

Grace Lutheran Church

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Epiphany of Our Lord (*observed*)

January 4, 2015

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: From the beginning of time, O Jesus, You have made Your presence known in the universe. But now You have made Yourself known to each of us by coming to earth in human form. May we be enlightened and encouraged in our life because You are here.

O Word Made Flesh, live among us now.

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

HYMNS: 374; 367; 370; 394

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 60:1-6 (p.619)

EPISTLE LESSON: Ephesians 3:1-12 (p.977)

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 2:1-12 (p.807)

SERMON: "Come and Worship Him" - Matthew 2:1-2

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

RITE OF INSTALLATION SERVICE: Please join the congregation of Peace Lutheran Church, Tillsonburg, for the Service of Installation of **Rev. Ron Mohr** as he is installed to the position of East District Mission Executive on January 4th at 3:00 pm. The service will be held at Peace in Tillsonburg. Please also join us for fellowship and refreshments following the service.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

USHERS TODAY: Karen Campbell & James Mulligan

USHERS NEXT WEEK: John & Gale Baker

ELDER OF THE MONTH: Ken Beecroft

ALTAR GUILD: Tania Mulligan and Lynn Kearns

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutherans for Life - Canada

This corresponds to the LCC focus on Life Sunday, which is observed in January.

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, Doris Jensen, Sarah Lawson, Marianne Muller, Dan Frederick, Jean Mountenay, Marie Nixon, John and Nancy Crowther, Bryan Martinuzzi, Chesley Ryan, Kingo family, Shane Harrison



Homebound: Becky Ames, Ana Greksa

Family Focus: Rick, Robin, Kristen and Curtis McDonald; Joshua and Amanda McLarty; Jamie McSporrnan; Corinne and Alyson Mergel

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 27 ('13:27) **COMMUNED:** 22

ATTENDANCE CHRISTMAS EVE: 45

ATTENDANCE CHRISTMAS DAY: 26 **COMMUNED:** 23

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS:

(CHRISTMAS EVE): Current 10.00; Missions 240.00

(CHRISTMAS DAY): Current 100.00; Missions 45.00; Building 450.00

(DEC. 28TH): Current 575.00; Missions 20.00; Building 10.00 **Praise the Lord!**

NON-BUDGET GIFTS: (CHRISTMAS EVE): Loose 10.00

(CHRISTMAS DAY): Capital Improvement - Kitchen 20.00; Loose 30.00



OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2015 are available in the parish hall. If you did not receive a box of envelopes, but would like some, please advise the office.

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.

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!

REPORT TO ALL COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS: This is a reminder that we will soon be preparing our Annual Report. Your help in having reports to us as quickly as possible is greatly appreciated.

CHURCH TABLES: If you have borrowed tables recently from Faith, please contact the church office and return them. Thank you.

| THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE | | |
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| Mon. | 9:30 a.m. | Office Prayers |
| Tues. | 10:00 a.m. | Pastor Castillo at Grace |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Confirmation (Faith) |
| Wed. | 10:00 a.m. | Bible Study at Faith |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Chimers |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Choir |
| Thurs. | 10:00 a.m. | Pastor Castillo at Grace |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Grace Bible Study |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Faith Bible Study at Gerda Martinuzzi's |
| Fri. | 7:00 p.m. | Council Meeting and Social |
| 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 |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Faith Morning Worship with Holy Communion |
| | | Installation of Church officers and LWML executive |