

CANTATE SUNDAY

Grace Lutheran Church
The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

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GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WELCOME! We welcome our guests and visitors this morning and pray that your worship with us will be meaningful, blessed, and especially Christ-centered. We hope that you will worship with us again soon! If you do not have a church home, we invite you to consider making Grace Lutheran your church home.

IN THE INTEREST of good pastoral care, Grace Lutheran Church practices close communion. We believe, teach and confess that the one Holy Apostolic Christian Church throughout history and Holy Scripture teach that those who commune together should be one in faith and doctrine. For this reason, we reserve Holy Communion for those who are confirmed members of Grace Lutheran Church, and for confirmed members in good standing of sister LC-MS congregations. We respectfully ask those who are members of other church bodies to commune at the altar of their church, in accordance with their public confessions and under the care of their pastor.

THOSE who serve us:

Elder......Jeff Jaggers

Altar......Piano/Organ...Sherry Rhoadarmer
FlowersCourtesy.....

Greeters.....
Ushers
Church CleanerLisa Johnson
Church SecretaryLeah Sherman
Little Lambs Preschool TeacherDeb Evans

REMEMBER in your prayers: Jan Flueckinger, DeOnna Anderson, Bob Mills, Eva Hix, Jim Kamerzell, Odessa Elwood, Ellen Zlomke, Edna Schaer, Kristy Winter, Ray Zlomke, Wynn Coon, Nate Harris, Bonnie and Leonard Harris, Kolton & Korbin Sommerville, Lori Liggett, Allison Judy, Joanie Burleigh

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

We rejoice to be back in the house of the LORD! What a blessing to be able to gather under the same roof, hear God's Word, receive His gifts, pray and sing His praises together.

At the same time, we recognize that the threat of disease is not over and we are still being asked to take precautions in an attempt to keep one another and our community healthy. Here at church, those precautions include the following things: 1) individuals and family groups need to be seated six feet apart; 2) we will refrain from shaking hands; 3) there will be no passing of the offering plate; 4) distribution of the Sacrament will be done individually; 5) when lining up for communion, we ask you to line up one family group at a time; 6) the communion vessels have been prepared in a sanitized environment, and arranged in a way that seeks to avoid cross-contamination; 7) at the end of the service, we ask everyone to leave one family group at a time and not linger in the building.

Some of what is on this list is good, common-sense stuff, but much of it causes me sadness to even write it out. We are the body of Christ, and physical presence and closeness is a part of that. We pray God to deliver us from evil and continue His work to carry us through this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

We will continue to watch the health reports, and make adjustments so that we may continue to worship, and still continue to help and support our neighbors in their bodies and lives.

STEWARDSHIP:

James 1:17 – "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change." There are a great many passages in Scripture which echo this theme: everything good we have is from God. He loves to give. He loves to bless. He loves to show us generosity time and again – and He desires that we grow into His image, and reflect His love and openhanded kindness.

Budget for 2020: \$123,485 As of April 27th, we have received \$37,075.47 in offerings.

Thanks to a generous donation, the remaining balance on our district missions pledge from 2019 has been paid! Praise God from whom all blessings flow.



Opening Hymn: 465 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



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Please stand, as you are able

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen. [Matthew 28:19]
- Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

 [Hebrews 10:22]
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.



Sing to the LORD a new song, Alle- | luia,*

for he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. Alle- | luia.

His right hand and his | holy arm*

have worked salva- | tion for him.

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of | Israel.* All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation | of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth;*

break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

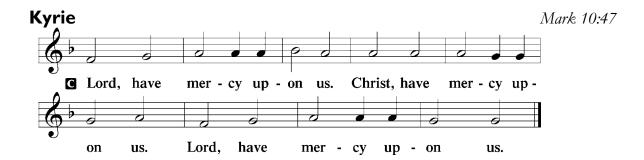
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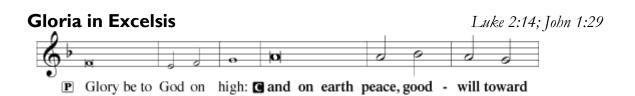
as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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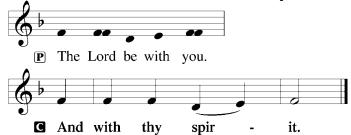








Salutation and Collect of the Day



2 Timothy 4:22

P Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 12:1–6 The LORD Is My Strength and My Song

¹You will say in that day:
"I will give thanks to you, O LORD,
for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away,
that you might comfort me.

²"Behold, God is my salvation;
I will trust, and will not be afraid;

for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation."

