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*Grace Lutheran Church & School*



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**Church Year:** Epiphany 6      **Date:** February 11, 2007

† **THE ORDER OF WORSHIP** †

**Worship Preparation:** ..... *Psalm 1, TLH p. 123*  
**Hymn:** ..... *TLH 356: Jesus, Savior, Come to Me*  
**Liturgy:** ..... *TLH, p. 5 ff. (Also available on laminated sheet in pew)*  
**Introit (followed by Gloria Patri, The Kyrie):** ..... *TLH, pp. 6-7*

P: From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets  
**C: The name of the Lord is to be praised.**  
P: Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.  
**C: Let the name of the Lord be praised, both now and forevermore.**  
P: The Lord is exalted over all the nations,  
**C: His glory above the heavens. Glory be to God!**

**Gloria in Excelsis:** ..... *TLH 466, st. 4*  
**Praise and honor to the Father, Praise and honor to the Son,**  
**Praise and honor to the Spirit, Ever Three and ever One,**  
**One in might and one in glory, While unending ages run.**

**First Reading:** ..... *Jeremiah 17:5-8*  
A contrast is made in our reading between the worldly-minded person versus the Lord-minded person. The first is like a shrub in the dry desert - lifeless and dull, the latter like a green tree rooted near a river - full of life and vigor.

**Gradual:**  
P: Praise the Lord, all you nations; extol Him, all you peoples.  
**C: For great is His love toward us; and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.**  
P: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name;  
**C: Bring an offering and come into His courts.**

P: Alleluia. Alleluia. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the Good News of the kingdom,  
**C: And healing every disease and sickness among the people. Alleluia.**  
P: Alleluia. Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
**C: You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

**Children:** ..... *TLH 135: 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here*

**Second Reading:** ..... *1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20*

A controversy had arisen within the church in Corinth in which some questioned the resurrection of Christ from the dead. Paul tells the Corinthians that if Christ did not rise from the dead, our faith is futile, for we would trust in a dead God and there would be no forgiveness of sins. Our faith and hope rests upon the fact that Christ rose from the dead three days after His death.

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

**Hymn:** ..... *TLH 414: The Man is Ever Blest*

**Sermon:** ..... *Luke 6:17-26*

(17) And He came down with them and stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases, (18) as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And they were healed. (19) And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and healed *them* all. (20) Then He lifted up His eyes toward His disciples, and said: "Blessed *are you* poor, For yours is the kingdom of God. (21) Blessed *are you* who hunger now, For you shall be filled. Blessed *are you* who weep now, For you shall laugh. (22) Blessed are you when men hate you, And when they exclude you, And revile *you*, and cast out your name as evil, For the Son of Man's sake. (23) Rejoice in that day and leap for joy! For indeed your reward *is* great in heaven, For in like manner their fathers did to the prophets. (24) "But woe to you who are rich, For you have received your consolation. (25) Woe to you who are full, For you shall hunger. Woe to you who laugh now, For you shall mourn and weep. (26) Woe to you when all men speak well of you, For so did their fathers to the false prophets." (NKJV<sup>TM</sup>)

**"Our Christian Reputation"**

1. *Unpopular before the world*
2. *Blessed before God*

**Offertory:** ..... *TLH p. 12 f.*

**Hymn:** ..... *TLH 430, st. 1-6: What is the World to Me*

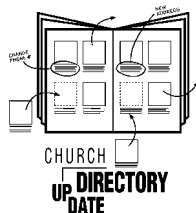
**Offering, Prayers, Benediction:** ..... *TLH p. 14*

**Hymn:** ..... *WS 769: Lift High the Cross*

*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!*

## † THE ANNOUNCEMENTS †

- ◆ **Among Us:** By all indications Ellen Bergstrom's surgery was successful this past week. The cancer was not any more extensive than they originally believed. Radiation treatments will be forthcoming. We continue to pray that the Lord will grant her full recovery.
- ◆ **Pictorial Directory:** A reminder that the pictures will be taken next weekend! If you have been unable to schedule an appointment to have your picture taken, please contact Jennifer Squires (952-393-8857). Please make sure to schedule an appointment so that we can use the directory to familiarize each other with our families.



- ◆ **Midweek Lenten Services:** These begin on Ash Wednesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> and will continue for 6 weeks up to Holy Week. Our initial service will include Holy Communion. The series this year will focus on devotions based from Isaiah 53, "God's Suffering Servant – Sent for Us." Berea in Inver Grove Heights and Our Redeemer's in

Red Wing will be participating in a pulpit rotation. Services will start at 7 pm and will be preceded by the Lenten soup suppers at 6 pm.

