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Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Easter 6

Date: May 13, 2007

† THE ORDER OF WORSHIP †

Worship Preparation: *Psalm 65, TLH p. 136*

Hymn: *TLH 361: O Jesus, King Most Wonderful*

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

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

P: Sing with joy to God, all the earth!

C: Sing to the glory of His name; offer Him glory and praise!

P: Praise our God, O peoples, let the sound of His praise be heard;

C: He has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping.

P: Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer ...

C: Or withheld His love from me! Glory be to God!

Gloria in Excelsis: *TLH 193, st. 1,6*

Christ the Lord is risen today, Sons of men and angels say.

Raise your joys and triumphs high; Sing, ye heavens, and, earth, reply.

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Praise to Thee by both be given!

Thee we greet triumphant now: Hail, the Resurrection Thou!

First Reading: *Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23*

The New Jerusalem, the city of our living God, is described.

Gradual:

P: Christ has risen from the dead.

C: God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor.

P: He has made Him ruler over the works of His hands;

C: He has put everything under His feet.

P: Alleluia. Alleluia. Since Christ was raised from the dead, He cannot die again;

C: Death no longer has mastery over Him. Alleluia.

Second Reading: *John 14:23-29*

Loving Jesus is shown by heeding the voice of His Word.

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

Hymn: *TLH 197: Where Wilt Thou Go Since Night Draws Near*

Sermon: *Acts 14:8-18*

(8) And in Lystra a certain man without strength in his feet was sitting, a cripple from his mother's womb, who had never walked. (9) This man heard Paul speaking. Paul, observing him intently and seeing that he had faith to be healed, (10) said with a loud voice, "Stand up straight on your feet!" And he leaped and walked. (11) Now when the people saw what Paul had done, they raised their voices, saying in the Lycaonian *language*, "The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men!" (12) And Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul, Hermes, because he was the chief speaker. (13) Then the priest of Zeus, whose temple was in front of their city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates, intending to sacrifice with the multitudes. (14) But when the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard this, they tore their clothes and ran in among the multitude, crying out (15) and saying, "Men, why are you doing these things? We also are men with the same nature as you, and preach to you that you should turn from these useless things to the living God, who made the heaven, the earth, the sea, and all things that are in them, (16) "who in bygone generations allowed all nations to walk in their own ways. (17) "Nevertheless He did not leave Himself without witness, in that He did good, gave us rain from heaven and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness." (18) And with these sayings they could scarcely restrain the multitudes from sacrificing to them. (NKJVTM)

"Are You Getting the Message?"

Offertory: *TLH p. 12 f.*

Hymn: *WS 743: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

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

Hymn: *TLH 199, st. 2 & 4: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today, Alleluia!*

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 †

- ♦ **Ascension Day Worship:** This coming Thursday we will be celebrating Ascension with a worship service at 7:00 pm. 40 days following His resurrection, Jesus ascended into heaven to be seated in full power. Now that He rules over all things, we can have great hope for our future, in particular our heavenly future. Let us worship our ascended Lord who has done so much for us!



- ♦ **Summer Schedule:** Next Sunday will be our final Sunday with the regular worship schedule. Our summer schedule will begin on May 27 with Bible Class and Sunday School suspended for the summer and our regular worship service at 9:00 am instead of 10:00 am.



- ♦ **Summer Hospitality:** As with last summer, the Elders are suspending hospitality. For those who may wish to host a hospitality gathering on any Sunday, there is a signup sheet on the fellowship hall's bulletin board.
- ♦ **Among Us:** Delores Englehorn was hospitalized this past week at Unity due to some back problems. Following her time there, she was moved into long-term care at Jones-Harrison. 3700 Cedar Lake Avenue, Room #355; Minneapolis, MN 55416. Phone: 612-920-2030. Allyson Benzer will be traveling with her Mom and Dad to Cincinnati this week for care of her ongoing health issues. This coming Saturday will be the wedding of Andrea Sydow to John Dahl. May the Lord richly bless their union!
- ♦ **A Thank You:** "We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your help during this time while Ally is battling CVAT. With the help of faith, family, and friends we are hopeful of a positive outcome. We are so grateful for all the support we have received. A special thanks to the ladies of the Dorcas Guild for providing the food for the offering. We will never have the words to sufficiently thank all those who have come to our aid but we will be forever grateful. Once again thank you for your prayers and for the part you have played in Ally's care and happiness. God Bless You, Josh, Laurie, Sydney, Ally and Maddy"
- ♦ **Graduates:** Please list every member of Grace that is graduating this year (Jan-Dec 2007) from high school or college on the sheet by the guestbook. Include the name of the school and the degree. Our Graduation Recognition Sunday is May 27. In addition we have one graduate from our Christian Day School which we will be honoring.
- ♦ **Invitation:** Chad Sebyt (son of Trudy Wales) and Neal Radichel (son of Phil & Jackie) will graduate from Immanuel Lutheran Seminary in Eau Claire, WI, on May 19. The graduation service is at 10 am. The open house will be at Messiah Lutheran Church from 1-4 pm the same day. The invitation is on the narthex bulletin board. Please RSVP to either Trudy or Jackie.
- ♦ **Birthday:** Next Sunday there will be a 90th birthday party for former member, Ruth Sydow. Regular hospitality will be held with a cake in Ruth's honor. Everyone is invited to attend. Following hospitality there will be a private celebration held by the family around noon.

