

# 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.....Marlys Roth
Flowers .....
Courtesy....
Ushers .....
Church Cleaner .....Lisa Johnson
Church Secretary ....Leah Sherman
Little Lambs Preschool Teacher .....Deb Evans

**REMEMBER in your prayers:** Jan Flueckinger, DeOnna Anderson, Bob Mills, Jim Kamerzell, Odessa Elwood, Ellen Zlomke, Edna Schaer, Kristy Winter, Ray and Barb Zlomke, Steve Zlomke, Wynn Coon, Nate Harris, Bonnie and Leonard Harris, Korbin Sommerville, Lori Liggett, Allison Judy, Joanie Burleigh, Onda Hupp, Sherry Rhoadarmer

#### **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) masks, while not required, may be used; 3) we will refrain from shaking hands; 4) there will be no passing of the offering plate; 5) distribution of the Sacrament will be done individually; 6) when lining up for communion, we ask you to line up one family group at a time; 7) the communion vessels have been prepared in a sanitized environment, and arranged in a way that seeks to avoid cross-contamination; 8) at the end of the service, we ask everyone to leave one family group at a time and not linger in the building.

This is something we are dealing with in our community and our congregation. We need to watch out for each other, help one another to care for our bodies and lives, encourage one another with the hope we have in Jesus' victory over death, and pray for ourselves and others that God would continue to lead and guide us.



#### Hymn of Invocation: 718 Jesus, Lead Thou On



Please stand, as you are able

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

In the name of the Father and of the Holy Spirit.

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,

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.

Hear, O LORD, when I | cry aloud;\*
be gracious to me and | answer me!

O you who have | been my help,\*
forsake me not, O God of my sal- | vation!

The LORD is my light and my sal- | vation;\*
whom | shall I fear?

Teach me your way, | O LORD,\*

and lead me on a level path because of my | enemies.

Give me not up to the will of my adver- | saries;\*

for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out | violence.

Wait | for the LORD;\*

be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait | for the LORD!

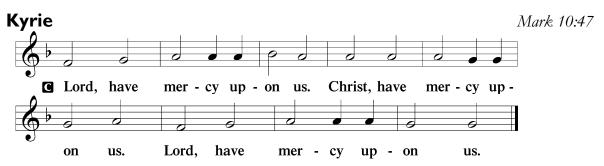
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

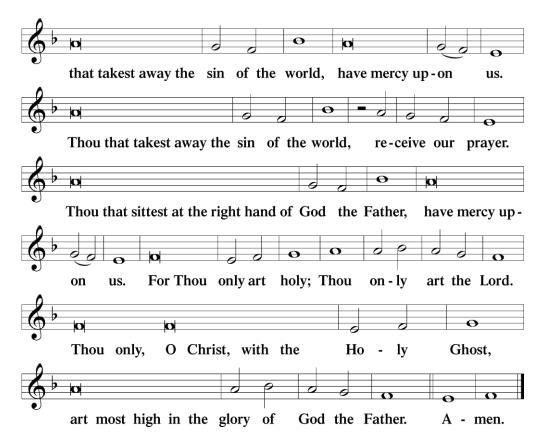
#### is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Hear, O LORD, when I | cry aloud;\* be gracious to me and | answer me!

O you who have | been my help,\* forsake me not, O God of my sal- | vation!







#### Salutation and Collect of the Day



PLet us pray. O God, You have prepared for those who love You good things that surpass all understanding. Pour into our hearts such love toward You that we, loving You above all things, may obtain Your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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**

1 Kings 19:11–21

<sup>11</sup>[The Lord] said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. <sup>12</sup>And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. <sup>13</sup>And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" <sup>14</sup>He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." <sup>15</sup>And the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. <sup>16</sup>And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. <sup>17</sup>And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. <sup>18</sup>Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

<sup>19</sup>So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. <sup>20</sup>And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." And he said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" <sup>21</sup>And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Gradual Psalm 84:9, 8

Behold our shield, | O God;\* look on the face of your a- | nointed!

O LORD God of hosts, | hear my prayer;\* give ear, O God of | Jacob!

**Epistle** 1 Peter 3:8–15

#### Suffering for Righteousness' Sake

<sup>8</sup>Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind. <sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>For

"Whoever desires to love life and see good days, let him keep his tongue from evil and his lips from speaking deceit; <sup>11</sup>let him turn away from evil and do good; let him seek peace and pursue it. <sup>12</sup>For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil."

