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Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Lent 4

Date: March 18, 2007

† THE ORDER OF WORSHIP †

Worship Preparation: *Psalm 38, TLH p. 132*

Hymn: *TLH 16: Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word*

Liturgy: *TLH, p. 5 ff. (Also available on laminated sheet in pew)*

Introit (followed by Gloria Patri, The Kyrie): *TLH, pp. 6-7*

P: The Lord is my strength and my shield;

C: My heart trusts in Him, and I am helped.

P: The Lord is the strength of His people,

C: A fortress of salvation for His anointed one.

P: Save Your people and bless Your inheritance;

C: Be their shepherd and carry them forever. Glory be to God!

Gloria in Excelsis: *TLH 377, st. 10*

All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise To Father, Son, and Spirit,

The God that saved us by His grace, - All glory to His merit!

O Triune God in heaven above, Who hast revealed Thy saving love,

Thy blessed name be hallowed.

First Reading: *Luke 13:1-9*

Repentance is the chief desire that the Lord has for sinners.

Gradual:

P: Oh, come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

C: The author and finisher of our faith,

P: Who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning the shame,

C: And sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

P: For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son,

C: That whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Second Reading: *Passion History*

Pilate succumbs to the pressure that Jesus be crucified.

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

Hymn: *TLH 534: God of My Life, to Thee I Call*

Sermon: *Psalm 38*

(1) O LORD, do not rebuke me in Your wrath, Nor chasten me in Your hot displeasure! (2) For Your arrows pierce me deeply, And Your hand presses me down. (3) *There is* no soundness in my flesh Because of Your anger, Nor *any* health in my bones Because of my sin. (4) For my iniquities have gone over my head; Like a heavy burden they are too heavy for me. (5) My wounds are foul *and* festering Because of my foolishness. (6) I am troubled, I am bowed down greatly; I go mourning all the day long. (7) For my loins are full of inflammation, And *there is* no soundness in my flesh. (8) I am feeble and severely broken; I groan because of the turmoil of my heart. (9) Lord, all my desire *is* before You; And my sighing is not hidden from You. (10) My heart pants, my strength fails me; As for the light of my eyes, it also has gone from me. (11) My loved ones and my friends stand aloof from my plague, And my relatives stand afar off. (12) Those also who seek my life lay snares *for me*; Those who seek my hurt speak of destruction, And plan deception all the day long. (13) But I, like a deaf *man*, do not hear; And *I am* like a mute *who* does not open his mouth. (14) Thus I am like a man who does not hear, And in whose mouth *is* no response. (15) For in You, O LORD, I hope; You will hear, O Lord my God. (16) For I said, "*Hear me*, lest they rejoice over me, Lest, when my foot slips, they exalt *themselves* against me." (17) For I *am* ready to fall, And my sorrow *is* continually before me. (18) For I will declare my iniquity; I will be in anguish over my sin. (19) But my enemies *are* vigorous, *and* they are strong; And those who hate me wrongfully have multiplied. (20) Those also who render evil for good, They are my adversaries, because I follow *what is* good. (21) Do not forsake me, O LORD; O my God, be not far from me! (22) Make haste to help me, O Lord, my salvation! (NKJVTM)

Hope When Your Heart Is Weighed Down

Offertory: *TLH p. 12 f.*

Hymn: *TLH 651: Be Still, My Soul*

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

Hymn: *TLH 532: Thy Way, Not Mine, O Lord*

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 †

- ◆ **Midweek Lenten Services:** This Wednesday at 7 pm we continue our midweek Lenten series based from Isaiah 53, "God's Suffering Servant – Sent for Us." This week we will focus on His Patient Resignation. Please come and enjoy the Lenten soup suppers at 6 pm.



- ◆ **Among Us:** Michael Ude had surgery to repair his knee cap late last week. Ellen Bergstrom will soon begin her radiation treatment for her cancer. Gil and Jessie Maestas are both home from the hospital. "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." (Isaiah 41:10)

- ◆ **Softball Signup:** By the guest book is a signup sheet for this upcoming summer's softball team. If you have any interest in playing at all, please be sure to sign your name.



- ◆ **Women's Seminar:** Brochures are still available for the women's seminar that will be held in Lacrosse, WI, on April 20-22. Registration deadline is March 20.

- ◆ **Pictorial Directory:** Anyone who did not get their picture taken and would like to submit a picture should give their picture to Jenny Squires no later than April 1st. The picture should be printed and no larger than 4x5. If it is a professional picture you will need to obtain written permission to use by Olan Mills in the church directory. Also, if there is anyone interested in helping with the layout please contact Jenny Squires 763-263-2237.