- ♦ **Lutheran Spokesman Registration:** The Lutheran Spokesman is a publication by the CLC which is dedicated to sharing rich, devotional messages for our spiritual edification. It also shares news items from around the CLC. 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 and if you don't receive it, please sign up for a copy. The congregation will cover the cost.
- ♦ **The Branches:** The CLC women's newsletter is published under the name: "The Branches." A brochure is available to give some information about this. Should you desire a subscription to "The Branches," please sign your name on the signup sheet by the guest book. The congregation will cover the cost through the Elders budget.
- ♦ **Family Camp:** This is the final reminder that you are invited to the Living~Faith Family Bible Camp scheduled for June 2nd - 5th. The deadline for registration is May 15th. The cost of the camp is \$100.00 per family. This includes lodging, meals, and snacks. See www.stlouislutheran.com/page6.html for more information. Registrations may be sent to tohlmann@swbell.net.
- ♦ **20's & 30's Retreat:** The members of Faith Lutheran Church in the St. Louis area invite Christians in their 20's and 30's to the 3rd annual Arise and Shine Retreat to be held June 7-10 at Cuivre River State Park. The theme for 2007 is "Abundantly Overflowing in Christ's Love" Acts 4:20. See the website for info.: www.ariseandshineretreat.com
- ♦ **A Thank You from ILC:** "On behalf of the faculty and students of ILC, I want to thank all of the parents and friends of our students, who used their time and talents to provide a wonderful evening of fun and entertainment at the After-Banquet Party. All of us greatly appreciate the labor of love that you put forth. We particularly thank those individuals who coordinated this effort. They did a lot of work and there were a lot of benefits. -- From the ILC President, Thanks. The Lord be with you. In the service of Christ, John K Pfeiffer"
- ♦ **CLC News:** Pastor Terrel Kesterson has returned the call to be the second foreign missionary in India. † Our CLC congregation in Hecla, SD, (Prince of Peace) suffered some damage in last weekend's rainstorm. Please keep our brothers and sisters in your prayers. Pictures at: <http://hecla.clclutheran.net/Rainstorm.htm>.
- ♦ **Sunday School Memory Work: #29: Confession**

| Last Week's Stats: May 6, 2007 | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| | B.Cl.: 34 | S.S.: 15 | Sun.: 116 | Wed.: 15 | |
| Sun. Offering: | Grace: | 2,913.98 | CLC: | 1,074.00 | |
| Weekly Need: | Grace: | 3,030.00 | CLC: | 960.00 | |
| -Under / +Over: | Grace: | -116.02 | CLC: | +114.00 | |
| Year-to-Date Offering: | Grace: | 57,096.18 | CLC: | 17,310.24 | |
| Year-to-Date Need: | Grace: | 54,540.00 | CLC: | 17,280.00 | |
| Year-to-Date (+/-) | Grace: | +2,556.18 | CLC: | +30.24 | |
| Other Offerings: | Living Faith: | 16.00 | Tuition: | 37.00 | |
| GLC Other: | 980.00 | MDF: | 112.00 | Kinship: | 60.00 |
| ILC Student Aid: | 15.00 | ILC Bldg. | 41.00 | IIF: 5.00 | CEF: 27.00 |

\$1,059 was also collected at the Benzer Benefit meal, \$1,414 total w/offersings.

Council Meeting Notes (5/5/2007)

Meeting opened with a prayer at 12:10 PM. Roll was taken. The April council meeting minutes were read and approved. The April treasurer's report was read and approved. It was mentioned that when we have council meetings early in the month, we cannot expect the treasurer's report to be ready.

Pastor's Report

- Karen Gilberg is near completion of her lessons, possibly by the end of May.
- Confirmation is scheduled for June 17.

