

# *Grace Lutheran Church & School*



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Member: *CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION*



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**Church Year:** Epiphany 1

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**Grades:** Kindergarten-8<sup>th</sup>

**Date:** January 8, 2023

## ✠ **WORSHIP INFORMATION** ✠

### **Hymns:**

For Thy Mercy and Thy Grace  
TLH 369: All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall  
WS 751: God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It  
TLH 371:1,3,6: Jesus, Thy Blood & Righteousness  
Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

### **Worship Prep:**

Psalm 72, TLH p. 138

### **Liturgy:**

TLH, p. 5 (Projected)

### **Scripture Readings:**

Isaiah 60:1-6  
Matthew 2:1-12

### **Sermon: Ephesians 4:20-24**

<sup>20</sup> But you have not so learned Christ, <sup>21</sup> if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus: <sup>22</sup> that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, <sup>23</sup> and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, <sup>24</sup> and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness. (NKJV<sup>TM</sup>)

## **MY INCREDIBLE OUTFIT!**

- 1. I am deceived by the outfit with which I was born**
- 2. I am amazed at the outfit received through baptism**

## ✝ ***THE ANNOUNCEMENTS*** ✝

- ➔ **2023 Cleaning:** The 2023 cleaning sign-up list is now posted on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. Please consider signing up.
- ➔ **Medical Expenses:** To help with medical expenses, donations to the Hein family can be marked "Hein Gift" and placed in the collection or mailed to Grace Lutheran Church, Attn.: Treasurer, 460 75<sup>th</sup> Ave NE; Fridley, MN 55432, or received online at [www.gofundme.com/john-and-janelle-hein-family](http://www.gofundme.com/john-and-janelle-hein-family).
- ➔ **Meal Train:** A "meal train" has been set up to provide meals to Pastor Hein and his family twice a week. Please consider signing up to provide a meal. You may sign up at the following link: [www.mealtrain.com/trains/082wm4](http://www.mealtrain.com/trains/082wm4) or by speaking with Laura Wales. Meals can be left in the church kitchen refrigerator and/or freezer for the family to heat up and eat as needed.
- ➔ **Declaration of Fellowship:** From CLC President Michael Eichstadt: Upon the recommendation of Missionaries Todd Ohlmann and Peter Evensen, I am happy to declare fellowship with Pastor Jacques Pondi Lumiangu and the Eglise Confessionnelle Lutherienne Sainte Faille au Congo (E.C.L.S.A.FA.CO), located in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo. Pastor Lumiangu was trained by an LCMS affiliate, but became troubled by the false teachings he encountered. He and his congregation subsequently left that fellowship and became an independent confessional Lutheran church. Pastor Lumiangu's first contact with the CLC was with Pastor Timothy Daub on Facebook. Pastor Lumiangu has thoroughly studied the CLC Statement of Faith and Purpose and has submitted essay answers to doctrinal colloquy questions. He writes, "I am convinced that we are in doctrinal agreement and that we are united in the same mind and same judgment (1 Cor. 1:10); therefore, we wish to be officially recognized as a sister synod of the CLC here in the Democratic Republic of Congo." Missionaries Ohlmann and Evensen met with Pastor Lumiangu Nov. 1-6, 2022 and are confident of his understanding of Scripture's doctrines and of his agreement with the CLC. Pastor Lumiangu is currently training three men from his congregation to be pastors to be sent out to establish sister congregations which will faithfully preach and teach God's Word.
- ➔ **CLC News:** Pastor Andrew Schaller of Calvary Lutheran in Marquette, MI, has received the call to Luther Memorial in Fond du Lac, WI.
- ➔ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #9 – Seventh Commandment

# **Council Meeting Notes – December 18, 2022**

Meeting opened with prayer. November Council meeting minutes read and approved with minor edits. Treasurer's report was presented and approved.

