

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

310 Southdale Road East
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All Saints' Day (observed)

November 5, 2017

We Love Because He First Loved Us

MORNING WORSHIP and God's Kids..... 10:00 a.m.
Bible Class. 9:00 a.m.
Grace Lutheran, Strathroy Worship. 10:00 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.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.

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OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: Printed Order of Service

HYMNS: 813; 670; 666; 662

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: "The Holy Ones" - Revelation 7:13-14

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 Faith 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" at the end of the pew.

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 (on tables at each entrance) and place it in the offering plate.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutheran Bible Translators



FLOWERS: The flowers which beautify God's house today are given to the glory of God by Janko and Anka Galat in celebration of Jana's birthday.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

USHERS: Nelson Highfield, Jack Geurkink, Dan Johnson, Brian Pierce, James Skelding

FINANCE STEWARDS: Lisa Bilty & Greg Bie

STEWARDS NEXT WEEK: Pam Oelke & Barb Werner

ELDERS OF THE MONTH: Nelson Highfield & David Holden

SANCTUARY CLEANER (November 11th): Volunteer needed

ALTAR GUILD: Connie Morrison, Carol Wilkinson

COFFEE TODAY: Elders, Pastor & Marian Obeda

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: 97 + 24 = 121 ('16: 110 + 27)

BIBLE STUDY: 20

GOD'S KIDS: 6

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS:

Current 2,786.66; Missions 230.00; Building 90.00



NON-BUDGET GIFTS: Anniversary 80.00; CLWR 61.00; Haiti 35.00; Love Fund 10.00; LWML-MITES 10.00; Nicaragua 5.00; Nicaragua Care Packages 150.00; MOM 5.00; S.S. Current 4.00

Praise The Lord!

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.

OUR WORSHIP ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION: Recording the presence of our members, visitors and friends each week really is an "Act of Friendship" because it allows us to know who is sitting down the pew from us, and it enables the church to respond to the needs of our members and visitors alike. Please take the time to fill this form out and pass it down the pew. When it reaches the far end, please pass it back up to the centre aisle. Please use this to register communion attendance, too.

LOOKING FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE? COUNTERS NEEDED! We are looking for volunteers to assist with counting offerings after church. You would work in a team of two counters, and each team counts approximately once every six weeks. This generally takes no more than an hour after church. Computer skills are helpful but not necessary, and Diane Geurkink would be pleased to teach you one-on-one how to enter the offering data. Please contact Diane Geurkink or the church office (519-685-9700) if you are interested.

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*

FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN: We are blessed to have a newly renovated nursery space available downstairs. Infants and toddlers are always welcome during our Worship Service, but should you need a quiet space with your little one, there are couches and rocking chairs available. Please feel welcome!

CHECK YOUR MAILBOXES: November 2017 calendars are in your mailbox. If you haven't visited your mailbox recently, please do so in order to get your copy of the calendar to ensure that you are aware of the various activities happening this month.

CHURCH LIBRARY: Have you taken time recently to visit our library? Changes have been made to make it more user-friendly. It is a tremendous resource for all ages. Please drop in and check it out.

GROUPS AND COMMITTEES: Please remember to list meetings and events on the large calendar posted outside of the church office. This helps the office staff to announce your events to the church membership in a timely manner.

THE SANCTUARY CLEANING SCHEDULE is posted on the library window. What does it take? About 1½ hours of your time! This includes 75 minutes to vacuum the carpets and 15 minutes to dust. All equipment is supplied. If you have any questions, please speak with a Trustee. Remember, it is the Lord's house. Please consider signing up.



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

NOMINATIONS FOR 2018 BOARDS AND COMMITTEES: Nomination forms and descriptions of positions for service can be found on the table at the west entrance of the sanctuary.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE GIVEN AND CONTINUE TO GIVE



GENEROUSLY to our Food Bank here at Faith! Your kind donations meet a real need. Those who benefit are very appreciative! If you would like to help out in a different capacity, you are most welcome to provide grocery store gift cards. These cards are given at the discretion of the pastors to those individuals requiring perishable items.

DUE TO SENSITIVITY TO SCENTED PRODUCTS, we respectfully request members and visitors to refrain from or to minimize such use in worship services and other gatherings within the church building.

PLAYERS STILL NEEDED! We have started Chimer Practice on Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m - 7:30 p.m. We are looking for new members to come and ring praises to God. In order to continue, our group needs more players. Please prayerfully consider coming out and having fun with us on Wednesday nights. We will teach you everything you need to know!

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, George or Carol Wilkinson.

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. If you would like to contact George and Carol, feel free to do so either in person, by phone or email.



CONGRATULATIONS to Pastor and Marian Obeda as they celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary this coming Friday. Join them downstairs for cake after worship today. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

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 library 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 in Pastor Scholz' office. 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 Diane or Jack Geurkink. 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!

CREATION MINISTRIES SPEAKER: Thomas Bailey from Creation Ministries will be here today at Faith at 2:30 p.m. to speak to us about the validity of the creation account through a presentation followed by a question/answer forum. There will be refreshments and treats to enjoy after the presentation. Everyone is welcome!

COOKIES FOR SALE: Joseph Balasch is selling shortbread cookie dough. All proceeds go to the Nicaragua trip. There are four different flavours from which to choose. All orders need to be placed by Sunday, November 19th. Cost is \$12.00 for one or \$10.00 for two or more. The dough will be ready for pick up on Sunday, November 26th. Please support this very worthwhile cause.



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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
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation (Faith)
Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study at Faith
	6:30 p.m.	Chimers
	7:30 p.m.	Choir
Thurs.	11:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
	7:00 p.m.	Grace Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Faith Bible Study at Anna Wissing's
Sat.	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)
	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship with Holy Communion (Grace)