

## ✠ TODAY AT GRACE ✠

Organist: Sue Nelson      Elder: Frank Radichel

Ushers: Michael Ude; James Bomber; David Hein; Ryan Oman; Eli Wales

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

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

Church Cleaners: Hein      School: Wales

## ✠ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✠

Ushers: Al Rosendahl; Chad Hestekin; David Stifter; Joel Stifter

Counting Team 2: Gary Gunther; Rick Nelson; Bill Rust; Bob Vandever; Clint Welker

Hospitality Team 6: Jan Davis, Chad & Amanda Hestekin; Ryan & Mikey Oman; Eli & Laura Wales

Church Cleaners: Hein      School: None

## ✠ OUR SCHEDULE ✠

**Sun., Mar. 4:** 9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School  
10:00 am – Worship Service w/Lord's Supper (Lent 3)  
11:00 am – Hospitality

**Wed., Mar. 7:** 4:30 pm – Catechism for Public School Students  
6:00 pm – Soup Supper  
7:00 pm – Midweek Lenten Worship Service

**March 9-11:** CLC Grade School Basketball Tournament @ ILC

**March 9, 12-14:** NO SCHOOL

**Sun., Mar. 11:** 8:30 am – Choir Practice  
9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School  
10:00 am – Worship Service (Lent 4)  
11:00 am – Hospitality

**Fri., Mar. 30:** Good Friday Worship Service w/Lord's Supper

**Sun., Apr. 1:** 7:30 am – Easter Breakfast  
9:00 am – Easter Festival Worship Service

**Last Week's Stats:** Feb. 25, 2018    Sun.: 92    S.S.: 12    B.Cl.: 27    Wed.: 48

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$1,493.00	CLC:	\$660.00	
Wed. Offering:	Grace:	\$446.00	CLC:	\$275.00	
Weekly Need:	Grace:	3,700.00	CLC:	1,000.00	
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-1,761.00	CLC:	-65.00	
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	\$25,655.00	CLC:	\$7,903.00	
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	29,600.00	CLC:	8,000.00	
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-3,945.00	CLC:	-97.00	
GLC Other:	710.00	Living Faith:	0.00	Tuition Aid:	50.00
SAF Endowment:	0.00	MDF:	50.00	Kinship:	50.00
ILC Student Aid:	80.00	ILC Bldg.	100.00	IIF: 0.00	CEF: 0.00
Current Balances:	Parking Lot: \$41,597		Tuition Aid: \$498		

## Grace Lutheran Church & School



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**Phone:** 763-784-8784

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

**Date:** March 4, 2018

## ✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

### Hymns:

TLH 157: There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood

TLH 165: Behold the Lamb of God!

WS 758: Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Communion: WS 755; Meditative Music

TLH 598, st. 9: Who Knows When Death ...

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

### Worship Prep:

Psalms 19, TLH p. 126

### Liturgy:

WS, p. 12 (Communion)

### Scripture Reading:

Exodus 20:1-17

1 Corinthians 1:22-25

### Sermon: John 2:13-22

<sup>13</sup> Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> And He found in the temple those who sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the moneychangers doing business. <sup>15</sup> When He had made a whip of cords, He drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and the oxen, and poured out the changers' money and overturned the tables. <sup>16</sup> And He said to those who sold doves, "Take these things away! Do not make My Father's house a house of merchandise!" <sup>17</sup> Then His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for Your house has eaten Me up." <sup>18</sup> So the Jews answered and said to Him, "What sign do You show to us, since You do these things?" <sup>19</sup> Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." <sup>20</sup> Then the Jews said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?" <sup>21</sup> But He was speaking of the temple of His body. <sup>22</sup> Therefore, when He had risen from the dead, His disciples remembered that He had said this to them; and they believed the Scripture and the word which Jesus had said. (NKJV<sup>TM</sup>)

### The Son of God's Intense Zeal

1. Revealed in His concern for His Father's House
2. Veiled in His work for His Father's Plan

## ✠ THE ANNOUNCEMENTS ✠

♦ **Among Us:** On Friday, 3:45 pm, March 2, Nicole and Joey Best were blessed with a baby girl, Thea Beverly Best. She was 7 lb. 11 oz., 21" long. Mom and baby are doing great! Praise the Lord for this precious blessing that He has bestowed upon this family!

