

## ✠ TODAY AT GRACE ✠

Organist: Sue Nelson

Elder: Al Rosendahl

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

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

Hospitality Team 1: Brian & Maureen Eichstadt; Janelle Hein; Chris Lentz

Church Cleaners: B. Rust

School: Hein

## ✠ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✠

Ushers: Al Rosendahl; David Stifter; Joel Stifter

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

Church Cleaners: B. Rust

School: Holmberg

## ✠ OUR SCHEDULE ✠

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

**Mon., Oct. 8:** 1:00 pm – Lilac Cleanup

**Wed., Oct. 10:** 10:00 am – Grace School Fieldtrip to "Charlotte's Web"  
4:30-6:15 – Catechism for Public School Students  
7:00 pm – Midweek Bible Class (Proverbs)

**Sun., Oct. 14:** Mission Festival (Missionary Peter Evensen as Guest Speaker)  
8:30 am – Choir Practice  
9:00 am – Bible Class & Sun. School (India Presentation)  
10:00 am – Mission Festival Worship Service  
11:00 am – Mission Festival Potluck

**Mon., Oct. 15:** No School – Parent/Teacher Conferences

**October 17-20:** CLC Teachers' Conference @ West Columbia, SC

**Sun., Oct. 21:** 9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School (Gospel of John)  
10:00 am – Worship Service  
11:00 am – Hospitality  
11:30 am – Voters & Dorcas Guild Meetings  
4:00 pm – Pastor Pfeiffer Installation @ Berea in Inver Grove Hts.

**Sat., Oct. 27:** 9:00 am – Grace Work Day

**Wed., Oct. 31:** Reformation Day (501<sup>st</sup> Anniversary – Oct. 31, 1517)

**Sun., Nov. 4:** 4:00 pm – MN Reformation Service (Inver Grove Hts.)

**Fri., Nov. 9:** Immanuel Lutheran College Visitors Day

**Nov. 9-10:** 7:30 pm – ILC Musical, "Willy Wonka" (Music @ 7 pm)

**Wed., Nov. 21:** 7:00 pm – Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

## Grace Lutheran Church & School



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

**Church Year:** Pentecost 20

**Date:** October 7, 2018

## ✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

### Hymns:

TLH 28: Now Let All Loudly Sing Praise  
TLH 451: Stand Up! – Stand Up for Jesus  
WS 769: Lift High the Cross

Communion: TLH 305  
WS 799, st. 1-3: This is the Feast of Victory

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

### Worship Prep:

Psalm 139, TLH p. 154 f.

### Liturgy:

WS, p. 12 (Communion)

### Scripture Readings:

Jeremiah 16:16-21  
Mark 9:38-50

### Sermon: 2 Corinthians 2:14-17

<sup>14</sup> Now thanks *be* to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place. <sup>15</sup> For we are to God the fragrance of Christ among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing. <sup>16</sup> To the one *we are* the aroma of death *leading* to death, and to the other the aroma of life *leading* to life. And who *is* sufficient for these things? <sup>17</sup> For we are not, as so many, peddling the word of God; but as of sincerity, but as from God, we speak in the sight of God in Christ. (NKJV<sup>TM</sup>)

