



GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)
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**Worship services: Sundays at 9am,
Tuesdays at 12:10pm**

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Shonda Schaff - Nursery Attendant

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Our Mission: "Reaching out to all people as Disciples of Christ, we serve God, proclaim our faith, and care for all creation."

COVID-19 Protocol: Please note COVID-19 Protocols now in effect.

Mask use is left up to your personal choice while in worship. Please try to keep some sense of physical distancing around those choosing to wear masks. Thank you!

Welcome to Worship: We encourage visitors to talk with our pastor following worship! Know that you are always welcome to join us for worship! If you are interested in becoming a member at any time, please contact the pastor.

Communion Instruction: Jesus Christ, present in this Meal of bread and wine, invites every person to share in Holy Communion, especially children. Ushers will direct you to the front, where you will come forward in an orderly fashion, receive a piece of bread, and then select either the red wine or the white grape juice and return to your seat. ***Gluten-free wafers are also available; talk to the pastor if you require gluten-free.*** If you would prefer not to commune today, you are welcome to come forward with your hands crossed to receive a blessing instead. If you would like your children to receive communion instruction prior to sharing in this Meal, please talk with the pastor before or after worship.

Offering: Offerings are not taken during worship. There is an offering plate at the back of the sanctuary and one near the front for you to drop an offering when you come up for communion. You may also scan the QR code on this page to give online.

Hearing Assistance Available: This facility is equipped with a hearing-assistance system. Please see an usher for assistance.

Nursery Available: We love to have children in worship with us. For those that play quietly there is a space for them to play with quiet toys in worship (the Pray-ground). A separate staffed nursery is provided for healthy children that are more active and like to be a bit louder.

PRELUDE (Piano) Dale Wood (1934-2003) from Wood Works for Piano: Nine Settings of Hymns and Folk Tunes (1998)

1. Brother James' Air - (ELW #xxx)
2. In Thee Is Gladness - Tune: In dir ist Freude (ELW #867)
3. Aria on 'Jewels'
4. Beautiful Savior - Tune: Schönster Herr Jesu (ELW #838)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAST PRELUDE (Cancel Choir) Lisa Hoekstra, "Trust and Obey" (2019) – Tune: Trust and Obey

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation.... Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin Most merciful God, **C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God... and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE *Now the Feast and Celebration*

(ELW 167)

Refrain

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion
sings for joy to the God of life and love and free - dom;
praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!
1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has
Refrain
freed and u - nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of God.

2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and
Refrain

glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.

3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of
Refrain

God; to make all things new.

REETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ... be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. (*Silence is kept for reflection*) Extravagant God ... in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**



GATHERING SONG *O Day of Rest and Gladness*

(ELW 521)



1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,
 2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion, the light first had its birth;
 3 To - day on wea - ry na - tions the heav'n - ly man - na falls;
 4 New grac - es ev - er gain - ing from this our day of rest,



O balm for care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright:
 on you, for our sal - va - tion, Christ rose from depths of earth;
 to ho - ly con - vo - ca - tions the sil - ver trum - pet calls,
 we reach the rest re - main - ing to spir - its of the blest.



on you the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune,
 on you, our Lord vic - to - rious the Spir - it sent from heav'n;
 where gos - pel light is glow - ing with pure and ra - diant beams
 We sing to you our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;



sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," to the great God tri - une.
 and thus on you, most glo - rious, a three - fold light was giv'n.
 and liv - ing wa - ter flow - ing with soul - re - fresh - ing streams.
 the church its voice up - rais - es to you, blest Three in One.

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 2:1-6

¹Hannah prayed and said, "My heart exults in the LORD; my strength is exalted in my God. My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in my victory."

²"There is no Holy One like the LORD, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God." ³Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth; for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed." ⁴The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength." ⁵Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil. The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn."

⁶The LORD kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM MUSIC (Duet: Katy Koppa and Janie Robbins): Lauren Daigle, Jason Ingram, Paul Mabury, Beebo Norman and Michael Donehey, "You Say" (2018)

SECOND READING: 1 Samuel 2:7-10

⁷The LORD makes poor and makes rich; he brings low, he also exalts." ⁸He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor. For the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and on them he has set the world." ⁹He will guard the feet of his faithful ones, but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness; for not by might does one prevail." ¹⁰The LORD! His adversaries shall be shattered; the Most High will thunder in heaven. The LORD will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king, and exalt the power of his anointed."

