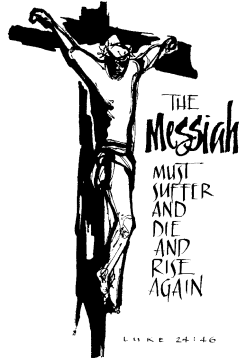


Grace Lutheran Church

24542 Melbourne Road
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Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 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: Living Jesus, open our minds to the words found in Scripture. Reveal to us what Your death and resurrection mean to us here and now. And share with us the plan and mission You have in mind for every believer.

Great Giver of life, show us Your salvation.

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; 725; 474

FIRST LESSON: Acts 3:11-21 (p.911)

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 John 3:1-7 (p.1022)

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 24:36-49 (p.885)

SERMON: "What Makes You Feel Good?" -1 John 3:1,2



THE FLOWERS that adorn the altar today are given to the glory of God by Gene and Anna Makish in thanksgiving for blessings received from God.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Haiti Lutheran Mission Society

In view of the needs in Haiti, this is an important effort to re-establish churches and provide resources for their needs.

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:

USHERS TODAY: Mia & Logan Mulligan

USHERS NEXT WEEK: Mike & Anne Flikkema

ELDER OF THE MONTH: Ken Beecroft

ALTAR GUILD: Marianne Issendorf, Lynn Kearns

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 Voegel, Nancy Curtis, David Chamberlain, Frank Kleiber, Sophie Wilson, Joanna Bode, Jackson Lavers and family, Doris Jensen, Sarah Lawson, Marianne Muller, Jean Mountenay, John and Nancy Crowther, Ritva Kingo and family, Ken and Sharon Beecroft, Katie Gross, Ellie Lawson,

Marsha Kennedy, Glenn Hensel

Homebound: Becky Ames, Ana Greksa

Family Focus: Kim, Dylan and Nikki Tremblay; Rich, Anna, Brendan and Lucas Turner; Dan, Helga, Raymond, Charmella, Jakob and Roland Untch; Bethany van Arnhem

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 38 (*14:37)

BIBLE CLASS: 7 **SUNDAY SCHOOL:** 7

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS:

Current 651.00; Missions 65.00; Building 95.00 **Praise the Lord!**



NON-BUDGET GIFTS: Loose 0.12

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.

GRACE'S ONE-DAY VBS: Our one-day Vacation Bible School for the summer is being co-ordinated by Tania Mulligan. This VBs will be held on Wednesday, July 8th and will take place at West Middlesex Arena Park in Strathroy. If you are able to help with this worthwhile activity, please contact either Tania or one of the pastors. Our next meeting will be held at the Mulligan's on Saturday, May 9th at 10:00 a.m.

CONCORDIA LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY'S ANNUAL CERTIFICATION AND CALL SERVICE will be held on May 30th at Christ, St. Catharines at 4:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend this important service.

THE AMBER & JADE TOUR: LCC singer/songwriter Jennifer Jade Kerr and musician Chelsea Amber will be performing at **Bethel Lutheran in Kitchener** on **Sunday, April 19th** for a concert at **7:00 p.m.**, as well as at **Grace Lutheran Church, St. Catharines** on **April 22nd** at **7:00 p.m.** They will entertain, encourage, and inspire with original songs, stories, and worshipful music. Chelsea Amber's album, "Introducing Chelsea Amber" was nominated for a 2015 Juno Award, while Jennifer Jade Kerr was nominated for Female Vocalist of the Year at the 2013 and 2014 Covenant Awards. Admission at both locations is by Freewill Offering.

RESURRECTION LUTHERAN CHURCH, ST. CATHARINES 50TH ANNIVERSARY: (May 3 & 9) With the Church's prayer, "Abide, O Faithful Saviour", Resurrection Lutheran Church in St. Catharines invites you to join them on **Sunday, May 3rd** for the Divine Service at 11:00 a.m. with the Reverend Doctor Robert Bugbee, president of Lutheran Church-Canada, delivering the Sermon and Benediction, followed by a light lunch and informal fellowship; and on **Saturday, May 9th** at 11:00 a.m. for the Office of Matins with the Reverend Dennis Putzman, Pastor Emeritus, delivering the Sermon, followed by lunch and a fun afternoon program.

LWMLC ZONE SPRING RALLY: Join us on Saturday, April 25th, 2105 when we will have the opportunity to listen to Rev. Mike Kuhn, our guest speaker at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 552 Fanshawe Park Road East, London. Registration is at 9:30 a.m. Ingathering monies will be collected to support Lutheran Bible Translators of Canada. Soup luncheon will follow; please bring sandwiches or dessert to share.

LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS(LBT): Guest Speaker, Reverend Mike Kuhn

We are pleased to have Rev. Mike Kuhn of LBT with us at Faith on May 3rd to be our guest speaker. He will share some of the activities and blessings of LBT from 9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. in the church sanctuary. Rev. Dr. Jim Keller will also be present. All are welcome! A potluck lunch will follow the service.

BIBLE STUDY AT GRACE will be held on Thursday, May 14th at 7:00 p.m. We are studying "Heaven and Hell". This Bible Study answers the question "Why do believers go to heaven and unbelievers to hell after they die?" Come and learn what the Bible speaks about this and other subjects.

UPCOMING SUMMER EVENTS HERE AT GRACE:

- Grace Worship Summer hours - beginning Sunday, June 7th; 9:00 a.m.
- Annual Strawberry Social - Saturday, June 27th; 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- Outdoor Service and BBQ - Sunday, June 28th; 9:00 a.m.
- One-Day VBS - Wed., July 8th: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; Registration at 8:30 a.m.
- Movie Night - Friday, July 24th; 8:30 p.m.

CONCORDIA SEMINARY GUILD was organized in 1978, one year after the seminary opened. The purpose of the Guild is to:

STIMULATE deeper and more active members in congregations

PROVIDE information concerning needs of the students and seminary

KEEP churches informed of guild activities

CO-OPERATE with the seminary in providing needed services for the school, students, and families in Lutheran Church-Canada, and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

Membership is \$5.00 per year(May 1st -April 30th). **We invite all members of Faith and Grace to consider supporting this important part of the Seminary each year.** Please see Pam Oelke or the church office or one of the pastors.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR GRACE'S 4TH ANNUAL STRAWBERRY SOCIAL on Saturday, June 27th from 1:00 p.m. - 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!

SPRING CLEAN-UP AT GRACE will be held Saturday, May 2nd, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Please plan to join in the cleaning up of our Church Home and yard. Many hands make for light work!

THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

Pastor Castillo on holidays this week

Mon.	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers / Staff Meeting
Tues.	9:00 a.m.	Pastors' Meeting at Good Shepherd
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation (Year 2)
	7:00 p.m.	Trustees
	8:00 p.m.	Council
Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith)
	6:30 p.m.	Chimera
	7:30 p.m.	Choir
Thurs.	12:00 p.m.	Pastor Scholz at Peace, Tillsonburg
	7:00 p.m.	Faith Bible Study at Gerda Martinuzzi's
Fri.	6:00 p.m.	ALOA
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Grace Bible Class
	9:30 a.m.	Faith Sunday School / Bible Class
	10:00 a.m.	Grace Morning Worship
	11:00 a.m.	Faith Morning Worship with Holy Communion