♦ **Student Teacher:** Today is the last Sunday our student teacher, Michaela Winters, will be here at Grace. She concludes her teaching experience on Thursday afternoon. Michaela has been a great blessing to have around, serving the Lord faithfully in her duties. The children have enjoyed her presence. She will now return to Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire, WI, to conclude her senior year, graduating on May 19. However, on April 11 the CLC Call Committee for Graduates will be meeting to assign calls to the teaching and seminary graduates. Congregations wishing to call a teacher graduate submit their call information to this committee for them to assign a call. We pray that the Lord will lead Michaela to the place He desires her to serve in His kingdom. May the Lord richly bless her future!



♦ **Midweek Lenten Services:** Our midweek services continue this Wednesday at 7 pm. The theme of our series is "Lord, Abide with Me," meditations based on the evening hymn, TLH 552, "Abide with Me, Fast Falls the Eventide." Come and ponder how the events of the Lord's Passion secured for us His abiding love. Join us at 6 pm for the Lenten soup supper so people can eat between work and worship.



♦ **Daylight Saving Time:** Next weekend is when Daylight Saving time begins. If your clocks do not update automatically, be sure to set them one hour ahead on Saturday evening.



♦ **Altar Guild:** The Altar Guild is looking for one or two new members to assist in caring for our Lord's altar. Some of the duties include cleaning the communion ware, changing the altar cloths, setting up the Advent wreath, purchasing and caring for altar flowers/plants. Please see Jackie Radichel or Mikey Oman if interested.

♦ **Easter Flowers:** There is an Easter flower signup sheet by the guest book at the church entry for anyone who would like to donate either an Easter lily or decorative plant for our Easter service. Please also indicate if you are taking the plant home after the service or leaving it. These flowers will be purchased and placed on the altar for Easter and a reminder slip will be placed in your mailbox.

♦ **CLC Youth Camp:** Registration is coming up! You will be able to register online (the website will be up in the next month) on **March 25** at 3:00 pm CST. Camp this year will be held at Camp JIM in Pillager, MN. The cost will be \$175/camper and campers entering grades 6-12 are eligible. You can check out our Facebook page for more updates.



♦ **Installation:** Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church of Mankato, MN, welcomes members of area CLC congregations to attend the installation of Pastor Neal Radichel on Sat., April 7 at 1 pm. A catered fellowship meal will follow the service. The Immanuel Choir will be singing "This is My Word" by Pepper Choplin. Members from area CLC churches who would like to join the choir are welcome to do so. A rehearsal will take place at 12:30 pm in the church sanctuary.

♦ **CLC Grade School Tourney:** Grace has three players playing with Berea of Inver Grove Hts. at the grade school basketball tournament held at Immanuel in Eau Claire, WI. The full schedule is at: [www.clclutheran.net/tourney/](http://www.clclutheran.net/tourney/). Here is our schedule:

- Fri., Mar. 9, 12:00 pm: Eau Claire B1 vs. IGH B (5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade)
- Fri., Mar. 9, 1:00 pm: Eau Claire A2 vs. IGH A (7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade)
- Fri., Mar. 9, 7:00 pm: IGH B vs. Eau Claire B3
- Fri., Mar. 9, 8:00 pm: IGH A vs. Eau Claire A1
- Sat., Mar. 10, 5:30 pm: Markesan B vs. IGH B
- Sat., Mar. 10, 6:30 pm: Markesan A vs. IGH A



♦ **CLC News:** Teacher Collette Krause has received the call to be full time teacher/principal for grades K-8 at Trinity Lutheran in Watertown, SD. ✠ Mr. Brian Fox of Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, WI, and supervisor at the boys' dorm at ILC, has received the call to be teacher/principal at Valley Bible Academy at St. John's Lutheran in Clarkston, WA.