## Diffuse the Fragrance of Christ

1. Even if it leads to the aroma of death
2. Because it triumphs with the aroma of life

## ✠ THE ANNOUNCEMENTS ✠

- ◆ **Mission Festival:** Mission Festival will be on Sunday, October 14. CLC Missionary Peter Evensen, who has served in India, will be our guest speaker. He will also have a presentation during our Bible Class hour. Please bring a dish to share as there will be a potluck meal after worship. Dorcas Guild Committee #1 will host.
- ◆ **Lilac Cleanup:** Volunteers are being sought to help trim back the lilacs before the snow flies. This will be done tomorrow, Monday, from 1-3 pm. Contact Rick Nelson with questions.
- ◆ **Box Tops:** Our goal for our fall submission of Box Tops for Education is \$150. We are currently at about \$80. Please keep clipping the box tops and send them in to school. The deadline is October 30.
- ◆ **Address Updates:** Joyce Stifter; Arbor Oaks Senior Living; 1640 155th Lane NW, #203; Andover, MN 55304. Also, Sue Anne Kirkham is moving up from Texas: 970 94<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE; Blaine, MN 55434. Her possessions are arriving on Tue., Oct. 23. If anyone is willing to help her move that day, please contact her at: sawktalk2@outlook.com
- ◆ **Installation:** The installation of Pastor Nathan Pfeiffer at Berea Lutheran Church in Inver Grove Hts. will be on Sun., Oct. 21 at 4 pm. A lunch will follow. Note that Robert Street is closed for road work.
- ◆ **Visitors Day:** Immanuel Lutheran College Visitors Day is November 9 beginning at 10 am in the ILC gymnasium for chapel. It will feature presentations and classroom visits until 3 pm. Come and learn more about your church's college and a continuing education with Christ. There is also the opportunity to see the ILC fall musical: Willy Wonka. It will be performed both Fri. and Sat. at 7:30 pm. A band concert will precede it Fri. at 7 pm. and a variety of student musical performances on Sat. at 7 pm. Speak with your pastor about questions and attendance or contact Prof. John Ude, the ILC Academic Dean, by November 6 (715-271-5641/john.ude@ilc.edu).
- ◆ **CLC News:** Pastor Michael Wilke of Gethsemane Lutheran in Saginaw, MI, has received the call to Our Redeemer's Lutheran in Red Wing, MN.
- ◆ **Sunday School Memory Work: #4 – Second Commandment**



**Last Week's Stats:** Sept. 30, 2018 Sun.: 111 S.S.: 17 B.Cl.: 45 Wed.: 23

|   |   |             |              |          |
|---|---|-------------|--------------|----------|
| Sun. Offering:  | Grace:  | \$3,891*    | CLC:         | \$685    |
| Weekly Need:  | Grace:  | 3,700       | CLC:         | 1,000    |
| -Under / +Over:   | Grace:  | +191        | CLC:         | -315     |
| Year-to-Date Offering:  | Grace:  | \$136,774** | CLC:         | \$36,756 |
| Year-to-Date Need:  | Grace:  | 144,300     | CLC:         | 39,000   |
| Year-to-Date (+/-)  | Grace:  | -7,526      | CLC:         | -2,244   |
| GLC Other: 106  | Living Faith:   | 0           | Tuition Aid: | 155      |
| SAF Endowment: 0  | MDF:  | 100         | Kinship:     | 60       |
| ILC Student Aid: 0  | ILC Bldg.   | 200         | IIF: 0       | CEF: 0   |
| Current Balances:   | Tuition Aid: \$1,664 (\$4,625 was disbursed for 3 students) |             |              |          |
| * Includes \$0 in school tuition      ** Includes \$3,294 school-year-to-date tuition |   |             |              |          |

## 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?

## CLC President's Devotion

The video tugs at the heartstrings. An infant, perhaps six months old, who was deaf from birth had recently received a cochlear implant. The camera recorded the moment the child heard his first sound, and not just any sound, but the voice of his mother. In that instant his face was a picture of sheer awe, wonder, and love as his mother spoke a few words directly to him. You can imagine those words must have been, "I love you!"

We can relate. We have been in the same situation. Born dead in sin, we were deaf to the voice of God. *"The man without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned"* (1 Corinthians 2:14). But just as Jesus once opened the ears of a deaf man with a single word, so He has miraculously opened the ears of our hearts to hear, understand, and believe the message of God's grace. We take it for granted, but think about it. The holy God, who needs nothing, says to the world of sinners, "I love you!" He sent His Son and sacrificed Him on a cross, that we might be His children and heirs of eternal life. How can we not be filled with sheer awe, wonder, and love toward Him who first loved us?

Then to be entrusted to relay the news of free salvation to all the world—what could be better? The love of Jesus is the reason for Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary. It is the place where our young people can sit at the Lord's feet as Mary did 2,000 years ago and receive the *"one thing needed"* (Luke 10:42). It is a place where they can put their faith into practice in the classroom, dorm, court, and field. It is the place where they can be among peers who share their faith as they prepare for lives of witness as adults in the home, workplace, and community. Thank the Lord of the Church for our school, faithful professors, students and their families. May the wonder of salvation always be evident there.

