

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

310 Southdale Road East
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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 27, 2026

Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind. Do not repay evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called, that you may obtain a blessing. (1 Peter 3:8-9)

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.

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 guest register at the back of the church.*

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OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: Divine Service Setting 3. p. 184

HYMNS: 549, “*All Hail the Pow’r of Jesus’ Name*”

594, “*God’s Only Child I Gladly Say It*”

728, “*How Firm A Foundation*”

790, “*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*”

854, “*Forth in Thy Name, O Lord I Go*”

FIRST LESSON: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 (p. 705)

SECOND LESSON: Philippians 2:1-4 (5-13) 14-18 (p. 980)

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 21:23-27 (28-32) (p. 826)

SERMON

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 78

GOD’S KIDS: 8

GUESTS AND HOLY COMMUNION: Luther encouraged each



person in his parish to frequently receive the **Lord's Supper** because of "the trouble that lies heavy upon him". By this he meant the daily troubles brought upon us by the world and by Satan and by our own sinful nature. In this gift of the very Body and Blood of Him

who has overcome sin, death, and the devil, we do find rest and refreshment for our souls and the strengthening of our faith. In obedience to Jesus' directive that we abide by all that He has commanded, the congregations of our synod have promised to practise closed communion. Guests are thus asked to speak with the pastor before communing.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

ELDER: David

ELDER NEXT MONTH: Randy

USHERS: Fred, Walter & Donna

USHERS NEXT MONTH: Nelson, Dan & Cheryl

FINANCE STEWARDS: Darcy & Marian

STEWARDS NEXT WEEK: Cheryl & Liz

SOUND OPERATOR: Fred

LIVESTREAM OPERATOR: Darcy

ALTAR GUILD TODAY: Connie

ALTAR GUILD NEXT WEEK: Marian

LECTOR TODAY: David

LECTOR NEXT WEEK: Randy

LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES (LONDON) HYMN SING will be held here **today** at 3:00 p.m. The theme is: "*Celebrating the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels*". A reception will follow. All are invited to attend.

PRAYER CHAIN: May we pray with you? Send your prayer requests – both joys and concerns – to bmwerner@rogers.com. If you would like to join our prayer chain, please send your request to the same email address. If you'd prefer to make a phone call to the church, you can leave a voicemail if you call outside of office hours.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:



Special needs: Walter and Donna, Patricia, Ritva and family, Reiner, Marsha, Shirley, Michelle (Stan's daughter), Marian, Sue, Mike and Anne, Lloyd and Elsie, Ellen

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

Family Focus: Cindy; Patricia; Ellen; Brian and Carol

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.

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS FOR THE LORD:

We will not be passing the offering plates through the pews. Offerings can be put in the plates located inside the Sanctuary entrance or you can give through e-transfers to treasurerflc@rogers.com. Envelopes are available in the pews or on the tables at the Sanctuary entrance. You are still invited to leave an envelope in the plates at the end of service if you would like to leave an offering. Any donations directed to a fund not supported by FLC, will be redirected to the current operating account.

TAI CHI ANYONE? The Phoenix Tai Chi Centre is holding their sessions here at Faith every Thursday from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. to help promote health and balance to people of all ages. The cost is \$10.00 per session and no equipment is required.

FOOD PANTRY: Our food pantry continues to help those in need. Your donations of food or grocery store gift cards are welcomed. Thank you to all those who have contributed and continue to contribute to the food bank. For more information on how or what to contribute, please contact the church office.

RECORD OF FELLOWSHIP: Please fill out the boards at the end of the pew and return the boards back to the aisle side. That way everyone can meet those around them and the ushers have an easier time collecting them after service.

CHECK YOUR MAILBOXES: October 2026 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. We ask that you take a minute each week to see if anything is in there.

GREEN BIN PROGRAMME: The city of London's city council recently approved a new programme that allows eligible businesses / churches to participate in the city's weekly curbside Green Bin collection programme. Please ensure food waste is put in the small gray bin in the kitchen.

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES: "Embrace Life" (John 10:10-11)

Lutheran Hour Guest Speaker: Rev. Germán Novelli Oliveros
Jesus offers His abundant life to people plagued by pain and problems. Hear this inspirational message on CFPL-980 AM on Sunday, October 4th at 7:30 a.m. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

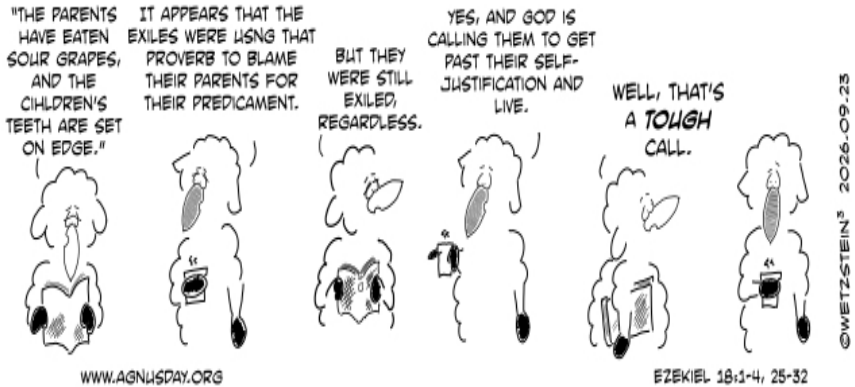
LIFE QUOTES: "Grief is not a sign of weak faith; it is the natural response to love and loss. But for those in Christ, grief is always shaped by hope. We do not mourn as those who have no future, no promise, no Savior (1 Thessalonians 4:13). We mourn with the certainty that our loved ones in the faith are with the Lord and that we will see them again." Rev. M.L. Smith, *Director of International Missions of Lutheran Church-Canada (LCC) – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutheran Community Care Centre Ontario

The Lutheran Community Care Centre provides flexible and responsive social, developmental, and spiritual services to people in the northern region of Ontario.



ALTAR FLOWERS: If you would like to place flowers on the altar, please sign up on the flower chart at the library entrance. Flowers must be at church prior to the Sunday morning service. If that is difficult for you, you may call the church office earlier in the week to make other arrangements to either pick them up, or we can order them on your behalf. You can cover the cost by making a donation to the Flower Fund.



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THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE

- Thurs.** 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Tai Chi
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Tai Chi
- Sat.** 10:00 a.m. LWML
- Sun.** 9:00 a.m. Grace Worship with Holy Communion
10:00 a.m. Bible Study (Faith)
11:00 a.m. Faith Worship
11:00 a.m. God's Kids (Faith)