

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

*310 Southdale Road East
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Thanksgiving Sunday

October 8, 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
Holy Communion

HYMNS: 785; 548; 632; 691; 624; 895

FIRST LESSON: Deuteronomy 8:1-10 (p. 152)

SECOND LESSON: Philippians 4:6-20 (p. 982)

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 17:11-19 (p. 876)

SERMON: “In Everything, Give Thanks” (Luke 17:11-19)

SERVING IN GOD’S HOUSE TODAY:

ELDERS: Jack, Darcy

USHERS: Fred, Bob, Rick

FINANCE STEWARDS: Cheryl & Liz

STEWARDS NEXT WEEK: Pam & Barb

SOUND OPERATOR: to be determined

LIVESTREAM OPERATOR: Darcy

ALTAR GUILD TODAY: Mayra & Martha

ALTAR GUILD NEXT WEEK: Rebecca Rock

COFFEE HOUR AT FAITH will be held after non-Communion worship services. Please sign up to prepare coffee and tea and also clean up afterwards.

GUESTS AND HOLY COMMUNION: "During its **administration**, the body of Christ is given to you in particular with the bread, and the blood with the wine; while you in particular are told that His body was given for you and His blood was shed for you. This is done so that you do not doubt, but appreciate this sacrifice as your very own, because it is placed into your mouth and made your own, to eat and drink for yourself only" (Martin Luther). At the same time that we individually receive the **Lord's Supper**, we testify together that we are united in doctrine. For this reason, we practise closed communion; and guests desiring to commune are thus asked to speak with the pastor before the service.

PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION: You may find it helpful to read Luther's Questions and Answers on p.329 (LSB) prior to communing at the Lord's table today.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:



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

Homebound: Becky, Ana, Grace, Nancy, Delbert

Family Focus: Alan and Lydia; Al, Brenda, Sarah and Emily; Biel, Nyatoni, Nyanhial, Chudier, Mimi, Lul, Tesloach, Wechleek and Yoal; James, Jodi, Kate and Will

LIFE QUOTES: "These two choices are vastly different: to give birth to a child or to abort it. But one thing is the same: to choose Jesus is to choose life. For Jesus holds every life—even the tiniest—in the nail-scarred palm of His hand." *Rev. Gary Blobaum, St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Oregon, Illinois – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

2024 NOMINATION FORMS are available for you to nominate church officers. These forms can be found at both entrances. Please nominate members for different positions in the congregation and put the forms in the boxes provided.

MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS:

* to **Faith's Food Bank** in thanksgiving for *Connie playing the organ, donations to Pam, LWML for their service and help at Daphne's funeral* from
Joyce

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND A HYMN SING on Sunday, October 22nd at Trinity Lutheran Church, 746 Colborne St. at Oxford, London at 3:00 p.m. The hymns will include Father, Son and Holy Spirit. A light meal will be served after the hymnsing.

CAULKING REQUIRED: When I met with various bricklayers, they all mentioned the need to replace the caulking around the windows and doors at Faith. This item was on this year's Spring Clean-Up list; however, the weather did not co-operate with us, and therefore, this job was not completed. If you can help us in any way, or if we could get a team lead to instruct others on what is required, your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Please speak to Marian Rutledge or one of the Trustees. Thank you. *Marian*



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.

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: Due to the closure of London, ON CJBK, the Lutheran Hour will no longer be aired on this station. Sponsors and listeners are being contacted through every avenue possible in the hope that alternate stations can provide the Lutheran Hour. You are able to enjoy the Lutheran Hour through many other means including live streaming. To access the live streaming links, visit www.lutheranhour.ca

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 83

Livestream: Peak Viewers:1

Total Unique Viewers: (until October 3rd): 16

GOD'S KIDS: 7

HARVEST DAY AT CONCORDIA SEMINARY, ST. CATHARINES will be Saturday, October 21st, beginning with registration and fellowship at 8:45 a.m. Guest speaker will be Rev. Saulo Bledoff. This is a great opportunity to meet the Seminary students, our future pastors. The cost for this event is \$18.00, which includes lunch. The deadline for registration is October 12th. Anyone wanting to attend, contact Carol, 905-774-4030, as soon as possible. Registering after October 12th costs an additional \$4.00.

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, personal hygiene items, and a variety of soups, but not tomato.*

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutheran Women's Missionary League

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.

PIANO & ORGAN POPS CONCERT will take place this Friday, October 13th, 2023 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 746 Colborne St. at Oxford, London; tickets at the door or phone 519-694-7142 or 519-694-0754; admission is \$25.00. This is a benefit concert for the Canadian Koshiki Karate Association. This organization doesn't have a charitable number; therefore, Lutheran Social Services London can't support them.

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 Jamie and Danielle in celebration of Thanksgiving Day for all blessings we enjoy.

CHECK YOUR MAILBOXES: October 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.

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.

THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

Mon.		Thanksgiving Monday – church office closed
Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Faith)
Thurs.	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Grace)
Sat.	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast
	10:00 a.m.	Confirmation class
	3:00 p.m.	Spanish Devotion / Bible Study
Sun.	10:00 a.m.	Grace Morning Worship / Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	Faith Morning Worship
	11:00 a.m.	God's Kids (Faith)