

Grace
Lutheran Church
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Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 7, 2014
Living Our Faith Under His Grace

BIBLE CLASS. 9:00 a.m.
WORSHIP SERVICE. 10:00 a.m.

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PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: Compel us, O Lord, to gather in Your name as often as we can. As we pray and worship together, sing songs and rejoice together, comfort and care for one another, reveal Your presence with us in a more profound way, that we may grow to know each other even more as brothers and sisters in Christ.

O Lord of unity, bring us together to glorify 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: 915; 692; 611

FIRST LESSON: Ezekiel 33:7-9 (p.721)

EPISTLE LESSON: Romans 13:1-10 (p.948)

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 18:1-20 (p.823)

SERMON: "How to Use Power!" - Matthew 18:15-20

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "That's Just Who God Is" (Acts 2:1-39)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Greg Seltz
The journeys of St. Paul teach us how God's message of grace has been translated so that all might believe. (Footsteps of St. Paul, part 1). Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, September 14th at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary, St. Catharines. September is education month - this is a reminder of those preparing to teach God's Word. This is a traditional time throughout the District, too.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

USHERS TODAY: Karen Campbell & James Mulligan

USHERS NEXT WEEK: John & Gale Baker

ELDER OF THE MONTH: Matt Mulligan

ALTAR GUILD: Marianne Issendorf, Lynn Kearns

ACOLYTE: TBA

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, Sarah Lawson, Marianne Muller, Larry Beamer, Dan Frederick, Judy Barker and family, Jean Mountenay, Sandy Harrison

Homebound: Becky Ames, Ana Greksa

Family Focus: Chris and Linda Dieterle; Robert, Cathy, Anne, Aaron and Michael Dieterle; Mike and Heather Earl; Doug, Heidi, Amber, Patrick and Walter Easter; Jean Faris; Dietrich and Mary-Lynn Fiest



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 27 (13:15)

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS: Current 506.00; Missions 36.00; Building 114.00 **Praise The Lord!**

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.

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



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.

LIFE QUOTES: Grandparents Day "My grandchildren need me to remind them of what happened at the baptismal font. Their baptism is 'an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God ... (1 Peter 3:21-22).' I can literally tell my grandchildren that their Lord and Saviour rules! This means that someday, when they are teenagers, they won't have to be subject to raging hormones or made foolish by lack of judgment. In remembering who they are, they will know the source of their wisdom and strength. This will affect their choices and behavior." *Linda D. Bartlett, www.titus2-4life.org* - A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life · www.lutheransforlife.org

A NEW CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY will be produced in the near future. Our next photo sessions will be held Thursday, September 18th at Grace in Strathroy from 2:30 p.m. -8:30 p.m. and at Faith on Friday, September 19th from 2:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. and on Saturday, September 20th from 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Book an appointment with Grace's photo directory committee as soon as possible. We invite all families of our church to come for these photo sessions in order to be included in our church photo directory.

WHY IS THERE DEATH AND SUFFERING IN THE WORLD? Many reject God on the basis that he must be a cruel god to allow the terrible events and suffering that we see in the world today. Could you answer this? Find out how you can use this question, and more, as a powerful tool to reach others for Christ. Remember to bring a friend when you hear Dr. Jim Mason giving a dynamic message at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 13, 2014 here at Faith Lutheran Church (310 Southdale Road East, London, ON). We are in need of at least 4 volunteers to assist with greeting our visitors and set-up. Please let the office know as soon as possible if you can help. We also encourage you to bring a dessert with you to share after the presentation.

MEMBERS OF GRACE: There will be a meeting for all members at Grace next Sunday after worship. All are welcome to attend.

Thanks! I would like to thank everyone for your prayers and good wishes during my time with health issues. *Keith Keller*

GET YOUR APPETITES READY! On October 25th, the congregation will be hosting a progressive dinner starting at 5:00 p.m. Many of you may remember the progressive dinners of a few years ago but for those who don't, it is a simple concept. Dinner is completed progressively with the various courses being served at different homes. Once one course is complete, everyone travels to the next home for the following course. Usually the courses are Appetizer, Salad, Main and Dessert. Those who have participated before can tell you how enjoyable an experience this event is as well as it being an excellent opportunity for fellowship and getting to know other members a little bit better. As you can guess, we can't make this happen without volunteers to host the 4 courses and lots of members to come out and enjoy the food. If you are interested in hosting or just participating, please let one of the Elders or the Church office know as soon as possible and no later than October 12th so that we can finalize the planning.

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!

GRACE COUNCIL MEETING will be held Sunday, September 21st after morning worship.

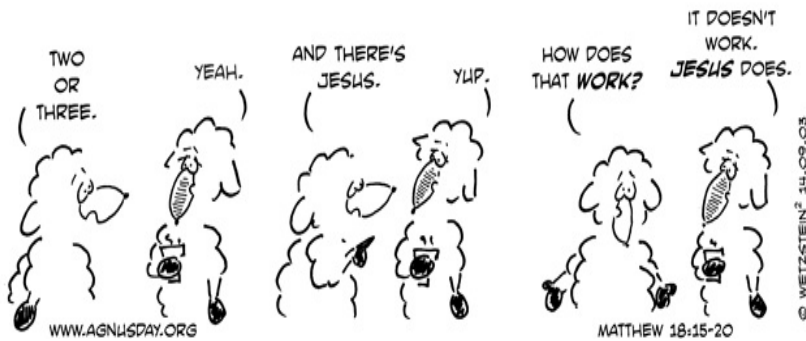
LWML will be meeting at Faith on Tuesday, September 9th at 7:30 p.m.



I SUPPOSE YOU COULD SAY THAT YOUR GRANDPA IS GOD ... FOR BOTH SIDES OF THE FAMILY

THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

- Mon.** 9:30 a.m. Office Prayers
- Tues.** 10:00 a.m. Pastor Castillo at Grace
6:30 p.m. Confirmation (Faith)
7:00 p.m. Trustees
7:30 p.m. LWML
8:00 p.m. Council
- Wed.** 10:00 a.m. Bible Study at Faith
7:30 p.m. Choir
- Thurs.** 10:00 a.m. Pastor Castillo at Grace
7:00 p.m. Grace Bible Study
- Sat.** 7:00 p.m. Creation Ministries Presentation
- Sun.** 9:00 a.m. Grace Bible Class
9:30 a.m. Faith Sunday School/Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Grace Morning Worship with Holy Communion Meeting for Grace members (after worship)
11:00 a.m. Faith Morning Worship with Holy Communion



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