

# Grace Lutheran Church & School



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

**Date:** February 23, 2025

## ✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

### Hymns:

WS 778: Grace Has a Thrilling Sound

OSoC 530: Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace (WS 789)

OSoC 476: Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive (TLH 360)

WS 800, st. 1-2: Go, My Children, with My Blessing

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

### Worship Prep:

Psalms 103, TLH p. 145f.

### Liturgy:

WS p. 1 (Projected)

WS p. 40, Psalm 85

### Scripture Readings:

1 Cor. 15:35-38, 42-49

Luke 6:27-36

### Sermon: Genesis 45:3-15

<sup>3</sup> Then Joseph said to his brothers, "I *am* Joseph; does my father still live?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed in his presence. <sup>4</sup> And Joseph said to his brothers, "Please come near to me." So they came near. Then he said: "I *am* Joseph your brother, whom you sold into Egypt." <sup>5</sup> "But now, do not therefore be grieved or angry with yourselves because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. <sup>6</sup> "For these two years the famine *has been* in the land, and *there are* still five years in which *there will be* neither plowing nor harvesting. <sup>7</sup> "And God sent me before you to preserve a posterity for you in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance. <sup>8</sup> "So now it was not you *who* sent me here, but God; and He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt. <sup>9</sup> "Hurry and go up to my father, and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph: "God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not tarry." <sup>10</sup> "You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near to me, you and your children, your children's children, your flocks and your herds, and all that you have. <sup>11</sup> "There I will provide for you, lest you and your household, and all that you have, come to poverty; for *there are* still five years of famine.'" <sup>12</sup> "And behold, your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that *it is* my mouth that speaks to you. <sup>13</sup> "So you shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that you have seen; and you shall hurry and bring my father down here." <sup>14</sup> Then he fell on his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept on his neck. <sup>15</sup> Moreover he kissed all his brothers and wept over them, and after that his brothers talked with him. (NKJV<sup>TM</sup>)

## Living in Grace, Show Grace to Others

## ✝ ***THE ANNOUNCEMENTS*** ✝

- ➔ **Midweek Lenten Services:** Our midweek Lenten services will begin on Ash Wednesday, March 5, 7 pm. The theme we will consider is: "Sounds of the Passion." These midweek services can deepen our appreciation of the redemptive work our Savior.
- ➔ **Lenten Soup Suppers:** These gatherings (at 6 pm) are a way for people to eat between work and our Midweek Lenten worship services. There is a sign-up sheet posted in the fellowship hall for those who are willing to provide soup and do setup and cleanup.
- ➔ **CLC Youth Camp at Pillager 2025:** Registration opens Saturday March 15, 10 am. CLC Youth Camp at Pillager is for campers entering grades 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>. Camp runs June 8-14, 2025. For more information please visit our website, [youthcampclc.wixsite.com/camp](http://youthcampclc.wixsite.com/camp), or contact Amber Casto and Ethan Sydow ([youthcamp.clc@gmail.com](mailto:youthcamp.clc@gmail.com)).
- ➔ **Christ's Explorers Camp:** Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran of West Columbia, SC, will be hosting Christ's Explorers Camp June 19-22 in Bryson City, NC. Our theme for the retreat is "Discovering Your Purpose." Camp is geared toward high school and college-aged youth. Registration opens on Sat., March 1, 9 am (EST). The cost of the retreat is \$150, and this includes all expenses for the weekend (lodging, food, activities, etc.). Registration will be limited to the first 50 guests. You may find contact info. and may register online at [www.ChristsExplorers.com](http://www.ChristsExplorers.com).
- ➔ **CLC News:** Rev. Sam Naumann, member at Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, WI, has accepted the call to Prince of Peace Lutheran in Loveland, CO. ✝ Pastor George Dumann of Salem Lutheran in Eagle Lake, MN, has accepted the call to Faith Lutheran in New Ulm, MN, to serve as their pastor along with his current call. ✝ Pastor Cory Drehle of Berea Lutheran in Sioux Falls, SD, has returned the call to Faith Lutheran in Manchester, MO (St. Louis area). Pastor John Schnose of Bethel Ev. Lutheran in Morris, MN, has received this call. ✝ Pastor David Pfeiffer of Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran in West Columbia, SC, has returned the call to St. Stephen Lutheran in Mountain View, CA (San Francisco area). ✝ Pastor Caleb Schaller of Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, WI, has received the call to Grace Lutheran in Valentine, NE; Peace Lutheran in Mission, SD; and St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran in White River, SD.
- ➔ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #16 – Second Article, Part 1



