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are very happy to announce that Joanna Bode will co-ordinate a one-day VBS at Grace on Wednesday, July 30th. In order for this activity to happen, we need your involvement in a variety of ways. If you are able to help in any capacity, please speak with the pastor.

"SPONSOR-A-CHILD": If you feel moved to assist with the cost of our VBS, you can help sponsor a child from our community by making a gift of \$7.00. You may do so by placing your gift in your Sunday offering envelope and marking it: "VBS-Sponsor-a-child". May God continue to grant every blessing upon our staff and the children who attend.

THE PROMISE: A MUSICAL PAGEANT ON THE LIFE OF CHRIST:

This outdoor performance will be held July 4-6 and July 11-13 at the Forest Amphitheatre located at the Esli Dodge Conservation Area just off Hwy. 21, on the south side of Forest. Admission: \$12 Adults; \$10 Seniors; \$5 Elementary School. Tickets are available at the gate and online. For tickets and/or further information, www.forestcommunitytheatre.ca

FELLOWSHIP SUPPLIES NEEDED: Can you help? We are in need of 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!

THIRD ANNUAL STRAWBERRY SOCIAL will be held at Grace Lutheran Church this **Saturday, June 21st from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.** Come and enjoy a summer's tradition of strawberries and whipped cream over generous pieces of white cake. There will be live Christian music provided by "Leap of Faith" and "Heaven Sent". So, bring your friends to enjoy a yummy summer's treat. Come and join us on this festive day!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for *Grace's strawberry social* this Saturday, June 21st from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. We need people to make white cakes (9x13), and to help in the following areas: food prep, outdoor setup and take down, serving, clearing and cleaning tables, ongoing kitchen helpers and greeters. There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall. Please sign up if you are able to help with this yummy day!



ALOA will get together at Faith at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 20th for a lasagna supper followed by fun and fellowship. Come and join us.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on Sunday, June 29th after worship at Faith.

THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

Pastor Scholz on holidays this coming week

Mon.	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers
Tues.	9:30 a.m.	Circuit Pastors at St. Peter's, Simcoe
Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study at Faith
Thurs.	10:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
Fri.	6:00 p.m.	ALOA
Sat.	1:00 p.m.	Grace Strawberry Social
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Grace Morning Worship outdoors(weather permitting)
	10:30 a.m.	Faith Morning Worship with Holy Communion