

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

*310 Southdale Road East
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Baptism of Our Lord

Sunday, January 12, 2025

Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel. (Philippians 1:27)

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: Divine Service Setting 3. p.184

HYMNS: 395v.1-4; 406v.1-4; 411

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 43:1-7 (p. 603)

SECOND LESSON: Romans 6:1-11 (p. 942)

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 3:15-22 (p. 858)

SERMON: “The Baptismal Dance” (Luke 3:15-22)

SERVING IN GOD’S HOUSE TODAY:

ELDER: David

USHERS: Mike, Bill & Linda, Bob

FINANCE STEWARDS: Iris & Nancy

STEWARDS NEXT WEEK: Darcy & Marian

SOUND OPERATOR: Fred

LIVESTREAM OPERATOR: Darcy

ALTAR GUILD TODAY: Marian

ALTAR GUILD NEXT WEEK: Rebecca

WE THANK VICAR VIJAY SAMUEL for leading us in worship this morning.

UKRAINE: Donations are suspended at this time.

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, Stan, Lloyd and Elsie.

Homebound: Becky, Ana, Grace, Nancy, Alice.

Family Focus: Aiden, Karen and Gordon; John Jr., Suzanna and Kristen; David; Michael; Marian.

ESTATE RENOVATION COMMITTEE: A meeting will be held Wednesday, January 15th at 7:00 p.m. here at Faith to discuss Faith's proposed renovation projects. Please join us as we identify and discuss areas that need refurbishing. Any questions, please contact Marian.

NEW BIBLE STUDY! "NURTURING YOUR FAITH: PATIENT URGENCY"

Today, many Christians are reluctant to have a conversation about God, faith or lack of faith. Many feel poorly equipped to talk about Jesus in everyday situations. This study will help participants become more eager to share in spiritual conversations and to patiently encourage others to participate in God's kingdom, coming in Jesus. These Bible studies are held on the first and third Sundays of each month (normally non-communion), at 10:00 a.m., in classroom #1 (just inside the back entrance), and are about 45 minutes in length. Come and join us!

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "He Made Me a Believer"
(John 2:11)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

God makes us believers and the more we believe, the more we become involved in the institutions God made – church, marriage, family, and work. Hear this inspirational message on CFPL-980 AM on Sunday, January 19th at 7:30 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 78 COMMUNED: 58
GOD'S KIDS: 7**

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Canadian Lutheran World Relief
As an international relief and development agency of the Lutheran communities, CLWR provides opportunities for Canadians to respond to national and international needs.

FROM THE ELDERS: Check out Lutheran Public Radio at lutheranpublicradio.org or their podcasts "issues, etc." and "The Word of the Lord Endures Forever" or download the LPR app for Lutheran bible studies and discussions pertaining to the culture in which we live.

COFFEE HOUR AT FAITH will be held after non-Communion worship services. Anyone is welcome to sign up to put the coffee on, prepare the tea, set out the juice and also to clean up afterwards. Snacks can be store bought or homemade; the choice is yours. When signing up, keep in mind we do appreciate some gluten free items.



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. Please sign up on the flower chart which is on the wall across from the library.

GRACE FACEBOOK PAGE now has 100 followers and they are returning to live services on their Facebook page. Please continue to share God's Word with others. Go to facebook.com/GraceLutheranChurchStrathroy/ Start liking and following the page.

LIFE QUOTES: "From the moment you were being knitted together in your mother's womb (Psalm 139:13), God began His careful construction of His chosen jewel of redemption." *Rev. Adam Osier, Dean, Free Lutheran Bible College, Plymouth, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life •lutheransforlife*

OUR FOOD CUPBOARD is temporarily closed and will not accept any food donations at this time.

TO ALL COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS: Please start preparing your report for the 2024 Annual Report. Due date is Sunday, March 2nd. Please send them to the Council Chairman at chairflc@rogers.com or Church Secretary at faithlutheranchurch@rogers.com.

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.

FOOD BANK: During our December 2024 Elders' meeting, we discussed re-opening our food bank. In order to do this, we will require two volunteers who could dedicate one morning per week to disperse food if requested. Both will need to be in attendance on the same morning and will require Vulnerable Sector Screening prior to starting this volunteer role.

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING: God continues to bless us far beyond what we deserve. Let us remember to regularly return our very best to the Lord.

THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study (Faith)
Sat.	9:00 a.m.	Elders
	9:00 a.m.	Trustees
	10:30 a.m.	Council
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Grace Morning Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith)
	11:00 a.m.	Faith Morning Worship
	11:00 a.m.	God's Kids (Faith)