

# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 26, 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:** Transfigured Lord, may Your glory brighten our lives. May Your brilliance bring us joy. And may Your light remind us that You truly are the beloved Son of God.

Shining Saviour, surround us with Your brightness.

**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  
Holy Communion

**HYMNS:** 537; 801; 692; 733

**FIRST LESSON:** Exodus 24:8-18 (p.65)

**EPISTLE LESSON:** 2 Peter 1:16-21 (p.1018)

**GOSPEL LESSON:** Matthew 17:1-9 (p.822)

**SERMON:** "We Have Glory Through the Glorious Lord!" - 2 Peter 1:16-21



**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.

**LIFE QUOTES:** "Yes, even in the eye of the storm when everything seems turned on its head, we can live L.I.F.E. (Live In Faith Everyday)." *Lynette Auch, president of Lutherans For Life - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

**2016 OFFICIAL INCOME TAX RECEIPTS** can be found in your mailbox.

**GUESTS AND HOLY COMMUNION: The Transfiguration Of Our Lord** reminds us that there is so much more to life than meets our eyes. The glory of the Lord on the holy mountain gives testimony to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven. The Lord's Supper is also a reality that goes far beyond our human reason and physical sight. Herein our glorious King comes to us with the very body and blood with which He purchased our redemption. For scriptural reasons we practise closed communion, and guests desiring to commune are asked to thus speak with the pastor before the service.

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

**USHERS TODAY:** Ken and Sharon Beecroft

**USHERS NEXT WEEK:** Lorne Campbell and Mike Flikkema

**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:** Dan, Helga, Raymond, Charmella, Jakob and Roland Untch; Bethany Van Arnhem; Jason, Danielle, Connor and Alexis Van Barneveld; Janice Vandermyden; Doreen Varey

**ATTENDANCE (February 12<sup>th</sup>):** 36 ('16:16)

**COMMUNED:** 28

**BIBLE STUDY:** 4

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** 25 ('16:49)

**BIBLE CLASS:** 0

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** 1

**OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS (February 5<sup>th</sup>):**

Current 545.00; Missions 20.00

**OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS (February 12<sup>th</sup>):**

Current 605.00



**NON-BUDGET GIFTS (February 5<sup>th</sup>):** Initial 2.00

**NON-BUDGET GIFTS (February 12<sup>th</sup>):** 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.

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

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

**LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "A Saviour Who Fights for You!"**

(Matthew 4:1-11)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Greg Seltz

Satan is a bully, but Jesus is the Saviour Who fights for you. Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at [www.lutheranhour.ca](http://www.lutheranhour.ca)

**JOSEPH:** We are planning to buy tickets and go as a group to see "*Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat*" on Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:mitchellhome@rogers.com)) or speak with one of the pastors.

**LENTEN DEVOTION BOOKLETS:** "From the Cradle to the Empty Grave" are now available. Please take a copy with you.

**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 6<sup>th</sup>, 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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?

**MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE:** Join us for "At the Crossroads", a special series of services for the season of Lent. Each Thursday service (7:00 p.m.) in the series reveals in some way how Christ and His cross lead us to decide the path of God's will in our many crossroads in life. In the Ash Wednesday service in this series, the psalmist David reaches the crossroads of confession and confesses His sins to the Lord. We are called to confess our sins to the Son of David and find forgiveness in Him. The service includes an Imposition of Ashes, readings from Scripture, a sermon dialog with David and hymns that help us to see the direction we must take at the crossroads of confession.

**A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held today at Faith following the service. Our focus will be to reflect upon the 2016 Annual Report. You are welcome to attend and participate in the decision-making of our congregation.

**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.

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**A PANCAKE SUPPER** will be held at Faith this Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. All are welcome!



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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
	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Scholz at Grace
	5:00 p.m.	Pancake Supper (Faith)
<b>Wed.</b>	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study at Faith
	6:20 p.m.	Soup Supper at Faith
	7:15 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service/Holy Communion(Faith)
	8:15 p.m.	Choir
<b>Thurs.</b>	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
	7:00 p.m.	Ash Service with Holy Communion (Grace)
<b>Sat.</b>	10:00 a.m.	Estudio Biblico en Español (Faith)
<b>Sun.</b>	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)
	2:00 p.m.	Glendale Crossing Service