

# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 22, 2018

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; the new has come.*

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

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

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**PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP:** Good and guiding Shepherd, lead us to quiet places where we can have moments of prayer and meditation with You. Take us to places of beauty where we can get a glimpse of Your glory. And welcome us into places where our souls can be nourished and fed.

*Leading Lord, may we follow You to places where You want us to go.*

**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:** 525; 740; 710

**FIRST LESSON:** Acts 4:1-12 (p.911)

**EPISTLE LESSON:** I John 3:16-24 (p.1022)

**GOSPEL LESSON:** John 10:11-18 (p.896)

**SERMON:** "You Are With Me" - Psalm 23:4

**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.

**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.

**GUESTS AND HOLY COMMUNION:** In the Sacrament of the Altar the risen Lord appears to us, giving us His very body and blood in and with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins, the strengthening of our faith, the renewal of our joy in Him, and, to use the words of the church father Ignatius, as <sup>a</sup>the medicine of immortality, the antidote that we shall not die but live with Him forever.<sup>o</sup> Since those who partake of the Sacrament are also, thereby, confessing one and the same faith; guests desiring to commune are asked to speak with the pastor before doing so.

**PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION:** You may find it helpful to read Luther's Questions and Answers on p. 329 (LSB) prior to communing at the Lord's Table today.

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

**USHERS TODAY:** Mike Flikkema and James Mulligan

**USHERS NEXT WEEK:** Ken and Sharon Beecroft

**ELDER OF THE MONTH:** Ken Beecroft

**ALTAR GUILD:** Rosemarie Gmehlin, Lynn Kearns and Marianne Issendorf

**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**



**Special Needs:** Walter and Donna Procknow, Else Jacobsen, John and Maria Paal, Patricia Phillips, Sandra Stewart, 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 Orlowski, Matthew Danyluk-Gascon, Earl Weiberg, Nancy Curtis, Marsha Kennedy, Shirley Kendall, Christina Hunt (Marissa Danyluk-Gascon's mother),

Janice Vandermyden, Sheila Mizon, Jenna Martinuzzi, Karen Webster (Jessalynn Webster's mother-in-law), Dennis and Sara Bradbury, Pastor and Marian Obeda, Loretta Baker (Stan Diehl's sister)

**Homebound:** Becky Ames, Ana Greksa

**Family Focus:** Jordan Baylis and Janna-Leigh Frederick; Ken and Sharon Beecroft; John Beyens; Greg Bie

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** Service cancelled due to ice storm ('17:32)

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

(from April 8<sup>th</sup>): Current 830.00



**NON-BUDGET GIFTS:**

(from April 8<sup>th</sup>): Loose 7.00

**MISSION OF THE MONTH:** Haiti Lutheran Mission Society

In view of the needs in Haiti, this is an important effort to re-establish churches and provide resources for their needs.



**THE FLOWERS** that adorn the altar today are given to the glory of God by Gene and Anna Makish in thanksgiving for blessings received.

**GRACE BIBLE STUDY:** You are invited to participate in our Bible Study this Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m at Mike nd Anne Flikkema's. We are studying the Book of Acts. Come and let us study about the beginning of the Church of Christ and the struggles that the early Christian Church had to go through to proclaim God's Word.

**BIRTHDAY CAKE AT GRACE:** Next Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> after service, you are welcome to celebrate those members who have a birthday in April. If you would like to provide a cake for the last Sunday of the month, please sign up on the sheet in the hallway.

**BIBLE STUDIES AT GRACE:** You are invited to participate in our Bible Study on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. We are studying the Gospel of Mark. Come and learn about the "Good News" of our salvation through Jesus Christ.

**LIFE QUOTES:** "Having already swallowed death down along with humankind's guilt and buried it beneath His resurrection, Jesus Christ has no death left in Him and allows none near His own. Bravely and gratefully we keep sharing what He continues showing us, that all persons are worth it despite the cost and opposition, every one precious for His grace's sake and not dependent upon appearance or age or ability." *Rev. Michael W. Salemink, executive director of Lutherans For Life - Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

**LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "The Answer to Unhappiness"** (Acts 8:26-40)

Speaker of the Lutheran Hour: Rev. Mike Newman

What do you really want? What does your heart yearn for most? A blogger recently asked her readers the question: "If you could say in one word what you want more of in life, what would that be?" Can you guess the number one answer? It was happiness. Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at [www.lutheranhour.ca](http://www.lutheranhour.ca)

**SPRING CLEAN-UP** is planned for Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. Many hands will make this task easier.

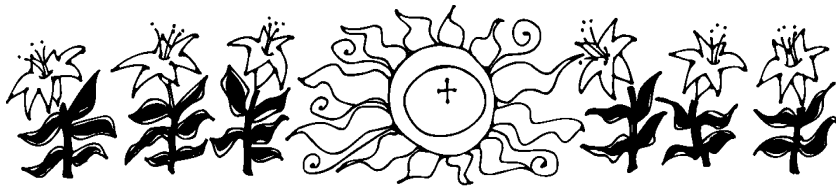
**SANCTUARY CLEANING SCHEDULE FOR 2018:** Please consider taking a turn at cleaning our church sanctuary. Duties include vacuuming, dusting and cleaning the bathroom. A sign up list has been placed in the parish hall. What a wonderful way to participate in our family of faith.



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



**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.



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**THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE**

\*\*\*\* Pastor Castillo on holidays from April 26 - May 4

<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
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation (Faith)
<b>Wed.</b>	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith)
	7:30 p.m.	Choir
<b>Thurs.</b>	7:00 p.m.	Grace Bible Study at Flikkema's
<b>Fri.</b>	6:00 p.m.	ALOA
<b>Sat.</b>	8:00 a.m.	Men's breakfast (Faith)
	9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon	Banner Committee
	10:00 a.m.	Church Inventory (Faith)
<b>Sun.</b>	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith)
	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship (Faith)
	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship (Grace)
	10:00 a.m.	God's Kids (Faith)
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School (Grace)