- ◆ **Lenten Soup Suppers:** With Midweek Lenten services starting up, the Dorcas Guild is providing a sign-up sheet for those willing to help out with the soup suppers.
- ◆ **CLC Traveling Vacation Bible School:** For the past several years there has been a program to help with VBS's in smaller congregations or those who would like a concerted effort to do outreach through VBS. The program is looking for willing volunteers among our young people to participate by distributing flyers or teaching. The program is also looking for funding due to budget cuts. For information as to how you can help, visit the web site at [clctvbs.org](http://clctvbs.org) or call Prof. Ross Roehl at 715-636-6635.



- ◆ **An Invitation from the ILC Regents:** Professor Ronald Roehl will be retiring from the faculty of Immanuel Lutheran College at the end of the current school year. He has served at the high school and college level of Immanuel for more than 40 years, and was active in the ILC classrooms when our CLC school was still at Mankato, Minnesota. Through the years Prof. Roehl has taught courses in science, mathematics, English, Social Studies, and history. He also served as Dean of Students, Athletic Director, and Registrar for many years. On the ball field and on the basketball floor Coach Roehl was instrumental in the training and discipline of hundreds of grateful students. As a token of our appreciation we would like to collect a monetary gift for this dedicated teacher of our children. CLC members are invited to contribute to this retirement "purse" that will be presented during graduation ceremonies on May 19, 2007. Please make checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran College, and stipulate: "For the Ron Roehl purse". Send gifts to Jim Sydow ILC Business Manager; 501 Grover Road Eau Claire, WI 54701.



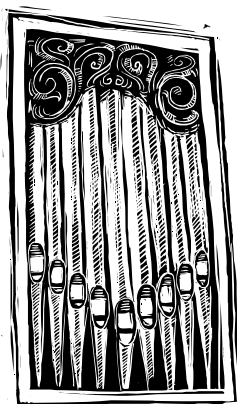
- ◆ **ILC Regents Call for Nominations:** The Board of Regents for Immanuel Lutheran College invites "all pastors, professors, male teachers, and voting members of member congregations of the Church of the Lutheran Confession" (CLC Constitution) to nominate an individual or individuals to fill the vacancy created on the ILC faculty by the retirement of Professor Ron Roehl. The man (men) nominated should be able to teach Spanish I and II at the high school level. Secondly, he should have the ability to teach subjects in the areas of Social Studies at both the high school and college level. Those placing nominations are encouraged to include information regarding their nominee's educational background and teaching experience. They may also indicate how their nominee(s) might help our school in supervising extracurricular activities or serving in administrative positions. Please send your nominations, postmarked no later than March 1, 2007, to Rev. Ted Barthels ILC Board of Regents; 2200 16th St. SW Austin, MN 55912
- ◆ **Sunday School Memory Work:** Second Article, part 1.

### What Persecution May Prove

This Gospel supplies us with two comforting, heartening sayings. When persecution arises because of the Word of God, we can say: I thought so. Christ is in the ship; therefore the sea and the wind rage, and the waves assail us and want to send us to the bottom. But let them rage; it is an established fact that wind and sea are obedient to Him. This persecution will go no farther and last no longer than He desires. And although they pounce upon us, they will nonetheless have to be subject to Him. He is Lord over all; therefore this persecution will not harm us. May He only help us not to tremble with unbelief. Amen. (Martin Luther)

## Why is the Organist Playing THAT Music Before the Service?

The music our church organists play before the service gets to be a little like the chirping of a bird on a summer morning. We know the sound is there, but we don't really notice it. But the music we often call "pre-service music" has an important function in our worship.



### Music & Prayer

God created music, like he created language, to help in the proclamation of the good news about his Son. Every word which is spoken in worship and every musical note which is sung or played means to say something about that greatest story ever told.

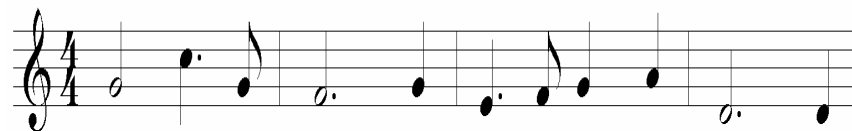
It's true that some words contribute more to that purpose than other words. A sermon, for instance, says more about God's plan than does a confession of sins. But the confession is a vital tool to prepare us to hear the Gospel. In the same way, a hymn says more about God's love than pre-service music does, but pre-service music prepares our attitudes and establishes our mood for hearing and praising. That function alone makes the music before the service important for our worship. With this purpose pre-service music actually becomes service music - music which is a part of the service - and much more than simply some sound to cover up for a noisy congregation.

