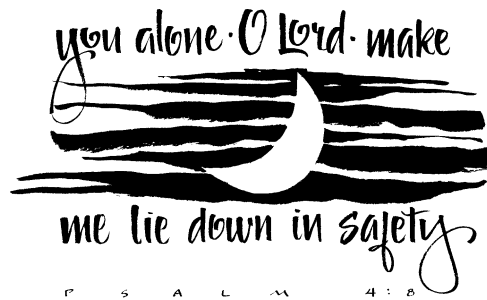


GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

24542 Melbourne Road
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Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 18, 2017

We Love Because He First Loved Us

WORSHIP SERVICE..... 9:00 a.m.

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PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: O Christ Jesus, You are a firm foundation upon which to build. May we continue to build our lives solely on You. May we never be tempted to build upon those things which are temporary and those things which would make us tumble and fall. And help us to hold on tightly to the Scriptures so that we may stand tall in the midst of life's storms.

O Rock upon which we build, keep us strong and sure.

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: 571; 918; 763

SOLOIST: Brenda Ryan

FIRST LESSON: Exodus 19:2-8 (p.60)

EPISTLE LESSON: Romans 5:6-15 (p.942)

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 9:35-10:8 (9-10) (p.814)

SERMON: "We Are God's Treasures!" - Exodus 19:3-6

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutheran Church - Canada



FLOWERS: The flowers which beautify God's house today are given to the glory of God by Mike and Anne Flikkema in celebration of Mike's birthday and in thanksgiving for another year of life.

GUESTS AND HOLY COMMUNION: When Jesus said, "Do this", in giving the Lord's Supper, He used a verb form which means, "Keep on doing this!", or, "Do it again and again!". As we keep on doing what He has here commanded us to do, we also want to keep on witnessing to the truth of His Word.. For this reason, the churches of Lutheran Church-Canada promise to follow the Biblical practice of closed communion. Guests who desire to commune are kindly asked to speak with the Pastor before the service.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

USHERS TODAY: Mayra Castillo & volunteer

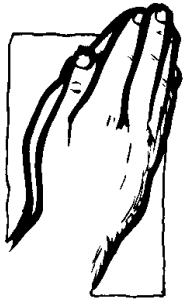
USHERS NEXT WEEK: Mia & Logan Mulligan

ACOLYTE TODAY: Olivia 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, Jenna Martinuzzi

Homebound: Becky Ames, Ana Greksa

Family Focus: Martha Fonger; Michael and Gail Fonger; Scott, Lindsay and Matthew Fonger; Stacy, Liam and Ethan Francis

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 24 ('16:19)

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS:

Amounts will be in next week's bulletin



NON-BUDGET GIFTS:

Amounts will be in next week's bulletin

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: "Children, vulnerable and dependent, desperately need security, and it has ever been a duty and a joy of fatherhood to offer it. Being a father requires strength ... and more than a little courage ... to persevere, to fight discouragement, and to keep working for the family ... With God's grace, fathers find the patience to teach, the fortitude to provide, the compassion to comfort, and the mercy to forgive. All of this is to say that they find the strength to love their wives and children selflessly ... Let us ... express our thanks and affection to our fathers, whether we can do so in person or in prayer." *President Ronald Reagan, Father's Day 1988* – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "What God Says" (Isaiah 43:1-3a)

Speaker Emeritus of the Lutheran Hour: Rev. Ken Klaus

Are you listening to what "they" say - or what God says? Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, June 25th at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

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 STRAWBERRY SOCIAL will take place this Saturday, June 24th, 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.

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.

TOMORROW, MONDAY, JUNE 19TH, Faith in London will be hosting Lutheran Social Services general meeting at 7:00 p.m.

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.

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

WHAT IS ALL THIS TALK ABOUT AN LCC RESTRUCTURING? An excellent letter as to why Synod is due for a major overhaul of structure and how that new structure is designed to make things more efficient is available to everyone. The author of the letter is Rev. William Ney, Pastor Emeritus and a member of the Commission on Constitutional Matters and Structure (CCMS) for Synod. Copies have been placed by the entrances to the worship area. Please take one and read it. If you wish, you can find it online by going to "Canadian Lutheran", open "LCC Restructuring Process", go to "April 19, 2017" and follow prompts.

BIRTHDAY CAKE AT GRACE: Next Sunday, June 25th after service, you are welcome to celebrate those members who have a birthday in June.



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THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE		
Mon.	7:00 p.m.	LSSL meeting (Faith)
Tues.	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Scholz at Grace
	7:00 p.m.	Trustees
	7:30 p.m.	Council
Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith)
	6:00 p.m.	Choir BBQ
Thurs.	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
	7:00 p.m.	Faith Bible Study at Gerda Martinuzzi's
Fri.	6:00 p.m.	ALOA
Sat.	9:00 a.m.	"Always Called to Serve" LWML Workshop (Peace)
	1:00 p.m.	Strawberry Social (Grace)
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith)
	9:00 a.m.	Outdoor Service (Grace)
	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship with Holy Communion (Faith)
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School (Faith)
	6:00 p.m.	WellArts Café (Faith)