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Grace Lutheran Church & School



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 Church Year: Pentecost 9 Date: July 13, 2008

† **THE ORDER OF WORSHIP** †

Worship Preparation: *Psalm 145, TLH p. 155 f.*

Hymn: *TLH 227*

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

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

- P: O God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you;
- C: My soul thirsts for You, my body longs for You.**
- P: Because Your love is better than life, my lips will glorify You.
- C: I will praise You as long as I live, and in Your name I will lift up my hands.**
- P: My soul will be satisfied as with the richest of foods;
- C: With singing lips my mouth will praise You. Glory be to God!**

Gloria in Excelsis: *TLH 246, st. 1,4: Holy, Holy, Holy*

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
 Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
 Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
 God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!
4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
 All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.
 Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
 God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

First Reading: *Exodus 33:12-23*
 Moses' desire was that he and the nation of Israel had found grace in the sight of the holy, Triune God. The Lord assures Moses of this by giving him a glimpse of His glory.

Gradual:
 P: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;
C: His greatness no one can fathom.
 P: I will meditate on Your wonderful works,
C: And I will proclaim Your great deeds.
 P: Alleluia. Alleluia. This is My Father's glory, that you bear much fruit,
C: Showing yourselves to be My disciples. Alleluia.

Second Reading: *Matthew 11:25-30*
 Jesus invites all struggling sinners to come to Him in order to find true rest.

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

Hymn: *TLH 225: Come Holy Spirit, Come*

Sermon: *Romans 7:15-25*
 (15) For what I am doing, I do not understand. For what I will to do, that I do not practice; but what I hate, that I do. (16) If, then, I do what I will not to do, I agree with the law that *it is* good. (17) But now, *it is* no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me. (18) For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) nothing good dwells; for to will is present with me, but *how* to perform what is good I do not find. (19) For the good that I will *to do*, I do not do; but the evil I will not *to do*, that I practice. (20) Now if I do what I will not *to do*, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me. (21) I find then a law, that evil is present with me, the one who wills to do good. (22) For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man. (23) But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. (24) O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? (25) I thank God; through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin. (NKJV™)

***“OUR INTENSE STRUGGLE WITH THE
 DESIRE FOR SUCCESS”***

Offertory: *TLH p. 12 f.*

Hymn: *TLH 447: Fight the Good Fight with All Thy Might*

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

Hymn: *TLH 412: May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill*

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:** This past Friday Lori Grimm had successful intestinal surgery at Methodist hospital. Plans are to return home on Tuesday. May the Lord grant her healing according to His gracious will.

◆ **Voters Meeting:** Next Sunday our Voters and Dorcas Guild meetings will be held following the worship service.

◆ **Metro Ministry:** If you haven't received one in your mailbox, there are copies left by the guest book of the proposal regarding the metro ministry effort between Grace and Berea in Inver Grove Heights. We will be considering this at our July 20th Voters' meeting. Please approach Pastor Hein or one of the Elders (Benno



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Vacation
Bible
School

◆ **Vacation Bible School:** On July 21-25, 9:00 -11:30 am, we will be having our VBS. This includes children age 4 years, to children going into 8th grade. Please consider this opportunity for spiritual growth by registering your children on the sheet by the guest book.

◆ **VBS Snacks:** A signup list is located by the guest book. Help with the picnic would also be appreciated.

◆ **ILC History:** At Convention there were a couple of history books which can be ordered through the Book House or directly from Mrs. Eunice Roehl. "Throughout All Generations" is a history of Immanuel Lutheran College from 1959 to 2008 by Eunice Roehl. It can be ordered through the Book House or directly from Mrs. Roehl at roehlee@uwec.edu. Cost will be \$15.00. It is about 150+ pages hitting most of the points of development through the years. Any profit realized from the sale of these books will go toward the building of the new academic center. "God's Gift to Immanuel Lutheran College"- A history of Ingram Hall, by Lynette Roehl, can be ordered through the Book House. The cost is about \$8.00.



