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Church Year: Pentecost 17 **Date:** September 23, 2012

✠ *THE ORDER OF WORSHIP* ✠

Worship Preparation:Psalm 139, TLH p. 154 f.

Hymn: WS 748: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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

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

- P: Trust in the Lord and do good;
- C: Dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture.**
- P: Delight yourself in the Lord,
- C: And He will give you the desires of your heart.**
- P Commit your way to the Lord; trust in Him and He will do this.
- C: The salvation of the righteous comes from the Lord, He is their stronghold in time of trouble. Glory be to God.**

Gloria in Excelsis: TLH 9, st. 5

New graces ever gaining
From this our day of rest,
We reach the rest remaining
To spirits of the blest.
To Holy Ghost be praises,
To Father, and to Son;
The Church her voice upraises
To Thee, blest Three in One.

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:23-29

Many sinners try to hide from God just like Adam and Eve did. They try to hide by believing He can't see them or by convincing themselves that He is like the god they *want* Him to be. All such hiding is useless as is any word that is supposedly from God but is really mankind's dreamy foolishness.

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. Rejoice in the Lord always.
C: Again I say, Rejoice! Alleluia.

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-13

After listing many Old Testament examples of faithful believers (chapter 11), the writer to the Hebrews concludes that we too can be similarly faithful by looking to Jesus, our Savior. This applies also during times of chastening. In the moment, it's not fun to be disciplined, but it is good and a sign of love. The chastisement we experience from the Lord demonstrates His love for us.

Confession of Faith: Apostolic Creed, TLH p. 12

Hymn: WS 769: Lift High the Cross

Sermon: Luke 12:49-53

⁴⁹ "I came to send fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰ But I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how distressed I am till it is accomplished! ⁵¹ Do *you* suppose that I came to give peace on earth? I tell you, not at all, but rather division. ⁵² For from now on five in one house will be divided: three against two, and two against three. ⁵³ Father will be divided against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law." (NKJVTM)

JESUS – THE DIVIDER

- I. Jesus' truth creates division
- II. False peace promotes a false Christ
- III. Unity of the Spirit sets apart God's children

Guest Preacher: Pastor Wayne Eichstadt

Offertory: TLH p. 12 f.

Hymn: TLH 364: How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

Offering, Prayers, Benediction: TLH p. 14

Hymn: TLH 52: Almighty Father, Bless the Word

✠ THE ANNOUNCEMENTS ✠

- ◆ **Thanks!** We thank Pastor Wayne Eichstadt for preaching the Gospel today. He is one of the pastors at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Mankato, MN, and is also husband of former Grace member, Tina nee Radichel. May the Lord bless his ministry! Pastor Hein is preaching at Eden Prairie today.
- ◆ **Among Us:** Maynard Hammond is now hospitalized again at the Veterans due to pains related to his surgery. Maynard did have a doctor visit this past week in which he was informed that the type of cancer he has (carcinoid) is not nearly as aggressive as originally believed to be. Maynard will not need any treatments at this time. This past Friday Curt Miesen was diagnosed with Leukemia. He is hospitalized for the next month at North Memorial in Robbinsdale as he receives chemotherapy treatment. Unfortunately his visitor list is limited since he is vulnerable to health issues. Please remember Maynard and Curt in your prayers!
- ◆ **Bible Class Next Sunday:** Next Sunday Alvin Jask will be presenting information about his recent trip to Liberia. He will be showing some video and speak to us about the opportunities we have to share the Gospel there. He has personally taken on the goal of starting a Christian Day School, obtaining property and constructing a building for this purpose. Please come and learn more about what's going on! Bible Class is at 9 am.
- ◆ **Baby Shower:** A baby shower for Jessica Ude will be held on Oct. 13 here at church. Details can be found on the invitation on the bulletin board. Please let Heidi Nelson know if you will be attending.
- ◆ **Mission Festival:** Prof. John Ude, former pastor here at Grace, will be our guest speaker for Mission Festival on October 14. He recently was on a mission trip to Nepal. Following the worship service there will be a potluck in the fellowship hall. Please bring a dish to share.
- ◆ **Blood Drive:** A blood drive will be held after our Mission Festival worship through 2 pm that afternoon on October 14. If you have any questions about donating, please speak with Rick Nelson.
- ◆ **The Christian Women Today Seminar** will be held at Immanuel Lutheran in Mankato, MN, on Sat., Oct. 6, 2012. Seminar brochures with registration information are now available.



