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Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Last Sunday

Date: November 22, 2009

† THE ORDER OF WORSHIP †

Worship Preparation: *Psalm 139, TLH p. 154 f.*

Hymn: *TLH 656: Behold a Host, Arrayed in White*

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

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

P: We are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth.

C: In which righteousness dwells.

P: Show me, O Lord, my life's end and the number of my days;

C: Let me know how fleeting is my life.

P: You have made my days a mere handbreadth;

C: The span of my years is as nothing before You.

P: But now, Lord, what do I look for?

C: My hope is in You. Glory be to God!

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

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: *Genesis 2:18-24*

At the beginning God ordains marriage between a man and a woman.

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. Jesus promises: "I am the Alpha and the Omega,

C: The First and the Last, the Beginning and the End." Alleluia.

Second Reading: *Ephesians 5:21-33*

God establishes roles for husbands and wives.

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

Hymn: *TLH 624: O Blessed Home Where Man and Wife*

Sermon: *Mark 10:2-16*

(2) The Pharisees came and asked Him, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce *his* wife?" testing Him. (3) And He answered and said to them, "What did Moses command you?" (4) They said, "Moses permitted *a man* to write a certificate of divorce, and to dismiss *her*." (5) And Jesus answered and said to them, "Because of the hardness of your heart he wrote you this precept. (6) "But from the beginning of the creation, God 'made them male and female.' (7) 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, (8) 'and the two shall become one flesh'; so then they are no longer two, but one flesh. (9) "Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate." (10) In the house His disciples also asked Him again about the same *matter*. (11) So He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her. (12) "And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." (13) Then they brought little children to Him, that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought *them*. (14) But when Jesus saw *it*, He was greatly displeased and said to them, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. (15) "Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." (16) And He took them up in His arms, put *His* hands on them, and blessed them. (NKJVTM)

Functioning as a Family in These Final Days

Offertory: *TLH p. 12 f.*

Hymn: *TLH 625: Oh, Blest the House, Whate'er Befall*

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

Hymn: *TLH 566: Christ, by Heavenly Hosts Adored*

† THE ANNOUNCEMENTS †

- ◆ **Voters Meeting:** A special Voters meeting is scheduled for today at 11:30 am to discuss the 2010 budget proposal.
- ◆ **Thanksgiving Eve Service:** Our Thanksgiving service will be this Wednesday, Nov. 25, 7 pm. While the economy and other issues may lead people to question the bounty of the Lord, the Christian's gratitude is based on the all-abounding grace of our Savior. This never ends! Come and worship your Lord, thanking Him for every good and perfect gift! Berea Lutheran in Inver Grove Hts. will also be holding its Thanksgiving service on Thursday morning at 9:00 am.
- ◆ **Cookie Bake:** The date for the Dorcas Guild Cookie Bake has been changed to this Saturday, November 28, beginning at 9:00 a.m.
- ◆ **Christmas Eve Service:** Our children will be rehearsing for the service on the following dates:
 - ◆ Sun., Dec. 6: 12-2 pm (luncheon at church and may start a bit early)
 - ◆ Sun., Dec. 13: 12-2 pm (luncheon at church and may start a bit early)
 - ◆ Sun., Dec. 20: 9-9:45 am (please be here earlier than 9 am so that we can start promptly in order to get through everything)

December is a busy month, but please understand the importance of these rehearsals for a successful Christmas Eve service. Each child should attend at least 2 out of the 3 sessions, but attending all three is obviously the most preferable. The children have a wonderful opportunity to express the Good News of our salvation through Jesus Christ. The parents' help is greatly appreciated to make everything go well, as is evident by how well things have gone the past few years.
- ◆ **Recital:** Those grade school students interested in participating in a music recital please speak with Janelle Hein. This will be held during hospitality on December 13.
- ◆ **ILC Christmas Concert:** This year's Christmas concert will be held on Fri., Dec. 18, 7:30 pm, at Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, WI. Those who wish to sign up for a ride on the bus, there is a sign-up list for the trip.
- ◆ **2010 Cleaning:** The 2010 cleaning sign-up list is now posted on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. Please consider signing up.
- ◆ **Poinsettias:** Those members who wish to purchase a Poinsettia for the Advent/Christmas season should sign the sheet by the guest book. At this point it is assumed that the cost will be about \$8. For any questions, please speak with Jackie Radichel.
- ◆ **Hospitality 2010:** Anyone wishing to be on a Hospitality Team or come off a team needs to notify Laura Wales by December 13, 2009, so the calendar for next year can be made.