## **Pastor's Report**

- Elders are working with Pastor to ensure all pastoral duties are getting covered. Seems to be working well.
- Pastor will go to Houston, TX to meet with doctors who have expertise with his type of cancer.
- Motion approved an account reimbursement value of \$4,800 for 2023.
- Motion approved a parsonage exclusion value of \$3,000 for 2023.
- Motion approved to set parsonage fair rental value of \$8,400 for 2023.
- Updating the yearbook is in progress, including the contact list.
- Liberia – Pastor has had calls with Pastor Joseph Kwiwalazu and Missionary Peter Evenson. Evenson will fill in for Pastor on a trip to Guinea in January.
- Pastor and his family are thankful for the outpouring of support as he deals with his health issues.

## **Board of Elders Report**

- Wednesday evening bible class is being cancelled for the time being.
- Thanks to Phil and Jackie Radichel for picking up the church Christmas tree.
- The 2023 organ schedule is being worked on. Organ gifts will be dispersed.

## **Board of Education Report**

- Church handbook updates: Change the personal leave time (PLT) for teachers from a calendar year to school year. More clearly define the tuition fees for non-member students. Frank Radichel to update handbook.
- Other items: 1) New Sunday school superintendent , 2) Christmas bags for the children, 3) Sub teachers

## **Board of Trustees Report**

- A Church Mutual rep stopped out for a survey of the property.

## **Other Business**

- The piano in front of church will be made available to members.
- The church gas grill isn't working well and isn't used much so will be disposed.
- Counting loose offerings for the workers gift in December has caused some questions for the counting teams. Some discussion followed with the Elders stating that they would investigate it further.
- Another counters issue is how to handle offerings with a message. With offerings coming in for Pastor as he deals with his health issues, some of them include messages for Pastor and his family. Some discussion followed.
- Recently a neighbor asked parking car in the lot. Trustees denied request.
- Monthly retirement contributions for called workers increased \$210 to \$220.
- The education fund established at CLC convention is called the "EduK8 fund".

Adapted from minutes submitted by Secretary William Rust

## ✠ TODAY AT GRACE ✠

Organist: **Jan Davis**

Elder: **Dale Enns**

Ushers: **Al Rosendahl; James Bomber; Kevin Hulke; Jack Maki; John Maki; Keith Radichel; Grant Wells**

Counting Team 2: **Gary Gunther; Rick Nelson; Bill Rust; Bob Vandever; Clint Welker**

Church Cleaners: **Sandhoefner**      School: **Baker**

## ✠ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✠

Ushers: **Al Rosendahl; James Bomber; Kevin Hulke; Jack Maki; John Maki; Keith Radichel; Grant Wells**

Counting Team 3: **Duane Enns; Tom Graham; Kevin Hulke; Dan Degnan; Benno Sydow**

Hospitality Team 3: **Jan Davis, Ryan & Mikey Oman; Laura Wales; Janelle Hein**

Church Cleaners: **Hein**      School: **Bomber**

## ✠ OUR SCHEDULE ✠

**Sun., Jan. 8:** 9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School  
 10:00 am – Worship Service (Epiphany 1)  
 12:00 pm – Council Meeting

**Wed., Jan. 11:** 4:00-5:45 pm – Catechism for Public School Students

**Sun., Jan. 15:** 9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School  
 10:00 am – Worship Service (Epiphany 2)  
 11:00 am – Hospitality  
 11:15 pm – Voters & Dorcas Guild Meetings

**Mon., Jan. 16:** Grace School – No School for Parent/Teacher Conf.

**Sun., Jan. 22:** 9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School  
 10:00 am – Worship Service (Epiphany 3)

**Sat., Jan. 28:** 9:00 am – Grace Work Day

**Wed., Feb. 22:** Ash Wednesday – Midweek Lenten Worship Starts

**Last Week's Stats:** Jan. 1, 2023      Sun.: 65

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$1,574	CLC:	\$475
Weekly Need:	Grace:	4,500	CLC:	1,020*
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-2,926	CLC:	-545
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$1,574	CLC:	\$475
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	4,500	CLC:	1,020
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-2,926	CLC:	-545
GLC Other: 765	Living Faith: 50	Tuition Aid: 50		
SAF Endowment: 1	MDF: 2	Kinship: 161	EduK8: 200	
ILC Student Aid: 1	ILC Bldg. 0	IIF: 0	CEF: 0	

Current Balances:      Tuition Aid: \$2,828

\* Based on 2022 figure as 2023 will be determined by the Voters