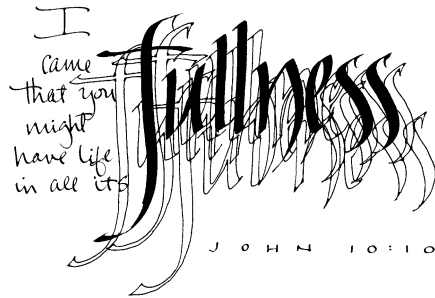


GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

24542 Melbourne Road
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Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2017

We Love Because He First Loved Us

BIBLE CLASS..... 9:00 a.m.

WORSHIP SERVICE..... 10:00 a.m.

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PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: Good Shepherd, guide us from our dark valleys to Your green pastures. Protect us from the enemies that always seem to encamp around us, and provide us with all we need to live our lives day by day. In Your presence, we are safe. In Your care, we find comfort.

O Shepherding Son of God, we praise You for making us part of Your flock.

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: Confession / Absolution. p. 151
Prayer and Preaching. p. 260

HYMNS: 901; 770; 710; 922

FIRST LESSON: Acts 2:42-47 (p.911)

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Peter 2:19-25 (p.1015)

GOSPEL LESSON: John 10:1-10 (p.896)

SERMON: "Christ's Resurrection Shows Itself in Our Life!" - Acts 2:42-47

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutheran Bible Translators

LBT carries out the work of translating the Scriptures into the languages around the world, so that all people may hear the Word of God in their own language and come to saving faith in Christ.



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.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:**USHERS TODAY:** Mike Flikkema and James Mulligan**USHERS NEXT WEEK:** Mayra Castillo and Rosemarie Gmehlin**ELDER OF THE MONTH:** Lorne Campbell**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, Kathryn Atkinson (Carol Wilkinson's mother), Bill and Vicky Orłowski, Emily Playfoot, Earl Weiberg, Nancy Curtis, Marsha Kennedy, Stan Diehl, Shirley Kendall, Reverend Kurt Reinhardt

Homebound: Becky Ames, Ana Greksa**Family Focus:** Dennis and Sara Bradbury; Dean, Cindy and Lily Buehler; Rick and Linda Buehler; Michelle, Dylan, Tyson, Marcus and Taytum Burn**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** 22 (*16:29)**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** 2**BIBLE CLASS:** 3**OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS:**(from April 23rd): Current 645.00; Missions 40.00; Building 60.00

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.

BIRTHDAY CAKE AT GRACE: On May 28th after service, you are welcome to celebrate those members who have a birthday in May.

GRACE BIBLE STUDY: You are welcome to come and participate in the Bible Study here at Grace on Thursday, May 11th at 7:00 p.m. We are studying about Prayer.

LIFE QUOTES: "What do we share with that unmarried, pregnant college freshman who is ashamed and afraid and sees only one way out? We share that she is loved and forgiven and not forsaken because she is created, redeemed, and called." *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: "To Know God, Look to Jesus"

(John 14:1-14)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Greg Seltz

To be saved by Jesus Christ is not religion - it is reliance upon God's grace, God's doing, and God's amazing love for you. Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, May 14th at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

LOVE TO CAMP? Then, the weekend that you have been waiting for is almost here! The East District's 3rd Annual Camping Event is being held June 16th - 18th, 2017 at Highland Pines Campground in Belwood, Ontario. For more information, see the poster on the bulletin board.

MISSION TRIP TO NICARAGUA (JANUARY 2018): Redeemer Lutheran Church in Waterloo is organizing a Mission trip to Nicaragua. If you are interested in going with the team, you can email Lisa Jackson at jacklis@gmail.com or speak with Pastor Castillo. Presently, there are three members of Faith who are planning to go on this Mission trip; they are Joseph Balasch, George and Carol Wilkinson; they would love to have more members from Grace join them. If you would like to contact George and Carol, feel free to do so either in person, by phone or email.

GRACE CONNECTION CARD: If you have a question or a prayer request, or a sermon topic suggestion, 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.

BIBLE STUDY AT GRACE is held every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. The Bible Study is from Lutheran Hour Ministries. The theme is "Journey From Unbelief to Faith". There is a short video, and then there are questions and discussion about the theme.

ATTENTION, YOUTH: There are some upcoming events which may interest you.

Youth Retreat . . . (May 19-20)

EDLY is planning a youth retreat on May 19-20 at Bethel Lutheran Church, Kitchener. This is an overnight event sleeping in the church. Details to follow as they become available.

"Sharing Jesus" Confirmand Retreat . . . (Jul 23-28)

The traditional "Sharing Jesus" confirmand retreat, with pastors from our District giving guidance, is scheduled for July 23-28 this summer. Held at Camp Pioneer, Angola, NY, it is open to all confirmands and confirmation graduates. This is a top-notch laboratory of Lutheran living and learning, especially in verbal expression of our faith in Christ, and how it flows from our baptismal life in Christ. Further details will follow, but place this retreat in prayer, and reserve these dates for the summer schedule of activities.

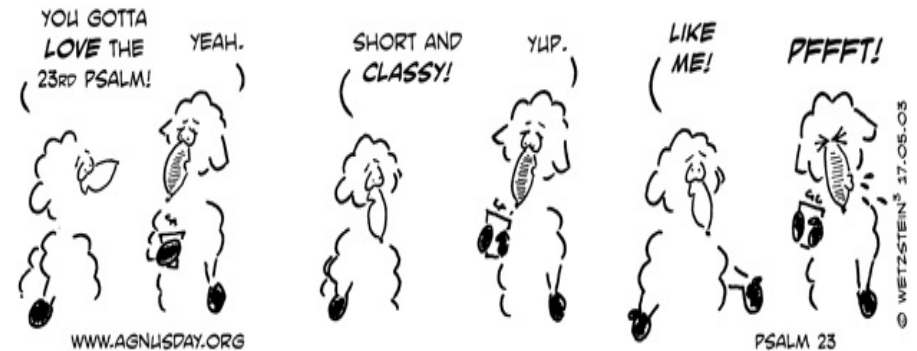
GRACE PRAYER GROUP: On Thursday, April 27th at 7:00 p.m., we had our first session about prayers. Seven members attended this activity. Our next prayer session will be held here at Grace on Thursday, May 25th at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome!

GRACE MEETING: You are welcome to attend our meeting here at Grace on Tuesday, May 9th at 7:00 p.m. Come out and find out about the work that we are doing here in the Strathroy area, and what else we can do to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to others.

NOMINATIONS FOR SYNOD PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENTS

will be held on May 7th following our service. Prayerfully consider clergy whom God may raise up for these important positions in His church.

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

Mon.	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers / Staff Meeting
Tues.	9:00 a.m.	Pastors meet
	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Scholz at Grace
	6:00 p.m.	LWML-Mother/Daughter/Friend Pot Blessing(Faith)
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation (Faith)
	7:00 p.m.	Grace meeting
Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith)
	7:30 p.m.	Choir
Thurs.	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
	7:00 p.m.	Grace Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Faith Bible Study at Gerda Martinuzzi`s
Sat.	6:30 p.m.	Movie Night (Faith) - "Abel's Field"
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith and Grace)
	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship with Holy Communion (Faith)
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	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School (Faith)
	6:00 p.m.	WellArts Café (Faith)