

✠ TODAY AT GRACE ✠

Organist: Jan Davis

Elder: Dale Enns

Ushers: Larry Brandt; Jeremiah Boe; Nick Duehlmeier;
Dale Enns; Duane Enns

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

Church Cleaners: Sydow School: Oman

✠ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✠

Ushers: Larry Brandt; Jeremiah Boe; Nick Duehlmeier;
Dale Enns; Duane Enns

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

Hospitality Team 4: Jan Davis, Ryan & Mikey Oman; Laura Wales

Church Cleaners: Sydow School: Oman

✠ OUR SCHEDULE ✠

Sun., Nov. 11: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School (Gospel of John)
10:00 am – Worship Service
12:00 pm – Council Meeting

Wed., Nov. 14: 4:30-6:15 – Catechism for Public School Students
7:00 pm – Midweek Bible Class (Proverbs - Last one of year)

Sun., Nov. 18: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School (Gospel of John)
10:00 am – Worship Service
11:00 am – Hospitality

Wed., Nov. 21: 12:00 pm – School's Thanksgiving Break Begins
4:30-6:15 – Catechism for Public School Students
7:00 pm – Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service @ Grace

Thu., Nov. 22: **THANKSGIVING DAY** – No Worship
9:00 am – Thanksgiving Day Worship Service @ Berea

Sun., Dec. 2, 9, 16: 12:00-2:00 pm – Christmas Eve Rehearsal

Wed., Dec. 5, 12: 7:00 pm – Midweek Advent Worship

Sun., Dec. 9: 3:00 pm – ILC Piano & Organ Recital

Fri., Dec. 14: 7:30 pm – ILC Christmas Concert

Wed., Dec. 19: 6:00 pm – Congregational Christmas Dinner
7:00 pm – Candlelight Worship

Thu., Dec. 20: 2:00 pm – Christian Day School Concert at Northtown Mall

Sun., Dec. 23: 8:45 am – Christmas Eve Rehearsal
12:00 Council Meeting

Mon., Dec. 24: 6:00 pm – Christmas Eve Worship

Tue., Dec. 25: 10:00 am – Christmas Day Worship

Wed., Dec. 31: 7:00 pm – New Years Eve Worship w/Lord's Supper

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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Pentecost 25/Last Judgment

Date: November 11, 2018

✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

Hymns:

WS 759: These Are the Facts
TLH 604: Great God, What Do I See and Hear?
WS 757: Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning
TLH 344: Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs
Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

Worship Prep:

Psalm 90, TLH p. 142

Liturgy:

WS, p. 12 (Projected)

Scripture Readings:

Malachi 4:1-2
John 5:19-24

Sermon: Hebrews 9:24-28

²⁴For Christ has not entered the holy places made with hands, *which are* copies of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; ²⁵not that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood of another— ²⁶He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. ²⁷And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, ²⁸so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation. (NKJVTM)

It's Time for Christ's Encore!

1. His first appearance was for His judgment and death
2. His second appearance is for our judgment and salvation

✠ THE ANNOUNCEMENTS ✠

◆ **Thanksgiving Service:** Wed. evening, Nov. 21, 7:00 pm, we will be having our Thanksgiving worship service. We have a wonderful opportunity to bring our hearts and praises before the altar of our Lord to express our thanks to Him. Psalm 92:1-2: *"It is good to give thanks to the LORD, And to sing praises to Your name, O Most High; To declare Your lovingkindness in the morning, And Your faithfulness every night."*



◆ **Facebook Page:** If you're on Facebook, be sure to like or share items that are on the Grace Lutheran Church page. This can help promote the page to others, along with events that we publicize there. The more shares, etc., the more Facebook promotes our church page to others.



◆ **2019 Cleaning:** The 2019 cleaning sign-up list is now posted on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. Please consider signing up.

◆ **Retirement:** Pastor David Baker's farewell service is set for Sun., Dec. 9, at Our Redeemer's Lutheran in Red Wing. A retirement party is planned for the Bakers on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 18, at 3:30 pm at the church. A dinner will follow at 5 pm.

