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Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Easter 2

Date: May 1, 2011

† THE ORDER OF WORSHIP †

Worship Preparation: *Psalm 16, p. 125*

Hymn: *TLH 363: To Our Redeemer's Glorious Name*

Liturgy: *TLH, p. 15 ff. (Also available on laminated sheet in pew)*

Introit (followed by Gloria Patri, The Kyrie): *TLH, pp. 16-17*

P: Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name;

C: Make known among the nations what He has done.

P: Sing to Him, sing praise to Him; tell of all His wonderful acts.

C: Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

P: Look to the Lord and His strength; seek His face always.

C: Remember the wonders He has done, His miracles and judgments. Glory be to God!

Gloria in Excelsis: *TLH 193, st. 1,6*

1. Christ the Lord is risen today,
Sons of men and angels say.
Raise your joys and triumphs high;
Sing, ye heavens, and, earth, reply.

6. Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!
Praise to Thee by both be given!
Thee we greet triumphant now:
Hail, the Resurrection Thou!

First Reading: *Isaiah 12:1-6*

Rejoice in the God of our salvation who has done excellent things!

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: *Hebrews 12:12-24*

We have come to Jesus, the Mediator of the New Covenant.

Confession of Faith: *Nicene Creed, TLH p. 22*

Hymn: *TLH 210: The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done*

Sermon: *John 10:10*

"The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." (NKJVTM)

Jesus Gives You the Most Abundant Life

1. Exceeding all others
2. Purchased by His life
3. Received both 'now and not yet'

Offertory: *TLH p. 22 f.*

Hymn: *TLH 416: Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways*

Offering & Prayer:

Liturgy for the Lord's Supper: *TLH p. 24 ff.*

Distribution: *TLH 306: Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Hast Prepared*

Note: In obedience to God's Word, and out of concern for the welfare of souls (1 Corinthians 11:29), and finally that we may honestly express the unity of faith and hope that binds us, we ask that only such as have identified with Grace through public confession of faith or another CLC congregation, approach the altar at the usher's direction.

Nunc Dimittis, Prayer, Benediction: *TLH 29 ff.*

Hymn: *TLH 189: He is Arisen! Glorious Word!*

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!

Voters Meeting Notes (4/17/2011):

Meeting was opened with prayer. Roll call taken. Minutes of the January 16 meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer report:

- We are doing well financially.
- 1st quarter spending less than receipts.
- Spending lower than year-to-date target.
- Giving to CLC ahead of year-to-date target.
- Report approved as read.

Pastor's report:

- On behalf of the called workers, Pastor expressed thanks to the congregation for the Christmas gifts.
- Pastor will be preaching at Sioux Falls May 15 for their 25th Anniv.
- The ILC Tour Choir concert of March 20 went well.
- An electronic file version of the Annual Report was e-mailed.
- Instruction classes for Rona Flesner and Alex Baker continue.
- Frieda Aden, a shut in from Okabena whom Pastor has been serving, is moving to Florida to live with her daughter.
- Tim Stiller will be visiting us from Australia this month. He will present a report on what is going on with Lutherans in Australia.
- A texting ministry has begun with people in Liberia who are contacts of Alvin Jask.

Elders Report:

- The completed CLC Convention Survey was presented by Frank Radichel for voters' approval.

Board of Education Report

- 2011-2012 School Year Calendar submitted and approved.
- The school children and staff are grateful for the class trip donations. \$400 remains after expenses. Tuition Aid Fund was suggested.
- Field Day is April 29 at Berea. People encouraged to volunteer to help.
- Minnesota Teachers Conference has not been scheduled. Everything that needs to be done can now be accomplished electronically.

Board of Trustees Report

- Work Day will be Saturday, April 23.
- A master list for building keys is being prepared. All locks will be re-keyed. A magnetic pass card system was discussed.
- The new skylights for the parsonage have arrived and will be installed within 2 weeks, weather permitting.
- The annual audit has been completed and everything was satisfactory.

Voter membership for Seth Sorenson was moved and passed.

Old Business

- Proposed changes to the Grace Constitution and By-Laws:
 - Proposal One – Eliminate the Financial Secretary position, and transfer the duties from that office to the Vice President. Motion to approve Proposal One was made and passed.
 - Proposal Two – Add the two continuing Board of Education members to the Nominating Committee. Motion to approve Proposal Two was made and passed.
 - Proposal Three – Reduce the size of the Boards from 3 members to 2, reduce term limits from 3 years to 2, and add an ex-officio member from the annual officers. The council recommended action on this proposal be suspended for one year. No action was taken.
- Affirmation of Proposals One and Two to be repeated at the next Voters Meeting in order to affect the changes.
- Change to the wording in the Tuition Aid Fund section in the Grace Lutheran Church Handbook was presented. Council's recommendation for this proposed change to be tabled was reported and discussed.

