

# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Pentecost Sunday**

June 4, 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:** O Holy Spirit, heavenly dove, swoop down from above and soar through the world with Your wisdom, strength, and inspiration. Find a resting place, we pray, in our hearts, souls, and minds. And be for us a source of peace.

*Spirit of God, take us to new heights.*

**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  
Holy Communion

**HYMNS:** 507; 915; 808; 650

**FIRST LESSON:** Numbers 11:24-30 (p.120)

**EPISTLE LESSON:** Acts 2:1-21 (p.909)

**GOSPEL LESSON:** John 7:37-39 (p.893)

**SERMON:** "Filled with the Holy Spirit!" - Acts 2:1-21

**MISSION OF THE MONTH:** Lutheran Church - Canada



**FLOWERS:** The flowers which beautify God's house today are given to the glory of God by Ken and Sharon Beecroft in celebration of Ken's and Crystal's birthdays.

**BIRTHDAY CAKE AT GRACE:** On June 25<sup>th</sup> after service, you are welcome to celebrate those members who have a birthday in June.

**GUESTS AND HOLY COMMUNION:** Jesus promised that it was to our advantage that He go away and send the Holy Spirit for His church (John 16:7). That advantage became evident on **Pentecost** as the Holy Spirit empowered the preaching of repentance and forgiveness and employed the use of Baptism and the **Lord's Supper** to build the church of Christ (Acts 2). The Holy Spirit is still acting for our advantage as Christ comes to us with His true body and blood in Holy Communion today. Because doctrinal oneness is central to the common reception of the Lord's Supper, we practise closed communion; and guests desiring to commune are asked to speak with the pastor before the service.

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

**USHERS TODAY:** Ken & Sharon Beecroft

**USHERS NEXT WEEK:** Mike Flikkema & James Mulligan

**ACOLYTE TODAY:** Samantha Irons

**ELDER OF THE MONTH:** Gene Makish

**ALTAR GUILD:** Rosemarie Gmehlin and Anna Makish

**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:** Dorothy Davidson; Ron and Susan Diehl; Stan Diehl; Anne Dieterle; Chris, Linda and Rowan Dieterle; Rob, Cathy, Aaron and Michael Dieterle

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** 37 ('16:27)

**COMMUNED:** 25

**BIBLE CLASS:** 8

**OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS:**

(from May 21<sup>st</sup>): Current 510.00; Building 90.00

**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.

**LIFE QUOTES:** "God created man, male and female, for a threefold and trinitarian purpose: To live our lives to His glory, that's one. To marry if God wills, that's two. And to have children, that's three. Marriage was created by God, not by society nor by government. Marriage is not a societal construct. Marriage was instituted by God. Family flows out of this wondrous God-created relationship of one man and one woman who are to live together for a lifetime. As such, they are to live as husband and wife, seeking God's blessings which the Lord freely gives." *Rev. Daniel Domke, Mount Calvary Lutheran Church (LCMS), Huron, South Dakota - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

**LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "Never Alone"** (Matthew 28:16-20)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Greg Seltz

You can be certain about the place to meet God, His plan of salvation, and His presence. Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at [www.lutheranhour.ca](http://www.lutheranhour.ca)

**LOVE TO CAMP?** Then, the weekend that you have been waiting for is almost here! The East District's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Camping Event is being held June 16<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto: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.

**OUR ANNUAL CONGREGATION MEETING** will be held here at Grace today after worship. You are encouraged to join your brothers and sisters in Christ for this meeting! A light lunch will be provided.

**GRACE STRAWBERRY SOCIAL** will take place on Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., rain or shine! Invite family and friends to this fun day. There will be live music. Everyone is welcome! We are in need of volunteers to help out in the following areas: baking cakes, food preparation, outdoor setup, takedown, food servers, kitchen help, clearing and cleaning. A sign up sheet has been posted in the fellowship hall.

**ON MONDAY, JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup>**, Faith will be hosting Lutheran Social Services general meeting at 7:00 p.m. You are welcome to attend!

**ATTENTION, YOUTH:** Here is an upcoming event which may interest you.

**"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.

**JOIN THE WALK FOR LIFE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 10<sup>TH</sup>:** Prayer service prior to the Walk for Life is celebrated at 8:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Choir School. Registration is at 9:15 a.m. Walk begins at 9:45 a.m. The 5 km. route (approximately 1 hour) starts and finishes at St. Mary's Choir School with a BBQ and family entertainment to follow. The Walk for Life is London Area Right to Life's main fundraiser; please walk or sponsor others. For more information, call 519-659-3334.

**JOSEPH:** Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> is our trip to Huron County Playhouse to see Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat. If you are going by bus, please bring your lunch to church to eat after service. The bus will be at the church at 12:15 and will depart at 12:30. Looking forward to a wonderful show!

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



### **THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE**

\*\*\*\*\* Pastor Castillo on holidays from June 5<sup>th</sup> - June 12<sup>th</sup>

<b>Mon.</b>	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers / Staff meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Elders
<b>Tues.</b>	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Scholz at Grace
<b>Wed.</b>	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith)
	7:30 p.m.	Choir
<b>Thurs.</b>	7:00 p.m.	Faith Bible Study at Gerda Martinuzzi's
<b>Sat.</b>	10:00 a.m.	Pastor Scholz at District meetings in Kitchener
<b>Sun.</b>	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith)
	9:00 a.m.	Morning Worship (Grace)
	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship with Holy Communion (Faith)
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School (Faith)
		Joseph trip
	6:00 p.m.	WellArts Café (Faith)