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Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Easter 6

Date: May 13, 2012

✠ THE ORDER OF WORSHIP ✠

Worship Preparation: Psalm 98, TLH p. 144

Hymn: WS 764: God of Grace and God of Glory

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

1. Christ the Lord is risen today,
Sons of men and angels say.
Raise your joys and triumphs high;
Sing, ye heavens, and, earth, reply.

6. 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: 1 John 4:1-11

The great difference between being of the world and of God.

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 15:9-17

Christ's love is demonstrated by giving His life for us. Our love is demonstrated by doing His commandments as a response to the love He has for us.

Confession of Faith: Apostolic Creed, TLH p. 12

Hymn: TLH 493: Thou Who the Night in Prayer Didst Spend

Sermon: Acts 11:19-26

(19) Now those who were scattered after the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to no one but the Jews only. (20) But some of them were men from Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists, preaching the Lord Jesus. (21) And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord. (22) Then news of these things came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent out Barnabas to go as far as Antioch. (23) When he came and had seen the grace of God, he was glad, and encouraged them all that with purpose of heart they should continue with the Lord. (24) For he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord. (25) Then Barnabas departed for Tarsus to seek Saul. (26) And when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for a whole year they assembled with the church and taught a great many people. And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch.

The Hand of the Lord at Work in His Church

1. As in Antioch, He blesses the preaching of his Word
2. As with Barnabas and Saul, He calls pastors and teachers
3. As with the first disciples, we are Christians

Offertory: TLH p. 12 f.

Hymn: TLH 473: *The Church's One Foundation*

Offering, Prayers, Benediction: TLH p. 14

Hymn: TLH 658: *Onward, Christian Soldiers*

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 speak with you!

✠ THE ANNOUNCEMENTS ✠

- ◆ **Mothers Day:** Today is Mothers' Day, when we properly set aside a special time to remember the Lord's blessings to us through mothers and grandmothers. For all the love, care, and protection that our mothers provide to their children, we give God our thanks. Special appreciation is due for the instruction and guidance in the Lord's Word that mothers provide to their children. For these and the many other blessings that come to us through our mothers, we honor the presence of these godly women among us.
- ◆ **Ascension Worship:** 40 days after Jesus' resurrection He ascended into heaven visibly from His disciples. Knowing that He was now seated at the right hand of the Father in full glory and ruling over all things, they worshipped Him with great joy. Our opportunity to worship Him is this Thursday evening at 7 pm.
- ◆ **Confirmation:** Next Sunday is Confirmation. Annie Rhinesmith and Brooke Wendland are our confirmands. May the Lord bless their preparations and their resolve as they consider the commitment they are making with the help of God. The congregation is invited to a luncheon held in the fellowship hall next Sunday.
- ◆ **The Grace Lutheran School** staff is planning for the 2012-13 school year. If you are interested in enrolling your child in our school, there are enrollment forms available by the guest book.
- ◆ **Graduates:** Please list any Grace member who is graduating this year on the sheet by the guestbook. Graduation Sunday is May 27.
- ◆ **CLC News:** Seminary graduate Mark Tiefel has accepted the call to Bethel in Morris, MN. Pastor Elton Hallauer of Morris plans to retire from the holy ministry by the end of August. ✠ Educational graduate Megan Rehm has accepted the call to teach the lower grades at Immanuel in Winter Haven, FL.
- ◆ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #26 – Sacrament of the Altar



CLC E-Devotion

Saturday, May 9, 2009

GRACE FOR MOM

(based on Genesis 4)

It couldn't have gotten much worse. What a horrible day it was for Eve, the world's very first mother. Who broke the news to her? Was it Adam who told her that her son Abel was found dead in the field, murdered by her son Cain?



No. It couldn't have gotten much worse. But while Eve was the first to feel a mother's broken heart, she wasn't the last. Down through ages, countless mothers have felt great sadness on account of their children. Some have seen their children struck by a debilitating illness. Others have seen their children ruin their lives through drug or alcohol abuse.

The deepest mother's-pain, of course, is felt by the Christian mother whose child has deserted Christ for the passing pleasures of the world. One can't help but think that Eve grieved for Cain more than she did for Abel. As one who trusted in the promised Serpent Crusher, Abel was safe and happy with God in heaven. Cain, on the other hand, was an impenitent sinner who had turned his back on God's grace. Eve must have offered up tearful prayers day and night for the soul of her unbelieving son.

Perhaps, years later, Mary thought of Eve when Jesus' own brothers (fellow Jews) murdered him. The prophesied sword pierced Mary's soul when her firstborn son was crucified. Talk about every mother's worst nightmare -- to see your own child tortured in such a gruesome way!

