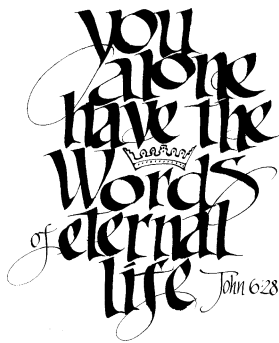


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**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

August 23, 2015  
*Living Our Faith Under His Grace*

**WORSHIP SERVICE. . . . . 9:00 a.m.**

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**PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP:** Give us insight into who You truly are, O Saviour, and help us to listen more closely to what You came to tell us. May Your words of eternal life, Your messages of forgiveness, and Your good news of grace deepen our faith and enliven our spirits.

*O Son of God and Son of Man, reveal Your salvation to us.*

**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:** . . . . . see printed Order of Service  
Holy Communion

**HYMNS:** 644; 865; 237(AGPS)

**FIRST LESSON:** Isaiah 29:11-19 (p. 590)

**EPISTLE LESSON:** Ephesians 5:22-33 (p.978)

**GOSPEL LESSON:** Mark 7:1-13 (p.842)

**SERMON:** "Are You Hiding Anything?" - Mark 7:1-13



**THE FLOWERS** that adorn the altar today are given to the glory of God by Reiner and Marianne Issendorf in celebration of their fortieth wedding anniversary.

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

**GUESTS AND HOLY COMMUNION:** In joyful obedience to the teaching of Scripture, it is our practice to determine doctrinal unity for those partaking of the Sacrament. Our practice in no way denies that there are Christians in other denominations. Rather, we practise closed communion because oneness in doctrine is also witnessed to in this celebration. We ask that guests desiring to commune would thus speak with the pastor before the service. Let us pray that the divisions that separate Christians may one day be healed on the basis of Holy Scripture. "For the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mercy."

**SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:**

**USHERS TODAY:** Mia & Logan Mulligan

**USHERS NEXT WEEK:** Mike & Anne Flikkema

**ELDER OF THE MONTH:** Lorne Campbell

**ALTAR GUILD:** Rosemarie Gmehlin, Tania 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 Voegel, Nancy Curtis, David Chamberlain, Frank Kleiber, Sophie Wilson, Jackson Lavers and family, Doris and Niels Jensen, Marianne Muller, John and Nancy Crowther, Ritva Kingo and family, Ken and Sharon Becroft, Ellie Lawson, Sarah Lawson, Marsha Kennedy, Glenn Hensel

**Homebound:** Becky Ames, Ana Greksa

**Family Focus:** Edwin, Pushua, Gladwin, Calvin and Natasha Gill; Rosemarie Gmehlin; Charlie, Colleen, Corey and Audrey Gobert; Ana Greksa

**MISSION OF THE MONTH:** Lutheran Hour Ministries

Traditional time of support for the Lutheran Hour and Lutheran Television throughout the Synod.

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** 28 ('14:18)

**OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS:**

Current 570.00; Building Fund 10.00 **Praise the Lord!**

**MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS:**



\* to **Memorial Fund** in memory of *Konrad Gmehlin* from Lorne and Susan Campbell

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**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.

**LIFE QUOTES:** "Should there be a line that determines when humans have value? Some say it's at viability, others say when there's a heartbeat, and others say at birth. Some even argue that the ability to reason should be the dividing line, which would making killing infants ok, too. These lines we draw are so arbitrary, meaningless. My seven-year-old sister gets that. Human beings are valuable because we are human beings. And it's as plain and simple as that." Micaiah Bilger, education director of the Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)

**LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "The Truth"** (1 John 1:1-3)

Speaker Emeritus of the Lutheran Hour: Rev. Ken Klaus

God's saving truth reaches out to a world steeped in lies. Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at [www.lutheranhour.ca](http://www.lutheranhour.ca)

**EVANGELFEST 2015 (September 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>)** will be held at Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary in St. Catharines. The keynote speaker will be Rev. Jonathan Fisk. The cost for the two days is \$50 (includes wine/cheese reception on Friday and breakfast and lunch on Saturday). Deadline for registration is Friday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. Registration forms are available on the tables near each entrance of the sanctuary.



**AUGUST HAS A 5<sup>TH</sup> 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 August 30<sup>th</sup>, please let the pastor know.

**WORSHIP TIME CHANGE AT FAITH:**

Your church council has approved the Elders decision to change the Service times effective September 13<sup>th</sup> as follows:

**Adult Bible Study – 9:00 to 9:45 a.m.**

**Divine Service and Sunday School – 10:00 a.m.**

This decision is in response to the congregation’s request to change worship times. This prayerful decision was made after extensive research and deliberation. It will also create continuity throughout the year as there will be no more summer time changes to worship, only to extra activities. Should you have any comments or questions, please direct them to your Elder or the Pastors.

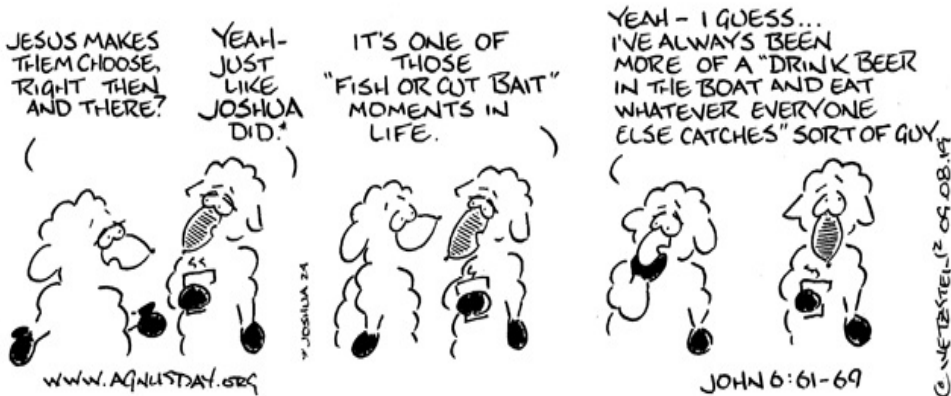
**LYNDA BARBER CONCERT AT FAITH:** We are pleased to host this special event on Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p..m. The concert is free to all. A freewill offering will go towards Debbie Assimwe to support her adoption of Rwanda orphans. For more information on Debbie, please go to <http://DebbiesOrphansRwanda2Canada.myevent.com/> or to [debpraise@gmail.com](mailto:debpraise@gmail.com). If you wish to learn more about Lynda, you can go to [www.lyndabarbermusic.com](http://www.lyndabarbermusic.com).

**KITS FOR KIDS:** LWML is collecting a variety of school supplies. If you are able to donate items such as notebooks, school scissors, 12' ruler, unsharpened pencils, pencil sharpener, package of crayons, eraser and black or blue pens, it would be greatly appreciated. You can give any donations to one of the pastors.

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**THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE**

Pastor Castillo on holidays this week

- Mon.** 9:30 a.m. Office Prayers / Staff Meeting
- Tues.** 10:00 a.m. Pastor Scholz at Grace
- Wed.** 7:15 p.m. Midweek Summer Service with Holy Communion
- Sun.** 9:00 a.m. Grace Morning Worship