◆ **July 28 (Monday)** is Immanuel of Mankato's second volunteer workday of the summer at Valleyfair. The work shift is 2:00-10:00 p.m. The work is scheduled to be operations (rides, admissions, etc.) which requires workers to be 18 years old or older. Money earned will be used to offset the cost of this summer's Boundary Waters trip as well as next summer's Youth Conference. Workers receive a \$25.00 credit for either of these events that is transferable. We welcome volunteers from any of the area congregations and/or others who are in the area at that time. Contact: Pastor Wayne Eichstadt (wayneichstadt@charter.net)

◆ **CLC Boys Basketball Camp:** The girls' basketball camp scheduled for August 1-3 is being replaced by a basketball camp for boys grades 7-12 on the same dates. The camp is being run by Sherman Carstensen and Mark Tiefel. If you are interested, go to www.ilc.edu and follow the links to the online registration. The camp is limited to the first 40 that register, so if you are interested, register soon.

◆ **CLC News:** Pastor Michael Roehl has declined the call from Faith in Markesan, WI. † From CLC President John Schierenbeck: According to our usage and custom, Michael Gurath was ordained as vacancy pastor of Faith Lutheran Church, Markesan, WI on July 6 by Rev. Michael Schierenbeck. † Rev. Michael Schierenbeck began chemo this week in preparation for his bone marrow transplant. A Caring Bridge site has been set up for him at www.caringbridge.org/visit/mikeschierenbeck.

Sin Clings to the Christian; A Non-Christian Clings to Sin:

A pious Christian is nevertheless flesh and blood as other people are. But he battles with sin and evil lust and feels what he does not like to feel (Romans 7:15 ff.); but the others are not interested and do not battle with sin and evil lust at all. To feel evil lust is of no consequence so long as one fights against it. That is why such a person must not judge according to his feeling, as though he were lost because of it. Rather he should work throughout his life against the sin which remains and which he feels. He should let the Holy Spirit work and should sigh without ceasing that he would like to be rid of this sin. Indeed, this sighing never ceases in believers and goes deeper than can be expressed, as St. Paul says to the Romans (8:26). But it has a precious listener, the Holy Spirit Himself. He feels this longing and comforts such a conscience. So these two must always be mixed: that one feels both the Holy Spirit and our sin, or imperfection. For we must be like a sick person who is indeed in the hands of a physician and should now improve. - M. Luther

† **TODAY AT GRACE** †

Organist: **Maureen Ochsner** Elder: **Dave Rust**
Ushers: **Roger Ochsner, Don Dahlin, Jeremiah Boe, Bob Maki, Joel Stifter, Arnold Gehrls**
Counting Team 1: **Dan Degnan; Larry Nelson; Phil Radichel; Pat Paplow**
Church Cleaners: **Hein**

† **NEXT WEEK AT GRACE** †

Ushers: **Roger Ochsner, Don Dahlin, Jeremiah Boe, Bob Maki, Joel Stifter, Arnold Gehrls**
Counting Team 2: **Gary Gunther; Bill Rust; Bob Vandever; Clint Welker; Mark Wales**
Church Cleaners: **Welker**

† **OUR SCHEDULE** †

Today: 9:00 am – Worship Service
 10:15 am – Boards; 11:00 am – Council Meeting
 4:00, 5:00 pm – Grace Softball Games (Field #4)
 7:00 pm –Worship Service @ Chaska
Sun., July 20: 9:00 am – Worship Service
 10:30 am – Quarterly Voters & Dorcas Guild Meetings
July 21-25: 9:00-11:30 am – Vacation Bible School
Mon., Aug. 25: 10:00 am – ILC Opening Service

Last Week's Stats: July 6, 2008		Sun.: 126	
Sun. Offering:	Grace:	4,219.50	CLC: 982.00
Weekly Need:	Grace:	3,225.00	CLC: 1,000.00
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	+994.50	CLC: -18.00
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	82,171.67	CLC: 26,011.35
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	87,075.00	CLC: 27,000.00
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-4,903.33	CLC: -988.65
Other Offerings:	Living Faith:	0.00	Tuition: 30.00
GLC Other: 26.00	MDF:	105.00	Kinship: 51.00
ILC Student Aid: 0.00	ILC Bldg.	500.00	IIF: 5.00 CEF: 25.00

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. - Ephesians 2:8-9

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ROMANS 7:25