<sup>13</sup>Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? <sup>14</sup>But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, <sup>15</sup>but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you.

A This is the Word of the Lord. CThanks be to God.

Stand

#### Alleluia and Verse

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel Luke 5:1–11

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifth chapter.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

#### Jesus Calls the First Disciples

<sup>1</sup>On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on [Jesus] to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, <sup>2</sup>and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup>Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. <sup>4</sup>And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." 5And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." <sup>6</sup>And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. <sup>7</sup>They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. 8But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, <sup>10</sup> and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." <sup>11</sup>And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

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.

# Hymn of the Day: 688 "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake



#### Sermon

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The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. 

Amen. Philippians 4:7





[Offering at the back of church] [1 Cor. 9:14; Gal. 6:6-7; 1 Tim. 5:17-18]

## **Prayer**

O God,

### **Prayer of the Church**

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

Almighty and eternal God, worthy to be held in reverence by all people everywhere, we give You humble and sincere thanks for the innumerable blessings You have bestowed on us without any merit or worthiness on our part. We praise You especially for preserving for us Your saving Word and the Holy Sacraments. Grant and preserve to Your Holy Church throughout the world purity of doctrine, and provide faithful pastors to preach Your Word with power. Help all who hear the Word rightly to understand and truly to believe it. Send laborers into Your harvest, and open the door of faith to those who do not know You. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

- P Heavenly Father, in mercy bring to repentance the enemies of Your Church, and grant them amendment of life. Protect and defend Your Church in all tribulation and danger, and sustain with Your Spirit our brothers and sisters in Christ around the world who experience persecution. Strengthen us and all fellow Christians to set our hope fully on the grace revealed in Christ, and help us to fight the good fight of faith so that in the end we may receive the salvation of our souls. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
- Loving God, bestow Your grace on all the nations of the earth. Bless especially our country, its inhabitants and all who are in authority. Let Your glory dwell in our land, that mercy and truth, righteousness and peace may abound in all places. Bless also all who serve in our armed forces, that they may serve with integrity and honor. Lord, in Your mercy,

  C hear our prayer.
- Most merciful Father, without Your care and preservation all things wither and die. Open the windows of heaven and send bountiful rain on us to revive and renew the land. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Grant Your Holy Spirit to those who come to the Lord's table this day, that they may receive the very body and blood of Jesus Christ in sincere

repentance and firm faith, and to their abundant blessing. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Father, as we are strangers and pilgrims on earth, help us by true faith and a godly life to prepare for the world to come, doing the work You have given us to do while it is day, before the night comes when no one can work. And when our last hour comes, support us by Your power and receive us into Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

**P** The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

- C And with thy spirit.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]

- **C** We lift them up unto the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

[Psalm 136]

C It is meet and right so to do.

[Meet means 'fitting, proper.']

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. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



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."

Pax Domini John 20:19

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. C Amen.

Agnus Dei John 1:29

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Sit

#### **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.** 

We ask all who desire to receive communion to please read the communion statement at the front of the bulletin. For those approaching the Lord's Table this day, we ask you to come individually or by family group.

Following Communion, 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: 618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table







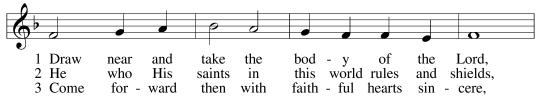


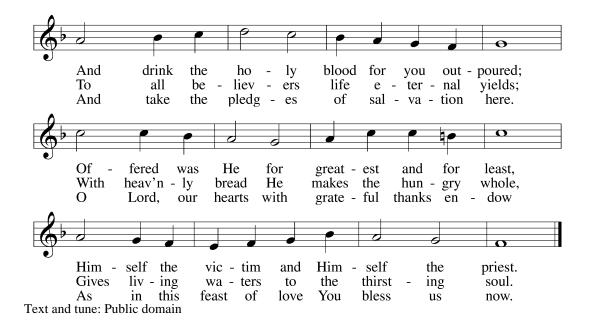
Lord, may Thy bod-y and Thy blood

Be for my soul the high-est good!

