

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

February 12, 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: O Lord, You know our every thought and action. Nothing we say or do can be hidden from You. Forgive us for thinking that we could keep things from You, or could sin "just a little," as long as no one found out. Purify us through and through, and may every part of our being bring glory to You.

O Fulfiller of the Law, may Your will be fulfilled in 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" as it is being circulated.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: Divine Service Setting 4. p. 203
Holy Communion

HYMNS: 394; 686; 921

FIRST LESSON: Deuteronomy 30:15-20 (p.172)

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 3:1-9 (p.953)

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 5:21-37 (p.810)

SERMON: "God is the One Who Gives the Growth!" - 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

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.

GUESTS AND HOLY COMMUNION: Our practice of closed communion is the historic practice of the church. It is prompted by love, both for God's Word and God's people. It does not deny that members of other denominations are Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Rom. 16:17) and the Bible's witness that doctrinal unity is central to the common reception of this sacrament. For this reason, guests who desire to commune are asked to speak with the pastor before the service.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

USHERS TODAY: Mia and Logan Mulligan

USHERS NEXT WEEK: Greg Jahns and James 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), Bill and Vicky Orłowski, Emily Playfoot, Earl Weiberg, Nancy Curtis and family, Marsha Kennedy, Betty Muir

Homebound: Becky Ames, Ana Greksa

Family Focus: Wayne, Vickey, Kaity and Ethan Strong; Addison and Katherine Sutherland; Ian, Stacey, Karlee and Aaron Sutton; Nancy Taylor

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 30 ('16:36)

BIBLE CLASS: 6

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 0

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS:

(FROM JAN. 29th): Current 392.48



NON-BUDGET GIFTS: (FROM JAN. 29th): Initial 10.00

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 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. If there is no one to host it, this Bible Study will be held at Grace.

LIFE QUOTES: "So marriage is a profoundly unique thing that is strengthened by years of shared experiences, trials, triumphs, challenges, and victories. The oneness of marriage is why Grandpa can start a sentence and Grandma can finish it. It's why when she cries, he tastes the salt. It's her knowing what's wrong without him speaking a word. It's two lives becoming one. It takes time, effort, sweat, and tenacity. But the rewards are like none other on earth." *Rev. Daniel Domke, Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, Huron, South Dakota* – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "Love Your Enemies - Jesus Does!"

(Matthew 5:38-48)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Greg Seltz

God calls us to love and forgive our enemies the way He loves and forgives us. Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, February 19th at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held at Faith on Sunday, February 26th following the service. Our focus will be to reflect upon the 2016 Annual Report.

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.

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

TIME TO GET SPOILED, LADIES!... On Saturday, May 6th, there will be a ladies day with Christian speaker, Carol Kent, author of *When I Lay My Isaac Down*. There will be live Praise music, food and fellowship. This event will be held at the Legacy Centre in Thedford. Early bird tickets are \$30 until March 1st and then \$35. If you are interested to learn more, please pick up a flyer on the table in the fellowship hall. See Brenda Ryan for tickets. Wouldn't it be great if we could fill a table for the women of Grace?

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 **TODAY**. Thank you to all those who have submitted their reports.

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 was held at Faith last evening. Thank you to everyone who participated in this event. The proceeds, matched by Faith Life Financial, will be forwarded to one of our sister congregations

LADIES OF GRACE: Our next meeting is this 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.

ASLEEP IN CHRIST: On Wednesday morning, Ken Curtis, beloved husband of Nancy, entered his eternal rest to be with his Saviour. May the promise of the Resurrection and the life Everlasting bring comfort to all who mourn his passing.



Agnus Day appears with the permission of www.agnusday.org

THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE		
Mon.	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers / Staff meeting
Tues.	9:00 a.m.	Pastors meet
	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Scholz 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.	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
	7:00 p.m.	Music Committee Meeting (Grace)
Sat.	8:00 a.m.	Men's breakfast and fellowship (Faith)
	10:00 a.m.	Ladies of Grace
	10:00 a.m.	Estudio Biblico en Español (Faith)
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith and Grace)
	10:00 a.m.	Faith Morning Worship
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	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School (Faith and Grace)
	3:00 p.m.	Circuit Forum (Faith)