- ◆ **Easter Lilies:** Should anyone desire to bring an Easter lily for the altar area, please bring them on Good Friday, April 6, so that they can be setup for Easter morning. Your name on the container will be most helpful in ensuring that your plant will be returned. Jackie Radichel is willing to purchase lilies for those who would rather not do this on their own. Please speak with her should you be interested.

- ◆ **Web Updates:** Updates on our CLC mission work in India have been received from David and Mary Koenig. The news and photographs can be seen at the CLC Missions website: www.clclutheran.org/missions -- see the first item under "What's New." Also there is a report and photographs from Pastor Jyothi Benjamin, of the CLCI, on the recent joint Pastoral Conference between the CLCI and BELC pastors. See the second item under "What's New."

- ◆ **Youth Conference 2007** will be held at Como, CO, August 7-12. This provides a way for young Christians from across the CLC to gather for study in God's Word. Recreation and fellowship are additional blessings. Youth Conference is open to 8th grade graduates through young adults of 2nd year college age. Coach bus transportation will originate in Mankato. Scholarships are available to assist with the cost (\$275). Information may be found at www.ilcactivities.org/yc/home.htm.

- ◆ **Museum Trip:** This June, an organization called "Answers in Genesis" will be opening a \$28 million Creation Museum near Cincinnati, Ohio. Some of our local CLC congregations are considering plans for a bus coach trip to visit the museum this summer, possibly in July or August. You can find out more about the organization and the museum at: www.answersingenesis.org. From their website: *"The 50,000 sq. ft. Creation Museum located within the greater Cincinnati area will proclaim the Bible as supreme authority in all matters of faith and practice in every area it touches on. Set to open in June 2007, this 'walk through history' museum will counter evolutionary natural history museums that turn countless minds against Christ and Scripture."* Please let the pastor know if you might be interested in such a trip – more details will be forthcoming.

- ◆ **Nominations:** The Board of Regents for Immanuel Lutheran College announces the following nominations to fill the professorship at Immanuel Lutheran College to be vacated by the retirement of Professor Ron Roehl at the end of the 2006-07 school year: Joel Gullerud, Justin Olmanson, Nathan Wales. The description of this position on the ILC Faculty as previously announced is as follows: "The man 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 area 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." All comments from members of CLC congregations regarding these candidates should be in the hands of the undersigned no later than Palm Sunday, April 1, 2007.

Rev. Ted Barthels
ILC Board of Regents
2200 16th St. SW
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- ◆ **CLC News:** Pastor Phil Matzke has begun a leave of absence from St. Peter's in Stambaugh, MI, to resolve health issues brought on by stress. Please remember him, his family, and his congregation in your prayers. Pastor Joel Fleischer is serving the vacancy.
- ◆ **Sunday School Memory Work:** Third Article, part 3.

† TODAY AT GRACE †

Organist: Janelle Hein Elder: Dave Rust
Ushers: Mark Wales; Joshua Benzer; Pete Fleischer; Jack Kirkham; Ole Olmanson; Clint Welker; Brandt Wendland
Counting Team 2: Gary Gunther; Bill Rust; Bob Vandever; Clint Welker; Mark Wales
Hospitality Team 4: Bye (Meal served by Grace School)
Church Cleaners: M. & T. Wales School: Vandever

† NEXT WEEK AT GRACE †

Ushers: Mark Wales; Joshua Benzer; Pete Fleischer; Jack Kirkham; Ole Olmanson; Clint Welker; Brandt Wendland
Counting Team 3: Don Auel; Brian Eichstadt; Jack Kirkham; Benno Sydow; Ole Olmanson
Hospitality Team 5: Mark & Trudy Wales; Al Rosendahl; Karen Auel
Church Cleaners: M. & T. Wales School: Vandever

† OUR SCHEDULE †

Today: 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class
 10:00 am – Worship Service (Lent 4)
 11:00 am – Meal provided by upper-graders
Wed., Mar. 21: 4:00 pm – Catechism for Public School Students
 6:00 pm – Lenten Soup Supper
 7:00 pm – Midweek Lenten Service
Sun., Mar. 25: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class
 10:00 am – Worship Service (Lent 5)
 11:00 am – Hospitality

Last Week's Stats: Mar. 4, 2007 B.Cl.: 34 S.S.: ?? Sun.: 120 Wed: 75

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	2,303.49	CLC:	635.00
Wed. Offering:	Grace:	599.22	CLC:	150.00
Weekly Need:	Grace:	3,030.00	CLC:	960.00
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-127.29	CLC:	-175.00
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	31,537.43	CLC:	10,132.24
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	30,300.00	CLC:	9,600.00
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	+1,237.43	CLC:	+532.24
Other Offerings:	Living Faith:	0.00	Tuition:	56.00
GLC Other: 148.21	MDF:	16.00	Kinship:	55.00
ILC Student Aid: 25.00	ILC Bldg.	30.00	IIF: 0.00	CEF: 25.00

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