And yet Jesus' death gives the peace that every mother needs. The Christian mother knows that despite her many failures as a Mom, Christ paid for all her sins. She knows that the everlasting love God demonstrated in offering His Son is love that is there for her to cling to everyday. She knows only God's love can truly heal the heartaches that mothers experience -- and certainly every Christian mother longs to be in heaven with Christ, where God will wipe away every tear from her eyes. Then, delivered from this world of heartbreaking sin, every Christian mother will one day be able to say, "IT JUST CAN'T GET ANY BETTER THAN THIS!"

Last Week's Stats: May 6, 2012 Sun.: 110 S.S.: 10 B.Cl.: 35

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$3,059.30	CLC:	\$712.00
Weekly Need:	Grace:	3,030.00	CLC:	960.00
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	+29.30	CLC:	-248.00
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	\$54,170.30	CLC:	\$17,495.00
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	57,570.00	CLC:	18,240.00
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-3,399.70	CLC:	-745.00
Other Offerings:	Living Faith:	34.00	Tuition Aid:	525.00
GLC Other:	MDF:	105.00	Kinship:	55.00
ILC Student Aid:	ILC Bldg.	95.00	IIF:	5.00
			CEF:	5.00

✚ TODAY AT GRACE ✚

Organist: Sue Nelson

Elder: Phil Radichel

Ushers: David Stifter, Scott Baker, Al Rosendahl, Dylan Stifter,
Lyle Trulin, Michael Ude

Counting Team 2: Gary Gunther; Bill Rust; Bob Vandever;
Clint Welker; Mark Wales

Hospitality Team 3: Larry Nelson; Barb Sydow; Ryan & Mikey
Oman; Nick & Miranda Duehlmeier; Dan & Cindy Degnan

Church Cleaners: B. Rust

School: Story

✚ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✚

Ushers: David Stifter, Scott Baker, Al Rosendahl, Dylan Stifter,
Lyle Trulin, Michael Ude

Counting Team 3: Don Auel; Brian Eichstadt; Jack
Kirkham; Benno Sydow; Brandt Wendland

Hospitality Team 4: Mark & Trudy Wales; Karen Auel; Bob &
Suki Vandever

Church Cleaners: B. Rust

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✚ OUR SCHEDULE ✚

Sun., May 13: 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class
10:00 am – Worship Service
11:15 am – Hospitality

Wed., May 16: 4:00 pm – Catechism for Public School Students

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

Fri., May 18: 3:00 pm – ILC Class Day
7:30 pm – ILC Spring Concert @ Messiah in Eau Claire

Sat., May 19: 10:00 am – ILC Graduation Service

Sun., May 20: 9:00 am – Confirmation Examination
10:00 am – Confirmation Worship Service
11:15 am – Hospitality

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

Fri. May 25: Grace School's Last Day

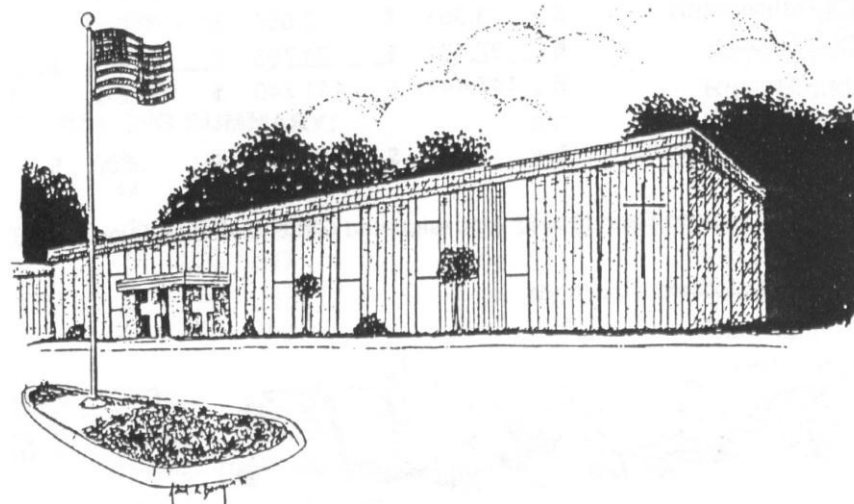
Sun., May 27: Summer Schedule Begins (9 am Worship)

Sun., June 10: 3:00 pm – MN Delegate Conference @ Inver Grove Hts.

June 18-21: CLC Convention @ Eau Claire, WI

August 6-10: Vacation Bible School

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But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; who once *were* not a people but *are* now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy. 1 Peter 2:9-10

