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# *Grace Lutheran Church & School*

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## **Confirmation 2025**

† Lilly Nelson † Zara Wales †

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Church Year: Easter 5/Confirmation

Date: May 18, 2025

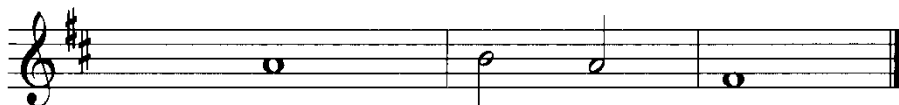
## ✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

Hymn:.....TLH 338: *Thine Forever, God of Love*

Invocation / Confession & Absolution:.....WS p. 1

Liturgy: .....TLH, p. 32 ff., *The Order of Matins*

*P: O Lord, open Thou my lips.*



C: And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

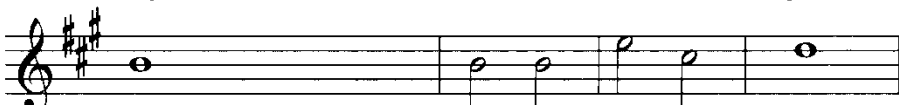
*P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.*



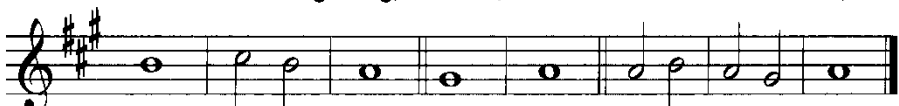
C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.



Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;

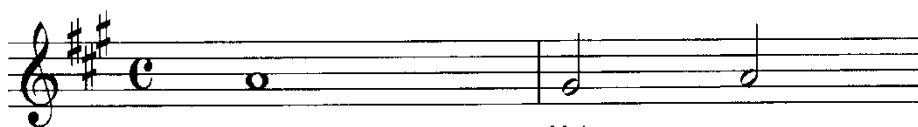


As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

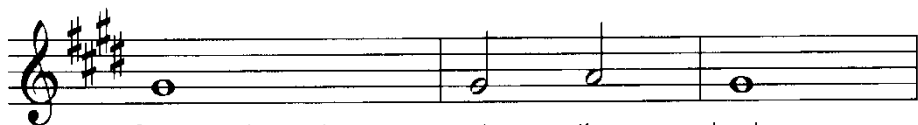


world with-out end. A - men. Hal-le - lu - jah!

*P: Oh, come, let us worship the Lord:*

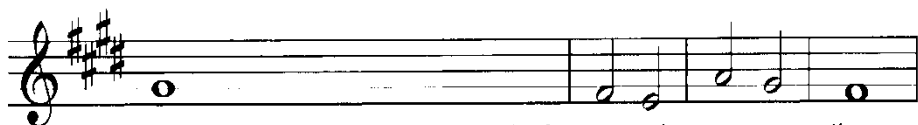


C: For He is our Mak - er.



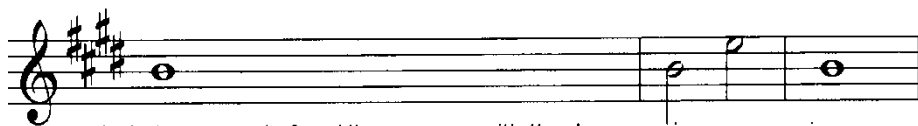
1. Oh, come, let us sing unto the Lord:  
2. For the Lord is a great God:  
3. The sea is His, and He made it:

5. Glory be to the Father and to the Son:

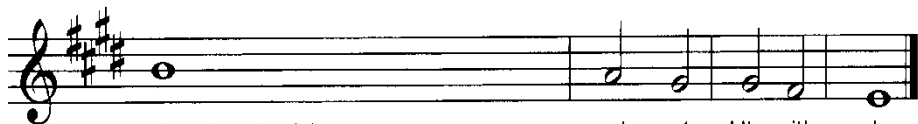


1. let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our sal - va - tion.  
2. and a great King a - bove all gods.  
3. and His hands form-ed the dry land.

5. and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



1. Let us come before His presence with thanks - giv - ing:  
2. In His hand are the deep places of the earth:  
3. Oh, come, let us worship and bow down:  
4. For He is our God:  
5. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,



1. and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.  
2. the strength of the hills is His al - so.  
3. let us kneel before the Lord, our Mak - er.  
4. and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.  
5. world with - out end. A - men.



