

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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All Saints' Day (observed)

November 5, 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 Christ, our Bridegroom, we are Your Church, Your Bride. We wait to welcome You with open arms. We wait to receive You with joy. And we wait to spend eternity with You in perfect paradise. As we wait, prepare us for what is to come, show us Your will as laid out for us in Your Word, and keep us alert for signs of Your arrival.

O coming Christ, we wait for You.

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

MUSIC LEADERS: Leap of Faith (LOF)

FIRST LESSON: Revelation 7:(2-8)9-17 (p.1031)

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 John 3:1-3 (p.1022)

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 5:1-12 (p.809)

SERMON: "I'll See You in the Morning!" - Revelation 9-17

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.

USHERS: After service, please collect the bulletins from the sanctuary and put them in the box which is located in the office. Also, please collect any paper scraps that have been left in the pews and dispose of them in the garbage cans. As well, make sure to record the names of all those attending service on the attendance sheet and give these sheets along with the offering envelopes to the pastor.



FLOWERS: The flowers which beautify God's house today are given to the glory of God by Marianne Issendorf in celebration of her birthday.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

USHERS TODAY: Mia and Logan Mulligan

USHERS NEXT WEEK: Lorne and Susan Campbell

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, Carolyn Neumann, Sandra Stewart, David and Imogen Strike, Frank Kleiber, Sophie Wilson, Stacy Francis and sons, John and Nancy Crowther, Ritva Kingo and family, Sarah Lawson, Keith and Alice Keller, Reiner Issendorf, Martha Fonger, David Biederman (Carole Atkinson's brother), Grace Woolner, Bill and Vicky Orłowski, Mary Lewis, Matthew Gascon, Earl Weiberg, Nancy Curtis, Marsha Kennedy, Shirley Kendall, Christina Hunt (Marissa Danyluk-Gascon's mother), Janice Vandermyden, Jenna

Martinuzzi, Karen Webster (Jessalynn Webster's mother-in-law), Dennis and Sara Bradbury, Corrie Atkinson (Carol Wilkinson's nephew)

Homebound: Becky Ames, Ana Greksa

Family Focus: Russell Mountenay; Betty Muir; Fred, Carolyn, Eric and Ed Neumann; Mark, Jazmine and Riley Neumann

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 24 ('16:27)

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 4 **BIBLE STUDY:** 7

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.

ALL SAINTS' DAY: Today we remember and lift up in our prayers those who have died in the faith this past year. If you wish to have someone mentioned in the commemoration, please fill out a blue strip of paper (see back table) and place it in the offering plate.



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.

BIRTHDAY CAKE AT GRACE: On Sunday, November 26th after service, you are welcome to celebrate those members who have a birthday in November. If you would like to provide a cake for the last Sunday of the month, please sign up on the sheet in the hallway.

LIFE QUOTES: "God calls us all to support widows and orphans, but that certainly does not mean every person is equipped to adopt a child. You can support a child in need without becoming his or her parent. Consider sponsoring a child overseas, going on a short-term mission trip to an orphanage, or financially supporting couples who adopt children through adoption grant-giving organizations. There are many ways to become involved." *Kim Laube, B.A., Lutheran Family Service, Urbandale, Iowa - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "More Than a Wish" (1 Thessalonians 4:13-14)

Speaker of the Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

Not so long ago over 370 million tickets were sold for a Powerball drawing. Each person who made a purchase had hope that they might become rich. Most were disappointed. In 1 Thessalonians 4, St. Paul explains how the resurrection hope of Christians is better than the hopelessness of the world and far more solid than groundless wishful thinking. Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, November 12th at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

BIBLE STUDIES AT GRACE: You are welcome to participate in our Bible Study on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. We are studying the Gospel of Mark. Also, you are invited to our Bible Study this Thursday November 9th at 7:00 p.m. We are studying the book of Acts. Come and learn about the work and the struggles that the first Christians faced to proclaim the “Good News” of Jesus Christ to others.



NOMINATIONS FOR 2018 BOARDS AND COMMITTEES: Nomination forms and descriptions of positions for service can be found on the pastor’s desk in the parish 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.

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

DONATE \$30 - FEED A FAMILY: In addition to leading VBS for over 1000 children and construction/repair of Church property, the plan is to give Care packages to approximately 300 families during the Mission trip in January. The Care packages include soap, coffee, beans, sugar, pasta and oil. All items are basic to keep families nourished and healthy. If you are able to purchase a Care package for a family, it’s as simple as including your donation in your offering (identify donation on your envelope - “Care package” beside “other”). If you have any questions, don’t hesitate to ask Pastor Castillo.

GRACE PRAYER GROUP: You are invited to participate in our Grace Prayer Group at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 23rd. This prayer session was an idea approved by the Planning Committee. Come and let us pray for the people of God and all their needs.

LADIES OF GRACE: Our next meeting is Saturday, November 18 at 10:00 a.m. We continue our video series “The Armour of God”. Please join us for coffee, snacks and fellowship as we work through Ephesians 6 and another fleece blanket. If you have any questions, please see Brenda Ryan or Linda Aitken.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (SAMARITAN’S PURSE CANADA): Each year we have the blessed opportunity to participate in this special hands-on project that brings joy and hope to children in difficult circumstances. Shoeboxes are available in the parish hall by the pastor’s desk for you to pick up and fill in. Decide whether you will pack a box for a boy or a girl and the age category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14 years of age. Once filled, all boxes can be dropped off beside the pastor’s desk. Deadline is November 19th. Pastor Scholz will take them to Westview Baptist Church for delivery.

CHEESE SALES FOR LLL NICARAGUA MISSION: The annual tradition of cheese sales to support the work of Lutheran Layman's League (LLL) in Nicaragua starts today. The funds raised are used to print pamphlets that are distributed to high school youth. The cheese order forms are available from Lorne Campbell. Cheques are to be made out to Diane Geurkink. Final order date for the cheese is Nov 26th. Cheese to be available Dec 10th. Support this great LLL cause by buying cheese for Christmas gifts or personal enjoyment!

THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE		
Mon.	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers / Staff meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Elders
Tues.	9:00 a.m.	Pastors meet
	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Scholz at Grace
Wed.	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation (Faith)
	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study at Faith
	6:30 p.m.	Chimers
Thurs.	7:30 p.m.	Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
	7:00 p.m.	Grace Bible Study
Sat.	7:00 p.m.	Faith Bible Study at Anna Wissing’s
	11:00 a.m.	Estudio Biblico en Español
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith & Grace)
	10:00 a.m.	God’s Kids (Faith)
	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship with Holy Communion (Faith)
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