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## ✠ TODAY AT GRACE ✠

Organist: Janelle Hein      Elder: Benno Sydow  
Ushers: Benno Sydow, Gary Gunther, Larry Nelson, Jacob Rhinesmith, Rich Rhinesmith, Jeff Stifter  
Counting Team 4: Ed Lentz; Roger Ochsner; Al Rosendahl; Dave Rust; Lynn Sandhoefner  
Hospitality Team 3: Larry Nelson; Barb Sydow; Ryan & Mikey Oman; Nick & Miranda Duehlmeier; Dan & Cindy Degnan  
Church Cleaners: P. Radichel      School: Bruce

## ✠ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✠

Ushers: Don Auel, Ole Olmanson, Adam Wales, Eli Wales, Brandon Wendland, Brandt Wendland  
Counting Team 1: Dan Degnan; Larry Nelson; Phil Radichel; Pat Paplow  
Hospitality Team 4: James & April Bomber; Rachelle Kanneh; Heidi Nelson; Bob & Suki Vandever  
Church Cleaners: P. Radichel      School: DeBoer

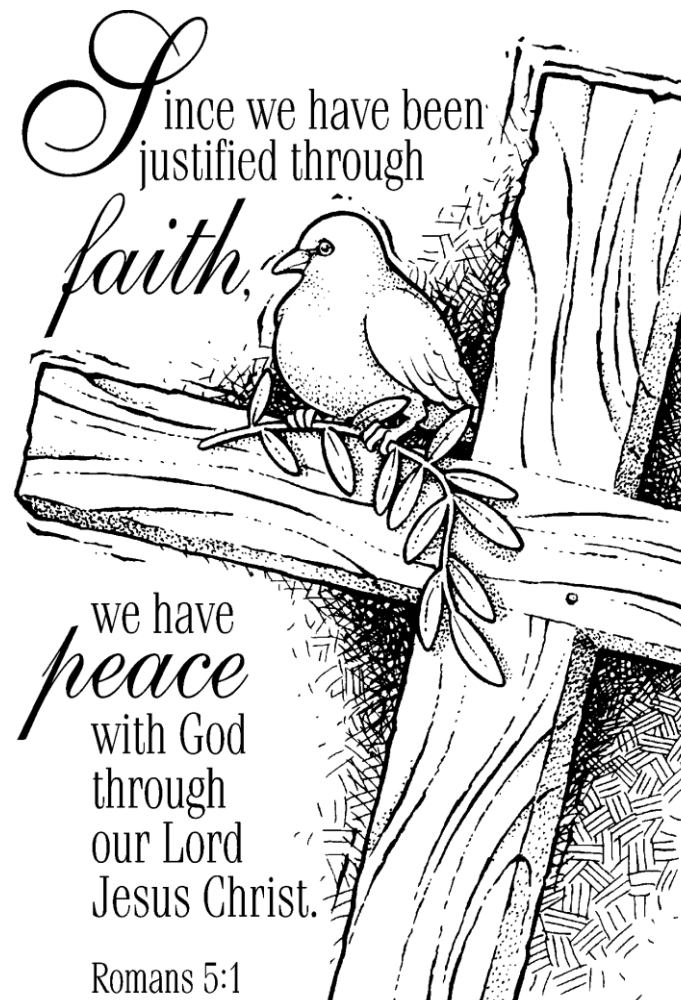
## ✠ OUR SCHEDULE ✠

**Sun., Mar. 1:** 9:00 am – Sunday School and Bible Class  
 10:00 am – Worship Service w/Lord's Supper  
 11:15 am – Hospitality  
**Wed., Mar. 4:** 4:30 pm – Catechism for Public School Students  
 6:00 pm – Lenten Soup Supper  
 7:00 pm – Midweek Lenten Worship Service  
**Sat., Mar. 7:** Daylight Saving Time Begins (clocks ahead one hour)  
**Sun., Mar. 8:** 8:30 am – Choir Practice  
 9:00 am – Sunday School and Bible Class  
 10:00 am – Worship Service  
 11:15 am – Hospitality  
**Mar. 13-15:** CLC Grade School Basketball Tourney @ Eau Claire, WI  
**Fri., Apr. 3:** 7:00 pm – Good Friday Worship w/ Lord's Supper  
**Sun., Apr. 5:** 7:30 am – Easter Breakfast; 9:00 am – Easter Worship

**Last Week's Stats:** Feb. 22, 2015    Sun.: 138    S.S.: ??    B.Cl.: 49    Wed.: 62

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$2,175.00	CLC:	\$835.00	
Wed. Offering:	Grace:	\$522.90	CLC:	\$50.00	
Weekly Need:	Grace:	3,340.00	CLC:	1,060.00	
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-642.10	CLC:	-175.00	
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	\$24,319.27	CLC:	\$6,550.45	
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	26,720.00	CLC:	8,480.00	
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-2,400.73	CLC:	-1,929.55	
GLC Other:	100.00	Living Faith:	50.00	Tuition Aid:	70.00
SAF Endowment:	0.00	MDF:	70.00	Kinship:	50.00
ILC Student Aid:	50.00	ILC Bldg.	65.00	IIF: 30.00	CEF: 0.00
Current Balances:	Parking Lot:	+4,305.00	Tuition Aid:	+7,709.12	