Organists who understand all this try to match their pre-service music with the focus the pastor has chosen for a particular service. If the subject matter for the day is serious, we can expect to hear quiet, contemplative music before the service. If the mood of the day is joyful, the organist likely will prepare us for worship with joyous music. On any worship day we can plan on hearing some music which is based on the tunes of familiar hymns. Some congregations publish the names of the pre-service hymns in the service bulletin so worshippers can read the words as they prepare for worship.

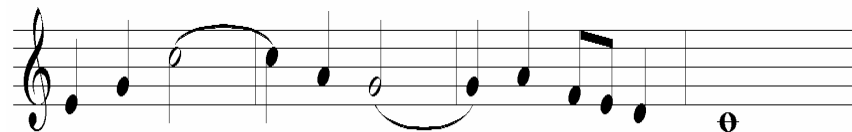
Why not find out how your organist plans the pre-service music. Then spend some pre-service time in church and let the organist prepare you to worship the God who prepared your salvation.

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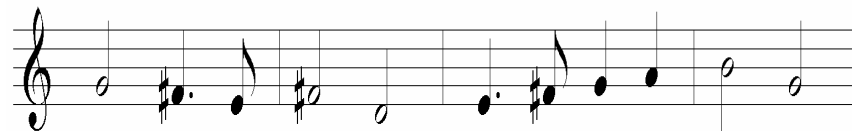
## LIFT HIGH THE CROSS



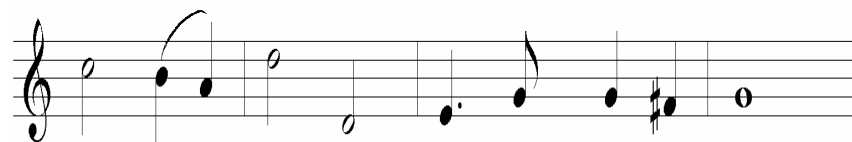
Lift high the cross; the love of Christ pro - claim Till



all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.



1. Come, Chris-tians, fol - low where our cap-tain trod, Our  
 2. Led on their way by this tri - um-phant sign, The  
 3. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be: Praise



King vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
 hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.  
 to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

† **TODAY AT GRACE** †

Organist: **Jan Davis**                      Elder: **Benno Sydow**  
Ushers: **Benno Sydow; Brian Eichstadt; Gary Gunther; Richard Rhinesmith; Jeff Stifter; Josh Stifter; Bob Vandever**  
Counting Team 2: **Gary Gunther; Bill Rust; Bob Vandever; Clint Welker; Mark Wales**  
Hospitality Team 6: **Pat & Dawn Paplow; Mike & Pat Dick; Frank & Ann Radichel**  
Church Cleaners: **Oman**                      School: **Hein**

† **NEXT WEEK AT GRACE** †

Ushers: **Benno Sydow; Brian Eichstadt; Gary Gunther; Richard Rhinesmith; Jeff Stifter; Josh Stifter; Bob Vandever**  
Counting Team 3: **Don Auel; Brian Eichstadt; Jack Kirkham; Benno Sydow; Ole Olmanson**  
Hospitality Team 7: **Richard & Shauna Rhinesmith; Brian & Maureen Eichstadt; Brandt Wendland**  
Church Cleaners: **P. & J. Radichel**                      School: **Maki**

† **OUR SCHEDULE** †

**Today:** 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class  
 10:00 am – Worship Service (Epiphany 5)  
 11:00 am – Hospitality  
 11:15 am – Board Meetings; 12:00 pm – Council  
**Wed., Feb. 14:** 4:00 pm – Catechism for Public School Students  
 7:00 pm – Midweek Bible Class  
**Fri., Sat., Feb. 16-17:** Pictures Taken for Pictorial Directory  
**Sun., Feb. 18:** 8:30 am – Choir Practice  
 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class  
 10:00 am – Worship Service (Transfiguration)  
 11:00 am – Hospitality  
**Wed., Feb. 21:** 6:00 pm – Lenten Soup Supper  
 7:00 pm – Beginning of Midweek Lenten Services

**Last Week's Stats:** Feb. 4, 2007 B.Cl.: 30 S.S.: ?? Sun.: 105 Wed: 16

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	3,089.00	CLC:	464.24
Weekly Need:	Grace:	3,030.00	CLC:	960.00
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	+59.00	CLC:	-495.76
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	14,705.75	CLC:	4,394.24
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	15,150.00	CLC:	4,800.00
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-444.25	CLC:	-405.76
Other Offerings:	Living Faith:	15.00	Tuition:	12.00
GLC Other:	MDF:	15.00	Kinship:	13.00
ILC Student Aid:	ILC Bldg.	14.00	IIF: 22.00	CEF: 12.00

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**Blessed**  
 are the poor in spirit  
 for theirs is the  
 kingdom of heaven.

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