♦ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #19 – Third Article, Part 1.

*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!*

## 2018 ILC Tour Choir Itinerary



Sunday, March 4	<b>Millston, WI</b> Trinity Lutheran Church W6634 Railroad Street	9:30 am
Saturday, March 10	<b>Iron River, MI</b> St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran Church 402 Truman Ave.	2:00 pm
Saturday, March 10	<b>Marquette, MI</b> Calvary Lutheran Church 460 W. Ohio St.	7:30 pm
Sunday, March 11	<b>Saginaw, MI</b> Gethsemane Lutheran Church 3460 Crestmont Dr.	7:30 pm
Monday, March 12	<b>Dowagiac, MI</b> Redeemer Lutheran Church Hwy. M-152, 1 mile E. of Sister Lakes	7:00 pm
Tuesday, March 13	<b>Batavia, IL</b> Ascension Lutheran Church OS850 Wenmoth Rd.	7:00 pm
Wednesday, March 14	<b>Manchester, MO</b> Faith Lutheran Church 1183 Big Bend Rd.	7:00 pm
Friday, March 16	<b>Hales Corners, WI</b> Messiah Lutheran Church 12145 W. Edgerton Ave.	7:00 pm
Saturday, March 17	<b>Middleton, WI</b> Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Ch. 3232 West Point Rd.	1:00 pm
Saturday, March 17	<b>Fond du Lac, WI</b> Luther Memorial Lutheran Church 134 21 <sup>st</sup> St.	7:00 pm
Sunday, March 18	<b>Markesan, WI</b> Faith Lutheran Church N1529 State Rd. 73	9:00 am
Sunday, March 25	<b>Eau Claire, WI</b> Messiah Lutheran Church 2015 N. Hastings Way	6:30 pm

## The Lord's Supper Preparation

As a reminder, communicants are to examine themselves prior to communing. 1 Corinthians 11:27: "But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup."

### Prayer before the Lord's Supper:

Lord God, You invite all who are burdened with sin to come to You for rest. In the sacrament of Holy Baptism You called me to be Your child by the Holy Spirit. I now come at Your invitation to receive the holy body and blood of my Savior, Jesus Christ, in the sacrament of Holy Communion. Prepare my heart, Lord, to receive this precious meal with a repentant heart: sorry for my sins and recognizing they deserve punishment, but also rejoicing in the full forgiveness You have granted me by grace through Jesus' holy and precious blood shed for me at the cross. Strengthen my faith, increase my love and hope in You, and assure me of Your blessed peace. Hear me for the sake of Jesus, my dear Savior. Amen.

### Prayer after the Lord's Supper:

Blessed Savior, Jesus Christ, You have given Yourself to me in this holy sacrament. Thanks and praise be to You for Your divine tenderness and love shown to me, Your child. I humbly ask you, now that I've received Your body and blood in the Sacrament, continue to fill me with the power of Your Holy Spirit. May I be led to ever embrace by faith the treasures of Your grace imparted to me, especially the forgiveness of sins and fellowship with You. Keep me in Your faith and favor that I may live in You and You may live in me. Let the love that You have shown me enable me, with a forgiven and tender heart, to love You and my neighbor. Preserve me in the true faith until everlasting life. Hear me, O Jesus, for the sake of Your dear name. Amen.

### TLH 306

1. Lord Jesus Christ, Thou hast prepared  
A feast for our salvation,  
It is Thy body and Thy blood;  
And at Thy invitation  
As weary souls, with sin opprest,  
We come to Thee for needed rest,  
For comfort and for pardon.

