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Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Easter 7

Date: May 21, 2006



Welcome in the name of our ascended Lord Jesus! Now that Christ reigns at the right hand of the Father with all authority, we have a Friend who is with us at all times, whether in need or in joy. We are delighted to have the visitors among us. Those interested in learning more about the Scriptures please speak with Pastor Hein.

† THE ORDER OF WORSHIP †

Worship Preparation: *Psalm 8, TLH p. 124*

Hymn: *WS 738: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (See Insert)*

Liturgy: *TLH, p. 5 ff. (Also available on laminated sheet in pew)*

Introit (followed by *Gloria Patri, The Kyrie*): *TLH, pp. 6-7*

P: Sing with joy to God, all the earth!

C: Sing to the glory of His name; offer Him glory and praise!

P: Praise our God, O peoples, let the sound of His praise be heard;

C: He has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping.

P: Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer ...

C: Or withheld His love from me! Glory be to God!

Gloria in Excelsis: *TLH 244, st. 1,4*

1. **Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory, While eternal ages run!**

4. **Glory, blessing, praise eternal! Thus the choir of angels sings;
Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion! Thus its praise creation brings.
Glory, glory, Glory to the King of kings!**

First Reading: *Acts 1:15-26*

The Lord's choice of Matthias demonstrates His divine guidance in calling.

Gradual:

P: Christ has risen from the dead.

C: God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor.

P He has made Him ruler over the works of His hands;

C: He has put everything under His feet.

P: Alleluia. Alleluia. Since Christ was raised from the dead, He cannot die again;

C: Death no longer has mastery over Him. Alleluia.

Second Reading: *1 John 4:13-21*

By abiding in the love of God, our love is to be reflected out to others.

Confession of Faith: *Apostolic Creed, TLH p. 12*

Hymn: *TLH 223: We Thank Thee, Jesus, Dearest Friend*

Sermon: *John 15:12-17*

(12) "This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. (13) "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends. (14) "You are My friends if you do whatever I command you. (15) "No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you. (16) "You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you. (17) "These things I command you, that you love one another." (NKJV)

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus!"

Offertory: *TLH p. 12 f.*

Hymn: *TLH 457: What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

Offering, Prayers: *TLH p. 14*

Graduation Recognition:

Tyler Degnan – Immanuel Lutheran High School (May 06)

Joelle Nelson – Metro State Univ.; BA in Professional Communication (Dec. 06)

Ole Olmanson – Univ. of MN; Masters in Water Resource Science (Dec. 06)

Bernice Redman – St. Cloud Univ.; BS in Social Studies Education (Dec. 06)

Brittany Rust – Herzing College; Dental Assisting (Sept. 06)

Children & Alumni: *Go Now In Peace*

Hymn: *TLH 212, st. 1, 5-7: A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing*

COUNCIL MEETING NOTES

May 21, 2006

Elders: Disciplinary letter sent out to Nick Kettner for lack of attendance over the past many years. For the Convention, Frank Radichel was assigned to the Doctrine committee and Dave Rust to the ILC building committee. Application was submitted for dental insurance, for both Pastor and Ryan Libby. Trying out, on a quarterly basis, not singing during the distribution of communion. For June 25th anniversary service the plan is to have power point presentation after church and before brunch/lunch. Hospitality is going to be suspended for the summer, June 1st through Labor Day. Hospitality will still be open on a volunteer basis.

Education: The field day activities, hosted by Grace School, went very well. Iowa Basics test results showed that on average our kids are one grade level higher than their current grade level and an improvement of one grade level from last year.

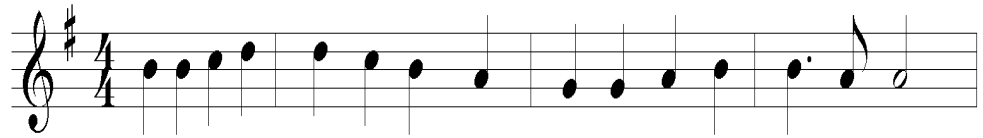
Trustees: Special thanks to all those who helped get everything done on workday.

Old Business: The letter to CLC Boards was presented and will be sent out shortly. Any feedback should go to Paul Lentz. New offering envelopes were received.

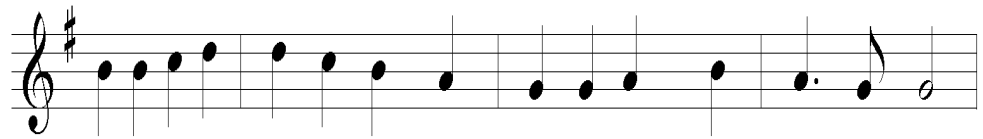
New Business: Discussion on moving Basketball hoop to back play area so that kids will not be in parking lot after church.



Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



1. Al-le-lu-ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the scep-ter, His the throne;
2. Al-le-lu-ia! Bread of heav - en, Here on earth our food, our stay;
3. Al-le-lu-ia! Not as or - phans Are we left in sor-row now;



Al-le-lu-ia! His the tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.
Al-le-lu-ia! Here the sin - ful Flee to You from day to day.
Al-le-lu-ia! He is near us; Faith be-lieves, nor ques-tions how.



Hark! The songs of peace-ful Zi - on Thun - der like a might-y flood:
In - ter-ces-sor, Friend of sin - ners, Earth's Re-deem-er, hear our plea
Though the cloud from sight re-ceived Him When the for-ty days were o'er,



"Je - sus out of ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."
Where the songs of all the an - gels Sweep a - cross the cry - stal sea.
Nev - er shall we lose His pro - mise: "I am with you ev - er - more!"

† THE ANNOUNCEMENTS †

- ◆ **Graduates:** We congratulate the graduates honored in today's service. May the Lord richly bless their future as they serve Him!
- ◆ **Among Us:** Delores Englehorn has been moved to Trevilla of New Brighton, 825 1st Ave. NW, Room 165; New Brighton, MN 55112. Joshua and Laurie Benzer were blessed with twin girls on May 15. Their names are Allyson and Madelyn. Allyson has been undergoing some tests, yesterday a bone marrow test for leukemia. We thank the Lord for these wonderful gifts to Joshua and Laurie, praying that Allyson's health issue in particular may rest in the care of her Savior. We also thank the Lord for making them both His children through Holy Baptism, having been baptized yesterday afternoon.
- ◆ **Thanks:** Dawn Paplow thanks the congregation for all the thoughts and prayers, well wishes and cards that have come to her house. She is very appreciative for the notes and phone calls of encouragement and faith in this trialing time as she experiences long-term back issues.
- ◆ **School:** The school year ended this past Thursday. The night before was the play – The Life of Aesop – which was a complete success! The children all did very well, thanks to the directing efforts of the teachers and the hard work put in by the students. Those who attended thoroughly enjoyed the performance. This event is just one demonstration of how the entire school year was truly a blessing. A big thank you goes out to all the volunteers who assisted in the work and especially to the teaching staff for all the hard work put in during the year. The work has paid off as revealed in the superb results of this year's Iowa Basics. Many of the students were well above their grade level. We encourage all our parents at Grace to consider the spiritual blessings of this school for your children. While there are a lot of other schools that may have a good education, Grace offers solid Scriptural training for the soul which is by far the most valuable asset in which a child can be trained.
- ◆ **Hospitality:** The Elders, with support of the Council, have decided to suspend hospitality from the first Sunday of June until the Sunday after Labor Day. That means today is the last hospitality for the season. If any person or persons would like to make coffee or serve a treat after worship service during the summer, inform Pastor of your intention.
- ◆ **Lutheran Spokesman Registration:** The Lutheran Spokesman is a publication by the CLC which is dedicated to sharing rich, devotional messages for our spiritual edification. It also shares news items from around the CLC. If you'd like to receive a monthly copy throughout the year, please check your name on the list by the guest book. In order to alleviate further cost to the congregation, please add \$11 to your General Fund Offering if you are able.
- ◆ **Convention Prospectus:** This is another CLC publication that shares the business items that will be presented at this year's CLC Convention in June. Please add \$2 to your General Fund Offering if you take a copy.

- ◆ **CLC Ladies Luncheon:** This event will be held on June 21 at Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, WI. Check in is at 11:30 am with a choir practice at the same time. Lunch will be served starting at noon, sandwich and salad bar with all the fixings and dessert. Cost will be \$5. This year's program is based on "Thy Will Be Done." To register, include your name and home church and send to Evelyn Carlile at carileoa@yahoo.com or mail to 4716 Kappus Dr. #1; Eau Claire, WI 54701.
- ◆ **Invitation:** Rick and Heidi Nelson invite members of Grace to a celebration of their marriage. This will be held at Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park on July 8. Please inform Rick's parents, Larry or Sue, by June 18 or else call Rick and Heidi at 651-592-7486 or 651-206-0326 (email: nelsonRSP@yahoo.com). A brochure is on the bulletin board.
- ◆ **Ordination:** The Ordination-Installation service for Candidate Matthew R. Ude, will take place at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Millston, WI, on Sunday, June 11. In order to allow travel time for those at a distance, the service will begin at 3:00 p.m. All are welcome! A potluck dinner will be served following the service. Matt's new mailing address will be: W6634 Railroad St.; Black River Falls, WI 54615. Phone: 715-284-4888.
- ◆ **CLC News:** Teacher Joel Gullerud has returned the call to teach at Our Savior's in Jamestown, ND.