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**Grades:** Kindergarten-8<sup>th</sup>

**Date:** March 1, 2015

## ✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

### Hymns:

WS 777: Amazing Grace

TLH 342: Chief of Sinners Though I Be

TLH 154: Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

Distribution: TLH 172: O Sacred Head

TLH 305, st. 9: Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

### Worship Prep:

Psalm 77, TLH p. 139

### Liturgy:

TLH, p. 15 (Communion)

Gloria: TLH 245:1,6

### Scripture Readings:

Genesis 28:10-17

Passion Account

### Sermon: Romans 5:6-11

(6) For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. (7) For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. (8) But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (9) Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. (10) For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. (11) And not only *that*, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation. (NKJV<sup>TM</sup>)

## A Love to Die for!

## ✠ THE ANNOUNCEMENTS ✠

- ♦ **Midweek Lenten Services:** Our midweek services continue this Wednesday at 7 pm. Our theme is "Gratitude for God's Geographic Grace," looking at God's promises based on features of geography used in the Bible. A soup supper will be held at 6 pm as a way for people to eat between work and worship.
- ♦ **Daylight Saving Time:** Next Sunday Daylight Saving time begins, so be sure to set your clocks ahead an hour.
- ♦ **CLC Grade School Tourney:** The schedule is now finalized for the grade school basketball tournament held at Immanuel in Eau Claire, WI. This is available at: [www.clclutheran.net/tourney/](http://www.clclutheran.net/tourney/). Grace has a few players playing with Berea of Inver Grove Hts. Here is their schedule:
  - Fri., Mar. 13, 1:00 pm: IGH A (7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade) vs. Markesan A
  - Fri., Mar. 13, 2:00 pm: IGH B (5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade) vs. Eau Claire B1
  - Sat., Mar. 14, 2:30 pm: IGH B vs. Eau Claire B2
  - Sat., Mar. 14, 3:30 pm: IGH A vs. Eau Claire A1
  - Sun., Mar. 15, 3:00 pm: IGH B vs. Eau Claire B3
  - Sun., Mar. 15, 4:00 pm: IGH A vs. Eau Claire A2
- ♦ **Wedding Invitation:** An invitation to the Christina Hein/Tim Schaser wedding at 5:30 pm on Fri., Apr. 17 is posted on the bulletin board.
- ♦ **Women's Retreat:** The retreat is on April 10-12. Registration closes today at [LadiesRetreat.CLClutheran.net](http://LadiesRetreat.CLClutheran.net). Click **Register Now for Winona 2015** to sign up. Then download the *Registration Fee PDF*, and send in the completed form with your payment to the specified address. If you do not have Internet access and would like assistance registering, contact Beth Kranz (715-544-8289) or Chris Gerbitz (608-314-5227) for assistance.
- ♦ **CLC News:** Pastor Andrew Schaller of Trinity in Watertown, SD, and Zion in Hidewood Township, SD, has received the call to Calvary in Marquette, MI. ✠ Pastor Michael Roehl of St. Paul in Bismarck, ND, has returned the call to Resurrection in Corpus Christi, TX. ✠ Pastor Emeritus James Sandeen, brother to Jackie Radichel, is still undergoing treatment for acute myeloid leukemia at the Univ. of Kentucky. His wife, Carol, has recovered from bronchitis so can now be with him. Please keep them in your prayers.
- ♦ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #18 – Second Article

*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!*

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## 2015 ILC Tour Choir Itinerary



Sunday, March 8	<b>Millston, WI</b> Trinity Lutheran Church W6634 Railroad Street	10:00 am
Saturday, March 14	<b>Manchester, MO</b> Faith Lutheran Church 1183 Big Bend Road	7:00 pm
Sunday, March 15	<b>Lawrenceville, GA</b> Zion Lutheran Church 132 Hurricane Shoals Road	7:30 pm
Monday, March 16	<b>West Columbia, SC</b> Holy Trinity Lutheran Church 2920 Pella Avenue	7:00 pm
Wednesday, March 18	<b>Coloma, MI</b> Faith Lutheran Church 6756 Paw Paw Avenue	7:00 pm
Thursday, March 19	<b>Batavia, IL</b> Ascension Lutheran Church 0S850 Wenmoth Road	7:00 pm
Friday, March 20	<b>Hales Corners, WI</b> Messiah Lutheran Church 12145 W. Edgerton Avenue	7:00 pm
Saturday, March 21	<b>Middleton, WI</b> Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church 3232 Westpoint Road	1:00 pm
Saturday, March 21	<b>Fond du Lac, WI</b> Luther Memorial Lutheran Church 134 21st Street	7:00 pm
Sunday, March 22	<b>Markesan, WI</b> Faith Lutheran Church N1529 State Road 73	11:00 am
Sunday, March 29	<b>Eau Claire, WI</b> Messiah Lutheran Church 2015 N. Hastings Way	6:30 pm

## WHO IS JESUS?

In Ecclesiastes we read, "... And there is nothing new under the sun. Is there anything of which it may be said, 'See this is new?' It has already been in ancient times before us" (Ecclesiastes 1:8-9). Of all the things that the preacher had in mind, and that fit the description, we may include the expressions of unbelief that we hear today. They have all been spoken in some way before. Of all the things that men have dreamed and have set forth that are contrary to God's Word and will, "It has already been in ancient times before us."