³With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴And you will say in that day:

"Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted.

5"Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth.

6Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

A This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Epistle James 1:16–21

¹⁶Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

Hearing and Doing the Word

¹⁹Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness that God requires. ²¹Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

A This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

C Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,

Holy Gospel John 16:5–15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.



⁵[Jesus said:] "But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; ¹¹concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

¹²"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.





5 God said to His beloved Son:

"It's time to have compassion.

Then go, bright jewel of My crown,

And bring to all salvation.

From sin and sorrow set them free;

Slay bitter death for them that they

May live with You forever."

6 The Son obeyed His Father's will,
Was born of virgin mother;
And God's good pleasure to fulfill,
He came to be my brother.
His royal pow'r disguised He bore;
A servant's form, like mine, He
wore

To lead the devil captive.

- 7 To me He said: "Stay close to Me, I am your rock and castle. Your ransom I Myself will be; For you I strive and wrestle. For I am yours, and you are Mine, And where I am you may remain; The foe shall not divide us.
- 8 "Though he will shed My precious blood,

Me of My life bereaving,
All this I suffer for your good;
Be steadfast and believing.
Life will from death the vict'ry win;
My innocence shall bear your sin,
And you are blest forever.

9 "Now to My Father I depart,
From earth to heav'n ascending,
And, heav'nly wisdom to impart,
The Holy Spirit sending;
In trouble He will comfort you
And teach you always to be true
And into truth shall guide you.

10 "What I on earth have done and taught

Guide all your life and teaching; So shall the kingdom's work be wrought

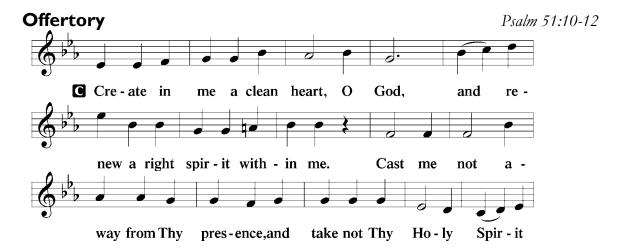
And honored in your preaching. But watch lest foes with base alloy The heav'nly treasure should destroy;

This final word I leave you."

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Sermon

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. C Amen. Philippians 4:7





Offering

[1 Cor. 9:14; Gal. 6:6-7; 1 Tim. 5:17-18]

Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. *Brief silence*

For all the baptized, that they would make a joyful noise to the Lord for the salvation they have in Jesus Christ, in whose righteousness they are clothed, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

- For all pastors in Christ, that they would be diligent in their studies, faithful in their prayers, steadfast in their faith and compassionate toward the children of God they serve, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For our children and young people, that they would be brought up by faithful parents; receive a good education; and grow into fruitful maturity for service to home, church and world, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For the vocation of motherhood, that mothers would love and care for their children, and that children would cherish and honor their mothers, let us pray to the Lord:

 C Lord, have mercy.
- For all those who have been entrusted with earthly authority, that they would be given the wisdom to rule according to Your will, to work for

the well-being of the nation especially during the present pandemic, and to enable justice and peace to flourish throughout the world, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

- For all who suffer in this vale of tears, and for all those who have requested our prayers, <code>[including_______,]</code> that they would be comforted with the sure and certain hope of life eternal through Christ, their Lord, knowing that a day is coming when no one will be able to take their joy from them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For those who partake of the Holy Supper of Christ's body and blood this day, that they would receive the blessed Sacrament in repentance and faith, unto life everlasting; and for all who are unable to gather together due to the pandemic, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For those who have gone before us with the sign of faith and now rest in Jesus, let us give thanks to the Lord; that we would be enlivened by the Gospel and sustained in the one, true faith until our last hour comes, let us pray to the Lord:

 C Lord, have mercy.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C** Amen.

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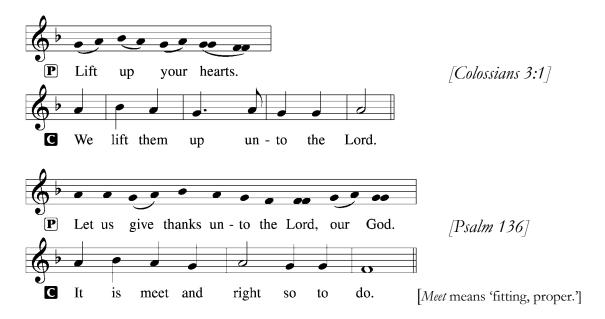
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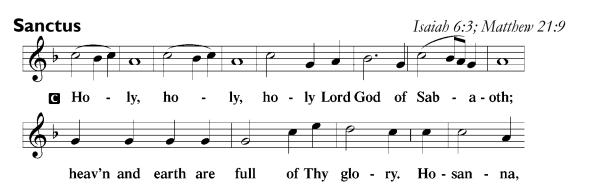
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2 Timothy 4:22