- ◆ **Leave It Better:** A group of ILC students for this 2012-13 school year has initiated a new slogan called "Leave It Better." The group has already begun some projects to upgrade the ILC campus. Alumni may also join their efforts. A website has been created as a



way to keep people informed of the group's efforts and how one may get involved. It has pictures, completed projects, and planned projects listed. The website is at:
<http://leaveitbetter.wix.com/leaveitbetter>.

You may also contribute to the projects through the website or mail your check ("Leave It Better" in the memo line) to ILC; 501 Grover Rd.; Eau Claire, WI 54701.

- ◆ **Immanuel Lutheran College Visitors Day** will be held on Nov. 9. It will introduce students to the Immanuel foundation and experience. Come and learn more about your church's college and a continuing education with Christ! Lodging and meals will be provided. Speak with your pastor about questions and attendance. Please convey attendance information and any housing requests to Prof. John Ude, the ILC academic dean, before Nov. 6: work phone 715-836-6631; home phone: 715-955-4127; e-mail john.ude.ilc@gmail.com.
- ◆ **Lutheran Quartet:** "Favorite Hymns from the Lutheran Hymnal." Two brothers, Pastor Paul and Pastor Bruce Naumann, along with their sisters, Ann Radcliffe and Gail Richardsen, have recorded a CD of 24 acapella favorites from the 1941 Lutheran Hymnal. The CD is available for \$10 (plus \$2 for shipping). All proceeds will benefit the Student Aid Fund of Immanuel Lutheran High School and College in Eau Claire, WI. Please visit the Lutheran Quartet website, where you can listen to samples, as well as place online orders: www.lutheranquartet.com. You may also order by mail at this address: The Lutheran Quartet, c/o Pastor Paul Naumann - 3315 46th St E, Tacoma, WA 98443. Phone: 253-228-8736. e-mail: pgnaum@aol.com.
- ◆ **CLC News:** Pastor Paul Krause of Faith in Markesan, WI, has returned the call from the CLC Board of Missions to be a foreign missionary.

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!

✠ **TODAY AT GRACE** ✠

Organist: Janelle Hein

Elder: Ed Lentz

Ushers: Paul Lentz, Brad Kitzman, Rick Nelson, Keith Radichel,
Bob Vandevener, Bobby Vandevener, Matt Vandevener

Counting Team 1: Dan Degnan; Larry Nelson; Phil Radichel;
Pat Paplow

Hospitality Team 1: Phil & Jackie Radichel; Lynn & Janice
Sandhoefner

Church Cleaners: Sandhoefner School Cleaners: K. Baker

✠ **NEXT WEEK AT GRACE** ✠

Ushers: Paul Lentz, Brad Kitzman, Rick Nelson, Keith Radichel,
Bob Vandevener, Bobby Vandevener, Matt Vandevener

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

Hospitality Team 2: Janelle Hein; Chris Lentz; Jenny Kleifgen

Church Cleaners: E. Lentz School Cleaners: K. Baker

✠ **OUR SCHEDULE** ✠

Sun., Sept. 23: 9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School
10:00 am – Worship Service
11:15 am – Hospitality

Wed., Sept. 26: 4:30-6:15 pm – Catechism for Public School Students
7:00 pm – Midweek Bible Class

Sun., Sept. 30: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School
10:00 am – Worship Service
11:15 am – Hospitality

Sun., Oct. 7: 12:00 pm – Council Meeting (week earlier than normal)

October 9-10: Minnesota Pastoral Conference @ Red Wing, MN

Sun., Oct. 14: Mission Festival w/Prof. John Ude as Guest Speaker
Mission Festival Potluck
Blood Drive

October 17-19: CLC Teachers Conference @ Hales Corners, WI


Last Week's Stats: Sept. 9, 2012 Sun.: 121 S.S.: 18 B.Cl.: 41 Wed.: 17

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$2,720.95	CLC:	\$690.00	
Weekly Need:	Grace:	3,030.00	CLC:	960.00	
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-309.05	CLC:	-270.00	
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	\$105,038.45	CLC:	\$32,922.00	
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	115,140.00	CLC:	36,480.00	
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-10,101.55	CLC:	-3,558.00	
Other Offerings:	Living Faith:	0.00	Tuition Aid:	350.00	
GLC Other:	695.00*	MDF:	0.00	Kinship:	50.00
ILC Student Aid:	70.00	ILC Bldg.	30.00	IIF:	50.00
				CEF:	0.00

Scholarship: \$50 *\$690 Alice Weibye Memorial

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And you also
were included
in Christ
when
you heard
the word of
truth.



Ephesians 1:13