- ◆ **Mission Calendars:** 2010 calendars are available which focus on our CLC missions. If you would like one, please make a \$3 donation to the MDF. Copies are available below the mailboxes.
- ◆ **Eden Prairie Worship:** Regular Sunday morning services are being held at 9:00 am in Eden Prairie, MN, as an outreach effort in the southwest area of the Twin Cities. Fliers are by the guest book.
- ◆ **From Mission Board Chair:** We have three groups right now who are doing visitations to our overseas churches, and not without danger. Matt Ude is in Nigeria, and will be leaving today for Ghana and Togo. You can read about his harrowing experience at his blog: <http://lutheranmissions.org/parokos/> (third item). Nathanael Mayhew, Larry Hansen, and Russ Schmitt have been visiting in East Africa, and are expected home late this week. They have recently come back to Kenya from Uganda, and will be spending time in Etago with the churches there and the AIDS orphan school. They have been out of internet contact for a few days. Nathanael's trip blog is here: <http://nmayhew.blogspot.com/>. Dave Koenig and Mark Bohde begin their visit to Myanmar today. Christianity is oppressed in that country. Your prayers are encouraged for our fellows, that the Lord would grant them safe travel and fruitful work for His kingdom. In Christ, Pastor Bruce Naumann
- ◆ **CLC News:** Scott Schiermeister has resigned from his calls at St. John's, Lutheran Church, Clarkston, WA, and at Peace Lutheran Church, Orofino, ID. Please remember Scott and his family in your prayers. Please also include these congregations in your prayers. Pastor Kevin McKenny is facing special needs. He is suffering from relapsing/remitting MS. Right now he is in a period of relapsing MS. The family is facing unpaid electricity and utility bills. In addition the transmission on the van went out. I am authorizing a special offering for the McKenny family. Please share this with your congregation(s). Your treasurer may send contributions to the CLC treasurer. Please mark them MCKENNY FAMILY. or directly to Pastor Kevin McKenny; 321 Armenia Street; Fort Atkinson, WI 53538. Please also remember in your prayers Pastor Steven Karp. He has been fighting bladder cancer. His doctor feels that he is making real improvement. He is preparing to have another out patient surgical procedure. We commit Pastor Karp into the hands of our gracious God. – CLC President John Schierenbeck
- ◆ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #12 – Conclusion.

Last Week's Stats:			
Nov. 15, 2009	Sun.: 119	S.S.: 23	B.Cl.: 42
Wed.: 24			
Sun. Offering:	Grace: \$2,686.20	CLC: \$756.00	
Weekly Need:	Grace: 3,300.00	CLC: 1,000.00	
-Under / +Over:	Grace: -613.80	CLC: -244.00	
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace: 134,377.58	CLC: 41,360.40	
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace: 151,800.00	CLC: 46,000.00	
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace: -17,422.42	CLC: -4,639.60	
Other Offerings:	Living Faith: 1.00	Tuition: 42.00	
GLC Other: 24.84	MDF: 103.00*	Kinship: 50.00	
ILC Student Aid: 0.00	ILC Bldg. 77.00	IIF: 0.00	CEF: 0.00

† TODAY AT GRACE †

Organist: Maureen Ochsner Elder: Frank Radichel

Ushers: Benno Sydow, Brian Eichstadt, Gary Gunther, Rich Rhinesmith, Jeff Stifter, Larry Nelson

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

Hospitality Team 1: Phil & Jackie Radichel; Lynn & Janice Sandhoefner

Church Cleaners: J & S Radichel School Cleaners: Maki

† NEXT WEEK AT GRACE †

Ushers: Benno Sydow, Brian Eichstadt, Gary Gunther, Rich Rhinesmith, Jeff Stifter, Larry Nelson

Counting Team 3: Don Auel; Brian Eichstadt; Jack Kirkham; Benno Sydow; Michael Ude

Hospitality Team 2: Janelle Hein; Chris Lentz; Peter Fleischer; Alice Weibye; Jeff & Sarah Radichel

Church Cleaners: Hein School Cleaners: Sandhoefner

† OUR SCHEDULE †

Today: 9:00 am – Sunday School and Bible Class
10:00 am – Worship Service
11:15 am – Hospitality; 11:30 am – Voters Meeting

Wed., Nov. 25: 4:00-5:45 pm – Catechism for Public School Students
7:00 pm – Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Sat., Nov. 28: 9:00 am – Dorcas Guild Cookie Bake

Sun., Nov. 29: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
9:00 am – Sunday School and Bible Class
10:00 am – Worship Service
11:15 am – Hospitality

Wed., Dec. 2, 9: 7:00 pm – Midweek Advent Worship

Sun., Dec. 6, 13: 12:00-2:00 pm – Christmas Eve Rehearsals

Sun., Dec. 13: 11:15 am – Grace Music Recital
3:00 pm – ILC Piano/Organ Recital

Wed., Dec. 16: 7:00 pm – Candlelight Service

Fri., Dec. 18: 2:00 pm – Christian Day School Northtown Concert
7:30 pm – ILC Christmas Concert

Sun., Dec. 20: 9:00-9:45 pm – Christmas Eve Rehearsal

Thu., Dec. 24: 6:00 pm – Christmas Eve Worship

Fri., Dec. 25: 10:00 am – Christmas Day Worship

Thu., Dec. 31: 7:00 pm – New Years Eve Worship w/ Lord's Supper

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*Thy father and thy mother shall be glad,
and she that bare thee shall rejoice.*

Proverbs 23:25