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Grace Lutheran Church & School

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Church Year: Pentecost 2 **Date:** May 25, 2008

† **THE ORDER OF WORSHIP** †

Worship Preparation: *Psalm 32, TLH p. 130 f.*

Hymn: *TLH 281: The Savior Calls; Let Every Ear*

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

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

- P: I trust in Your unfailing love;
- C: My heart rejoices in Your salvation.**
- P Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim You,
- C: Who walk in the light of Your presence, O Lord.**
- P: Be my rock of refuge,
- C: A strong fortress to save 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: *Exodus 17:1-7*

The children of Israel complained about not having a basic necessity of life - water. How much more do we complain about not having things which really aren't essential? If we had been in the sandals of those in the desert, wouldn't we have complained just as they had? Our attitude as we *live for Christ* is that **He is among us**, and that **He will provide**.



Gradual:

- P: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;
- C: His greatness no one can fathom.**
- P I will meditate on Your wonderful works,
- C: And I will proclaim Your great deeds.**
- P: Alleluia. Alleluia. Your Word is a lamp to my feet ...
- C: And a light to my path. Alleluia.**

Second Reading: *Acts 5:1-11*

Ananias and Sapphira were two of the early New Testament "Christians" who lived for themselves, not for Christ. They ended up lying about their finances not only to Peter, but more importantly to the Holy Spirit. They lived unto sin, not unto Christ. How grateful we can be that the Lord is truthful in everything that He says and does for us!

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

Hymn: *TLH 369: All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall*

Sermon: *Galatians 2:17-21*

(17) "But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, *is* Christ therefore a minister of sin? Certainly not! (18) "For if I build again those things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. (19) "For I through the law died to the law that I might live to God. (20) "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. (21) "I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness *comes* through the law, then Christ died in vain."

Living for Christ Who Gave Himself for Me

1. *We are dead to the Law*
2. *We are crucified with Christ*
3. *We are alive as Christ lives in us*

Offertory: *TLH p. 12 f.*

Hymn: *TLH 375: If Thy Beloved Son, O God*

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

Grace Graduation:

Graduation Recognition:

Alumni Hymn: *Go Now in Peace*

Hymn: *TLH 54: Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

† THE ANNOUNCEMENTS †

- ◆ **Graduation Recognition:** Today we recognize the following graduates from our Christian Day School: Karie Davis and Matthew Vandever. What a marvelous Christian foundation our congregation has been able to provide these two and all the other children who attended Grace Lutheran School. We also congratulate and wish the Lord's richest blessings upon the other graduates in our midst:



- ★ Tessa Enns – Eastern Arizona Academy High School
- ★ Logan Smith – Anoka High School
- ★ Julie Brandt – Univ. of MN Duluth (BA in history & international studies)
- ★ Jeff Radichel – Carlson School of Business (MBA)

- ◆ **School Spring Program:** This Thursday night, on May 29, the children of our day school will be putting on their play, "The Adventures of Brer Rabbit." All members and friends of Grace are invited and encouraged to show support of the children's efforts and of our school. Refreshments will follow the program.



- ◆ **Added Work Day:** In order to clear out space for carpeting the classrooms, there will be a work day this Sat., May 31. This will also include initial work in putting up a permanent wall between the two classrooms located in the older part of the facility.

- ◆ **Vacation Bible School:** Please note that this is scheduled for July 21-25, a change from the original schedule.



- ◆ **Lutheran Spokesman:** The Lutheran Spokesman is a publication by the CLC which is dedicated to sharing rich, devotional messages for our spiritual edification. Those who currently receive the publication are listed on a sheet by the guestbook. If you no longer wish to receive it, please cross out your name. If you don't receive it and would like to, please sign up for a copy. The congregation will cover the cost.

- ◆ **Valleyfair:** The first Valleyfair work-fun-day of this summer is May 31. Volunteers will be working an 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. shift in food service. The wages earned will help to offset the cost of Youth Conference 2009 (YC 09). Workers will receive individual credit that can be applied to YC 09 registration costs or to the Immanuel Boundary Waters Adventure 2008. These credits are transferable. Valleyfair closes at 8:00 p.m. on May 31st. Weather permitting, workers are able to enjoy the rides of the park for free following their shift until closing. Spaces are limited! If you'd like to help out, please respond to this email or phone 507-344-0898. - Pastor Wayne Eichstadt

- ◆ **FAITH CONGREGATION** in Markesan, WI, has set up a fund to help the Mike Schierenbeck family with expenses related to his upcoming transplant and recovery time. Rev. Schierenbeck recently resigned from the ministry to undergo treatment for cancer. His treatment and recovery, as the gracious Lord wills, is projected to be lengthy. Gifts may be sent to:

Farmers State Bank
PO. Box 460
Markesan, WI 53946

Checks are to be made out to Mike Schierenbeck. Write "transplant fund" on the memo line. Your gift is not tax deductible.

