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Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Saints Triumphant

Date: November 18, 2007

† THE ORDER OF WORSHIP †

Worship Preparation: *Psalm 150, TLH p. 157*

Hymn: *TLH 468: For All Thy Saints, O Lord*

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

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

P: O Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy;

C: In Your faithfulness and righteousness come to my relief.

P: I spread out my hands to You; my soul thirsts for You like a parched land.

C: Answer me quickly, O Lord; my spirit faints with longing.

P: For Your name's sake, O Lord, preserve my life;

C: In Your righteousness, bring me out of trouble.

P: With You there is forgiveness, O Lord;

C: Therefore You are feared. Glory be to God!

Gloria in Excelsis: *TLH 570, st. 1, 8*

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| 1. Praise, oh, praise our God and King,
Hymns of adoration sing;
For His mercies still endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure. | 8. Glory to our bounteous King,
Glory let creation sing;
Glory to the Father, Son,
And the Spirit, Three in One! |
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First Reading: *Isaiah 65:17-25*

Eternal gladness waits for the people of God!

Gradual:

P: These are they who have come out of the great tribulation;

C: They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

P: Blessed are those whose strength is in You,

C: Who have set their hearts on pilgrimage.

P: Alleluia. Alleluia. Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen,

C: So that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man. Alleluia.

Epistle Reading: *2 Thessalonians 2:13-3:5*

We can have peace because of our eternal election by grace.

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

Hymn: *TLH 618: Jerusalem, My Happy Home*

Sermon: *Luke 20:27-38*

(27) Then some of the Sadducees, who deny that there is a resurrection, came to Him and asked Him, (28) saying: "Teacher, Moses wrote to us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife, and he dies without children, his brother should take his wife and raise up offspring for his brother. (29) "Now there were seven brothers. And the first took a wife, and died without children. (30) "And the second took her as wife, and he died childless. (31) "Then the third took her, and in like manner the seven also; and they left no children, and died. (32) "Last of all the woman died also. (33) "Therefore, in the resurrection, whose wife does she become? For all seven had her as wife." (34) And Jesus answered and said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage. (35) "But those who are counted worthy to attain that age, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry nor are given in marriage; (36) "nor can they die anymore, for they are equal to the angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. (37) "But even Moses showed in the *burning bush passage* that the dead are raised, when he called the Lord 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' (38) "For He is not the God of the dead but of the living, for all live to Him." (NKJVTM)

Our Complete Companionship with God

Offertory: *TLH p. 12 f.*


Hymn: *TLH 463, st. 1-6: For All the Saints*

Offering, Prayers, Benediction: *TLH p. 14*

Hymn: *TLH 463, st. 7-8: For All the Saints*

Welcome to our guests and visitors. We appreciate the opportunity to share God's Word with you today. Please come again! Those interested in learning more about the Scriptures and our doctrinal position, please speak with Pastor Hein. He would be delighted to visit with you!

† THE ANNOUNCEMENTS †

- ◆ **Thanksgiving Service:** This Wednesday evening, November 21, 7:00 pm, we will be having our annual Thanksgiving Festival Worship. We have a wonderful opportunity to bring our hearts and praises before the altar of our Lord to express our thanks to Him. *"It is good to give thanks to the LORD, And to sing praises to Your name, O Most High; To declare Your lovingkindness in the morning, And Your faithfulness every night, ..." Psalm 92:1-2.*
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- THANKSGIVING**
- ◆ **Christmas Eve Service:** Today the children will be receiving the layout of the Christmas Eve Service. This year's service will be considering how the rainbow is a reminder of how God fulfills His promises, in particular the promise of sending His Son into the world for mankind's salvation. We ask that all parents take an active role in ensuring that the children learn their parts. The service will Dec. 24 at 6:00 pm. Rehearsals are scheduled for Sundays: Dec. 2 & 9, 12-2 pm; Dec. 16 & 23, 9-10 am. Prior to the first two afternoon rehearsals there will be a light lunch provided at church. We ask that parents of pre-schoolers have one parent present during the rehearsals in case help is needed. Very likely the pre-schoolers will be done with the afternoon rehearsals at least ½ hour earlier.
- ◆ **Midweek Advent Services:** This year's Midweek Advent services will be held on Wednesdays, Dec. 5, 12, and 19, 7:00 pm. Dec. 19 will be the candlelight service.
- ◆ **Christmas Music Recital:** A recital of our young musicians is being planned. It is scheduled for hospitality on Dec. 9. Please speak with Janelle Hein if you plan on participating in this event.
- ◆ **ILC Christmas Concert:** This year's Christmas concert will be held on Fri., Dec. 21, 7:30 pm, at Eau Claire. There is a signup list for the trip by the guestbook.
- ◆ **Movie:** This Christmas season a movie intended for children is being promoted: The Golden Compass. This is based upon a series of books written by an atheist who intends to do away with God in a subtle way. The movie has a well known cast, including Nicole Kidman, Kevin Bacon, and Sam Elliott. It will probably be advertised extensively, so it is crucial that we get the word out to warn parents about this movie.
- ◆ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #12 – Conclusion.

Council Meeting Notes

November 11, 2007

Meeting opened with a prayer at 12:07 PM. Roll was taken. The October Council meeting minutes were accepted as presented. The October treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

Pastor's Report

- Ray Stifter's funeral was Monday.
- There are still many health issues.

Board of Elders Report

- Voter and church attendance will be reviewed and recommendations will be made.

Board of Education Report

- Hearing tests will be November 14.
- Parent/teacher conferences went well.
- Singing at Northtown, field trips, Christmas party, and other events will be coming up soon.

