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† **TODAY AT GRACE** †

Organist: Janelle Hein Elder: Dave Rust
Ushers: Mark Wales, Josh Benzer, Pete Fleischer, Don Auel,
 Ole Olmanson, Brandt Wendland
Counting Team 4: Paul Lentz; Al Rosendahl; Dave Rust; Lynn
 Sandhoefner; Jeff Radichel
Hospitality Team 6: Bye (Mission Festival)
Church Cleaners: B. & B. Sydow School Cleaners: Hein

† **NEXT WEEK AT GRACE** †

Ushers: Mark Wales, Josh Benzer, Pete Fleischer, Don Auel,
 Ole Olmanson, Brandt Wendland
Counting Team 5: Mike Dick; Brad Kitzman; Ed Lentz; Roger
 Ochsner
Hospitality Team 1: Phil & Jackie Radichel; Lynn & Janice
 Sandhoefner
Church Cleaners: Olmanson School Cleaners: Hein


† **OUR SCHEDULE** †

Today: 9:00 am – Sunday School and Bible Class
 10:00 am – Mission Festival Worship Service
 11:15 am – Mission Festival Potluck
 7:00 pm – Worship Service @ Chaska
Wed., Oct. 15: 4:00-5:45 pm – Catechism for Public School Students
 7:00 pm – Midweek Bible Study
Oct. 15-17: CLC Teachers' Conference @ Inver Grove Hts., MN
Fri., Oct. 17: ILC End of Quarter – No School
Sun., Oct. 19: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
 9:00 am – Sunday School and Bible Class
 10:00 am – Worship Service
 11:00 am – Hospitality; 11:30 pm – Voters Meeting
Sat., Oct. 25: 9:00 am – Work Day
Sun., Nov. 2: 4:00 pm – MN Area Reformation Service @ Mankato, MN

Last Week's Stats: Oct. 5, 2008 Sun.: 138 S.S.: 23 B.Cl.: 48 Wed.: 22


Sun. Offering:	Grace:	2,103.20	CLC:	769.00
Weekly Need:	Grace:	3,225.00	CLC:	1,000.00
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-1,121.80	CLC:	-231.00
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	116,880.95	CLC:	38,219.35
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	129,000.00	CLC:	40,000.00
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-12,119.05	CLC:	-1,780.65
Other Offerings:	Living Faith:	14.00	Tuition:	124.00
GLC Other:	MDF:	14.00	Kinship:	269.00
ILC Student Aid:	ILC Bldg.	375.00	IIF: 14.00	CEF: 24.00

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**REPENTANCE &
 FORGIVENESS
of SINS
 will be PREACHED
 in his NAME
 Jesus
 to all nations...**

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GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
MISSION FESTIVAL
OCTOBER 12, 2008

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† **THE ORDER OF WORSHIP** †

Worship Preparation:..... *Psalm 66, TLH p. 136*

Opening Prayer:

Hymn:..... *WS 772: On Galilee's High Mountain*

Liturgy:..... *TLH, p. 46, The Order of the Confessional Service*

P: *In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.*

C: A - - - men.

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

C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.

P: *The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit.*

C: A broken and a contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not de - spise.

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.

What are you seeking?

This is what you will find among us:

- ★ *The Bible preached as it is – the living Word of the living God; not the preaching of social, political, theological, or ethical opinions of men.*
- ★ *Man acknowledge as he is – born in sin, prone to error and doomed to hell unless rescued by God Himself; not man morally capable of redeeming himself.*
- ★ *Jesus Christ worshipped as the Son of God made flesh to redeem lost and condemned mankind; not a Christ molded to accommodate the modern mind.*
- ★ *God confessed as He has revealed Himself: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost – three divine Persons, one divine Essence; not some god fashioned either by the hand or the mind of man.*
- ★ *Salvation proclaimed by grace through faith in the redemption that is in Christ Jesus; not by the works or efforts or striving of man.*
- ★ *The Gospel preached and the Sacraments administered as the means of grace whereby the Holy Spirit creates and preserves faith; not self-induced religious experience or any so-called faith apart from that which is created by the Spirit through the Gospel.*
- ★ *The Church accepted in faith as the congregation of believers – the creation of the Spirit of God; not a human organization subject to the manipulations of men.*
- ★ *The business of the Church considered to be the preaching of forgiveness for the regeneration of individuals into eternal life; not the redemption of the world to conform to some social pattern of men.*
- ★ *Ecumenism as Spirit-created unity in the Gospel; not as ‘agreement to disagree’ for the sake of power, organization, or the demands of expediency.*
- ★ *Christian liberty in all that is neither forbidden nor commanded by our Lord; bondage to no word of man.*

★ *All the Bible teaches – nothing more, nothing less.*



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COUNCIL MEETING NOTES - OCTOBER 5, 2008

The Sept. Council meeting minutes and treasurer's report were accepted.