New Business

- Blood Drive: Rick Nelson proposed a Blood Drive be held at Grace. Motion was made and passed to approve this blood drive
- Men's Retreat: Eli reported that the site normally reserved at the usual time for this retreat has been booked by a large party. Eli recommends Sept. 30-Oct. 2, and will report on the final arrangements.

† THE ANNOUNCEMENTS †

- ♦ **Thanks** to Seminarian Mark Tiefel for sharing with us the message of our risen Savior. He is finishing his second year of seminary and lives with his wife, Gretchen nee Noeldner, and baby daughter in Eau Claire. Pastor Hein is taking a vacation Sunday.
- ♦ **Midweek Bible Class:** Suspended the rest of the year due to scheduling.
- ♦ **Call News:** Immanuel of Mankato, MN, has called member Julia Busch to serve as 7th and 8th grade teacher in its school.
- ♦ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #26, Sacrament of Altar 2

Last Week's Stats: Apr. 24, 2011 Sun.: 148

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| Sun. Offering: | Grace: | \$3,668.73 | CLC: | \$1,327.00 | |
| Weekly Need: | Grace: | 2,850.00 | CLC: | 960.00 | |
| -Under / +Over: | Grace: | +818.73 | CLC: | +367.00 | |
| Year-to-Date Offering:: | Grace: | \$51,448.91 | CLC: | \$16,565.50 | |
| Year-to-Date Need: | Grace: | 48,450.00 | CLC: | 16,320.00 | |
| Year-to-Date (+/-) | Grace: | +2,998.91 | CLC: | +245.50 | |
| Other Offerings: | Living Faith: | 35.00 | Tuition: | 240.00 | |
| GLC Other: | 312.00 | MDF: | 30.00 | Kinship: | 80.00 |
| ILC Student Aid: | 0.00 | ILC Bldg. | 40.00 | IIF: | 30.00 |
| | | | | CEF: | 30.00 |

† **TODAY AT GRACE** †

Organist: **Janelle Hein** *Elder:* **Ed Lentz**

Ushers: **Mike Dick, Larry Brandt, Roger Brandt, Nick Duehlmeier, Dale Enns, Lynn Sandhoefner**

Counting Team 4: **Ed Lentz; Roger Ochsner; Al Rosendahl; Dave Rust; Lynn Sandhoefner**

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

Church Cleaners: **Nelson & Kitzman** *School:* **Maki**

† **NEXT WEEK AT GRACE** †

Ushers: **Pat Paplow, Gerald Anderson, Dan Degnan, Ryan Oman, Brandon Paplow, Andrew Rosendahl**

Counting Team 1: **Dan Degnan; Larry Nelson; Phil Radichel; Pat Paplow**

Hospitality Team 2: **Janelle Hein; Chris Lentz; Jenny Kleifgen**

Church Cleaners: **Nelson & Kitzman** *School:* **Sandhoefner**

† **OUR SCHEDULE** †

Today: 9:00 am – Sun. School & Bible Class
10:00 am – Worship Service w/Lord's Supper
11:15 am – Hospitality; 12:00 pm – Council Meeting

May 4-5: CLC Coordinating Council Meeting @ Eau Claire, WI

Wed., May 4: Catechism Suspended; 3:45-5:30 pm – 8th Grade Students

Sun., May 8: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
9:00 am – Sun. School & Bible Class
10:00 am – Worship Service
11:15 am – Hospitality

Wed., May 11: 4:00-5:45 pm – Catechism for Public School Students
7:30 pm – ILC Piano & Organ Recital

Fri., May 13: Field Day at Berea in Inver Grove Hts., MN

Fri., May 20: 3:00 pm – ILC Class Day; 7:30 pm – ILC Spring Concert

Sat., May 21: 10:00 am – ILC Graduation Service

Sun., May 22: 9:00 am – Confirmation Examination
10:00 am – Worship with Confirmation

Thu., May 26: 7:00 pm – Grace School Spring Program

Fri., May 27: Last Day of School at Grace

Sun., May 29: Summer Schedule Begins (9 am Worship)

Thu., June 2: 7:00 pm – Ascension Worship Service

Sun., June 12: 3:00 pm – MN Delegate Conference at Sleepy Eye, MN

June 21-23: CLC Pastoral Conference @ Eau Claire, WI

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"I am the gate;

whoever
enters
through me
will be
saved."

John 10:9