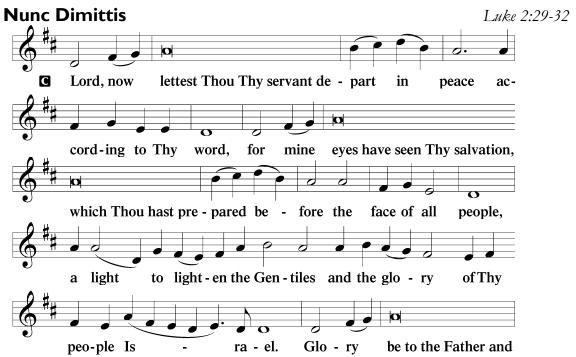
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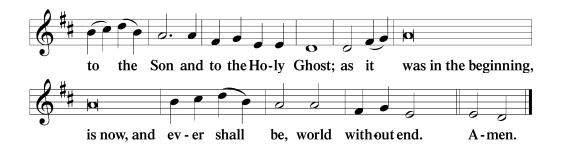
# Distribution Hymn: 637 Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord





#### Stand





**Thanksgiving** 

Psalm 107:1

- (A) O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- and His mercy endureth forever.
- 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. **CAmen.**
- P The Lord be with you. C And with thy spirit. 2 Timothy 4:22

Benedicamus [Psalm 103:1]

A Bless we the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

**Benediction**Numbers 6:24-26

- The Lord bless you and keep you.

  The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

  The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.
- C Amen, amen, amen.

#### Hymn to Depart: 685 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus 1 Let ev - er Fol -His walk with low us Je - sus, ex -2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus And with pa - tience 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death He 4 Let al - so live with Je - sus. He us has ris - en am - ple pure, Through a world that would de-ceive us cross. will fol - low all our sad-ness; Where He bear our Joy con - guered death, He will free us from de-struc-tion, Give from the dead That life we may a - wak - en. Je to His foot-steps tread-ing, sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in loss. Though to - day is, there is no we sow no laugh-ter. im - mor-tal breath. Let mor - ti - fy all pas - sion us You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem-bers: Pil - grims here, ofa - bove, Full faith our home and We shall les - tial joy; dis - com - forts reap All ce That would lead in - to sin: And the grave that us Where You live. shall be Your pres - ence there we In hope and love, Let do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful us that an - noy Shall give way to mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus. shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav-en. Je - sus, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. con - stant - ly, Je - sus. Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide. I share Your woe; here Help me there Your joy to know. There to here with You Ι die, live with You high. on me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me. Text: © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110003709

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#### STEWARDSHIP:

Luke 5:5 – "And Simon answered, 'Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.' "All our toil, all our work, all our efforts mean nothing without the Lord's guidance. But if we walk in the Word of Jesus, well, look what happened to Simon Peter. The Lord gives grace, and He promises to bless our efforts and bring blessings out of them that we never expected.

Budget for 2020: \$123,485

As of June 26th, we have received \$63,573.45 in offerings.

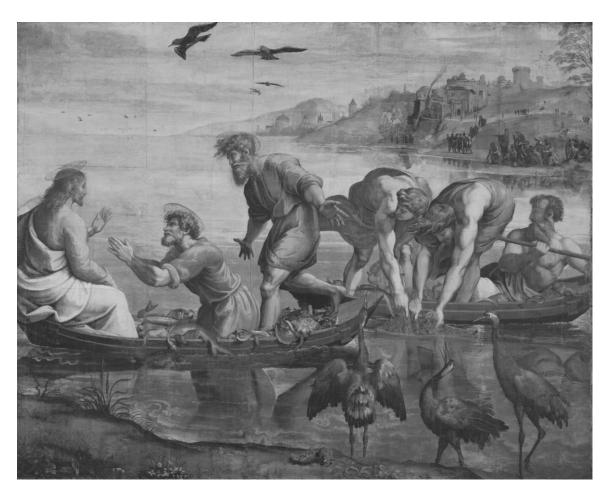
Thanks to a generous donation, the remaining balance on our district missions pledge from 2019 has been paid! Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

There is a walker, a wheelchair, and various artificial flowers available in the fellowship hall for anyone who might need them. They were donated by Ruth Oldenberg's family.



To make your offering online, you can scan this code with your smartphone, or go to bit.ly/ThriventOffering.

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