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Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Pentecost 18

Date: September 30, 2012

✠ THE ORDER OF WORSHIP ✠

Worship Preparation: Psalm 146, TLH p. 156

Hymn: TLH 16: Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word

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

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

P: I love the Lord, for He heard my voice; He heard my cry for mercy.

C: Because He turned His ear to me, I will call on Him as long as I live.

P: The cords of death entangled me,

C: The anguish of the grave came upon me. I was overcome by trouble and sorrow.

P: Then I called on the name of the Lord: "O Lord, save me";

C: The Lord is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion. Glory be to God!

Gloria in Excelsis: TLH 244, st. 1,4

1. Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory, While eternal ages run!

4. Glory, blessing, praise eternal! Thus the choir of angels sings;
Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion! Thus its praise creation brings.
Glory, glory, Glory to the King of kings!

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

A prophecy of how the coming Messiah will open ears and mouths

Gradual:

P: Oh the depths of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!

C: How unsearchable His judgments, and His paths beyond tracing out!

P: For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

C: To Him be the glory forever! Amen.

P: Alleluia. Alleluia. Everything that was written in the past was written to teach us,

C: So that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. Alleluia.

Second Reading: Mark 7:31-37

Jesus heals a deaf and dumb man. In the same way the Spirit opens our ears and mouth to His Word.

Baptism: Zariah Jaeline Enns

Confession of Faith: Apostolic Creed, TLH p. 12

Hymn: TLH 298: Baptized into Thy Name Most Holy

Sermon: James 1:19-27

(19) So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; (20) for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God. (21) Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. (22) But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. (23) For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; (24) for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. (25) But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues *in it*, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does. (26) If anyone among you thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this one's religion *is* useless. (27) Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, *and* to keep oneself unspotted from the world. (NKJVTM)

What Does it Mean to be Truly Religious?

1. Hearing the Word by faith

2. Doing the Word by faith

Offertory: TLH p. 12 f.

Hymn: TLH 400: Take My Life and Let It Be

Offering, Prayers, Benediction: TLH p. 14

Hymn: TLH 572: Praise to God, Immortal Praise

TRUE RELIGION CONFRONTS EARTH WITH HEAVEN AND BRINGS ETERNITY TO BEAR ON TIME. – A.W. TOZER

✠ THE ANNOUNCEMENTS ✠

- ◆ **Among Us:** Maynard Hammond returned home from the hospital this past Friday. Please remember Curt Miesen in your prayers as he undergoes treatment for Leukemia at North Memorial in Robbinsdale. He will likely be there for a month.
- ◆ **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 available.
- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **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!

Leave It Better

From ILC's student newspaper, The Flash

You've probably all seen the posters, been to a meeting, or heard what's going on by now, but do you really know what Leave It Better is all about? To give you a better idea, we'll have to cover some quick history.



ILC has been around for over 50 years now. That's long enough where many of the staff and faculty attended high school, college, or seminary here. In the last half a century, the school has supplied the CLC with dozens of pastors and teachers as well as seeing through hundreds of high school graduates. For me and many others, the dorms and campus have served as a second home. The friends you make here can come close to family, and the memories will last a very long time.

Now in a minute, I'm going to talk about how Leave It Better is a way for students (and alumni) to give back to the school, but first I have to clarify what that means. What is Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary? Is it a group of buildings and some woods? Just a school? A gift from our founding fathers? How about the people that run and attend it? While it may be all of these things, above all it is a blessing from the Lord. Immanuel - God With Us. This is a place where the Word of God is taught, learned, shared and celebrated by those who believe it.

Leave It Better is an organized group of students who want to show their thanks and glorify the Lord by doing just that- Leaving it Better than when they found it. We want to do this by improving, restoring, and helping to maintain the campus and facilities the school exists on. Around one-third of the high school students came to the very first meeting, and I know that even more than that are willing to help. We have volunteers from our experienced collegians, and strong support from our hard-working faculty and staff. Soon we are going to reach out to the ILC alumni and ask for their support for our projects too. With all this ambition, motivation, and energy, we can get a lot done!

Projects we discussed at the meeting include: steps going down to the athletic fields, redoing the amphitheater, improving the trails and creating a park in the woods, building a swing-set on lower campus, planting trees to fill the logged areas, and getting lots of black dirt and grass seed onto the hill where we meet. Some of these are already underway. We're still looking for more ideas to help preserve or improve the campus!

Contact us with ideas!

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/leaveilcbetter>

Email: leaveimmanuelbetter@gmail.com

Website: <http://leaveitbetter.wix.com/leaveitbetter>

✠ **TODAY AT GRACE** ✠

Organist: Sue Nelson

Elder: Ed Lentz

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

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

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

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

✠ **NEXT WEEK AT GRACE** ✠

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

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

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

Church Cleaners: E. Lentz School Cleaners: Flesner

✠ **OUR SCHEDULE** ✠

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

Wed., Oct. 3: 4:30-6:15 pm – Catechism for Public School Students
Midweek Bible Class resumes the following week

Sun., Oct. 7: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School
10:00 am – Worship Service w/Lord's Supper
11:15 am – Hospitality
12:00 pm – Council Meeting

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

Sun., Oct. 21: Voters and Dorcas Guild Meetings

Last Week's Stats: Sept. 23, 2012 Sun.: 118 S.S.: 23 B.Cl.: 50 Wed.: 19

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$2,431.90	CLC:	\$1,081.00	
Weekly Need:	Grace:	3,030.00	CLC:	960.00	
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-598.10	CLC:	+121.00	
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	\$107,470.35	CLC:	\$34,003.00	
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	118,170.00	CLC:	37,440.00	
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-10,699.65	CLC:	-3,437.00	
Other Offerings:	Living Faith:	55.00	Tuition Aid:	209.00	
GLC Other:	9.00	MDF:	5.00	Kinship:	55.00
ILC Student Aid:	0.00	ILC Bldg.	55.00	IIF:	35.00
				CEF:	9.00

SAF Endowment: \$67

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TO VISIT THE FATHERLESS
AND WIDOWS
IN THEIR AFFLICTION”**

JAMES 1:27