**Responsive Psalm:** ..... *Psalm 78:1-7*

P: Give ear, O my people, to my law;

**C: Incline your ears to the words of my mouth.**

P: I will open my mouth in a parable;

**C: I will utter dark sayings of old,**

P: Which we have heard and known,

**C: And our fathers have told us.**

P: We will not hide them from their children, Telling to the generation to come the praises of the LORD,

**C: And His strength and His wonderful works that He has done.**

P: For He established a testimony in Jacob, And appointed a law in Israel, Which He commanded our fathers,

**C: That they should make them known to their children;**

P: That the generation to come might know them, The children who would be born,

**C: That they may arise and declare them to their children,**

P: That they may set their hope in God,

**C: And not forget the works of God, But keep His commandments.**

**Choir:**..... *Take My Life and Walk with Me*

**First Scripture Reading:** ..... *2 Timothy 3:1-17*

The Word, given by divine inspiration, is the essence of Christian life.

**Second Scripture Reading:** ..... *John 17:1-17*

Jesus prays for His disciples who He has trained in the Word.

**Confession of Faith:** ..... *Luther's Explanation to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Article*

**C: I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him. But the Holy Spirit has called me by the gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified, and kept me in true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all sins to me and all believers. On the last day He will raise me and all the dead and give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.**

**Hymn:**..... *TLH 436: The Lord's My Shepherd*

**Sermonette:** ..... *Isaiah 41:10*

“Fear not, for I *am* with you; Be not dismayed, for I *am* your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.”

**Hymn:** ..... *TLH 427: How Firm a Foundation, Ye Saints of the Lord*

**Sermonette:** ..... *Ephesians 2:8-9*

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.

**Hymn:** ..... *WS 776: Lord, 'Tis Not that I Did Choose You*

**Offering, Prayer, Lord's Prayer:**

**Rite of Confirmation:**

**Note:** These vows are included so that our communicants may be able to privately reaffirm their own vows made on their Confirmation Day.

- 1) *Do you this day, in the presence of God and of this Christian congregation, confirm the solemn covenant which the Triune God made with you at your Baptism? Answer: I do.*
- 2) *Do you, then, renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways? Answer: I do.*
- 3) *Do you believe in God the Father? Answer: Yes, I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.*
- 4) *Do you believe in God the Son? Answer: Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.*
- 5) *Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? Answer: Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit; The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting.*
- 6) *Do you desire to be a member of Grace Lutheran Church and of the Church of the Lutheran Confession? Answer: I do.*
- 7) *Do you hold all the books of the Bible to be the inspired Word of God and the doctrine of Grace Lutheran Church, drawn from the Bible, as you have learned to know it from Luther's Small Catechism, to be the true and correct one? Answer: I do.*
- 8) *Do you also, as a member of Grace Lutheran Church, intend to continue steadfast in the confession of this Church and suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it? Answer: I do so intend, with the help of God.*

9) Finally, do you intend faithfully to conform all your life to the rule of the divine Word, to be diligent in the use of the means of grace (the Gospel in Word and Sacrament), to walk as it becomes the Gospel of Christ, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to the Triune God, even unto death? Answer: I do so intend, by the grace of God.

**Memory Passage:** ..... *Lillian Grace Nelson*  
**Isaiah 41:10:** "Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand."

**Memory Passage:** ..... *Zara Magdalene Wales*  
**Ephesians 2:8-9:** For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.

**CDS Children:** ..... *WS 783: Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep (join in st. 5)*

**Benediction:**

**Hymn:** ..... *WS 800: Go, My Children, with My Blessing*


## ✠ **THE ANNOUNCEMENTS** ✠

- ➔ **Confirmation:** We congratulate Lilly and Zara for completing their catechetical instruction so that they understand all the foundational doctrines revealed in Scripture about our Triune God. We also welcome them as communicant members at Grace. May the Lord continue to faithfully guide and direct them during their time of grace as they have promised to make faithful use of the Means of Grace. Following the worship service during our regular hospitality hour there will be a reception in the fellowship hall in which a light luncheon will be served.
- ➔ **Graduates:** Please list any member of Grace that is graduating this year (Jan-Dec 2025) on the sheet by the guest book. Include the school's name and the degree. Our Graduation Sunday is next week. L. Nelson and Z. Wales will also graduate from Grace School that day.
- ➔ **Summer Worship Schedule:** Next Sunday, May 25, the summer schedule will begin with worship service held at 9 am. Bible Class and Sunday School will be suspended for the summer.
- ➔ **Ascension Worship:** 40 days after Jesus' resurrection He ascended into heaven visibly from His disciples. Knowing that He was now seated at the right hand of the Father in full glory and ruling over all things, they worshipped Him with great joy. Our opportunity to worship Him is Thursday, May 29, 7 pm.