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

SPARK BIBLE READING AND CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

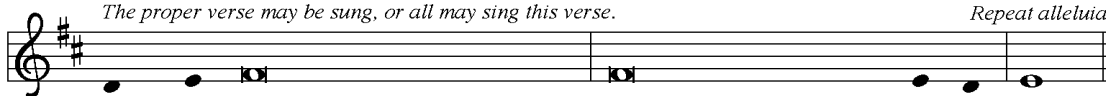
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(ELW 169)



The proper verse may be sung, or all may sing this verse.

Repeat alleluia



GOSPEL READING Matthew 6:7-21

P: The holy gospel, according to Matthew, the 6th chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.** (*The gospel is announced*)

⁷"When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do; for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. ⁸Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

⁹"Pray then in this way: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. ¹⁰Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹Give us this day our daily bread. ¹²And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one. ¹⁴For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; ¹⁵but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. ¹⁶"And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. ¹⁷But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, ¹⁸so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

¹⁹"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; ²⁰but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

P: The gospel of our Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *God, We Gather as Your People: For All the Children* (ACS 1038)



1 God, we gath - er as your peo - ple to raise our song a -
2 Oh, we sing for all the chil - dren, that one day they be
3 Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear and
4 God, we're work - ing for the fu - ture when chil - dren far and



bove, and we dare to claim the prom - ise of your love.
free; and we sing for gen - er - a - tions yet to be,
shame, so a - fraid of who they are and whom they love.
wide can . . . live their lives with dig - ni - ty and pride.



Though the day may not yet be here, we
that they nev - er have a rea - son to
May the mes - sage now be ban - ished that your
As they grow in strength and stat - ure, may they



trust it soon will be, when your chil - dren will be free.
doubt that they are blest. May they, in your love, find rest.
love is for the few; may their faith in you re - new.
join us hand in hand, as a - gainst all hate we stand.



Oh, may our hearts and minds be o - pened, fling the church doors o - pen



wide. May there be room e-nough for ev-'ry-one in - side.



For in God there is a wel - come, in God we all be -



long. May that wel - come be our song.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: God of mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

L: We bring to you our needs...in Christ crucified. **C: Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty...join their unending hymn: **Holy Holy Holy (ELW 191)**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and



might; heav - en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -



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

P: O God most mighty..... Remembering his death, we cry out Amen. **C: Amen.**

P: Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen. **C: Amen.**

P: Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen. **C: Amen.**

P: O God, you are Breath...now and forever. **C: Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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, 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.

COMMUNION SONG *Lamb of God*

(WOV 621)

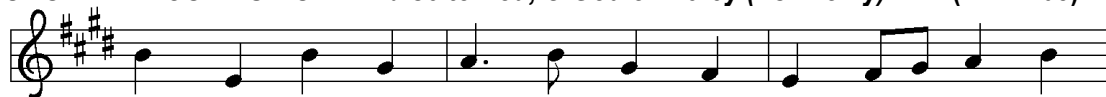
1 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us. 2 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us. 3 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION SONG Children of the Heavenly Father**(ELW 781)**

Tryg - ga - re kan ing - en va - ra än Guds lil - la bar - na - ska - ra,
 1 Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;
 2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour-ish.
 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil-dren sev - er;
 4 Though he giv - eth or he tak-eth, God his chil-dren ne'er for - sak - eth;



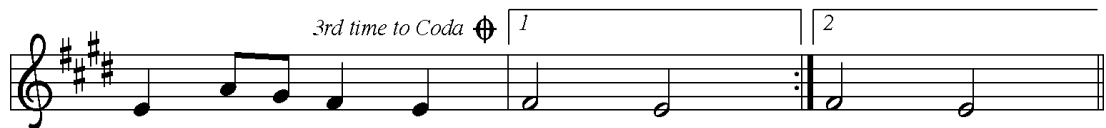
stjär-nan ej på him-la - fäs - tet, få-geln ej i kån-da näs - tet.
 nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
 From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.
 un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.
 his the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

SONG AFTER COMMUNION Praise to You, O God of Mercy (Vs. 1 only)**(ELW 208)**

1 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -
 2 From of old you loved and sought us: thanks be to you for -
 3 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -



ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly;
 ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us;
 ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly;



thanks be to you for - ev - er!
 thanks be to you for - ev - er!
 thanks be to you for -

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: O God, our life our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

BLESSING

P: The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus. **C: Amen.**

P: The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: The God of all grace ✠ bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

SENDING SONG *Go to the World*

(ACS 991)



1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.
2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place.
3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;
4 "Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,



Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.
the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.
for I am with you till the age shall end,



bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
when all the hosts of glo - ry cry, A - men!"