## Tour Choir Concert – March 23

The Immanuel Lutheran Tour Choir will be holding a concert here at Grace during our 10 am Sunday morning service on March 23. Any offering for the choir may be designated as “Tour Choir.” The children of the congregation will be joining the choir on “God’s Own Child I Gladly Say It,” found in our Worship Supplement as WS 751, any stanzas they can memorize. Also, the congregation will be providing housing for the choir on the evening of March 22. This will be for 26 students and one director. The choir has prearranged housing partners in pairs, so we need to house 7 female partners of 2, 6 male partners of 2, and the director. Those willing to house any of these pairs, please speak with Pastor after worship today. Also, we will need to provide a supper for the choir on Saturday after they fly in to the airport from Washington. Also, we will be hosting a meal for the choir after our worship service.



## Voter Meeting Notes – Special Online Meeting

President Enns called for a special email meeting on Feb. 12. There was one motion from the Board of Education: The Council approved and is recommending that the Voters approve the motion to increase the school tuition for non-member students as shown below for the 2025-2026 school year. The 2025-2026 school year tuition will include a tuition increase.

Year	1st Child	2nd Child	3rd Child	4th Child	Kindergarten
2023-2024 (current)	2550	2350	2100	1950	1500
2024-2025 (proposed)	2800	2600	2350	2200	1750
2025-2026 (proposed)	3700	3400	3100	2900	2200

\*Kindergarten is not eligible for the multi-student discount.

Voting members of the congregation were contacted via email for their votes. 14 in favor, 2 “nay,” and 10 abstentions. President Enns adjourned the meeting on Feb. 19 with an email announcing that the motion had passed.

***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: Sue Nelson

Elder: Frank Radichel

Ushers: Eli Wales; Alex Baker; Kevin Baker; Dan Kelley; Ryan Oman; Bob Vandever; Uriah Wales

Counting Team 3: Gary Gunther; Roger Ochsner; Al Rosendahl; Dave Rust; Benno Sydow

Church Cleaners: Hulke

School: Snyder

# ✠ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✠

Ushers: Eli Wales; Alex Baker; Kevin Baker; Dan Kelley; Ryan Oman; Bob Vandever; Uriah Wales

Counting Team 1: Dale Enns; Larry Nelson; Thomas Graham; Kevin Hulke; Phil Radichel

Hospitality Team 4: Bonnie Baker; Kevin & Sandy Hulke; Jenny Kleifgen; Pat & Dawn Paplow

Church Cleaners: Volunteers?

School: R. Vandever

# ✠ OUR SCHEDULE ✠



**Sun., Feb. 23:** 8:30 am – Choir Practice  
9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School  
10:00 am – Worship Service (Epiphany 7)

**Sun., Mar. 2:** 8:30 am – Choir Practice  
9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School  
10:00 am – Worship Service w/Lord's Supper (Transfiguration)  
11:00 am – Hospitality (Team 4)

**Wed., Mar. 5:** ASH WEDNESDAY (Lent Begins)  
6:00 pm – Lenten Soup Supper  
7:00 pm – Midweek Lenten Worship w/Lord's Supper

**March 14-16:** Youth Basketball Tournament (ILC Fieldhouse @ Eau Claire)

**March 14-23:** Grace School – Spring Break

**Sun., Mar. 23:** 10:00 am – Immanuel Lutheran Tour Choir Concert

**Last Week's Stats:** Feb. 16, 2025 Sun: 90 S.S.: 11 B.Cl.: 36

QR Code for Online Giving:

Week's Offering:	Grace:	\$2,449	CLC:	\$385	
Weekly Need (est.):	Grace:	5,100	CLC:	1,150	
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-2,651	CLC:	-765	
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$42,702	CLC:	\$9,960	
Year-to-Date Need (est.):	Grace:	35,700	CLC:	8,050	
Difference from Budget (+/-)	Grace:	+7,002	CLC:	+1,910	
GLC Other:	0	Living Faith:	0	Tuition Aid:	50
SAF Endowment:	0	MDF:	0	Kinship:	147
ILC Student Aid:	0	ILC Bldg.	0	IIF:	0
Current Balances:		Tuition Aid:	\$4,512	Sanctuary:	\$10,425