Board of Trustees Report

- The furnace that is not working very well might have to be replaced, but it might just be a venting issue.
- A vacuum is not working well.
- A schedule must be established to wax the new floor (quarterly?).

Old Business

- A new section with contact phone numbers will be added to the new handbook.
- We are encouraged to sign up for items on the service list.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 12:30 PM.

Roger Ochsner
Secretary, Grace Lutheran Church

† TODAY AT GRACE †

Organist: Sue Nelson

Elder: Mike Dick

Ushers: Pat Paplow; Jeff Radichel; Gerald Anderson; Dan Degnan;
Matt Dick; Brandon Paplow; Ryan Libby; Andrew Rosendahl

Counting Team 2: Gary Gunther; Bill Rust; Bob Vandever;
Clint Welker; Mark Wales

Hospitality Team 4: Larry Nelson; Barb Sydow; Fred, Pal, &
Scott Dauer

Church Cleaners: Bergstrom

School Cleaners: Vandever

† NEXT WEEK AT GRACE †

Ushers: Pat Paplow; Jeff Radichel; Gerald Anderson; Dan Degnan;
Matt Dick; Brandon Paplow; Ryan Libby; Andrew Rosendahl

Counting Team 3: Don Auel; Brian Eichstadt; Jack
Kirkham; Benno Sydow; Ole Olmanson

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

Church Cleaners: Kitzman

School Cleaners: Ferris

† OUR SCHEDULE †

Today: 9:00 am – Sunday School and Bible Class
10:00 am – Worship Service
11:00 am – Hospitality

Wed., Nov. 21: 4:00 pm – Catechism for Public School Students
7:00 pm – Thanksgiving Worship Service

Sun., Nov. 25: No Choir Practice
9:00 am – Sunday School and Bible Class
10:00 am – Worship Service (Guest: Pastor W. Eichstadt)
11:00 am – Hospitality

Sun., Dec. 2, 9: 12-2 pm – Christmas Eve Rehearsals

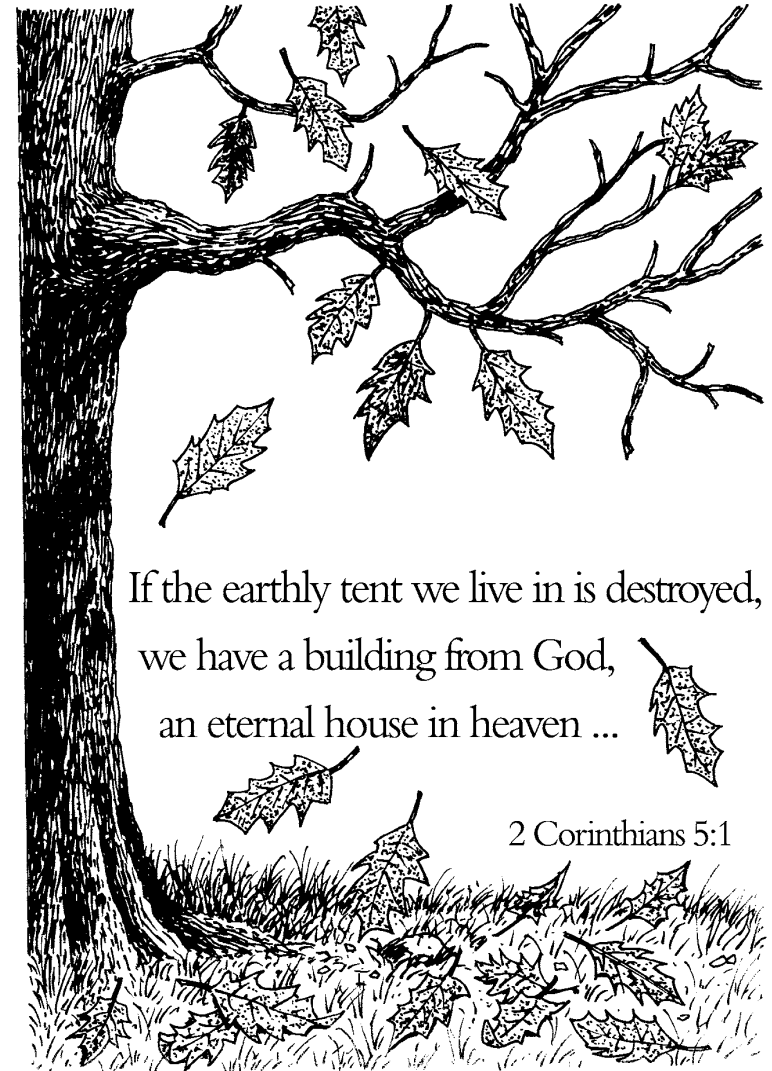
Sun., Dec. 16, 23: 9:00 am – Christmas Eve Rehearsals

Last Week's Stats: Nov. 11, 2007 Sun.: 135 S.S.: 24 B.Cl.: 45 Wed.: 29

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	2,359.02	CLC:	809.00	
Weekly Need:	Grace:	3,030.00	CLC:	960.00	
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-670.98	CLC:	-151.00	
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	130,188.18	CLC:	41,255.24	
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	136,350.00	CLC:	43,200.00	
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-6,161.82	CLC:	-1,944.76	
Other Offerings:	Living Faith:	39.00	Tuition:	59.00	
GLC Other:	145.00*	MDF:	157.00	Kinship:	69.00
ILC Student Aid:	0.00	ILC Bldg.	72.00	IIF: 12.00	CEF: 37.00

* \$132 Ray Stifter Memorial

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If the earthly tent we live in is destroyed,
we have a building from God,
an eternal house in heaven ...

2 Corinthians 5:1