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Share the good news. **C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE (Piano): Dale Wood (1934-2003), "The Gift to Be Simple," from Wood Works for Piano: Nine Settings of Hymns and Folk Tunes (1998) – Tune: Simple Gifts

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Music Notes: As the Last Prelude, Chancel Choir presents a three-part (SAB) arrangement of the familiar hymn, “Trust and Obey,” by Daniel B. Towner (1850-1919). The voicing ranges from women to men, and from unison to two and three parts, all over a supportive piano accompaniment. The arranger, Lisa Hoekstra, publishes her piano music and choral arrangements primarily online via www.sheemusicplus.com.

During the Psalm Time, Katy Koppa and Janie Robbins offer a duet: “You Say” as recorded by Lauren Daigle. It’s the lead single from her third studio album, “Look Up Child” and was her third No. 1 on the Hot Christian Songs chart, where it spent 132 weeks at the top slot, breaking the record for most weeks at No. 1 for a song. It won the 2019 Grammy for Best Contemporary Christian Music Performance/Song and Top Christian Song at the 2019 Billboard Music Awards. She has said that she “knew this would be a song of my identity... I want this to be such a record of joy, such a record of hope, that people experience a childlikeness again.”

The Hymn of the Day is taken from Augsburg’s newest hymnal supplement: All Creation Sings, published in 2020. It is by David Lohman, who at age five, after seeing “Mary Poppins” and “The Sound of Music,” “knew that [his] life was going to be about music.” (www.davidlohmanmusic.com). David is the son of a Lutheran pastor, assistant conductor of the Twin Cities Gay Men’s Chorus for two years and a Grammy nominee for his work as conductor of the Broadway touring show, “The Phantom of the Opera.” He was Minister of Music for 16 years at Living Table United Church of Christ in Minneapolis. You can watch him conduct the hymn at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3wLQ63LMC-A&t=144s> .

The piano music comprises piano arrangements of hymn tunes by the late Dale Wood, a renowned composer, organist and choral director best known for his church music compositions. At the age of 13, he won a national hymn-writing contest for the American Lutheran Church. He was the longtime organist and choirmaster at the Episcopal Church of St. Mary the Virgin in San Francisco, and served in a similar capacity in Lutheran churches in Hollywood and Riverside, California.

Next week: Saved by Grace Band warms up at 8:15am and leads worship music for 9:00am. Men’s Chorus rehearses after worship at 10:15am; Bell Choir rehearses at 11:00am.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>This Week's Worship Leaders</u>	<u>Next Week's Worship Leaders</u>
Readers: DawnMark Bacon-Johnson, Izzy Koppa	Readers: Bev Leidel
Wine: Kim Nagel, Bobby Koppa	Wine: Nancy Perez, JoAnn Holdmann
Usher: Diana Koppa	Usher: TBD
Comm. Set Up: Trina Brown	Comm. Set Up: TBD
Greeter: DawnMark Bacon-Johnson	Greeter: TBD

This week at Grace

- Sun 1/29 RIC Sunday
8:15 am Chancel Choir Warm Up
8:40am Janie, Katy, Rich warms up for Psalm time duet
9am Worship – Chancel Choir Sings
10:15am Women's Choir Rehearsal
11am Bell Choir Rehearsal
- Tue 1/31 12:10pm Devotional Worship
- Wed 2/1 9am Guest House Sandwiches
6pm Band Practice
- Thu 2/2 12pm Bible Study
- Sat 2/4 9am SBG Band Rehearsal
- Sun 2/5 8:15 am SBG Band Warm Up
9am Worship – SBG Leads for Worship
10:15am Community Life Meeting
10:15am Men's Chorus Rehearsal
10:15am Kucharski Baptism
10:15am Grace Kids Sunday School
11am Bell Choir Rehearsal

Grace's Welcome Statement: Grace Lutheran Church is a religious community that celebrates the gifts of God that empower us to engage in the struggles of life, to care for each other, and to serve Christ where we work and live. Grace is a "Reconciling in Christ" congregation, which means we welcome the participation of people of all ages, races, ethnic backgrounds, sexual orientations, gender identities, education backgrounds, and economic conditions – all who want to join us in serving God, proclaiming our faith, and caring for all creation.

RIC Sunday: This morning we will be honoring the fact that Grace is a Reconciling in Christ Congregation. Being an RIC Congregation means that we offer an open and intentional welcome to people who are LGBTQIA+.

