

**Grace  
Lutheran Church**  
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**Palm Sunday**

March 20, 2016  
*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:** With waving palms, we welcome you, Lord. With shouts of "Hosanna!" we say, "You are here!" Be with us here this week as we remember your journey toward the cross. With sad hearts, we contemplate your death. But with confident hearts, we know that you are carrying out God's great plan of salvation.

*Christ, as you take the path that leads to both death and life, may we journey with 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" as it is being circulated.

**OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** ..... see Printed Order of Service

**HYMNS:** 443; 512; 78(AGPS); 761

**FIRST LESSON:** Deuteronomy 32:36-39 (p.175)

**EPISTLE LESSON:** Philippians 2:5-11 (p.980)

**GOSPEL LESSON:** Luke 23:1-56 (p.883)

**SERMON:** "From Praise to Passion!" - Luke 23:1-56



**EASTER FLOWERS:** If you would like to help decorate the altar for Easter, please bring flowers for Easter Sunday. After the service, you may take them home.

**MISSION OF THE MONTH:** Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary, St. Catharines

We are reminded of the importance of preparing men for the Holy Ministry.

**SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:****USHERS TODAY:** Lorne & Susan Campbell**USHERS GOOD FRIDAY:** Mike & Anne Flikkema**USHERS NEXT WEEK:** James Mulligan & Greg Jahns**ELDER OF THE MONTH:** Gene Makish**ALTAR GUILD:** Rosemarie Gmehlin, Anna Makish**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, Frank Kleiber, Sophie Wilson, Marianne Muller, John and Nancy Crowther, Ritva Kingo and family, Sarah Lawson, Keith Keller, Joanna Bode, Reiner Issendorf, Martha Fonger, David Biederman (Carole Atkinson's brother)

**Homebound:** Becky Ames, Ana Greksa

**Family Focus:** David and Imogen Strike; Wayne, Vickey, Kaity and Ethan Strong; Ian, Stacey, Karlee and Aaron Sutton; Nancy Taylor

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** 23 (15:31)**COMMUNION ATTENDANCE:** 19**BIBLE CLASS:** 4**OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS:****(From Mar. 6<sup>th</sup>):** Current 620.00; Missions 10.00; Building 20.00

**NON-BUDGET GIFTS: (From Mar. 6<sup>th</sup>):** Love Fund(Lent) 150.00; Loose 20.00 **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.



**EASTER BREAKFAST AT GRACE:** Come and join us for breakfast at 8:30 a.m. on Easter morning. Bring a dish to share for a pot blessing breakfast.

**TODAY WE WELCOME** Howard and Jennifer Print into our fellowship through profession of faith. We rejoice and give thanks to the Lord as we share in the ministry together.

**LIFE QUOTES:** "Jesus, who was formed in the womb of Mary, who began life smaller than a grain of salt, grew ... became a newborn in the Bethlehem manger, and lived a sinless life to become a 33-year-old who hung on a cross outside of Jerusalem. He did this so that you might be saved from the power of the devil, so that you might receive the forgiveness of sins, and so that you might spend eternal life with Him in Paradise." *Rev. Michael J. Schmidt, pastor at Peace Lutheran Church, Natoma, Kansas, and First Lutheran Church, Plainville, Kansas - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

**LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "An Unbeliever's Sermon"** (Luke 24:5-6)

Speaker Emeritus of the Lutheran Hour: Rev. Ken Klaus  
Pastor Ken Klaus asked several non-believing friends to help him write his Easter sermon. Hear what they said on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at [www.lutheranhour.ca](http://www.lutheranhour.ca)

**GRACE BIBLE STUDY** will be held on Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. We will continue studying "Heaven and Hell". Come and learn about what the Bible says about this subject.