It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





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bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses

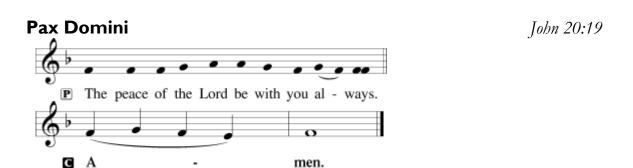
Matthew 6:9-13

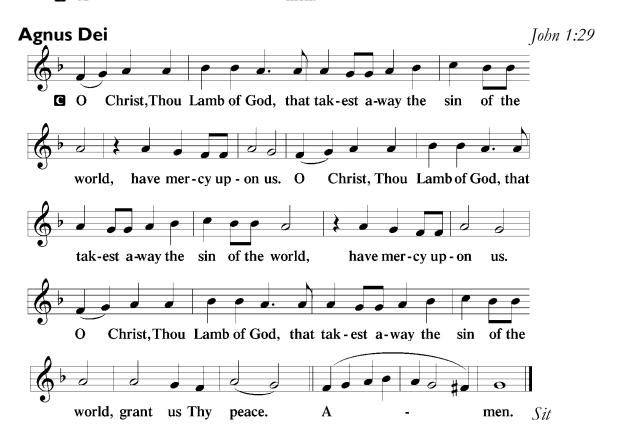
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

- Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."





Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins. **Amen.**

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins. **Amen.**

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

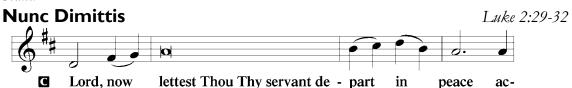
- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.
- C Amen.

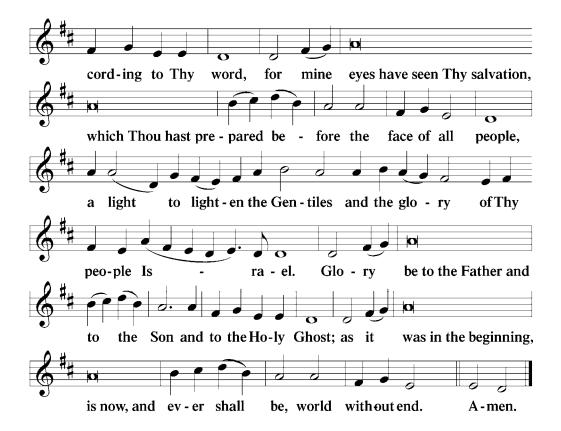


Distribution Hymn: 790 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



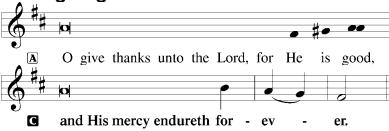
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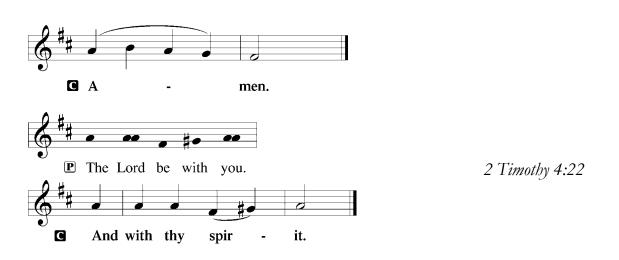


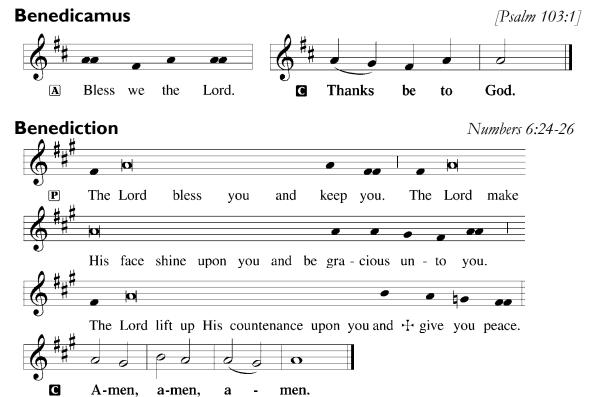
Thanksgiving

Psalm 107:1



A Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.







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My chil-dren, sins

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