

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 5, 2017

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: Jesus, our King, may we live as the salt of the earth and the light of the world. May we add flavour and brilliance to what can be a dull and dark world. And may You be the source of all that makes our lives rich and enlightening.

Blessed Kingdom Lord, may we share Your life with all the world.

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: Printed Order of Service

MUSIC LEADERS: Leap of Faith

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 58:3-9a (p.617)

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 (p.952)

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 5:13-20 (p.810)

SERMON: "Be What You Are!" - Matthew 5:13-20

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutheran Hour Ministries

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



FLOWER CHART: Please sign up for a Sunday to adorn our altar as we praise God for the many blessings that He has given us.

GRACE BIBLE STUDY: We need someone to host the Bible Study on Thursday, February 23rd at 7:00 p.m. If you are willing to host a future Bible Study, please sign the list at the back of the church.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

USHERS TODAY: Susan Campbell and Mayra Castillo

USHERS NEXT WEEK: Mia and Logan Mulligan

ELDER OF THE MONTH: Gene Makish

ALTAR GUILD: Betty Catanzariti and Marianne Issendorf

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:



Special Needs: Walter and Donna Procknow, Else Jacobsen, John and Maria Paal, Pat Phillips, Sandra Stewart, David and Imogen Strike, Sandra Stockman, Ellen Phillips, Frank Kleiber, Sophie Wilson, John and Nancy Crowther, Ritva Kingo and family, Sarah Lawson, Keith Keller, Reiner Issendorf, Martha Fonger, David Biederman (Carole Atkinson's brother), Grace Woolner, Katherine Atkinson (Carol Wilkinson's mother), Nancy Curtis, Bill and Vicky Orłowski, Emily Playfoot, Earl Weiberg

Homebound: Becky Ames, Ana Greksa

Family Focus: Harry and Sylvia Stantos; Ben and Sandra Stewart; Sandra Stockman; David and Imogen Strike

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 28 ('16:31)

BIBLE CLASS: 5

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 5

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS:

(FROM JAN. 15th): Current 580.00; Missions 40.00; Building 100.00

(FROM JAN. 22nd): Current 670.00



NON-BUDGET GIFTS: (FROM JAN. 22nd): Memorial 20.00

MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS:

* to **Memorial Fund** in memory of *Andy Edler* from
Lorne and Susan Campbell

* to **Grace** in memory of *Andy Edler* from
Pastor and Marian Obeda



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: "Why do we speak up for those in the womb who cannot speak? Because they are created, redeemed, and little ones whom God wants to call." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former executive director of Lutherans For Life - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "Here's to Life!" (Deuteronomy 30:15-20)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Greg Seltz

Even as the world becomes a meaner, angrier place, God calls us to share His life with others. Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, February 12th at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

2016 "DRAFT" INCOME TAX STATEMENTS can be found in your mailbox. If there are any corrections, contact Diane Geurkink at 519-461-1702 or email her at diane.geurkink@schulich.uwo.ca as soon as possible. The official tax receipt will be printed in the near future.

JOSEPH: We are planning to buy tickets and go as a group to see "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat" on Sunday, June 11th at the Huron Country Playhouse in Grand Bend. The show is at 2:00 p.m. If there is enough interest, we would get a bus to take us to/from the church. Tickets are \$42.00 each or with the bus, the cost would be \$57.50. Youth under 20 pay \$30.50 or with the bus \$46.00. We could attend Sunday service, then have lunch at church and the bus would pick us up at 12:30. Arrival back at the church would be around 5:30 p.m. If you are interested in this outing, please contact Shirley Mitchell by email (mitchellhome@rogers.com) or speak with one of the pastors.

TO ALL COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS: This is a reminder that we are preparing our Annual Report. The due date for the reports is **next Sunday, February 12th**. Thank you to all those who have submitted their reports.

TODAY WE RECOGNIZE LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES CANADA.

May the Lord continue to bless their work in bringing Christ to the Nations - and the Nations to the Church.

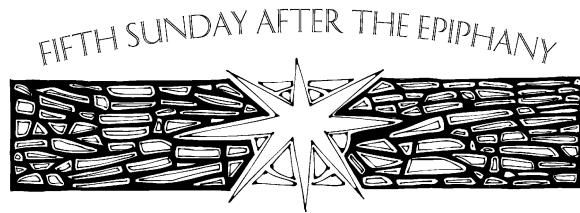
GRACE PLANNING COMMITTEE: Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 7th at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend and discuss the various suggestions that members have submitted in the survey.

GRACE CONNECTION CARD: If you have a question or a prayer request, or would like to have a visit from one of the pastors, please fill out one of these cards which can be found on the back table of the sanctuary as well as on the table in the parish hall and put the card in the offering basket.

Church DINNER A **VALENTINE'S DINNER** hosted by our Faith Life Financial branch will be held on Saturday, February 11th at Faith in London at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20.00 per person; if you would like to buy tickets, please speak with one of the pastors or call the church office (519-685-9700). The proceeds will go to support a local Lutheran congregation. All funds raised will be matched by Faith Life Financial. The deadline to order your tickets is Wednesday, February 8th in order to allow the committee enough time to buy the food.

LADIES OF GRACE: Our next meeting is Saturday, February 18th 10:00 a.m.-12:00p.m. Come out for a time of devotional, fellowship and work on our baby blankets. More details to follow.

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 | | |
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| Mon. | 9:30 a.m. | Office Prayers / Staff meeting |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Elders |
| Tues. | 9:00 a.m. | Pastors meet |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Pastor Scholz at Grace |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Confirmation (Faith) |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Grace Planning Committee |
| Wed. | 10:00 a.m. | Bible Study at Faith |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Chimers |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Choir |
| Thurs. | 11:00 a.m. | Pastor Castillo at Grace |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Grace Bible Study |
| Sat. | 10:00 a.m. | LWML General Meeting |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Valentine's Dinner (Faith) |
| Sun. | 9:00 a.m. | Bible Study (Faith and Grace) |
| | 10:00 a.m. | Faith Morning Worship with Holy Communion |
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| | 10:00 a.m. | Sunday School (Faith) |
| *****Deadline for 2016 Board Reports***** | | |