Whether spoken in Spanish, Swahili, or Tamil, the Word is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes. Not only has the Lord opened many doors in many nations for us to preach the good news, He has richly provided the earthly means to do so and has moved hearts to give generously in order to reach people whom most of us will never see this side of heaven. May we be faithful stewards of both God's temporal and spiritual gifts, using them fully to His glory. In all our work as a church body, may we never lose the sheer awe, wonder, and love of hearing our heavenly Father's voice saying, "I love you! You are mine!"

**Pastor Michael Eichstadt / CLC President's Report / CLC Coordinating Council September 2018**

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## CLC Financial Report - September

| CLC Financial Report<br>Operating Funds | Balance<br>7/1/2018 | YTD<br>Revenue   | YTD<br>Disbursed | Budget<br>3 Months | Balance<br>9/30/2018 |
|---|---------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| General Fund                            | 0                   | 172,784          | 262,611          | \$244,800          | - 89,827             |
| ILC Operations                          | 0                   | 384,782          | 293,140          | \$137,400          | 91,642               |
| <b>Total</b>                            | <b>\$0</b>          | <b>\$557,566</b> | <b>\$555,751</b> | <b>\$382,200</b>   | <b>1,815</b>         |
| <b>Auxiliary Funds</b>                  |                     |                  |                  |                    |                      |
| ILC Improvement Fund (IIF)              | 108,123             | 12,918           | 65,058           |                    | 55,983               |
| ILC Building Projects (AC/Dorm)         | 15,500              | 111,613          | 109,253          |                    | 17,860               |
| Mission Development Fund (MDF)          | 55,340              | 31,481           | 33,360           |                    | 53,461               |
| Kinship                                 | 36,637              | 16,160           | 32,374           |                    | 20,423               |
| Church Extension Fund (CEF)             | 1,356,241           | 187,585          | 81,648           |                    | 1,462,178            |
| Student Aid Fund (SAF)                  | 77,286              | 32,741           | 32,709           |                    | 72,818               |
| Reserve Fund                            | 298,855             | 0                | 0                |                    | 298,855              |
| <b>Total</b>                            | <b>\$1,947,982</b>  | <b>\$392,498</b> | <b>\$358,902</b> |                    | <b>\$1,981,578</b>   |

| ILC Building Projects (Academic Center Balance & North Hall) |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Beginning Balance November 1, 2017                           | \$1,460,931      |
| Current Balance September 30, 2018                           | \$1,259,310      |
| Principal paid to date                                       | <b>\$201,621</b> |

**General Fund** – General Fund offerings in September totaled \$36,566 vs disbursements of \$99,307. Average monthly budgetary offerings needed are \$81,600. Part of the shortfall is likely due to the last day of the month falling on a Sunday, which results in a delay in receiving monthly offerings until after the fiscal books have closed, and partly due to some larger disbursements for the month.

**ILC Operations** – September ILC revenue was \$92,860 vs disbursements of \$111,431.

**ILC Building Projects** – September congregational offerings were \$1,860 vs disbursements of \$93,252, which included another substantial payment of more than \$85,000 on the loan principal, enabled by a member special offering of \$100,000 in August. This resulted in another \$115,000 in interest savings on the consolidated AC/North Hall loan & decreased the loan term by 2 more years. The fund needs regular offerings of \$8,000/mo to cover the monthly loan payment.

**CEF** – September revenue was \$116,661 largely from the large pre-payment on the AC/North loan principal, while disbursements of \$13,600 were primarily for interest we owe CLC members for their loans to the CEF.

**MDF** – September offerings totaled \$14,506 vs disbursements of \$12,161 for foreign mission fields, which included \$7,600 for church building improvements & a school security fence, \$1,500 for Mexico & India exploratory work, \$1,400 for bicycles & motorcycles, & \$500 for Bibles & Christian literature.

**SAF** – September revenue of \$14,075 included congregational offerings (\$864) and student loan repayments (\$13,211) vs disbursements of \$20,595, for Student Grants, Loans, & Scholarships.

**IIF** – The ILC Improvement Fund September offering was \$205 vs \$39,224 disbursements, almost entirely for the final expenses for the Commons HVAC upgrade.

James E. Sandeen, CLC Treasurer

Thomas J. Lentz, Chairman, CLC Board of Trustees