

✠ TODAY AT GRACE ✠

Organist: Maureen Ochsner Elder: Al Rosendahl
Ushers: Benno Sydow; Gary Gunther; Larry Nelson; Bill Rust; Jeff Stifter

Counting Team 4: James Bomber; Brad Kitzman; Paul Lentz; Roger Ochsner; Al Rosendahl; Dave Rust

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

Church Cleaners: Oman School: Pearson

✠ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✠

Ushers: Benno Sydow; Gary Gunther; Larry Nelson; Bill Rust; Jeff Stifter

Counting Team 1: Dan Degnan; Dale Enns; Larry Nelson; Ryan Oman; Pat Paplow; Phil Radichel

Hospitality Team 2: Brian & Maureen Eichstadt; Janelle Hein; Jenny Kleifgen; Chris Lentz

Church Cleaners: Anderson School: Pearson

✠ OUR SCHEDULE ✠

Sun., Jan. 28: 9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School
 10:00 am – Worship Service (Epiphany 4)
 11:00 am – Hospitality

Wed., Jan. 31: 4:30 pm – Catechism for Public School Students
 7:00 pm – Midweek Bible Class

Sun., Feb. 4: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
 9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School
 10:00 am – Worship Service w/Lord's Supper (Epiphany 5)
 11:00 am – Hospitality

Wed., Feb. 14: Ash Wednesday – Midweek Lenten Worship Begins

Last Week's Stats: Jan. 21, 2018 Sun.: 118 S.S.: 15 B.Cl.: 47 Wed.: 14

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$2,831.00	CLC:	\$950.00	
Weekly Need:	Grace:	3,700.00	CLC:	1,000.00	
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-869.00	CLC:	-50.00	
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	\$9,675.00	CLC:	\$2,609.00	
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	11,100.00	CLC:	3,000.00	
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-1,425.00	CLC:	-391.00	
GLC Other:	983.50	Living Faith:	0.00	Tuition Aid:	150.00
SAF Endowment:	0.00	MDF:	0.00	Kinship:	50.00
ILC Student Aid:	0.00	ILC Bldg.	100.00	IIF: 0.00	CEF: 0.00
Current Balances:	Parking Lot: \$34,825		Tuition Aid: \$4,530		

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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Epiphany 4

Date: January 28, 2018

✠ THE ORDER OF WORSHIP ✠

Worship Preparation: *Psalm 67, TLH p. 137*

Hymn: *TLH 508: Thou Whose Almighty 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: From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets

C: The name of the Lord is to be praised.

P: Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.

C: Let the name of the Lord be praised, both now and forevermore.

P: The Lord is exalted over all the nations,

C: His glory above the heavens. Glory be to God!

Gloria in Excelsis: *TLH 237, st. 1: All Glory Be to God on High*

All glory be to God on high, Who hath our race befriended!

To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended.

God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign

on earth again; Oh, thank Him for His goodness!

First Reading: *1 Corinthians 8:1-13*

Gradual:

P: Praise the Lord, all you nations; extol Him, all you peoples.

C: For great is His love toward us; and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.

P: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name;

C: Bring an offering and come into His courts.

P: Alleluia. Alleluia. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the Good News of the kingdom,

C: And healing every disease and sickness among the people. Alleluia.

Second Reading: *Mark 1:21-28*
Confession of Faith: *Apostolic Creed, TLH p. 12*
Hymn: *TLH 367: Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus*
Sermon: *Isaiah 9:1-4*

¹ Nevertheless the gloom *will* not *be* upon her who is distressed, As when at first He lightly esteemed The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, And afterward more heavily oppressed *her*, By the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, In Galilee of the Gentiles. ² The people who walked in darkness Have seen a great light; Those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, Upon them a light has shined. ³ You have multiplied the nation *And* increased its joy; They rejoice before You According to the joy of harvest, As *men* rejoice when they divide the spoil. ⁴ For You have broken the yoke of his burden And the staff of his shoulder, The rod of his oppressor, As in the day of Midian. (NKJVTM)

