

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

310 Southdale Road East

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Second Sunday of Easter

April 16, 2023

I... urge you to walk in a manner... with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. (Ephesians 4:2-3)

MORNING WORSHIP at FAITH.....11:00 a.m.
GOD'S KIDS.11:00 a.m.
MORNING WORSHIP at GRACE 9:00 a.m.

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

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PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Saviour, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

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OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: Printed Order of Service

HYMNS: “*He Is Risen*”; 465; 818; 470v.1,4-7;
“*Praise You in this Storm*”; 564

FIRST LESSON: Acts 5:29-42 (p. 913)
SECOND LESSON: 1 Peter 1:3-9 (p. 1014)
GOSPEL LESSON: John 20:19-31 (p. 906)

SERMON: “Is Our Faith Blind?” (1 Peter 1:3-9)

SERVING IN GOD’S HOUSE TODAY:

- ELDERS:** Jack, Darcy
- USHERS:** Nelson, Bob; Dan & Cheryl, Rick
- FINANCE STEWARDS:** Carole & Darcy
- STEWARDS NEXT WEEK:** Iris & Nancy
- ACOLYTE TODAY:** Abigail
- ACOLYTE NEXT WEEK:** Adam
- SOUND OPERATOR:** to be determined
- LIVESTREAM OPERATOR:** Darcy
- ALTAR GUILD:** Mayra & Martha

COFFEE HOUR AT FAITH: Today, coffee and tea will be available downstairs.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:



Special needs: Walter and Donna, Patricia, Ritva and family, Alice, Reiner, Marsha, Shirley, Sara, Susan, Shirley, Michelle (Stan's daughter), Ed, Marian, Sue, Mike and Anne, Stan, Gerda, Melissa, Rachel and children

Homebound: Becky, Ana, Dolores, Grace, Nancy, Delbert

Family Focus: Patrick, Naomi and Hardy; Howard, Jennifer, Sheldon, Mekennah and Michael; Walter and Donna; Jim, Lillian, Matthew and Katie

ATTENDANCE MAUNDY THURSDAY: 25; ***COMMUNED:*** 22;
Livestream: Peak Viewers:2; Total Unique Viewers: (until April 11th): 25

ATTENDANCE GOOD FRIDAY: 75

Livestream: Peak Viewers:3; Total Unique Viewers: (until April 11th): 22

ATTENDANCE EASTER SUNDAY: 112; ***COMMUNED:*** 87;

Livestream: Peak Viewers:8; Total Unique Viewers: (until April 11th): 31

GOD'S KIDS: 5

MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS:

* to **Capital Improvement** in memory of *Maria* from
Anna

* to **Missions** in memory of *Al* and *Maria* from
Bob & Marian

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are looking for help in some areas. If you are interested in being an usher, a counter for Sunday offerings, a sound operator or livestream operator, please speak with Pastor or let the office know.



THE FLOWERS that decorate the altar today are given to the glory of God by Nelson and Judy in celebration of their 59th wedding anniversary. Congratulations!

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: “The Man Who Will Be King”

(1 Peter 1:13)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Anticipation, preparation, and action are the traits that make great leaders – and great followers of Christ, the King of kings. Hear this inspirational message on 1290AM on Sunday, April 23rd at 12:00 p.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

LIFE QUOTES: “Today, we often find lines, divisions, and hate, but we hope to spread a little love and hope. Life is a valuable gift at all ages and all stages of life, and it should be protected.” *Kambria Steinhaus, Knights 4 Life– A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

CHECK YOUR MAILBOXES: April 2023 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 don’t miss any fellowship activities, bible studies and meetings.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Haiti Lutheran Mission Society
The MISSION of Haiti Lutheran Mission Society (HLMS) is to assist in making known the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to provide help to the poor in the Republic of Haiti through prayer, correspondence, personal contact and financial aid as well as material aid to Lutheran churches, agencies and schools.

LWML TAPESTRY MAGAZINE: New subscriptions and renewals are due by April 23rd. Cost is just \$15.00 for four issues (regular or large print), conveniently delivered to your Faith mailbox. Please contact Rebecca Rock at 53rrock@gmail.com to be added to our group order list.

FAITH SPRING CLEAN-UP will be Saturday, April 29th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Any volunteers that are available to help with this very important job would be greatly welcomed. Many hands make light work. We hope that many of you can join us.

UKRAINE NEEDS OUR HELP! Considering the crisis in the Ukraine and the humanitarian needs that are arising, we are inviting members to consider donating to the C.L.W.R – Ukraine. The Synod of Evangelical Lutheran Churches in Ukraine (SELCU) consists of 14 Congregations; 5 Mission Stations; 3 Humanitarian Foundations; and 1 Seminary. Your donations can be made through Faith offering, use the Lutheran Church Canada website (Missions) or directly to C.L.W.R. donations@clwr.org.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR OUR FOOD PANTRY: We are getting low on some items which are: *cereal, cereal bars, Kraft dinner, sugar, pasta sauce, canned meat, canned fish, hearty soups, fruit cups, peanut butter, juice boxes, soap, and a variety of soups, but not tomato*. 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 pastor to those individuals requiring perishable items.

FRIENDSHIP WORSHIP SERVICE: On Sunday, April 30th, the Youth will be the readers, and we will sing contemporary songs. Invite family and friends to this special service.



FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR: If you would like to provide flowers for the altar, please let the office know a week or two in advance so that it can be included in the bulletin.

OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT OUR SEMINARY STUDENTS – CONCORDIA LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, ST. CATHARINES: For your annual membership, please contact your Guild rep - Wendy Faria. At Harvest Day last year, the guild membership voted to raise the membership cost to \$10—it had been \$5 for 44 years—but it remains a real bargain! These small membership fees add up to support great projects for our seminary students. Here is the link for the latest Concordia Seminary Guild Newsletter: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VVPYofdg13StVLEZ_NvgppJQm-uL5ub88/view

NEW SIDEWALK: A recommendation from the Trustees and approved at the last Congregational meeting was a project to replace the cracked and broken sidewalk pads both at the main (east) entrance, and the classroom (north) entrance. We need to enlarge the north entrance sidewalk at the same time, to allow easier access to the entrance doors, when cars are stopped to drop people off. Our goal is to have this work completed sometime in June/July. Donations to the Faith Capital Improvement Fund are requested to help pay for this project.

CONGREGATIONAL INPUT REQUIRED APRIL 23RD: Due to the results of the vitality survey that was completed last fall, and the desire of this congregation and its leaders to increase our community involvement, the elders have come up with a list of ideas. Realizing that for any activity to succeed there needs to be a high level of commitment and involvement from the congregation, the elders are asking the members to rank the ideas. The list will be presented and distributed directly after the service on April 23rd, those present will rank the items and the information will be collected. The collected information will then be reviewed and discussed at the May 1st elders' meeting.

THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

Mon.	1:30 p.m.	Bible Study (Janice's place)
Tues.	6:30 p.m.	Trustees
	7:30 p.m.	Council
Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith)
Thurs.	10:00 a.m.	Office hours at Grace
Sat.	9:00 a.m.	First Aid Training (Trinity Lutheran Church)
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Grace Morning Worship
	11:00 a.m.	Faith Morning Worship / Communion
	11:00 a.m.	God's Kids (Faith)