Board of Elders Report

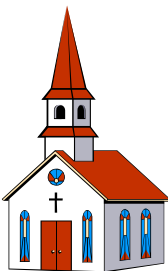
- Hospitality is suspended for the summer.
- Microphones have been purchased.
- The Branches subscriptions will be taken by sign up list.
- People can sign up for the Spokesman.
- Midweek Bible class is suspended for the summer.
- Benzer donations will be directed toward the fund setup at Wells Fargo. About \$1400 was received from the benefit dinner.

Board of Education Report

- Summer schedules are being worked on.

Board of Trustees Report

- Congregational workday went well.
- Getting estimates for the parking lot. Coordinate with Bd of Ed schedules.
- Should consider purchasing a brush saw to clean between the bushes.
- Should consider a chipper for cleanup of branches, etc.



Other Business

- 3 colors were chosen for a random pattern on the fellowship floor. Passed.
- The possible maintenance person duties were discussed. Al Rosendahl is invited to attend the next council meeting to discuss this. There tends to be more ownership if members are involved in these duties rather than someone from the outside.

New Business

- The congregational picnic will be held June 24 at the church after the service.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 1:10 PM.

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise



1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3. All life You en - gen - der in great and in small,
4. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,



In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
Not want - ing nor wast - ing, You rule in Your might,
Of all life Be - friend - er, the true Life of all.
Your an - gels a - dore You, all veil - ing their sight.



Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, O An - cient of Days,
Your jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove,
We blos - som and flour - ish in rich - ness and range;
Our prais - es we ren - der; oh, lead us to see



Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Your great name we praise!
Your clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
We with - er and per - ish, but You nev - er change.
The light of Your splen - dor, Your love's maj - es - ty!

A Blessed Mothers Day: On Mothers Day we implore the Lord's blessings on mother and wife. That we recognize mother on a national "Mother's Day" should not suggest that we are unappreciative of the institution of motherhood or mother the rest of the time. As Christians we thank the Lord for faithful mothers whose love to family is a reflection of Christ's love for them. Christian mothers who have with their husband brought their children up in the Lord and have set an example of devotion to the Lord and to family are to be treasured. It has always been so, but in this day when motherhood is demeaned by so many, we say the more loudly, "Thank you, Lord, for my Christian mother, my Christian wife, and the mother whose influence on the children in the home is reflective of a worth 'far above rubies'" (Proverbs 31:10). May the Lord bless you.

† TODAY AT GRACE †

Organist: Maureen Ochsner Elder: Benno Sydow

Ushers: Roger Ochsner; Bill Rust; Don Dahlin; Michael Englehorn; Bob Maki; Joel Stifter; Arnold Gehrls

Counting Team 5: Mike Dick; Brad Kitzman; Ed Lentz; Roger Ochsner

Hospitality Team 5: Mark & Trudy Wales; Al Rosendahl; Karen Auel

Church Cleaners: B. Rust School: Sandhoefner

† NEXT WEEK AT GRACE †

Ushers: Roger Ochsner; Bill Rust; Don Dahlin; Michael Englehorn; Bob Maki; Joel Stifter; Arnold Gehrls

Counting Team 1: Dan Degnan; Larry Nelson; Phil Radichel; Ryan Libby

Hospitality Team 6: Pat & Dawn Paplow; Mike & Pat Dick; Frank & Ann Radichel

Church Cleaners: Sandhoefner School: Vandevveer

† OUR SCHEDULE †

Today: 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class
10:00 am – Worship Service (Easter 6)
11:00 am – Hospitality
5:00 pm – Grace Softball (Field 2) (Last Week: Lost 2)

Wed., May 16: 4:00 pm – Catechism for Public School Students
No Midweek Bible Class Until the Fall

Thu., May 17: ASCENSION DAY
7:00 pm – Ascension Worship Service

Fri., May 18: 3:00 pm – ILC Class Day; 7:30 pm – ILC Concert

Sat., May 19: 10:00 am – ILC Graduation; Sydow/Dahl Wedding

Sun., May 20: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class (last one for year)
10:00 am – Worship Service (Easter 7)
11:00 am – Hospitality w/ Ruth Sydow Birthday
5:00 pm – Grace Softball (Field 3)

Thu., May 24: 7:00 pm – Grace School Play

Fri., May 25: 12:00 pm – School End-of-Year Dismissal

Sun., May 27: SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS
9:00 am – Summer Worship Schedule Begins
Grace School Graduation/Graduation Recognition
10:00 am – Hospitality (last one of the season)

Sun., June 3: 3:00 pm – MN Delegate Conference @ New Ulm, MN

Sun., June 17: Confirmation

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