Pastor's Report

- Jeff Radichel and Sarah Noeldner were married last Friday.
- Membership issues are being addressed.
- Guest speakers
 - o Phil Matzke Oct 12 Mission Festival
 - o Scott Schiermeister Oct 26 Pastor Hein at Eagle Lake
- Pastoral conference is in Okabena this week.
- November 2 is the Reformation service in Mankato.

Board of Elders Report

- Moved and passed to present to the voters to drop Angela and Travis Valley and children per their request.
- Moved and passed to present to the voters to drop Marion Schwieger per her request.
- Moved and passed to accept the pending transfer of Sarah Radichel from Eau Claire.
- Moved and passed to transfer Jim and Jennifer Squires and children to Berea.
- Pastor will be meeting this week about Metro Outreach w/ Pastor Schierenbeck
- November 2 is the piano dedication.
- The U of M students' transportation to/from church is being addressed.
- Offering envelopes have been ordered.
- There will be a \$100 disbursement from the Living Faith fund.

Board of Education Report

- Substitute teachers must be called for a 1-year term. Therefore, for the current school year:
 - o Moved and passed to present to the voters the call to Heidi Nelson as a substitute teacher for the 2008-2009 school year.
 - o Moved and passed to present to the voters the call to Jan Davis as a substitute teacher for the 2008-2009 school year.
 - o Moved and passed to present to the voters the call to Janelle Hein as a substitute teacher for the 2008-2009 school year.
 - o Moved and passed to present to the voters the call to Deb Maki as a substitute teacher for the 2008-2009 school year.
- Matt Dick will be deployed next year, so we will have to elect someone to finish the 3-year term's last year.
- Discussion centered around non-member teaching and involvement.

Board of Trustees Report

- The leaking water heater will be addressed.
- October 25 is fall cleanup.

Other Business

- Moved and passed to recommend to the voters to locate the sound/video control booth next to the organ. The screen might be placed above the alter or between the Nativity and Crucifixion windows.
- A notification was received from Unity Hospital regarding expansion.
- The parking lot needs maintenance. A project might be forthcoming.
- Salary and budgets are to be presented to voters.

Elders	64,000	3% salary increase
Education	62,000	2.5-3% salary increase
Trustees	42,000	
	168,000	

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 1:05 PM.

Confession & Absolution: Tune of "Hark! The Voice of Jesus Calling"

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, to us all.

**SING(♩): Rise, Thou, Light of Gentile nations,
Jesus, bright and Morning Star;
Let Thy Word, the gladsome tidings,
Ring out loudly near and far,
Bringing freedom to the captives,
Peace and comfort to the slave,
That the heathen, free from bondage,
May proclaim Thy pow'r to save. (TLH 498:1)**

Mission Responsory: Various Passages & TLH 508

P: We know where this world came from, for it is written:

C: "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

P: Even as a house stands as testimony to its builder, so the creation itself stands as a witness to God, for it is written:

C: "Every house is built by someone, but He who built all things is God."

P: We can see from the Creation around us that God is Wise and Powerful, for it is also written:

C: "For since the creation of the world God's invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse."

P: God has also shown Himself to be kind and good in the way He supports and protects His Creation. For it is written:

C: "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."

P: However, like footprints on the seashore, the Creation does not make known the Person of God nor does it give us His Name. It does not make known how sinful mankind may be saved. As it is written:

C: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him."

P: *So much of mankind still today is in the dark.*

C: Not knowing who is the God of the Creation, the One True God.

SING(♫): Thou whose almighty word
Chaos and darkness heard And took their flight,
Hear us, we humbly pray, And where the Gospel day
Sheds not its glorious ray, Let there be light! (TLH 508:1)

P: *In time, the God of the Creation made Himself known to mankind by His Prophets and then through His Son, Jesus Christ. For it is written:*

C: "God, who at various times and in different ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son."

P: *In love, the God of the Creation left a more complete witness of Himself by directing men to put down His very words and thoughts in written form, as it is written:*

C: "... for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit."

P: *The God of Creation not only tells how He created the world, but even more importantly, how He redeemed the world through His Son.*

C: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

P: *So God enlightens men today by His Word, so that they may know Him and the Savior Jesus Christ. So it is written:*

C: "... this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent."

SING(♫): Thou who didst come to bring,
On Thy redeeming wing, Healing and sight,
Health to the sick in mind, Sight to the inly blind,
Oh, now to all mankind Let there be light! (TLH 508:2)

P: *Now in moving us to trust in Christ by His Holy Spirit, God has made us and all Christians His witnesses and spokespeople to the world, as it is written:*

C: "... we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God."