**SEDER SUPPER AT FAITH (MARCH 24<sup>TH</sup>):** A Seder service is being planned for Maundy Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of the Christian Seder is to help us understand the background and significance of the Passover celebration, during which our Lord Jesus instituted and gave us the blessed Sacrament of the Altar. The evening includes dinner, as well as our Maundy Thursday service. Tickets are \$4.00 per person, with a maximum cost of \$12.00/family. Tickets are now available from one of the pastors. The cost helps us provide the meal and necessary items for this evening. To keep costs down, we also need help to prepare the meal, including items such as green salads (no dairy) and pies. See the pastor for the sign-up sheet. We hope you will join us!

**50 ANNIVERSARY, GOOD SHEPHERD-LONDON:** The members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in London are excited to celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a congregation on **April 24<sup>th</sup> 2016**. There will be a *Regular Worship Service* at **10:30 a.m.** followed by a special fellowship hour. The *Service of Celebration* will begin at **3:00 p.m.** with Rev. Dr. Robert Bugbee as the guest preacher. The *Anniversary Banquet* will be held at the Greek Canadian Community Centre, London, following the *Service of Celebration*, beginning at **5:30 p.m.** Banquet tickets will be available at \$32 per ticket until **March 31<sup>st</sup> 2016** and **must be ordered and paid for in advance**. Tickets **will not** be sold at the door. Children 10 and under are free, but will require a ticket to attend the banquet so be sure to include their names and ages when you are purchasing your tickets.

**OUR HOLY WEEK SERVICES** help us remember how Jesus suffered, died and rose again to save us from sin, death, and hell. We invite you to worship with us at these special services:

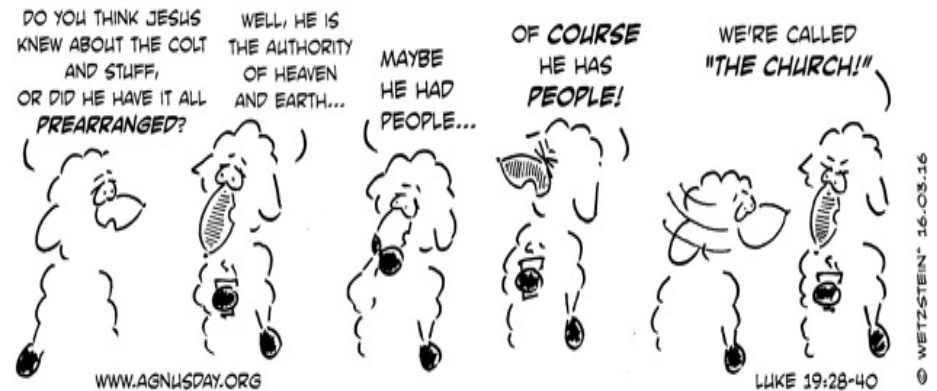
<b>Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b> Seder Service @ Faith
<b>Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b> Good Friday Service @ Grace
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**EASTER IS AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY** for you to invite family and friends to join us in the wonderful message of the Saviour, who destroyed death and the grave through His resurrection from the dead. Holiday times are occasions in which people are more open to the invitations that we make. Like the women who couldn't wait to tell others the good news the angel gave, "He is not here; He is risen, as He said", let us also go and share the hope that God has given us through His Son. Invite them to breakfast, too!

**EVENING OF MUSIC:** A special evening celebrating God's gift of music is being planned for Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Faith. A free will offering will be received and allocated to the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Fund. We encourage you to invite a friend to join us for this special occasion!

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



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### THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

<b>Mon.</b>	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers / Staff meeting
<b>Tues.</b>	9:00 a.m.	Pastors meet at Faith
	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation (Faith)
<b>Wed.</b>	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study at Faith
	6:30 p.m.	Chimers
	7:30 p.m.	Choir
<b>Thurs.</b>	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
	6:30 p.m.	Seder Service at Faith
<b>Fri.</b>	10:00 a.m.	Good Friday Service (Faith and Grace)
<b>Sun.</b>	8:00 a.m.	Easter breakfast (Faith)
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	10:00 a.m.	Resurrection of Our Lord Service with Holy Communion (Faith & Grace)
	10:00 a.m.	Faith Sunday School