

# Grace Lutheran Church & School



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

**Church Year:** Pentecost

**Date:** May 31, 2020

## ✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

### Hymns:

TLH 2: To Thy Temple I Repair

TLH 230: Holy Spirit, God of Love

TLH 224: Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord!

TLH 644: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

### Worship Prep:

Psalms 51, TLH p. 134

### Liturgy:

WS, p. 1 (Adapted)

### Scripture Readings:

Acts 2:1-21

John 16:5-11

### Sermon: Joel 2:12-18, 26-29

<sup>12</sup> "Now, therefore," says the LORD, "Turn to Me with all your heart, With fasting, with weeping, and with mourning." <sup>13</sup> So rend your heart, and not your garments; Return to the LORD your God, For He *is* gracious and merciful, Slow to anger, and of great kindness; And He relents from doing harm. <sup>14</sup> Who knows *if* He will turn and relent, And leave a blessing behind Him-- A grain offering and a drink offering For the LORD your God? <sup>15</sup> Blow the trumpet in Zion, Consecrate a fast, Call a sacred assembly; <sup>16</sup> Gather the people, Sanctify the congregation, Assemble the elders, Gather the children and nursing babes; Let the bridegroom go out from his chamber, And the bride from her dressing room. <sup>17</sup> Let the priests, who minister to the LORD, Weep between the porch and the altar; Let them say, "Spare Your people, O LORD, And do not give Your heritage to reproach, That the nations should rule over them. Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where *is* their God?'" <sup>18</sup> Then the LORD will be zealous for His land, And pity His people. ... <sup>26</sup> You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, And praise the name of the LORD your God, Who has dealt wondrously with you; And My people shall never be put to shame. <sup>27</sup> Then you shall know that I *am* in the midst of Israel: I *am* the LORD your God And there is no other. My people shall never be put to shame. <sup>28</sup> "And it shall come to pass afterward That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your old men shall dream dreams, Your young men shall see visions. <sup>29</sup> And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days." (NKJV<sup>TM</sup>)

## "I Will Pour Out My Spirit"

## ✠ ***THE ANNOUNCEMENTS*** ✠

- ➔ **Grace Reopening:** We are thankful to the Lord that we have the privilege to worship together again! May we exercise this responsibly by being mindful of the well-being of others. Please honor the COVID-19 plan. Copies of this are available. Until you hear otherwise, the intent is to retain the two services, at 9:00 am and 10:30 am. Members are urged to register, along with the number of people from each household, at: [signup.com/go/FGCVzqk](https://signup.com/go/FGCVzqk). Pastor is willing to serve private communion upon request. Please feel free to communicate with Pastor regarding any spiritual need you may have. His number is 612-408-1635. Also, please understand that if any member remains uncomfortable about returning to worship, online worship is still available at [FridleyLutheran.org](https://www.fridleylutheran.org).
- ➔ **Caution:** If anyone is high risk, vulnerable, recently exposed to a COVID-19 patient, or has symptoms of illness (especially high temperature and cough), the individual along with any others in that person's household are strongly urged to stay home for one's own well-being and the well-being of others.
- ➔ **Congratulations:** Today, at our 9 am worship service, Joseph Thomas will profess his faith, desiring to become a communicant member here at Grace Lutheran. We warmly welcome him into our midst and look forward to worshipping with him and working together with him in the Lord's kingdom! While Joseph originally came from Liberia, he has been a U.S. citizen for many years. He has multiple degrees in accounting. Please welcome Joseph today!
- ➔ **Membership:** Thomas Graham has recently completed instruction class with Pastor Hein, now expressing agreement with our doctrine. The intention is for him to profess his faith at one of next weekend's services. Thomas lives in Big Lake and has been a member of the ELCA, then the LC-MS, and then the ELS. Through personal study of Scripture, he has come to embrace confessional Lutheranism.
- ➔ **Lutheran Spokesman:** Today is the last day to sign up or make changes to your subscription. A recent hard copy is by the guestbook, just in case you've been unable to access online. The congregation covers the cost. Otherwise, this is the link: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1K3TP3YHqGA1i0Ja1hvn8T9v6Ay-QZcuUnF6FXzLTVk/edit?usp=sharing>
- ➔ **The Branches:** Today is the deadline. Please contact Norma Rust (sew410@att.net/763-571-5735) if you wish to continue receiving this publication for Christian women or if you wish to be a new subscriber. The congregation pays for the subscription.
- ➔ **CLC News:** Prof. John Ude of ILC at Eau Claire, WI, has received the call to St. Luke's Lutheran in Lemmon, SD. ✠ Teacher Quinn Sprengeler at Redemption Lutheran in Lynnwood, WA (Seattle area) has returned the call to Holy Trinity Lutheran in West Columbia, SC.

