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† **TODAY AT GRACE** †

Organist: Janelle Hein *Elder:* Frank Radichel
Ushers: Pat Paplow, Gerald Anderson, Dan Degnan,
 Brandon Paplow, Andrew Rosendahl
Counting Team 2: Gary Gunther; Bill Rust; Bob Vandever;
 Clint Welker; Mark Wales
Church Cleaners: J. Radichel

† **NEXT WEEK AT GRACE** †

Ushers: Pat Paplow, Gerald Anderson, Dan Degnan,
 Brandon Paplow, Andrew Rosendahl
Counting Team 3: Don Auel; Brian Eichstadt; Jack
 Kirkham; Benno Sydow; Michael Ude
Church Cleaners: C. Lentz

† **OUR SCHEDULE** †

Today: 9:00 am – Worship Service (VBS Review)
 11:00 am – Council Meeting
Sat., Aug. 15: 9:00 am – School Workday
Sun., Aug. 16: 9:00 am – Worship Service
Mon., Aug. 24: 10:00 am – ILC Opening Service
Mon., Aug. 31: 8:00 am – Grace School Opening Service
Wed., Sept. 2: 4:00-5:45 pm – Public School Catechism Begins
Sun., Sept. 13: 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class Begin
 10:00 am – Worship Service (Schedule Changes)

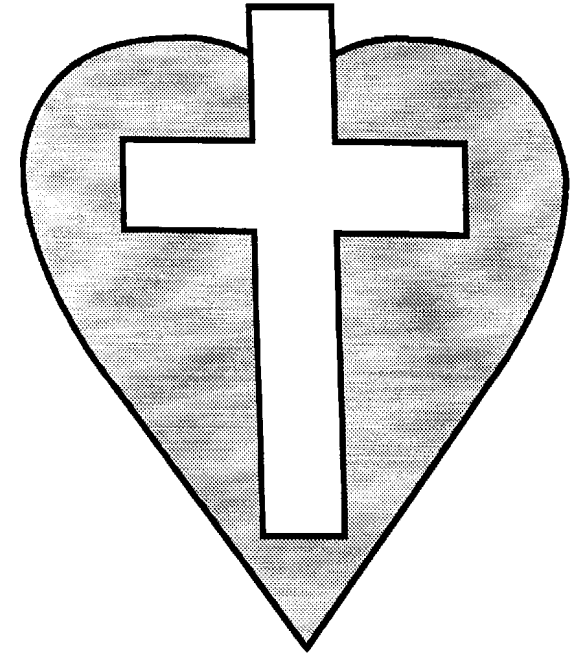
Last Week's Stats:		Aug. 2, 2009	Sun.: 90
Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$1,929.75	CLC: \$816.00
Weekly Need:	Grace:	3,300.00	CLC: 1,000.00
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-1,370.25	CLC: -184.00
Year-to-Date Offering:.	Grace:	90,015.58	CLC: 29,473.40
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	102,300.00	CLC: 31,000.00
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-12,284.42	CLC: -1,526.60
Other Offerings:	Living Faith:	89.00	Tuition: 163.00
GLC Other:	89.00	MDF: 18.00	Kinship: 64.00
ILC Student Aid:	41.00	ILC Bldg. 141.00	IIF: 59.00 CEF: 14.00

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)

GRACE

I BELIEVE

that



JESUS

CHRIST

IS MY LORD

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

460 75TH AVE NE
FRIDLEY, MN



Let the little children
come to me....

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ORGANIST: JANELLE HEIN
DATE: AUGUST 9, 2009

“I BELIEVE THAT JESUS CHRIST IS MY LORD”

WORSHIP PREPARATION:PSALM 8, TLH, P. 124

OPENING PRAYER:

HYMN: TLH 3: LORD JESUS CHRIST, BE PRESENT NOW

LITURGY: CONFSSIONAL SERVICE, TLH, P. 46 FF.

P: O Lord, open Thou my lips.

C: And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

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

C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.

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. Hal-le - lu - iah!

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.