4. We eat this bread and drink this cup,  
Thy precious Word believing  
That Thy true body and Thy blood  
Our lips are here receiving.  
This word remains forever true,  
And there is naught Thou canst not do;  
For Thou, Lord, art almighty.

7. Grant that we worthily receive  
Thy Supper, Lord, our Savior,  
And, truly grieving o'er our sins,  
May prove by our behavior  
That we are thankful for Thy grace  
And day by day may run our race,  
In holiness increasing.

8. For Thy consoling Supper, Lord,  
Be praised throughout all ages!  
Preserve it, for in every place  
The world against it rages.  
Grant that this Sacrament may be  
A blessed comfort unto me  
When living and when dying.

### 1 Corinthians 10:16

The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?

## After-Word

### “HOW TO GET A GOOD NIGHT’S SLEEP”

#### Read Psalm 4

There is a Psalm for almost every situation in life, including how to get a good night’s sleep.

#### Pray

David found the peace to sleep by giving his problems to the Lord in prayer. He knew that God would hear and answer, because God was the source of his eternal salvation, and God had never failed him in the past. We too give our problems to the Lord. Unfortunately, we don’t always leave them there. Instead, worrying that God won’t hear, answer, or act, we snatch our problems back, struggling to carry what only God can. And still we wonder why we can’t sleep.

When sleepless, our prayer should be similar to David’s. “O Lord, in undeserved grace You saved me when I could not save myself. Looking back on my life, I cannot name one time when You failed me. And I know You will not fail me in my current distress.”

A millennia after David, the apostle Paul made this same declaration in Romans 8:32, saying, **“He who did not spare His own Son, but gave Him up for us all—how will He not also, along with Him, graciously give us all things?”** The point is, if God loved you enough to give you Jesus Christ, will He refuse to give you a loaf of bread, change of clothes, place to shelter, or the means to repair a troubled marriage? No. Give your problems to God and leave them with God. You’ll sleep in peace.

#### Weigh

David also found sleep by weighing his enemies against God’s infinite love and power. In the privacy of his thought, he called out the opposition, essentially asking them “Who are you anyway when compared to God?” When sleepless, we should weigh our opposition in the same way. “Financial trouble, who do you think you are? Sickness, who do you think you are? Loneliness, who do you

think you are?” You are nothing compared to the God who loves me, hears me when I call, and has set me apart as His very own.

In Romans 8:31 Paul invited this same comparison. He asked, **“What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us?”** So, what’s your answer? If your answer is “no one and nothing,” turn out the light and go to sleep.

#### Stay

Few things cause more agitation and sleeplessness than anger. When angry, we can’t sleep. Instead, we toss and turn. We roam through the house at 2:00 AM, bath-robed and bleary-eyed, nursing our injuries and anger, and saying things like “I can’t believe she embarrassed me that way! I can’t believe he treated me so badly after so many years of marriage!”

However, rather than to nurse his anger, David stayed his heart, mind, and faith on the word of God. Instead of plotting revenge on those who betrayed him, he stayed in his bed, quietly meditating on how God would want him to behave—referred to in Psalm 4:5 as the **“sacrifices of righteousness.”** And yes, at times, doing the right thing requires sacrifice.

But for David, the antidote to angry sleeplessness was to **“put your trust in the LORD.”** Said another way, if anger is keeping you up at night, don’t take matters into your hands, place them into God’s hands. Instead of counting sheep, count on the Good Shepherd.

#### Lay

Through prayer, through weighing his problems, through staying his mind and heart on the Scriptures, David was able to lay his problems to rest and his head on his pillow. While others were saying, **“Who will show us any good?”** Psalm 4:6, David expected only the best from God. Using words reminiscent of the Aaronic Benediction, David said, **“LORD, lift up the light of Your countenance upon us.”** And dear friend, if you go to bed each night knowing that Almighty God is smiling on you in the fullness and brightness of His grace, you will sleep in peace.