P: *How can we hope to be successful? We are only sinful human beings and are powerless ourselves!*

C: Indeed, we must always remember that the power is of God and not of us.

P: *Truly, God's Word is still as powerful and effective as it was in time past. Through it others will be born again, given spiritual life through faith in Christ.*

Alice in Wonder. It will be performed both Friday and Saturday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Speak with your pastor about questions and attendance. Someone please convey attendance information and any housing requests to Prof. John Ude, the ILC academic dean, before November 3rd. His ILC office phone is 715-836-6636. His home phone is 715-955-4127. And his e-mail address is john.ude@ilc.edu

♦ **Mission Helper:** There is still room for the 2009 Mission Helper Trip to India trip. The trip will take place in July. Deadline for applications is January 15. Contact Pastor Todd Ohlmann at (636) 225-3458.

♦ **Coming Mission Trip:** On October 13, a three-man visitation team from the U.S. will begin working with our sister churches in Kenya and Tanzania. They are Pastor Nathanael Mayhew, our part-time foreign missionary to East Africa, Mission Board Chairman Bruce Naumann, and Mr. Russell Schmitt, a lay member from Mankato who will be making his third volunteer trip to the area. They will participate in a pastoral conference to which leaders of the Lutheran Church in East Africa (LCEA), the Church of the Lutheran Confession in East Africa (CLCEA), and the Nairobi CLC are invited. We hope to foster a deeper knowledge of confessional Scriptural teaching at these meetings. It is also hoped that more fellowship and better communication can be achieved among these African churches. The visitation team will spend about a week in Etago, Kenya, to assist with the churches there and with the school for AIDS orphan children. We will then visit the churches under Pastor Jeremiah Issanga, and conduct pastoral training in Arusha. We will travel to St. Peter's Lutheran Seminary in Himo, Tanzania, and celebrate with the people of the LCEA as St. Peter's has its first graduation. Eight men will be entering the pastoral ministry. The Mission Board recognizes a pressing need for a full-time missionary from the U.S. in East Africa. We pray that the Lord will enable us to send such a man when the resources are available. We will endeavor to serve them as best we can, in the meantime, on a visitation basis. For a blog following the trip, visit: clcea.blogspot.com.

♦ **CLC News:** Pastor Paul Krause of St. John's in Clarkston, WA, and of Peace in Orofino, ID, has accepted the call to serve Faith in Markesan, WI.

♦ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #6 – 4th Commandment.

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 †

- ◆ **TODAY:** We thank Rev. Philip Matzke for proclaiming the Gospel message to compel us to spread its glorious light to others. Rev. Matzke formerly served at St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran Church in Stambaugh, MI. Rev. Matzke, his wife Abby, and his children are members at Immanuel Lutheran in Mankato, MN. Following our worship service we will have a potluck meal in the fellowship hall. Everyone is invited to stay and share in some Christian companionship. Committee #2 will be serving.
- ◆ **Devotion Book:** This is an announcement that another devotional booklet is now available, one which would make a special Christmas gift! Just off the press -- Volume VI of E. Schaller's Selected Sermons, containing forty-six sermons that follow the church/calendar year, from Christmas through the Epiphany, pre-Lent, Lent, and Trinity Sundays. The closing three sermons use the Revelation addresses of the Lord to Smyrna, Philadelphia, and Laodicea. Order from Paul R. Koch -- 3425 Morgan Ave., Eau Claire, WI; Phone: 715-835-5083; e-mail address is parekoak@aol.com. (\$8.00 per copy plus postage.) Thank you. Paul R. Koch
- ◆ **ILC Publicity:** Much progress was made on the ILC campus this past week in preparation of the new Academic Center. Last week a large amount of brush was removed. This week the building site was prepped by leveling off the area which would be built upon. In fact, on Thursday, Oct. 9, the Cottage was demolished. It only took a matter of a couple of hours. In addition, the September financial report revealed that \$33,172 in offerings were donated to the ILC Building Fund during the month. Even more amazing, \$407,340 came in promissory notes toward the Church Extension Fund. This will be quite helpful in reducing our dependency upon a commercial loan. We are well ahead of the Trustee's proposed financial plan at this past summer's CLC Convention. For more information, the latest news, financial reports, pictures, recorded video, and even live web cam video, please visit www.ilcpublicity.org or go to the construction blog at ilcacademiccenter.blogspot.com. There is a lot to see!
- ◆ **Immanuel Lutheran College Visitors Day:** is November 7th beginning at 10:05 a.m. in the ILC gymnasium for chapel. It will feature presentations and classroom visits until 1:30 p.m. A Campus tour will be available at 1:30. Come and learn more about your church's college and a continuing education with Christ. We will attempt to provide lodging, if needed, Thursday or Friday nights for those attending College Visitor's Day and these visitors will be our guests at meals. (No special activity is planned for Thursday evening.) Friday evening there is also the opportunity to see the ILC fall play,

C: "... having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever."