- ◆ **CLC Mission Trip Updates:** Pastor Todd Ohlmann and Missionary Matthew Ude have been on a visitation among our fellow believers in India of the BELC and CLCI. Pastor Ohlmann's trip journal has just been updated, giving details of yesterday's graduation ceremony at the CLCI Seminary -- www.IndiaandNepal2008.blogspot.com (also linked through the "Missions" link on the clclutheran.org page). We pray for their continuing work, and for their safety in traveling. In Christ, Mission Board Chairman, Pastor Bruce Naumann.

- ◆ **From CLC President, John Schierenbeck:** Philip Matzke has asked to be placed on the Clergy Roster of the CLC. This would certify that he is eligible for a call into the public ministry. I have appointed Pastor Mark Benrthal as chairman of this committee. I have also appointed Pastor Michael Roehl and Pastor Mike Eichstadt as members of this committee. The Reentry Committee will meet Monday, June 16 at 5:00 pm. Any communication should be in the hands of Pastor Benrthal before June 16. Yours in His service, John Schierenbeck



- ◆ **CLC News:** Pastor Paul Nolting of Immanuel at Mankato, MN, has received the call to serve at Faith in Markesan, WI. † On Saturday there was ILC graduation: 26 high school graduates; 3 graduates of the 2 yr. Assoc. of Arts degree from college; 1 graduate of the Bachelor of Science degree in education, Jennifer Ohlmann (currently without a call); 1 graduate of the Bachelor of Science in Pre-Theology, Thomas J. List; 3 graduates from the seminary, including Michael Gurath; Scott Schiermeister; and Aaron Ude. All three seminary graduates are currently without calls.

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!

† **TODAY AT GRACE** †

Organist: **Maureen Ochsner** Elder: **Al Rosendahl**
Ushers: **Mike Dick, Larry Brandt, Roger Brandt, Scott Dauer, Dale Enns, Lynn Sandhoefner**
Counting Team 4: **Paul Lentz; Al Rosendahl; Dave Rust; Lynn Sandhoefner; Jeff Radichel**
Hospitality Team 3: **Dan & Cindy Degnan; Ed & Verona Lentz; Angela Valley**
Church Cleaners: **Degnan** School Cleaners: **Ferris**

† **NEXT WEEK AT GRACE** †

Ushers: **Mike Dick, Larry Brandt, Roger Brandt, Scott Dauer, Dale Enns, Lynn Sandhoefner**
Counting Team 5: **Mike Dick; Brad Kitzman; Ed Lentz; Roger Ochsner**
Hospitality: **Suspended for summer**
Church Cleaners: **Rosendahl**

† **OUR SCHEDULE** †

Today: 9:00 am – Worship Service
 10:00 am – Hospitality (Graduation Recognition)
 No Softball this evening
Wed., May 28: 4:00 pm – Public School Catechism (done at 5 pm)
Thu., May 29: 7:00 pm – Grace School Program (Brer Rabbit)
Sat., May 31: 9:00 am – Work Day (clear classrooms for carpeting)
Sun., June 1: 9:00 am – Worship Service w/ Lord's Supper
 3:00 pm – MN Delegate Conference at Mankato
 8:00, 9:00 pm – Grace Softball Games (Field #3)
June 16-20: CLC Convention @ Eau Claire
Sun., June 22: Grace Picnic
July 21-25: Vacation Bible School

Last Week's Stats: May 18, 2008		Sun.: 152	
Sun. Offering:	Grace:	2,790.84	CLC: 1,065.00
Weekly Need:	Grace:	3,225.00	CLC: 1,000.00
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-434.16	CLC: +65.00
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	60,687.22	CLC: 20,650.35
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	64,500.00	CLC: 20,000.00
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-3,812.78	CLC: +650.35
Other Offerings:	Living Faith:	16.00	Tuition: 141.00
GLC Other: 154.00	MDF:	15.00	Kinship: 64.00
ILC Student Aid: 60.00	ILC Bldg.	127.00	IIF: 14.00 CEF: 44.00

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Create in me a

clean heart,
O God;
and renew a
right spirit
within
me.



Psalm 51:10