

**GRACE
LUTHERAN CHURCH**

*24542 Melbourne Road
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Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

November 18, 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: As wars, famines, and earthquakes happen at home and abroad, we are reminded, O Lord, that Your power is greater than the strongest forces of nature and the fiercest armies on earth. We know that nothing can destroy us when You are in charge.

King of heaven and earth, You reign supreme.

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: 515; 509; 670

FIRST LESSON: Daniel 12:1-3 (p.750)

EPISTLE LESSON: Hebrews 10:11-25 (p.1006)

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 13:1-13 (p.849)

SERMON: "Epitaphs" - Mark 13:1-13

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.



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: Mayra Castillo

USHERS NEXT WEEK: Mike Flikkema & James Mulligan

ELDER OF THE MONTH: Ken Beecroft

ALTAR GUILD: Betty Catanzariti

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Special Needs: Walter and Donna Procknow, 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), Jenna Martinuzzi, Dennis and Sara Bradbury, Marian Obeda and family, Stan Diehl, Shirley Monk



Homebound: Becky Ames, Ana Greksa

Family Focus: Edward and Christine Neumann; Fred and Eric Neumann; Mark, Jazmine and Riley Neumann

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 14 ('17:35)

COMMUNED: 12

BIBLE STUDY: 4

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

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.

REGIONAL MISSIONS UPDATE TO OCTOBER 31, 2018:

Budgeted for the year 2018: \$29,400.00

Budgeted to October 31: \$24,500.00 minus donations of \$16,156.00 = \$8,344.00 shortfall.

By December 31, we need \$12,480.00 in order to fulfil our commitment to the LCC Region mission fund. This fund supports those Lutheran churches who are either mission congregations or just struggling to make ends meet. We still have 7 Sundays as well as the Christmas Eve offering to donate to this fund and meet the goal the congregation set last year.

BIRTHDAY CAKE AT GRACE: Next Sunday, November 25th 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: "When we see those suffering from disease or disability ... vulnerable, helpless, destined by many to assisted suicide or euthanasia—we are compelled to speak and defend and help because it is the *Christ* thing to do. For Christ reveals a God who knows about suffering not just because He's God, but because He suffered. We have a message of a God present in suffering, at work in suffering, and accomplishing His purpose in suffering." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former executive director of Lutherans For Life - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

SANCTUARY CLEANING SCHEDULE: 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.



LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "Birth Pains"(Mark 13:1-37)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

A message by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler for the Lutheran Hour based on Mark 13:1-37. Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM CJBK on Sunday, November 25th at 9:00 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

GRACE BIBLE STUDY ON SUNDAYS AT 9:00 A.M.: We are studying the Psalms. You are also welcome to attend Thursday Bible Study at members' homes at 7:00 p.m. We are studying the book of Acts. If you would like to host the Bible Study on Thursday, November 22nd, please speak with Pastor Castillo.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC CONCERT: Plan to attend this concert sponsored by Lutheran Social Services London on Sunday, December 9th from 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., at St. Paul's Cathedral, 472 Richmond Street, London. This concert is entitled "Emmanuel" featuring soprano Katy Clark, London Symphonia Brass, Wesley Knox Senior Choir, Chamber Choir from Catholic Central High School and El Sistema London. Admission is free and there is free parking at London Life.

ONE-DAY COURSE FIRST AID TRAINING: Our next course will take place in the new year. If you are interested, please inform the church office (519-685-9700). We require a minimum of 8 people in order to offer the course.

CHEESE! CHEESE! CHEESE! Yes, the cheese sales for Lutheran Layman's League (LLL) have started. The deadline for ordering cheese is *Sunday, December 2nd*. If you aren't interested in buying cheese, but would like to make a monetary donation to Lutheran Layman's League, please write "LLL" on the *other* line on your offering envelope. All proceeds raised will be forwarded to LLL Nicaragua to print pamphlets.

CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY: You are invited to attend an "old-fashioned" Christmas evening of carol singing here at Grace on December 8th from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. followed by refreshments. As well, feel free to invite friends and other family members.

NOMINATIONS FOR CHURCH COUNCIL 2019-2021: At our next Voters' meeting (December 2nd), we will elect individuals to positions of service at Faith and Grace. To this end, we are seeking nominations for the following positions: Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Recording Secretary, Elder, Trustee, and Auditor. Please prayerfully consider fellow members you feel would be willing and able to serve. Submit their names on the nomination forms found on the table in the parish hall.



A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on Sunday, December 2nd at Faith after our morning service. Members are invited to attend and approve the budget and to elect new Council members for 2019.

PLEASE NOTE THAT MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICES at



Grace begin on Wednesday, November 28th at 7:00 p.m. since it wasn't listed on the November calendar. The theme is "God With Us".

LADIES OF GRACE: Next meeting will be held this Saturday, November 24th at 10:00 a.m. Bring your Christmas decorating ideas and any decorations that you consider lending to our Church for our "Christmas in the Country" event. Don't forget a snack to share - hope to see you all there!

THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

Mon.	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation Year 1 (Faith)
	7:00 p.m.	Trustees
	8:00 p.m.	Council
Tues.	9:30 a.m.	Circuit Pastors at Good Shepherd, London
Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study at Faith
	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Year 2 (Faith)
Thurs.	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
	7:00 p.m.	Grace Bible Study
	7:30 p.m.	Choir
Sat.	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast (Faith)
	10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	LWML Baking Day (Faith)
	10:00 a.m.	Ladies of Grace
	4:00 p.m.	Estudio Biblico en Español (Faith)
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith & Grace)
	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship with Holy Communion (Faith)
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	10:00 a.m.	God's Kids (Faith)
	11:30 a.m.	LWML Bake Sale (Faith)