JESUS OF GALILEE: **KING OF THE OUTSIDERS**

- I. Those outside in darkness He brings into His light
- II. Those outside in sorrow He brings into His joy
- III. Those outside in slavery He brings into His freedom

Offertory: *TLH p. 12 f.*
Hymn: *TLH 359: Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*
Offering, Prayers, Benediction: *TLH p. 14*
Hymn: *TLH 46: On What Has Now Been Sown*

C.F.W. Walther: “Some believing Christians ground their faith on God’s Word, but not on that Word alone. One also relies on feeling, another on sanctification, and still another on the witness of other men. What is the result of this? Their faith is like a reed that the wind blows to and fro. If they feel rest, peace, courage, and strength, then they also truly believe that their sins are forgiven and that they are children of God. However, as soon as this feeling leaves them and a cold, dark winter night of tribulation arises in their heart, they begin to doubt. They now fear that the faith and comfort that they had earlier were a mere delusion...If we want to have our faith as it should be, firm and constant, we must lose sight of everything except God’s Word. Whoever grounds his faith on that Word alone has a support that no storm can destroy and no flood can wash away ...”

Council Meeting Notes – January 14, 2018

The meeting was called to order with prayer. Roll was taken. The November 12 Council meeting minutes were read and approved. The December 28 Council meeting minutes were read and approved. The December treasurer’s report was read and approved.

Pastor’s Report

- Ministration figures were reviewed.
- February 14 is the first Lenten service with soup supper.
- Thanks to Norma Rust for all of her assistance with secretarial work.

Elder Report

- Motion passed to recommend to the Voters a CBP of \$52,000.
- Motion passed to recommend to the Voters to transfer \$5,000 from the Marvin Wagner memorial to the parking lot fund. The remaining balance would eventually be used for sanctuary updates.
- Discussion centered around the abuse prevention policy and performing of background checks. There have been 3 checks so far. This could include drivers for field trips, traffic violations, etc. It costs \$5.75 per person.
- The Schuetzler memorial is being transferred to the Bd of Ed potentially for Sunday School improvements.
- A WiFi extender has been purchased and installed for the church and school.
- Pastor will have a grandson soon and requests to have a Sunday off.

Education Report

- Report cards and parent/teacher conferences are scheduled for next week.
- The Bd of Ed will be installing a projector in Janelle’s classroom.
- A letter regarding tuition rate increases for non-members was sent out last week.
- Discussion around how health insurance costs would be higher than planned and exceeds the budget for the second teacher. Several options are being pursued and a recommendation will be made to the Voters.

Trustee Report

- A workday is coming up soon. The main item will be the fellowship hall floor, although other items will be addressed.
- A member has offered a floor-type safe for our use.
- We will be addressing sanctuary improvements this year.

Other Business

- Pastor will put a reminder in the bulletin regarding locking of church doors during the service to prevent unwanted individuals from entering unnoticed.
- Thanks to the nominating committee for their efforts in obtaining candidates.