◆ **CLC News:** Pastor John Hein of Grace Lutheran in Fridley, MN, has returned the call to Trinity Lutheran of Spokane, WA. ✠ Pastor Doug Libby of Living Savior Lutheran in Eden Prairie, MN, has received another one-year call to continuing serving at Living Savior Lutheran. He also received the call to Bethel Lutheran in Morris, MN.

◆ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #9 – Seventh Commandment

Last Week's Stats: Nov. 4, 2018 Sun.: 94 S.S.: 12 B.Cl.: 30 Wed.: 18

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|------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|----------|
| Sun. Offering: | Grace: | \$4,219* | CLC: | \$1,274 |
| Weekly Need: | Grace: | 3,700 | CLC: | 1,000 |
| -Under / +Over: | Grace: | +519 | CLC: | +274 |
| Year-to-Date Offering: | Grace: | \$153,596** | CLC: | \$43,207 |
| Year-to-Date Need: | Grace: | 162,800 | CLC: | 44,000 |
| Year-to-Date (+/-) | Grace: | -9,204 | CLC: | -793 |
| GLC Other: 113 | Living Faith: | 0 | Tuition Aid: | 230 |
| SAF Endowment: 0 | MDF: | 150 | Kinship: | 10 |
| ILC Student Aid: 0 | ILC Bldg. | 200 | IIF: 0 | CEF: 0 |

Current Balances: Tuition Aid: \$2,129

* Includes \$0 in school tuition ** Includes \$4,048 school-year-to-date tuition

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!

✠ Letter Read Last Sunday to Grace ✠

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ at Grace Lutheran Church,



It is indeed a reflective and vigorous process to consider a call from our Lord Jesus Christ to serve as pastor to any faithful group of Christians. Having reviewed the information regarding the call to Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Spokane and having prayed to our Lord for guidance in my considerations, the Holy Spirit has led me to return the call to serve as Pastor at Trinity

and to remain in Fridley as Grace's called Pastor. I am confident that this is the Lord's will at this time, as I hope you are as well.

This decision was not an easy one as I considered the needs at Trinity and the needs at Grace. Having come from the state of Washington, I can relate to being on the outskirts of much of our CLC activity and how this impacts the needs there. In speaking with various members of Trinity, many of them gave me some very valid reasons to weigh carefully and to take to the Lord in prayer. One well-respected elderly member there even dared me to come and take on the challenging task of Trinity's ministry, a comment that greatly intrigued me as the competitive nature in me likes to face challenges. But in speaking with various members of Grace, it is obvious that my work here at Grace is not done. In fact, I must admit I greatly appreciated the love and support that many of you extended to me during the deliberations. I was very impressed with some of the thoughtful and profound comments many of you shared which made it clear that the gifts the Lord has given me fit well for the pastoral needs here at Grace. I also must acknowledge that the timing of this call just did not match the various circumstances necessary in my current life and ministry to make acceptance of this call possible. The Lord certainly uses the call process to heighten a profound awareness of the current state of matters within the congregation and what challenges the congregation has that need the pastor's attention and care. Thank you all for helping me with that. While the call process can be demanding, it is also inspiring as it reveals what great things the Lord can and will still do through the proclamation of His Word.

Trinity in Spokane will always be a very dear congregation to me. I hope you will join me in the prayer that the Holy Spirit will lead a faithful and diligent shepherd to serve Trinity. Meanwhile, I am eager and excited for how the Lord will continue to bless the ministry of the Word here at Grace. May the Lord richly bless all of us as we work with His Word of Truth. "Your word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens" (Psalm 119:89).

In service to our Lord Jesus Christ, Pastor John Hein, 11/4/2018

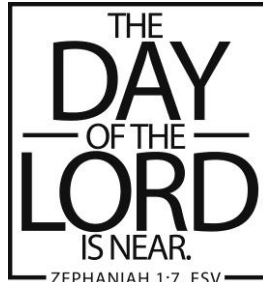
CLC E-Devotion – November 14, 2017

Matthew 25:31, Luke 21:28 When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory ... Now when these things begin to happen, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near.

THE LAST DAY WILL BY OUR HAPPIEST DAY

It's a custom in the Lutheran Church, as the church year winds down to its close, to direct our thoughts to the topic of the End Times, to the Second Coming of Christ, and to the life of glory that awaits us in heaven.

