FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

310 Southdale Road East London, ON N6E 1A1



Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, August 24, 2025

Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 3:13-14)

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: 791; 431; 509

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 66:18-23 (p. 626)

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 12:4-24 (p. 1008) **GOSPEL LESSON:** Luke 13:22-30 (p. 873)

SERMON: "Striving to Enter Through the Narrow Door" (Luke 13:22-30)

WELCOME VISITORS AND FRIENDS! Glad to have you worship the Lord with us today! God has placed us here to make disciples of Christ, build them, and send them out. We pray you are strengthened in faith in Christ today through the word of God. And please do come and worship with us again. We would be honoured if you signed the quest register at the back of the church.

MEN'S BREAKFAST AT ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, 155 COLBORNE ST. NORTH, SIMCOE on Saturday, September 13th at 9:00 a.m.: There will be a short devotion taken from the book Man Up! (see CPH). All the men of the congregation are welcome. Kindly let Pastor Castillo know by Sept. 7th if you plan to attend in order that enough food will be prepared.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

ELDER: Rudy

USHERS: Ron, Art & Della

FINANCE STEWARDS: Nancy Lightfoot & TBD STEWARDS NEXT WEEK: Darcy & Marian

SIEWARDS NEXT WEEK: Darcy & Maria

SOUND OPERATOR: Fred

LIVESTREAM OPERATOR: Darcy ALTAR GUILD TODAY: Connie

ALTAR GUILD NEXT WEEK: Martha

LECTOR TODAY: Gerda

LECTOR NEXT WEEK: Barbara

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:



Special needs: Walter and Donna, Patricia, Ritva and family, Reiner, Marsha, Susan, Shirley, Michelle (Stan's daughter), Marian, Sue, Mike and Anne, Lloyd and Elsie **Homebound:** Becky, Nancy, Stan, Ana, Alice, Grace

Family Focus: Brad, Rie, Clay, Gwen and Quin; Brian, Laura and Amanda; Nelson and Judy; David and Sharon; Matthew

LIFE QUOTES: "We stand together, one in mind and heart, and with one voice, in defense of the lives of our unborn children—God's precious little ones. Yet, what we stand for is not only the lives of these precious unborn children but also the moms, the dads, the grandmas and grandpas, the young and the old, the healthy and the sick and dying. What we stand for is the very value—the very gift—of life itself." Pastor Paul Clark, LFL of Michigan – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

COFFEE HOUR AT FAITH is held after non-Communion worship services. Sign up sheets are in the office and at the kitchen counter. Set up can be before service. It involves making coffee, tea and juice. Snacks can be store bought or homemade (gluten free is also appreciated) the choice is yours.



FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR: If you would like to provide flowers for the altar, please sign up on the flower chart.

HOW TO DONATE: If you wish to donate to Faith Lutheran Church or Grace Lutheran Church, we have three options:

If you choose to use an envelope for your gift to the church, please place it in the plate at either entrance of the Sanctuary.

For E-transfer, please use the following email, and direct your gift using the "memo" box: treasurerflc@rogers.com

Any gifts directed to funds that are not already established at the church will be directed to the current account.

For monthly PAP contact our treasurer at treasurerflc@rogers.com

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "Life Narrows Down" (John 1:6-8, 19-28)

Lutheran Hour Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer Life narrows down and crisis comes. There, in the narrow place stands Jesus. Hear this inspirational message on CFPL-980 AM on Sunday, August 31st at 7:30 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES LONDON is at risk of losing their charitable status unless their membership is increased. They have provided thousands of dollars for projects in our church. We have upcoming requests for more work to be undertaken at our church but without more LSSL members, they may not have the ability to be as generous. Lifetime membership is only \$1. Please see Anna for application forms.

EMS NEEDED FOR OUR FOOD PANTRY: We are getting low on some items which are: which are: cereal, cereal bars, Kraft dinner, sugar, pasta, pasta sauce, canned meat, hearty soups, fruit cups, peanut butter, juice boxes, personal hygiene items, and sanitary napkins.

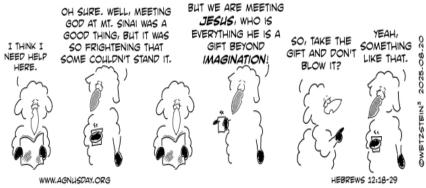
CHURCH LECTORS: If you are interested in being a lector during service, you can sign up on the Readers' schedule which is on the wall at the west entrance of the sanctuary, beside the flower chart. Both men and women are invited to be lectors during the service.

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 87

LCC INFODIGEST: If you would like to subscribe to this Lutheran newsletter, you can sign up on the Lutheran Church – Canada website (https://www.canadianlutheran.ca). This Lutheran newsletter provides information about what is happening across our Synod, e.g., news, mission minutes, communications, announcements and events, calls/transitions, and more.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutheran Association of Missionaries & Pilots (L.A.M.P.)

LAMP has been providing spiritual witness and nurturing faith in communities in remote areas of northern Canada since 1970 through the ministry of pastor / missionary / pilots, and short- and long-term volunteers-in-mission. Each year, over 5,000 children, youth, and adults are impacted by the LAMP ministry.



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THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

**** Pastor on holidays from August 18th – August 25th

Fri. 10:00 a.m. Office hours at Grace

Sun. 9:00 a.m. Grace Worship / Holy Communion

11:00 a.m. Faith Worship / Holy Communion