P: For, "All flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of the grass.

C: "The grass withers, and its flower falls away, but the word of the Lord endures forever."

P: *We have been given the Holy Spirit who enlightens us and makes known by the Word the things God has done for us. The Holy Spirit also accompanies the Words of God we speak. For it is written:*

C: "Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual."

SING(♫): Spirit of Truth and Love,
Lifegiving, holy Dove, Speed forth Thy flight;
Move on the water's face, Bearing the lamp of grace,
And in earth's darkest place Let there be light! (TLH 508:3)

P: *So we gather here today to glorify God for making Himself known to us. We thank Him for giving us His Word. We, like the Apostles, ask that He would make us bold to speak:*

C: "Now, Lord, look on their threats, and grant to Your servants that with all boldness they may speak Your word."

P: *We should be bold, for the one who has all power in Heaven and on earth stands behind us. He authorizes and sends us, saying:*

C: "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you."

P: *Finally, He promises to be with us all, saying:*

C: "Lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

SING(♫): Holy and blessed Three,
Glorious Trinity, Wisdom, Love, Might!
Boundless as ocean's tide, Rolling in fullest pride,
Thro' the earth, far and wide, Let there be light! (TLH 508:4)

Scripture Reading:..... *Ezekiel 37:1-14*

Responsive Gradual:

P: *I will praise You, O Lord, among the nations;*

C: *I will sing of You among the peoples.*

P: *For great is Your love, higher than the heavens;*

C: *Your faithfulness reaches to the skies.*

P: *Alleluia. Alleluia. Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name;*

C: *Make known among the nations what He has done! Alleluia.*

CDS Children:..... *TLH 507: Spread, Oh, Spread*

Scripture Reading:..... *Acts 9:1-9, 17-18*

Confession of Faith:.. *Luther's Explanation to the Third Article*

I believe that I cannot by my own reasoning or effort believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, nor 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 198: He's Risen, He's Risen*

Sermon:..... *Luke 24:44-53*

(44) Then He said to them, "These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me." (45) And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures. (46) Then He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, (47) "and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. (48) "And you are witnesses of these things. (49) "Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high." (50) And He led them out as far as Bethany, and He lifted up His hands and blessed them. (51) Now it came to pass, while He blessed them, that He was parted from them and carried up into heaven. (52) And they worshiped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, (53) and were continually in the temple praising and blessing God. Amen. (NKJV™)

"Witnesses of The Things Which God has Done"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Philip Matzke

Response:..... *Tune of "Hark! The Voice of Jesus Calling"*

SING(♩): Savior, shine in all Thy glory
On the nations near and far;
From the highways and the byways
Call them, O Thou Morning Star.
Guide them whom Thy grace hath chosen
Out of Satan's dreadful thrall
To the mansions of Thy Father--
There is room for sinners all. (TLH 498:6)

Hymn:..... *TLH 503: Rise, Crowned with Light*

Offering of Thanks:..... *Meditative Music*

Note: Please stand to sing as offering is brought forward

Offering Response:..... *Tune of "Hark! The Voice of Jesus Calling"*

SING(♩): May our zeal to help the heathen
Be increased from day to day
As we plead in true compassion
And for their conversion pray.
For the many faithful heralds,
For the Gospel they proclaim,
Let us all be cheerful givers
To the glory of Thy name. (TLH 498:5)

Prayers:

Benediction:..... *Tune of "Hark! The Voice of Jesus Calling"*

Pastor: May our gracious Lord be with you,
May He keep you in His grace,
May He look with favor on you
Granting you His lasting peace.

SING(♩): God – the Father, Son, and Spirit,
Triune God, fills every space,
Praise to Him through Jesus merit,
Spread His name in every place. Amen.

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

Silent Prayer:

From the June 19, 1934, issue of The Lutheran Witness.
The author is known only by the initials of T.Z.M., from Fort Wayne, Ind.

Go ye into all the world, Preach the Word to every creature;
Baptize in the name of God; This is your work's foremost feature.
Let Christ's banner be unfurled - Go ye into all the world

Go ye with the Word of God; Cast good seed on this world's acre,
Plant from place to place the Word In the name of God, your Maker.
This work never is for naught - Go ye with the Word of God.

Go ye in the strength of God. Ye are weak, but Christ is mighty;
He'll give power to do the work, Strength to conquer them that fight you.
Rescue souls so dearly bought - Go ye in the strength of God!

Go ye! He will go with you. Ye are safe when in His keeping;
Like as He you'll suffer, too. Sigh, be sad, yea, even weeping.
But great joy is yours, when through, - Go ye! He will go with you.