Annual Meeting Update: This past Sunday we received the 2022 Annual Report, elected new leaders for 2023, and voted to approve the 2023 Budget. Congratulations to the council members that will lead the congregation through 2023:

Beth Buczynski (President)	Morgan Bernard
Cindy Karthaus (VP)	Jim Martin
Jen Bartz (Treasurer)	Janie Robbins
JoAnn Holdmann (Secretary)	Pam Stockbridge
	Terry Young

Congratulations!

Outgoing members are Beth Beck, Dan Driewer, and Matt Bartz. Thank you for your leadership during a very busy 2022!

Planning for Peace of Mind: On Monday February 20, Pr. Bill and Renee Scherbarth from Mueller Funeral Home will be sharing information that will help families discuss funeral planning ahead of time and what information can make the process easier. There will also be a time for any questions one may have. *The Planning for Your Peace of Mind* discussion will take place here at Grace at two different times that day to accommodate any and all who wish to attend, **1pm** and **6:30pm**. Mark your calendars, no registration is needed. Feel free to bring a friend.



Macrame Group: If you would be interested in joining a macrame group or would like to find out more about what you would need to participate, contact Renee Boos at 262-388-1950.

Offering Envelopes Issue: We received notice from our offering envelope company that due to shipping and staffing issues, they are unable to complete our latest envelope mailing. If you did not receive your envelopes for Jan and Feb, you may use an old envelope, a blank envelope, or no envelope at all (if using a check). They expect to be back to normal mailing in March.

Importance of Blood Donation: Please consider signing up at the information desk if you are interested in being a blood donor. Our church would like to be a Donation sight in the future but we need to have some idea if there is an interest in doing this most important project.

February Good News: If you receive a hardcopy of the newsletter, please stop by the welcome desk and pick it up!

2023 Mutual Ministry Committee Members: Below are the current 2023 Mutual Ministry Committee members in the event you would like to contact one of these leaders. The MMC is the liaison between the congregation, the pastor and other staff.

Committee Members: Dan/Theresa Umhoefer, Matt Junker, Pam Stockbridge

Guest House Sandwiches: We assemble sandwiches for the guests at the Guest House *twice* each month – on the first and third Wednesdays, at 9:00am. Join us for this opportunity to serve and to enjoy fellowship with one another on Wednesday, **February 1 and 15.**



All Peoples
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All Peoples Food Pantry: The pantry food supply continues to need stocking, so, for the foreseeable future we hope to collect non-perishable food items again. Suggestions are: canned meats, tuna, vegetables, noodles, dried beans, cereal, peanut butter, and jellies. When you shop for your family, please pick up an extra item for the pantry. Thank you very much!

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser: On Thursday, February 16 from 3:30-7pm you may stop by the American Legion Post in Saukville for a spaghetti dinner to support Veteran & Community programs. Dinner includes Spaghetti with meat sauce, Salad, French Bread, Coffee or Milk and Homemade dessert. Carry outs available. Landt-Thiel Pos/Unit 740, 601 Dekora St (Hwy 33), Saukville. Contact Renee Boos at 262-388-1950 for tickets.

Prices: \$15 adult in advance (\$16 at the door), \$5 Child (under age 12), under 4 - free
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Celebrations this week:

Birthdays: Andrew Knuth -1/29, Madison Maciejewski – 1/30, Donna Eigel – 2/1,
Randy Radiske -2/4, Sylvia Sampe – 2/5

Anniversaries: Jen & Kyle Scheithaur – 1/30

Prayers: Doris McMahon (Pam Liegeois' mother) **Sandy Smith, Judy and Bill** (Mother and Stepfather of Sandy Smith's best friend), **Jack** (Florence Panning's son-in-law), **Kate** Autry (daughter of Pam & John Stockbridge), **Chevelle** Lutze (Veronica Junker's great-niece), **Henry** Walicki (Veronica Junker's brother), **Anna Jean** Brown (friend of Pam and John Stockbridge), **Fred** Rehbein (friend of John & Patty Richmond), **Roland** Junker (Matt Junker's father), **Gary** Brandenburg (Florence Panning's son-in-law), **Paul** Leno (Beth Buczynski's nephew), **Alice** Neitzel, **Katie** (friend of Steve & Kevin Mussatti), **Michael** Caughill (Diane Omdahl's son-in-law), **Ken** Smith (Sandy Smith's father-in-law), **Cheri** Griffin (friend of Janie Robbins and Kim Nagel).