CLC Email Devotion - May 26, 2006

Luke 24:52 And they worshiped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy.

JOY IN CHRIST'S ASCENSION

Usually when a dear friend leaves us, we feel sad. That was true of the disciples too. Jesus was leaving them. Yet joy overcame their sorrow. Luke tells us: "And they worshiped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy" (Luke 24:52).

There were two reasons for this joy. One was for Christ's own sake. The other was for the sake of mankind. Both are found in Hebrews 12:2: "Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of God."

When the disciples could no longer see Him, they knew that now He was at His Father's right hand ruling over all things for the sake of His Church. The disciples rejoiced over the joy Jesus had in returning to heaven.

That joy was not to be limited to those disciples assembled on Mount Olivet that day. It is also to be experienced by us. Looking toward Jesus, the Author and Finisher of our faith, we may greatly rejoice as did the disciples. Jesus has won salvation for us as well.

† TODAY AT GRACE †

Organist: Jan Davis

Elder: Michael Dick

Ushers: Bill Rust; Don Dahlin; Dan Degnan, Jr.; Michael Englehorn; Bob Maki; Roger Ochsner; Joel Stifter

Counting Team 5: Mike Dick; Brad Kitzman; Ed Lentz; Roger Ochsner

Hospitality Team 5: Mark & Trudy Wales; Al Rosendahl; Karen Auel

Church Cleaners: Rosendahl

† NEXT WEEK AT GRACE †

Ushers: Bill Rust; Don Dahlin; Dan Degnan, Jr.; Michael Englehorn; Bob Maki; Roger Ochsner; Joel Stifter

Counting Team 1: Dan Degnan; Larry Nelson; Rick Nelson; Phil Radichel; Ryan Libby

Church Cleaners: Rosendahl

† OUR SCHEDULE †

Today: 9:00 am – Worship Service (Easter 7/Graduation)
10:00 am – Hospitality

Wed., May 31: 4:00-5:45 pm – Catechism for Public School Children
7:00 pm – Midweek Bible Class

Sun., June 4: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
9:00 am – Worship Service (Pentecost)

Sun., June 11: 3:00 pm – MN Delegate Conf. @ Berea - Inver Grove Hts.

June 19-23: CLC Convention at Eau Claire, WI

Sun., June 25: 9:00 am – 50th Anniversary Service

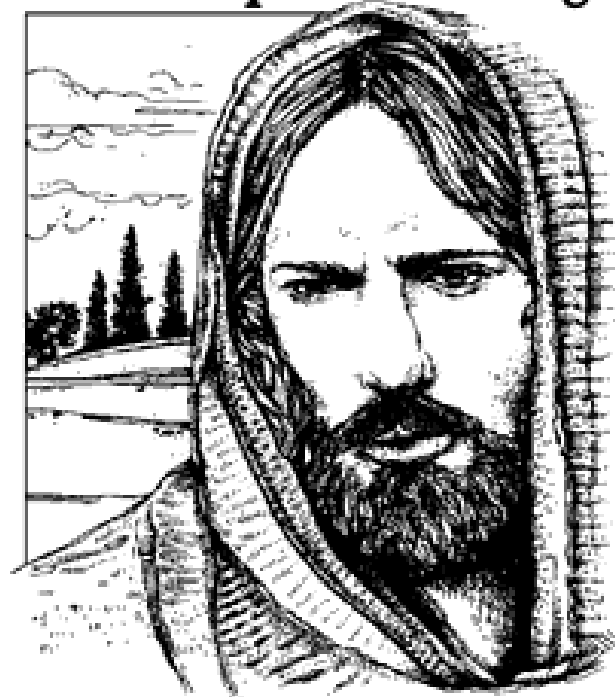
July 31-Aug. 4: Vacation Bible School

Last Week's Stats: May 21, 2006 B.Cl.: 30 S.S.: 20 Sun.: 168 Thu.: 45

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	2,479.50	CLC:	790.00	
Thu. Offering:	Grace:	304.86	CLC:	250.00	
Weekly Need:	Grace:	2,970.00	CLC:	850.00	
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-185.64	CLC:	+190.00	
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	63,374.63	CLC:	17,604.00	
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	62,370.00	CLC:	17,000.00	
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	+1,004.63	CLC:	+604.00	
Other Offerings:	Living Faith:	10.00	Tuition:	46.00	
GLC Other:	301.00	MDF:	63.00	Kinship:	105.00
ILC Student Aid.:	15.00	ILC Bldg.	16.00	IIF:	11.00
				CEF:	85.00

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I am the Alpha & the Omega,



the beginning & the end.
Revelation 21:6