*Grace Evangelical
Lutheran Church*

“OUR JUBILEE IN CHRIST” is the theme of the 50th anniversary of the Church of the Lutheran Confession. The word “jubilee” is derived from a Hebrew word *jobel*— the joyful shout or clangor of trumpets, by which the Year of Jubilee was announced.

The Old Testament Year of Jubilee was celebrated every 50th year. During this year the land that had been taken from its owners was returned to the family to whom it originally belonged. All slaves of Jewish blood were to be released. Leviticus 25 describes the divine command and reason for the Year of Jubilee.

The Father commanded it as an expression of divine love through which He provided for the preservation and welfare of families and tribes. It contributed to the recording of genealogies and preserved evidence to establish right to ancestral property. “The Year of Jubilee became a year of freedom and of mercy to the entire people, but especially to the poor and oppressed, and a year of rest from toil and drudgery” (Kretzmann—*Popular Commentary*, Vol. 1).

Since the Year of Jubilee was part of the ceremonial law, we of the New Testament are no longer under its mandated provisions. In Christ through Whom liberty is proclaimed and through Whom the broken-hearted are bound up (Isaiah 61:2, Luke 4:18, 19), we enjoy spiritual rest and freedom foreshadowed by the Year of Jubilee. The peace we know is the peace of forgiveness, proclaimed by Christ, and won through Him. The freedom we know is the freedom from sin, death, and the power of the devil. In Christ we have REDEMPTION FOR THE PAST, and HOPE FOR THE FUTURE.

It is the will of God that in the exercise of church fellowship on earth there be unity of teaching (1 Corinthians 1:10). When it is established that such unity does not exist we are to sever such relationships (Romans 16:17, 18) for the preservation of our confession, our faith and our hope in Christ. The immediate cause of the formation of the CLC arose out of the change in fellowship doctrine and practice of our former fellowship. Consciences were compelled by the Word to act. Our Year of Jubilee celebration is dated from our inception as a confessional Lutheran Church body in 1960.

The visible Christian church in the world today is in the sorry condition it is in part because, having forsaken God’s Word, it rejects His teaching regarding the practice of fellowship. However, the purpose of our synod’s existence is greater than the promotion of the Scriptural fellowship principle. In fact, the principle serves the greater purpose—the proclamation of the full, free, and unadulterated Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our witness *is not*, “See how ‘pure’ we are in our fellowship practice.” Such a boast is vain and belies the struggle in which we are regularly engaged. Our witness *is* to the cross of Him upon Whom was laid the sin of us all. Our witness *is* to Him Who gives life and salvation. Our jubilee year in Christ is not to the praise of our church body, but is recognition that our Father in His mercy has preserved to us the blessed message of salvation without which there is no joy or peace or freedom—no hope and no future. For 50 years He graciously has blessed us with the privilege to preach the Gospel.

Our jubilee in Christ will be meaningful only as we continue faithfully in the Word of God, and only as we continue to proclaim the Gospel of which Jesus is the heart and soul. We are but servants of the Lord our God (cf. Leviticus 25:55).

“To The Triune God alone be jubilee praise and glory forever. Amen.”

By Pastor Daniel Fleischer, Corpus Christi, TX



RESPONSIVE PSALM:PSALM 16

P: Preserve me, O God,

C: for in You I put my trust.

P: O my soul, you have said to the LORD,

C: “You are my Lord, My goodness is nothing apart from You.”

P: As for the saints who are on the earth,

C: “They are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.”

P: Their sorrows shall be multiplied who hasten after another god;

C: Their drink offerings of blood I will not offer, Nor take up their names on my lips.

P: O LORD, You are the portion of my inheritance and my cup;

C: You maintain my lot.

P: The lines have fallen to me in pleasant places;

C: Yes, I have a good inheritance.

P: I will bless the LORD who has given me counsel;

C: My heart also instructs me in the night seasons.

P: I have set the LORD always before me;

C: Because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved.

P: Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices;

C: My flesh also will rest in hope.

P: For You will not leave my soul in Sheol,

C: Nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption.