Adapted from minutes by James Bomber, Secretary Pro Tem

✠ THE ANNOUNCEMENTS ✠

- ◆ **Directory:** We are preparing for the publication of the yearly directory at Grace. Please check your contact information in the draft copy of the directory located in the narthex. Place a check mark by your entry if it is correct. If it is not, then please edit as necessary. If you wish to add email or cell numbers, please do so. Thanks!
- ◆ **Offering Statements:** The Offering Statements for 2017 are in your mailboxes. If you have any questions, please contact Benno Sydow.
- ◆ **Security:** The Council has determined to lock the side doors of the facility during our worship service since there is no line-of-sight to monitor the classroom area during that time. Members are asked to leave these doors locked during that time. The main door of the church will be left unlocked since ushers can monitor this. Also, a few times the locked doors have been found ajar, particularly during cold weather when the latches are hard to move and during the hot weather when the doors are expanded. Please be sure to pull a locked door closed. Thanks for being mindful of security at the church.
- ◆ **Midweek Lenten Services:** Our midweek services will begin on Wednesday, Ash Wednesday, February 14, 7 pm. The theme of our series is "Lord, Abide with Me," meditations based on the favorite evening hymn, TLH 552, "Abide with Me." These midweek services can deepen our appreciation of the redemptive work our Savior, Jesus Christ, accomplished in our behalf.
- ◆ **Lenten Soup Suppers:** These fellowship gatherings start on Wednesday, February 14, 6 pm, as a way for people to eat between work and our Midweek Lenten worship services. There is a sign-up sheet posted in the Fellowship Hall for those who are willing to provide soup and do setup and cleanup.
- ◆ **Basketball Tournament:** The 33rd annual Grade School Basketball Tournament for CLC Youth will be held at Immanuel Lutheran College, March 9-11, 2018 (Fri.-Sun.). Registration ends on Feb. 1. Teams are co-ed, and fall into one of three categories: A (7th-8th grade), B (5th-6th grade), or C (5th-8th grade). Info is available on www.clclutheran.net/tourney. Speak with Pastor if you wish to participate.
- ◆ **Tournament Band:** The 15th Annual Tournament Band will be performing at the Grade School Basketball Tournament in Eau Claire, WI, on Sat., March 10. Any CLC band student in grades 5-8 is invited to play with us. You do not have to be playing on a basketball team to play with the group. NEW this year--REGISTER and print music for six songs ONLINE at clclutheran.net/tourney. Click on "Band information". Exact rehearsal and performance times for March 10 will be announced by mid-February. If you have any questions, please contact Laurie Lau, Eau Claire at music@thelau.com



- ◆ **Lego Robotics Spring Challenge:** Interested in Legos and robots? 4th-8th grade students of the CLC are invited to enter the CLC Lego Robotics Challenge. This will be held at ILC March 9-10, during the CLC basketball tournament. High school or adult teams may be allowed to participate by special request. Get information from Lawrence Bade, Coordinator at Lmsbade@gmail.com.
- ◆ **Organ Concert:** Former Grace member, Ryan Mueller, will be presenting a pipe organ concert on Sun., March 18, 2 pm, at School Sisters Of Notre Dame Good Counsel Hill in Mankato, MN. He will be presenting on the 1877 Johnson & Son pipe organ, the program featuring works of Dupre, Vierne, Bonnet, Jongen, Grieg, and other prominent composers of the 19th and 20th centuries. Refreshments and treats will follow the program.
- ◆ **Care Packages:** The Dorcas Guild is making care packages for the ILC dorm students, with larger packages for our member students, as well as one for our away-from-home active military service member, Karie Davis. If you would like to contribute items or money toward this effort, contact Norma Rust. The bags will be assembled on Feb 11.
- ◆ **Necklaces:** Missionary Ohlmann has suggested a project to reach out to our fellow Christians in Africa: beaded cross necklaces that he will then take with him on the Mission Helper Trip in July. The Dorcas Guild has decided to help with this effort and will provide supplies to make them. We will be meeting at 9 am on Sat., Feb 24, to assemble them. All (including children) are invited to come for fellowship and fun in this mission effort!
- ◆ **Midwest Christian Women's Retreat:** Sponsored by Immanuel Lutheran Church in Mankato, MN, this will be held April 20-22, 2018, at the Riverport Inn & Suites, Winona, MN. This year's theme is: "That Your Joy may be Full!" Registration is open 2/1/18 - 3/23/18. The retreat fee is \$75. All the hotel costs and reservation information, as well as retreat registration information can be found at www.ladiesretreat.clclutheran.net.
- ◆ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #14 – First Article, Part 1.
- ◆ **Cell Phones:** Please turn off during church so as not to interfere with the projection system and with the worship of your fellow Christians.
- ◆ **Thanks:** To Prof. Paul Naumann from Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire for serving in pastor's absence. Pastor and Janelle are attending their grandson's baptism in Middleton, WI, today.

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!