

## ✠ TODAY AT GRACE ✠

Organist: **Ryan Mueller**      Elder: **Frank Radichel**

Ushers: **Michael Ude; James Bomber; Ryan Oman; Al Rosendahl; Eli Wales**

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

Hospitality Team 5: **Bonnie Baker; Nick & Miranda Duehlmeier; Jenny Kleifgen; Pat & Dawn Paplow**

Church Cleaners: **A. Baker**      School: **Ude**

## ✠ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✠

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

Counting Team 3: **Brian Eichstadt; Duane Enns; Dan Degnan; Benno Sydow**

Church Cleaners: **Ochsner**      School: **Wales**

## ✠ OUR SCHEDULE ✠

**Sun., May 5:** 8:30 am – Choir Practice  
9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School  
10:00 am – Worship Service w/Lord's Supper (Easter 3)  
11:00 am – Hospitality  
12:00 pm – Council Meeting

**Wed., May 8:** 4:30 pm – Catechism for Public School Students  
7:00-8:30 pm – Confirmation Review

**Fri., May 10:** Field Day @ Inver Grove Hts. (Grades 5-8) (K-4 No School)

**Sun., May 12:** 8:30 am – Choir Practice  
9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School  
10:00 am – Worship Service (Easter 4)

**Mon., May 13:** 10:00 am – Minnesota Pastoral Study Club (IGH, MN)

**Wed., May 15:** 4:30 pm – Catechism for Public School Students  
6:00 pm – Flower Planting  
7:00-8:30 pm – Confirmation Review

**Fri., May 17:** 3:00 pm – Immanuel Class Day @ ILC Fieldhouse  
7:30 pm – Immanuel Spring Concert @ Messiah Lutheran

**Sat., May 18:** 10:00 am – Immanuel Graduation Service @ Fieldhouse

**Sun., May 19:** Confirmation Sunday

**Wed., May 22:** 7:00 pm – Grace School Spring Program

**Thu., May 23:** 12:00 pm – Grace School Dismissal for Summer

**Sun., May 26:** Graduation Sunday & Summer Worship Schedule Begins

**Thu., May 30:** 7:00 pm – Ascension Day Worship

**Sat., June 1:** 1:00-5:00 pm – Dave and Norma Rust Anniv. Celebration

**Sat., June 8:** 10:00 am – MN Delegate Conference @ Okabena, MN

**June 18-20:** CLC General Pastoral Conference @ Eau Claire, WI

**July 22-26:** Vacation Bible School

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

**Date:** May 5, 2019

## ✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

### Hymns:

WS 733: This Joyful Eastertide

TLH 197: Where Wilt Thou Go Since Night Draws

WS 776: Lord, 'Tis Not that I Did Choose You

Communion: TLH 305

TLH 207, st. 6: Like the Golden Sun Ascending

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

### Worship Prep:

Psalm 67, TLH p. 137

### Liturgy:

WS, p. 12 (Communion)

### Scripture Readings:

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21:1-14

### Sermon: Acts 9:1-19 (key verses below)

<sup>3</sup> As he journeyed he came near Damascus, and suddenly a light shone around him from heaven. <sup>4</sup> Then he fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?" <sup>5</sup> And he said, "Who are You, Lord?" Then the Lord said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. It is hard for you to kick against the goads." <sup>6</sup> So he, trembling and astonished, said, "Lord, what do You want me to do?" Then the Lord said to him, "Arise and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." <sup>7</sup> And the men who journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice but seeing no one. <sup>8</sup> Then Saul arose from the ground, and when his eyes were opened he saw no one. But they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ... <sup>17</sup> And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." <sup>18</sup> Immediately there fell from his eyes something like scales, and he received his sight at once; and he arose and was baptized. (NKJV<sup>TM</sup>)

## Remarkable Conversion

## ✠ THE ANNOUNCEMENTS ✠

- ◆ **Among Us:** Nicole Best was able to return home this past Friday from Mercy. While she is in remission, she will still need more treatment with the plan to be finalized. May our Great Physician tend to her needs.
- ◆ **Anniversary Celebration:** The congregation is invited to Dave and Norma Rust's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. The invite is on the bulletin board by the pastor's office. Please rsvp to Bill Rust by May 15.
- ◆ **Flower Planting:** Flowers will be planted in various places on the church property on Wednesday, May 15, 6pm. Help would be appreciated! Speak with Heidi Nelson for details.
- ◆ **Confirmation:** Confirmation for Grace Duehlmeier and Natalie Story will be on Sun., May 19. Examination will take place at 9 am followed by the worship service at 10 am. May the Lord bless their preparation.
- ◆ **Confirmation Open House:** The congregation is invited to an open house in honor of Natalie Story's confirmation. Sunday, May 19 from 2-4pm. 7001 115 1/2 Ave N, Champlin, MN 55316
- ◆ **Lutheran Spokesman:** The Lutheran Spokesman is a publication by the CLC which is dedicated to sharing rich, devotional messages for our spiritual edification. Those who currently receive the publication are listed on a sheet by the guestbook. If you no longer wish to receive it, please cross out your name. If you don't receive it and would like to, please sign up. The congregation covers the cost.
- ◆ **The Branches:** "The Branches" renewal list is by the guest book. This is a quarterly publication for Christian women. Please check your name if you want to continue receiving this publication, making any corrections to the listed information. If you are not receiving "The Branches" now is the time to add your name to the list. The congregation pays for the subscription.
- ◆ **School Program:** On May 23, 7 pm, the children of our day school will be putting on its annual spring play. All members and friends of Grace are invited to show support of the children's efforts and of our school. Refreshments will follow the program.
- ◆ **Grace Lutheran School** staff is beginning to plan for the 2019-20 school year. If you are interested in enrolling your child in our school, please speak to one of the teachers for an enrollment form.
- ◆ **Parade:** On Thursday, June 6, our school will be walking in the Spring Lake Park Tower Days Parade. We are hoping that many, if not all, of our students and parents will be able to participate in this. It is one of the ways that we can get our school's name out in the surrounding community. Please speak with James Bomber for more details.