- ➔ **Parade Outreach:** Plans are for our school to participate in the Spring Lake Park parade on Thursday, June 5. The parade begins at 6:30 pm. We usually meet at Woodcrest Spanish Immersion School on Osborne Rd. at 5:45 and walk over to the designated area from there. Please put this on your calendar and consider joining us!
- ➔ **Vacation Bible School:** On July 14-18, 9:00-11:30 am, we will be having our VBS. This includes children age 4 years, to children going into eighth grade. Please register your children on the sheet by the guest book. In preparing for VBS, we will need to put together a staff, including teachers and coordinators for crafts and music. Please consider this labor of love and let Pastor know of your willingness.
- ➔ **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. The congregation covers the cost.
- ➔ **Daily Rest:** *Daily Rest* is a daily devotion book printed quarterly by the CLC. It is time to renew subscriptions or get a new subscription if you would like to receive this edifying material. The deadline to subscribe is June 1. Jan Davis has graciously offered to collect the \$15 payments. You may give this payment to her directly or mail your payment in her name to her address: Jan Davis, 7986 Van Buren Street NE, Spring Lake Park, MN 55432. Please contact her (davis7986@gmail.com/612-590-5354) for instructions if you wish to submit your payment electronically through Zelle® or Venmo®.
- ➔ **The Branches:** If you would like to start receiving *The Branches* magazine, please contact Sandy Hulke at thebranchesmagazine@gmail.com. All other subscriptions will automatically be renewed. Any changes, please let Sandy know.
- ➔ **Berea's 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** You are invited to join the members of Berea, Inver Grove Heights, in a service of thanksgiving to the Lord on Sunday, June 29 at 9 am. A meal will follow the service.

**Last Week's Stats:** May 11, 2025 Sun: 74 S.S.: 12 B.C.I.: 39

Last Week's Offering: May 14, 2020				Online Giving: \$10,897		QR Code for Online Giving:	
Week's Offering:	Grace:	\$3,132	CLC:	\$767			
Weekly Need (est.):	Grace:	5,100	CLC:	1,150			
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-1,968	CLC:	-383			
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$102,855	CLC:	\$19,708			
Year-to-Date Need (est.):	Grace:	96,900	CLC:	21,850			
Difference from Budget (+/-)	Grace:	+5,955	CLC:	-2,142			
GLC Other:	120	Living Faith:	0	Tuition Aid:	550	Sanctuary:	0
SAF Endowment:	0	MDF:	0	Kinship:	265	EduK8:	0
ILC Student Aid:	0	ILC Bldg.	0	IIF:	0	CEF:	0
Current Balances:		Tuition Aid: \$2,615		Sanctuary: \$10,897			

## ✝ **TODAY AT GRACE** ✝

Organist: **Sue Nelson**

Elder: **Frank Radichel**

Ushers: **Larry Brandt; Jeremiah Boe; Lucas Boe; Dan Degnan;  
Dale Enns; Duane Enns; Brandon Paplow; Pat Paplow**

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

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

Church Cleaners: **Volunteers?**     School: **Rinne**

## ✝ **NEXT WEEK AT GRACE** ✝

Ushers: **Larry Brandt; Jeremiah Boe; Lucas Boe; Dan Degnan;  
Dale Enns; Duane Enns; Brandon Paplow; Pat Paplow**

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

Church Cleaners: **Volunteers?**     School: **Baker**

## ✝ **OUR SCHEDULE** ✝



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| <b>Sun., May 18:</b>   | <b><u>Grace Confirmation Day</u></b><br>8:30 am – Choir Practice<br>9:00 am – Confirmation Exam<br>10:00 am – Worship Service (Confirmation/Easter 5)<br>11:00 am – Confirmation Reception (Team 4) |
| <b>Thu., May 22:</b>   | 7:00 pm – Grace School's Spring Program   |
| <b>Fri., May 23:</b>   | 12:00 pm – Grace School Dismissal for Summer<br>3:00 pm – Immanuel Class Day @ ILC Fieldhouse<br>7:00 pm – Immanuel Spring Concert @ Messiah Lutheran   |
| <b>Sat., May 24:</b>   | 10:00 am – Immanuel Graduation Service (ILC Fieldhouse)   |
| <b>Sun., May 25:</b>   | <b><u>Summer Schedule Starts/Graduation Day</u></b><br>9:00 am – Worship Service (Easter 6)<br>10:00 am – Graduation Reception  |
| <b>Thu., May 29:</b>   | 7:00 pm – Ascension Day Worship   |
| <b>Thu., June 5:</b>   | 5:45 pm – Meet for SLP Parade (Woodcrest Spanish Immersion)   |
| <b>Sat., June 7:</b>   | 10:00 am – MN Delegate Conference (Mankato, MN)   |
| <b>June 17-19:</b>     | CLC General Pastoral Conference (ILC Dining Hall)   |
| <b>July 14-18:</b>     | 9:00-11:30 am – Vacation Bible School   |
| <b>Sun., Aug. 24:</b>  | 3:00 pm – Immanuel Lutheran Opening Service   |
| <b>Mon., Aug., 25:</b> | 8:00 am – Grace Lutheran School Opening Service   |

***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 speak with you!***