# CLC Convention Update

Dear brothers,

After consultation with CLC board chairmen and conference visitors, I have decided that due to the health concerns and other disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, it is necessary for us to postpone this summer's CLC Convention to June 2021. It would not be in the best interests of Christian love to ask pastors, teachers, and delegates from across the country to gather in Eau Claire at the end of July when there is so much uncertainty as to what the circumstances will be at that time. In order carry out the blessed work the Lord has given us as faithfully as possible, we want to have good representation from all our congregations. We don't want anyone to feel uncomfortable about attending. We want to be able to direct our full attention to the work without the distractions of the current situation.

The CLC boards and Coordinating Council are still scheduled to meet in Eau Claire on June 8-10. Terms of elected board members and CLC officers which are ending this summer will be extended for a year. Other Convention work such as consideration of the Joint Statement will also be postponed until next June.

It is a great disappointment not to meet as a body to praise our Lord and Savior, renew fellowship ties with old acquaintances and meet new friends in Christ. But we can still remember one another in our prayers, support our joint work through our offerings, and receive Word and Sacrament with our local congregational families. The Lord reassures us that no matter where we are, whether our congregation is one of several CLC churches in an area or a far flung outpost, He knows us all and will keep us safe as His own.

May the Holy Spirit bless us with His faith-strengthening presence and guidance as we witness to the resurrection of our living Savior. May He be with us as we look ahead and prepare for next summer's family reunion.

Yours in Christ's service,

Michael Eichstadt, CLC president

**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.



## ✠ TODAY AT GRACE ✠

Organist: Sue Nelson

Elder: Eli Wales

Ushers: Roger Ochsner; James Bomber; Jack Maki; John Maki; Ryan Oman

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

Church Cleaners: Any Volunteers?

## ✠ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✠

Ushers: Roger Ochsner; James Bomber; Jack Maki; John Maki; Ryan Oman

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

Church Cleaners: Any Volunteers?

## ✠ OUR SCHEDULE ✠

*Please keep in mind that this schedule is tentative given the circumstances. Stay tuned by the email announcements.*

**Sun., May 31:** Register for service at [signup.com/go/FGCVzqk](https://signup.com/go/FGCVzqk)  
 9:00 am – Worship Service  
 10:30 am – Worship Service

**Sun., June 7:** Register for service at [signup.com/go/FGCVzqk](https://signup.com/go/FGCVzqk)  
 9:00 am – Worship Service  
 10:30 am – Worship Service

**June 8-10:** CLC Boards & Coordinating Council

**Sun., June 14:** 12:00 pm – Council Meeting

**Sat., July 11:** 10:00 am – MN Delegate Conference @ Mankato, MN

**July 20-24:** 9:00-11:30 am – Vacation Bible School (Tentative)

**Sun., Aug. 23:** 3:00 pm – Opening Service at ILC (Tentative)

**Mon., Aug. 31:** Opening Day for Grace Lutheran School (Tentative)

**Last Week's Stats:** May 24, 2020    Sun.: Online    S.S.: Online    B.Cl.: Online

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$3,500	CLC:	\$1,150	
Weekly Need:	Grace:	4,000	CLC:	950	
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-500	CLC:	+200	
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$88,672	CLC:	\$19,855	
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	84,000	CLC:	19,950	
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	+4,672	CLC:	-95	
GLC Other:	0	Living Faith:	0	Tuition Aid:	5
SAF Endowment:	0	MDF:	0	Kinship:	0
ILC Student Aid:	0	ILC Bldg.	100	IIF: 0	CEF: 0
Current Balances:	Tuition Aid: \$1,490				