To the Pharisees Jesus addressed the question, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose Son is He? We could say they were half right when they answered, "The Son of David." (Matthew 22:42). Half right, however, does not make it. In the familiar interaction with the disciples, Jesus asked, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am? So they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets'" (Matthew 16:13-16). Jesus then asked the disciples the critical question, one that each who claims to know or follow Jesus must answer for himself. Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." That is the whole answer and the correct one. Jesus our Immanuel—God with us—is the Son of God! The salvation of the sinner hangs on the answer for we read in 1 John 5, "He who does not have the Son of God does not have life." People who simply believe in Jesus' existence do not believe in Jesus unto salvation, unless they believe in Jesus as true God (and Man) as well as the Son of God.

The Christian faith is monotheistic, that is, we believe in and confess one God. In Deuteronomy 6:4 we read, "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one!" But who is the one God? Scripture reveals that He is Triune. There is one God, but in the mystery of the Godhead there are three separate, distinct persons. Time and again Scripture speaks of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. The Triune God was present at Jesus' baptism (Matthew 3:16-17). The disciples were commissioned to preach the Gospel in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost (Matthew 28:19). The Aaronic blessing (Numbers 6:24-26) as well as the apostolic blessing (2 Corinthians 13:14) witness to the Trinity. One can choose not to believe in the Triune God, but then one is not a Christian for according to the Athanasian Creed, "The catholic (Christian) faith is this that we worship one God in Trinity, and Trinity in unity ... But the Godhead of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost is all one; the glory equal, the majesty co-eternal ... The Father eternal, the Son eternal, and the Holy Ghost eternal. And yet they are not three Eternals, but one Eternal ..." (TLH—Page 53).

Many heathen religions also claim monotheism, but consider: While the **Jews** are monotheistic in their confession, citing Deuteronomy 6:4, they say, "The Jewish view of Jesus of Nazareth is that he was an ordinary Jewish man and preacher living during the Roman occupation of the Holy Land in the first century C.E. The Romans executed him - and also executed many other nationalistic and religious Jews--for speaking out against Roman authority and

abuses ... Jews do not believe that Jesus was divine, the Son of God, or the Messiah prophesied in Jewish scriptures. He is seen as a "false messiah ..." (*about Religion*—online—written by a "Jewish expert").

**Islam** confesses one god. Allah is his name. Of Jesus it says "*The Messiah, Jesus, son of Mary, was only the Messenger of God ...*" Note how they speak of the Messiah, and of Mary as Jesus' mother. Muslims claim that Jesus was a Muslim. The Quran says that Jesus Himself never claimed to be the Son of God.

**Mormons** speak highly of Jesus but they teach that "God *created* both Satan and Jesus, and in that respect, they are brothers. But in that respect, every person who ever lived is a brother or sister to every other person, because we are all children of God. If we are all God's children, then we are siblings to every child of God. It no more demeans Jesus to be Satan's spirit brother than it does for any of us to be related to evil people who have lived on the earth" (Mormon website). According to the same source they teach that "members of the Godhead are united in purpose and will but consist of three separate Beings: God, the Eternal Father; Jesus Christ, His Son, our Redeemer; and the Holy Ghost. This view of the Godhead is based on ancient and modern revelation, and Mormons' belief in the personal appearance of the Father and the Son to Joseph Smith in 1820."

Jews and Muslims, in spite of their animosity toward one another, have one thing in common. They deny that Jesus is God and that He is the Son of God. The Mormons deny the Trinity. Furthermore, God did not create Jesus, nor did God create the devil!

The Christian's confidence of the Godhead and the person of Christ as God and Man as well as the Son of God is based upon the inspired Scriptures. The inspired Scriptures, Old and New Testament, testify of the birth and life of Christ as well as does the Father's divinely recorded testimony of Jesus. "This is my beloved Son in Whom I am well pleased" (Matthew 3:17). It is confirmed by the testimony at the cross when Jesus said "Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit" (Luke 23:45). Even one who crucified the Lord bore witness, "Truly this was the Son of God" (Matthew 27:54) God said through the apostle Paul that Jesus was "declared to be the Son of God ..." (Romans 1:4) by His resurrection from the dead. That is who Jesus is—the Son of God Who at the same time in the mystery of the Godhead is one with the Father. He said, "I and My Father are one" (John 10:30).

There is no error that has not "already been in ancient times before us." But this is our time. In our confession of Jesus it is essential that we speak clearly about Who He is and in Whom we believe. The Lord God said through His disciple John, "These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and ***that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God***" (1 John 5:13).

*Written by Rev. Daniel Fleischer, 2/2015*