- ◆ **Vacation Bible School:** On July 22-26, 9:00-11:30 am, we will be having our VBS. This includes children age 4 years, to children going into eighth grade. Please register your children on the sheet by the guest book. In preparing for VBS, we will need to put together a staff, including teachers and coordinators for crafts and music. Please consider this labor of love and let Pastor know of your willingness.
- ◆ **Savings Potential:** For those over 70½ it may be beneficial for you to send your offerings directly from an IRA fund to the church. The advantage of this procedure is those amounts are NOT considered as income and your adjusted gross income is less. For more information see Phil Radichel or Benno Sydow.
- ◆ **Graduates:** Please list any member of Grace that is graduating this year (Jan-Dec 2019) on the sheet on the tract rack table. Include the school's name and the degree. Our Graduation Sunday is May 26. Aki Holmberg, Rachael Onyinge, Simeon Rinne, and Natalie Story will also graduate from Grace School that day.
- ◆ **CLC News:** Pastor David Schaller of Redeemer Lutheran in Sister Lakes, MI, has returned the call to Prince of Peace Lutheran in Loveland, CO. ✠ Teacher Quinn Sprengeler of Redemption Lutheran in Lynnwood, WA (Seattle area), has returned the call to Faith Lutheran in Markesan, WI. ✠ Berea Lutheran in Inver Grove Hts., MN, has called member Christy Moen to teach Preschool and Kindergarten next fall. ✠ The Call Committee for Graduates made the following call assignments: Seminarian Samuel Naumann as pastor at Resurrection Lutheran in Corpus Christi, TX; June Schmid as teacher at Faith Lutheran in Markesan, WI; Nathan Buck as teacher at Valley Bible Academy (St. John's) in Clarkston, WA.

### ◆ Sunday School Memory Work: #24 – Baptism 3 & 4

**Last Week's Stats:** Apr. 28    Sun.: NA    S.S.: NA    B.C.I.: NA

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$2,094*	CLC:	\$655
Weekly Need:	Grace:	4,000	CLC:	1,000
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-1,906	CLC:	-345
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$68,364**	CLC:	\$16,698
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	68,000	CLC:	17,000
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	+364	CLC:	-302
GLC Other: 63	Living Faith: 10	Tuition Aid: 35		
SAF Endowment: 10	MDF: 0	Kinship: 70		
ILC Student Aid: 0	ILC Bldg. 0	IIF: 0    CEF: 0		

Current Balances:    Tuition Aid: \$928

\* Includes \$0 in school tuition    \*\* Includes \$2,850 year-to-date school tuition



## Voter Meeting Notes – April 28, 2019

Meeting was called to order with a prayer. January voter meeting minutes were read and approved. 1<sup>st</sup> quarter treasurer's report was presented and approved.

### Pastor's Report

- Lenten services, centered around the Lenten mementos, are completed.
- Janet Peer, affiliated with the CLC, passed away a few weeks ago. Her family is moving here.
- Rick and Gloria Grams will be moving to New Brighton soon. Storage space is needed from the end of April until the end of May.
- June 8 is the MN Delegate Conference in Okabena, MN.
- May 19 is confirmation of Natalie Duehlmeier and Naomi Story.
- A trip to Liberia is not being planned yet.

### Board of Elders Report

- Members who attend services very seldom are being contacted.
- Computer issues are being addressed.
- Reducing the number of Council members is being discussed. It is difficult to get enough men to fill the positions.
- Offering envelopes will be purchased in bulk instead of individual boxes in the future.
- Thank you to everyone who helped for the Easter breakfast.
- Changes are being made to some of the pews at the rear of the church.

### Board of Education Report

- The project fair went well.
- The 2019-2020 school calendar will be published soon.
- A letter addressing increased tuition has been sent to the non-member school families. There has been no feedback.
- June 6 will be the SLP parade.
- Housing will be needed for the Teacher Conference held at Grace in October.
- A letter will be sent to all school assistants regarding information for the background checks.

### Board of Trustees Report

- The successful audit of the Treasurer's books was reported.
- Motion passed to create a sub-fund within the Project Undesignated Fund for fixing the sewer line.
- The work day yesterday went well.

### Other Business

- Our health insurance provider will be discontinuing coverage on July 31, 2019. Law states that 75% of our staff must be covered with the provider, but we only have 66% of our staff with them.

Adapted from minutes submitted by Secretary Roger Ochsner

## 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?