The Bible has much to say to us on this subject for our spiritual encouragement. One of things it teaches is that, when Jesus appears on earth on the Last Day He will put His unsurpassed glory as the eternal Son of God on full display for all to behold. His coming then will be altogether different from His coming to earth the first time. When He came to earth two thousand years ago He came in quietness and gentleness. He was born lowly in a stable. He lived the life of a poor servant and died the shameful death of the cross that He might save us.



When He returns to earth on the Last Day He will come with the fullness of His divine majesty and holiness shining forth brilliantly from one end of the earth to the other. He'll be flanked by an angel-army comprised of thousands. Nor will it be a quiet event. "For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air" (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17).

How this shall happen we cannot explain. We humbly accept what the Bible says and we look forward to it with joy. We say with John: "Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is" (1 John 3:2).

The Last Day will be our happiest day for it will be the day of our heavenly home-coming to be with the Lord forever.

CLC Financial Report - October

| CLC Financial Report | Balance | YTD | YTD | Budget | Balance |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Operating Funds | 7/1/2018 | Revenue | Disbursed | 4 Months | 10/31/2018 |
| General Fund | 0 | 254,717 | 342,201 | \$326,400 | - 87,484 |
| ILC Operations | 0 | 504,510 | 406,451 | \$183,200 | 98,059 |
| Total | \$0 | \$759,227 | \$748,652 | \$509,600 | 10,575 |
| Auxiliary Funds | | | | | |
| ILC Improvement Fund (IIF) | 108,123 | 13,086 | 65,221 | | 55,988 |
| ILC Building Projects (AC/Dorm) | 15,500 | 115,453 | 117,253 | | 13,700 |
| Mission Development Fund (MDF) | 55,340 | 46,348 | 57,384 | | 44,304 |
| Kinship | 36,637 | 19,673 | 35,747 | | 20,563 |
| Church Extension Fund (CEF) | 1,356,241 | 219,086 | 140,525 | | 1,434,802 |
| Student Aid Fund (SAF) | 77,286 | 45,418 | 49,214 | | 73,490 |
| Reserve Fund | 298,855 | 0 | 0 | | 298,855 |
| Total | \$1,947,982 | \$459,064 | \$465,344 | | \$1,941,702 |

| ILC Building Projects (Academic Center Balance & North Hall) | |
|--|------------------|
| Beginning Balance November 1, 2017 | \$1,460,931 |
| Current Balance October 31, 2018 | \$1,255,508 |
| Principal paid to date | \$205,423 |

General Fund – Offerings in October totaled \$81,933 vs disbursements of \$79,590, reducing the deficit by \$2,400. Average monthly offerings needed are \$81,600. The General Fund subsidizes the budgets of the CLC Boards of Trustees, ILC Regents, Missions, and Ed & Publications. It is supported by congregational offerings to the CLC Cooperative Budget Plan (CBP)

ILC Operations – October ILC revenue was \$113,315 vs disbursements of \$113,311.

ILC Building Projects – October congregational offerings were \$3,840 vs disbursements of \$8,000. The fund needs regular offerings of \$8,000/mo to cover the monthly loan payment.

CEF – October revenue was \$31,500 from congregational loan payments, while disbursements of \$55,393 was mostly for a \$50,000 promissory note matured & paid to a member loan to the CEF.

MDF – October offerings totaled \$14,866 vs disbursements of \$24,024 for foreign mission fields, which included \$9,725 for a 5-day West Africa Pastor Conference & travel (40 from Nigeria, Togo, Benin, Ghana, Liberia), \$7,100 for Tanzania seminary start-up costs, \$5,000 for Nepal vehicle purchase & \$2,300 for Outreach in Mexico & Myanmar.

SAF – October revenue of \$12,680 included congregational offerings (\$5,980) and student loan re-payments (\$6,700) vs disbursements of \$12,005, for Student Grants, Loans, & Scholarships.

Kinship – October cong & sponsor offerings of \$3,513 vs disbursements of \$3,373, for Tanzania pastor medical (\$2,000), Myanmar Flood Relief (\$713) and Orphan/Sem/Widow support (\$360)

James E. Sandeen, CLC Treasurer

Thomas J. Lentz, Chairman, CLC Board of Trustees