Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church (Locksley)

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WELCOME

In the name of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ, may you find within these doors rest of soul, peace of heart and strength to walk with God all the days of your life.

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 15th, 2026 **10:30 am**

PASTOR:	Reverend Paul Douglas
ACOLYTE:	Brennick Ashick
ASSISTING ELDERS:	Keith Wright & Ron Stresman
ORGANIST:	Mrs. Kim Blais
MONEY COUNTERS:	Kevin Gillissie & Arnold Raglin
ALTAR GUILD:	Nancy Dunn, Kim Blais, Marilyn Pappin

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Holy Communion "is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the bread and wine, for us Christians to eat and to drink, instituted by Christ Himself." (Luther's Small Catechism) All who partake of this Sacrament are united to the crucified and glorified body and blood of Christ (1 Cor. 10:16) and, therefore, must also be united to one another in doctrine (Acts 2:42). Out of love for those who are not united to us in the Faith, we follow the biblical practice of "Closed Communion". If you are not a member in good standing of a congregation of the Lutheran Church—Canada, her sister Synods or have met with the Pastor or Elders, we respectfully ask you to refrain from partaking of the Sacrament. We thank you for respecting our Scriptural position and practises.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Divine Service Setting Two with Holy Communion		pg 167
First Hymn:	We Praise You, O God	#785
Hymn of the Day:	The Day Is Surely Drawing Near	#508
Communion Hymns:	Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray	#663
	Saints, See the Cloud of Witnesses	#667
Closing Hymn:	Take My Life and Let it Be	#783
Lessons:	Psalm 90:1-12; Zeph. 1:7-16; 1 Thess. 5:1-11; Matt. 25:14-30	
Catechism Lesson:	Close of the Commandments	pg 322

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OUR PRAYERS Please include in your prayers; Dorothy Craig, Mary Ryan, Allen Mask, Casey, Connor, Pastor David Milette, Betty Lorbetskie and those shut-in and in Long-term Care and Retirement homes; Hattie Nagora (Woodingford Lodge), Leona Mau (Miramichi), Ken Biesenthal (Marianhill), Frieda Biesenthal (Pinewood), and Shirley Gorr (Heritage Manor). **If anyone desires prayer on behalf of family or friends, please contact Pastor Williams or the Secretary.**

THANK YOU

Thank you for a splendid service in connection with the 125th Anniversary of the church building. Our family's pleasure was to donate the plaque to give a snapshot history of those earlier years. Thanks, Donna, Cheryl, Ken and Frank

PASTOR ON HOLIDAYS

Pastor Williams is on holidays **November 11th, 2026 to November 30th inclusive**. Pastor Alles (613-635-4737) and Pastor Douglas (613-639-1825) are both available.

TRUNK N TREAT THANK YOU

Thank you for all the volunteers and congregation members who donated treats, money and their time to help set up, make treat bags, design and set up a stations, hand out treats and serve coffee, tea and hot chocolate. Kim, Rayah & Rogan Blais, Dale & Keith Wright, Sharon Eder, Syd & William Bourgoin, Max & Atticus McCarty, Val Blagden, Brian Dament & Pastor Williams who all helped that afternoon, Thank You. It was another success with having 60 adults and 85 children come through our doors at Grace Locksley. That count does not include the many volunteers. We are so blessed and thankful for the success of this outreach event. Many positive comments were received with smiles from the kids who left with a candy apple and a huge bag filled with treats. - Evangelism/Stewardship Board

CIRCUIT FORUM FEEDBACK

Thirty Lutherans, Pastors and Lay people participated in our Fall Ottawa Circuit Forum. We were updated on the results of our 2026 Convention with *'Together One'* as our theme. Samantha Neeb, Associate Director-Family Ministries presented on the work of LCC toward supporting and building 'Christ centred' family life. She also talked about Spiritual Mentoring: Sharing God's Gifts with the Next Generation.' A very informative and inspiring day of learning, worship and praise.

LADIES AID & SENIOR'S DINNER

The Ladies Aid and Senior's dinner will be held on **Tuesday, December 1st** at **6pm**. All Ladies Aid members, their spouses and all seniors are invited to attend. The dinner is potluck. If you plan to attend, please indicate what you would like to bring on the sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall kitchen. Following the dinner, all ladies are invited to join the Ladies Aid business meeting.

LADIES AID GIFT EXCHANGE

Ladies Aid members are reminded to bring their Christmas gift which should be able to fit under a red solo cup (gift card -value $15-$20), to this meeting if they wish to participate in the gift exchange for a fun time!

FAMILY CHRISTMAS POTLUCK DINNER & BUNCO

Our annual family Christmas potluck dinner with bunco following, will be held on **Sunday, December 6th** at 5pm. Please bring along your favourite dish, salad or dessert. Also bring along some bunco prizes, (surnames) A-M ladies prize and children 10 & under prize and (surnames) N-Z men's prize and teens prize. Don't forget to invite your friends and family. Everyone is welcome for this fun-filled evening!

CHEER BASKETS

A donation sign-up sheet is posted in the kitchen for cheer baskets items. Please have your items to the church by **Sunday, December 13th**. Thank you for your contributions. We will be setting a date for carolling at the Ladies Aid meeting on December 1st. If you would like to join in the carolling or know of someone sick or shut-in, please contact Sharon Eder.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Our Sunday School Christmas program will be held **Sunday, December 20th** during the **10:30am** service. Practices will be **November 22** and **29**, **December 6, 13**, and **20**. Please invite your family and friends to hear the children tell the special Christmas message entitled ***Ring the Bells! The Savior is Born!*** Following the service, 'A Birthday Party for Jesus' will be held in the Parish Hall. The Ladies Aid will be providing the hotdogs, and Christian Education will provide the birthday cake. We are asking the Sunday School parents for donations of finger food or cookies. A sign-up sheet is in the basement by the Sunday School room or please speak to Sharon Eder or Dale Wright.

VOTERS BUDGET MEETING

There will be a Voters Budget Meeting **November 24th, 2026** at **7:15pm**.

THANK YOU

A warm Thank You to Pastor Douglas for leading our worship service today in Pastor Williams' absence.

COMING UP THIS WEEK...

TUES	7:15pm	Council Meeting
THURS	5:30pm	Youth Catechesis
SUN	9:15am	Sunday School
	9:30am	Bible Study
	10:30am	Divine Service (Matins) -Pastor Douglas

LAST WEEK'S DISCIPLESHIP

Worship Attendance - 63 Sunday School - 12 Baptized Membership - 311

Offerings	Received
General Treasury	$2,363.00
Plate	$ 22.00
Total General Treas.	$2,385.00
Missions	$ 357.00
Sunday School	$ 20.00
Advent Devotionals	$ 53.40
Fellowship (Oct18,Nov1/26)	$ 148.40
Bulletin Sponsor	$ 25.00
Total Offerings	$2,988.40