

Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Trinity Sunday

Date: June 7, 2020

✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

Hymns:

TLH 246: Holy, Holy, Holy

Athanasian Creed w/TLH 250

WS 800: Go, My Children, with My Blessing

TLH 644: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

Worship Prep:

Psalm 150, TLH p. 157

Liturgy:

WS, p. 1 (Adapted)

Scripture Readings:

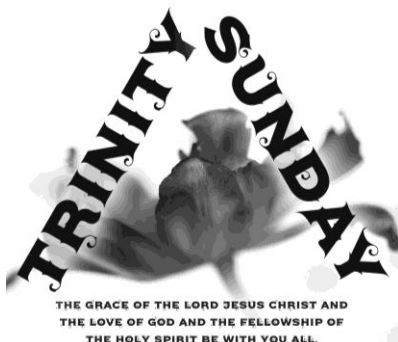
Genesis 1:1-2:3

Matthew 28:16-20

Sermon: 2 Corinthians 13:11-14

¹¹ Finally, brethren, farewell. Become complete. Be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. ¹³ All the saints greet you. ¹⁴ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit *be* with you all. Amen. (NKJVTM)

“Live in the Oasis of God’s Love and Peace”



✠ ***THE ANNOUNCEMENTS*** ✠

- ➔ **Next Sunday:** The Governor announced recently that this coming week churches are allowed to be at 50% capacity. Given that our attendance will be under 100 for a while, the Elders have decided to return to our regular summer worship schedule of one 9 am service, beginning next Sunday, June 14. There is no need to register online. 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. 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.
- ➔ **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 10:30 am worship service, Thomas Graham will profess his faith, desiring to become a communicant member here at Grace Lutheran. We certainly welcome him into our flock as he expresses agreement with our doctrine. 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. May the Lord mutually bring blessing to both him and his new church family through His Word.
- ➔ **Among Us:** Next weekend Laura Wales is scheduled for a C-section. May the LORD grant a safe delivery of her and Eli's baby!
- ➔ **KINSHIP Disaster Relief:** The COVID-19 epidemic has affected many of us in a variety of ways. We've also been learning of the suffering our brothers and sisters in Christ around the world have been facing in the current epidemic. Between COVID-19 Aid and cyclone relief, monetary aid has been sent overseas from KINSHIP. There remain additional needs among our various sister synods. The CLC Board of Missions is requesting that you consider offering your financial support to replenish the KINSHIP funds, so we can be ready to respond when the next need comes along. You may send your offerings to CLC KINSHIP, 501 Grover Rd., Eau Claire, WI, 54701, or through your local congregation. Please mark your donation "KINSHIP."
- ➔ **CLC News:** Pastor Chad Seybt at Redeemer Lutheran in Cheyenne, WY, has received the call to Bethel Lutheran in Morris, MN. ✠

CLC E-Devotion - June 10, 2015

HEAR, O ISRAEL, THE LORD OUR GOD IS ONE LORD!

In the book of Deuteronomy (6:4) we are told, "Hear O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord." A New Testament parallel is found in 1 Corinthians (8:4), "There is none other God but one." The descriptive word defining the worship of the none other God but one is the word "monotheism," as compared to polytheism which is the worship of many gods.

We worship one God Who is triune--three in one. The Athanasian Creed declares the faith of the Christian Church, "There is one person of the Father, another of the Son, and another of the Holy Ghost. But the Godhead of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost is all one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal ... So the Father is God, the Son is God, and the Holy Ghost is God. And yet they are not three Gods, but one God." In the creation of the world the Triune God, or Trinity, functioned in the uniqueness of the Godhead, as our text states, "He has made the earth by His power, He has established the world by His wisdom, and has stretched out the heavens at His discretion." At the baptism of Jesus, the three distinct persons are present in their unique roles--the Father speaking, the Son being baptized, and the Holy Ghost descending. The commission that Jesus gave to the Church was to baptize "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."

Scripture is clear. It is just as clear as regards the gods of the heathen, "... a wooden idol is a worthless doctrine," literally, "... the instruction of uselessness is wood." And you can replace the word "wood" here with anything else that people use to replace God in their heart. They who believe in another god than the triune God are ultimately no better off than the fool who says in his heart, "There is no God." The idols of men are whatever they--or God forbid, we--put in the place of God, be it riches, reason that sets itself above God's Word, the pursuit of pleasure that forces God into the background, even family that becomes more important to one than God. All these besides the thousands of gods of the heathen are condemned by the First Commandment where God says, "Thou shalt have no other gods before Me." Instead we are to "fear, love and trust in God above all things."

Have you ever wondered why the LORD God calls Himself a jealous God (Exodus 34:14)? He declares in Isaiah 45:21, "... there is no other God besides Me, a just God and a Savior." He is jealous because of His love for us sinners. "[God] desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth" (1 Timothy 2:3). Our Savior God cannot bear to see us follow a god that cannot save us! Idols, those things that replace the true God in our heart, be they statues, money, people, or even ourselves, can do nothing for us. "For the customs of the peoples are futile; For one cuts a tree from the forest, The work of the hands of the workman, with the ax. They decorate it with silver and gold; they fasten it with nails and hammers so that it will not topple. They are upright, like a palm tree, and they cannot speak; they must be carried, because they cannot go by themselves. Do not be afraid of them, for they cannot do evil, nor can they do any good."

Concerning our salvation, we lost and condemned sinners were in need of someone outside of ourselves if we were to be delivered from the condemnation of hell. It is the folly of unbelief to believe that we who are the cause of our problems can some how deliver ourselves. God the Father promised and sent the Son; His perfect Son, born of the virgin, satisfied the stern demands of the Law which condemns to hell and everlasting separation from God. Jesus' blood cleanses us from all sin, and has redeemed us to God. He died and rose again so that salvation is won for all, and becomes the personal possession of all who believe. But how shall we who are dead in trespasses and sins believe? The third person of the Trinity, the Holy Ghost, creates saving faith through the blessed Gospel. Only they who trust in the Triune God will stand in the evil day, and stand they will. Trust in anything else for salvation will only end badly, for "They are futile, a work of errors; in the time of their punishment they shall perish." The faith, the confession, and the confidence of the believer in the Triune God was expressed by the Psalmist who said, "He only is my rock and my salvation: He is my defense; I shall not be moved. In God is my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God" (Psalm 62:6, 7).

† TODAY AT GRACE †

Organist: Jan Davis

Elder: Dave Rust

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?

† NEXT WEEK AT GRACE †

Ushers: Al Rosendahl; Keith Radichel; David Stifter; Joel Stifter; Eli Wales

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

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† OUR SCHEDULE †

- Sun., June 7:** Register for service at signup.com/go/FGCVzqk
9:00 am – Worship Service
10:30 am – Worship Service
- June 8-10:** CLC Boards & Coordinating Council
- Sun., June 14:** 9:00 am – Worship Service
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 31, 2020 Sun.: 37 / 22 (59 total)

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$3,145	CLC:	\$780
Weekly Need:	Grace:	4,000	CLC:	950
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-855	CLC:	-170
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$91,817	CLC:	\$20,635
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	88,000	CLC:	20,900
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	+3,817	CLC:	-265
GLC Other: 110	Living Faith: 10	Tuition Aid: 265		
SAF Endowment: 0	MDF: 10	Kinship: 10		
ILC Student Aid: 0	ILC Bldg. 100	IIF: 0	CEF: 0	
Current Balances:	Tuition Aid: \$1,755			

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 speak with you!