P: You will show me the path of life;

C: In Your presence is fullness of joy; At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

SCRIPTURE READING:MATTHEW 8:5-15

Jesus commends the faith of the centurion

HYMN:TLH 346: JESUS! AND SHALL IT EVER BE

SERMON: I BELIEVE THAT JESUS CHRIST IS MY LORD

Romans 10:9-11: ... if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture says, “Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame.”

MEMORY PASSAGE: GRADES 6TH - 8TH

John 1:1-5: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

MEMORY PASSAGE: GRADES 3RD-5TH

Matthew 1:21: “... and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins.”

MEMORY PASSAGE: GRADES PRE-K-2ND
Matthew 3:17b: "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

MEMORY PASSAGE: GRADES 3RD - 5TH
John 8:31-32: "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

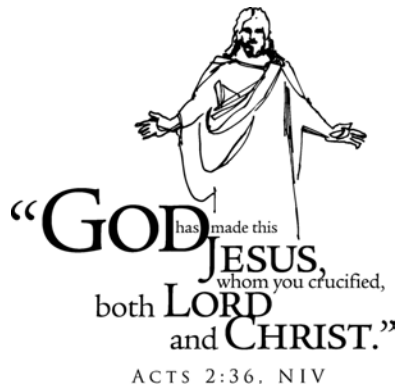
CHILDREN'S SONG: JESUS LOVES ME THIS I KNOW

MEMORY PASSAGE: GRADES PRE-K-2ND
John 14:19b: "Because I live, you will live also."

CHILDREN'S HYMN: TLH 355: THOU ART THE WAY; TO THEE ALONE

TODAY'S CREED: LUTHER'S EXPLANATION TO THE SECOND ARTICLE

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord. He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sin, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and His innocent suffering and death. He did this that I should be His very own, live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and joy; just as He is risen from death, lives and reigns in eternity. This is most certainly true.



HYMN: TLH 408: JESUS CHRIST, MY PRIDE AND GLORY

OFFERING OF THANKS:

PRAYERS:

BENEDICTION:

HYMN: TLH 339, ST. 1-3, 7: ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME

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!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ♦ **Vacation Bible School:** It was a blessing to be able to serve 26 children this past week with the Word of God directing them to their Savior, Jesus Christ. We thank those children who participated today for sharing the Word of God with us. We also thank the staff for ensuring that VBS was successful.
- ♦ **Sunday School:** One of the vital programs at Grace for the instruction of our youth is the Sunday School. Those interested in helping out with teaching, subbing, or helping out in any kind of way may speak with either Pastor Hein or Peter Fleischer, the superintendent.
- ♦ **School Work Day:** This coming Saturday the school will be readied for the coming school year with a work day. We invite all our members to come and help. But, even more so, we strongly encourage the parents of our Christian Day School children to help as the success of our school is dependent upon parental interest and volunteer labor.
- ♦ **Catechism for Public School Students:** It won't be long now until Catechism starts up again. Sept. 2 will be the first class, continuing the Wednesday afternoon time slot as it seems to be the time with the least number of conflicts. We'll continue class at 4:00-5:45 pm.
- ♦ **Eden Prairie Worship:** Regular Sunday morning services are being held at 9:00 am in Eden Prairie, MN, as an outreach effort in the southwest area of the Twin Cities. Flyers are by the guest book.
- ♦ **Lutheran Spokesman:** Beginning with the August issue, the Lutheran Spokesman will now be mailed directly to your home address. It should have arrived this past week. Please let Pastor or Benno Sydow know if you did not receive your copy.
- ♦ **ILC Starts:** On August 24, Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary will have its opening service at 10 am. This year the students will enjoy the new academic center for its classes. You may see what has taken place on campus by visiting ilc.edu or the building blog at ilcacademiccenter.blogspot.com.
- ♦ **CLC News:** Pastor Michael Roehl has returned the call to Our Redeemer's in Red Wing, MN. † Mr. Kurt Koenig will be the boys' dormitory supervisor beginning this next year. † Pastor David Baker of Immanuel at Batavia, IL, has been experiencing some speech difficulties. He is undergoing tests to find out what it is leading to this.



Sunday School Start-up

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