

Pastor: John Hein (Cell 612-408-1635) School Phone: 763-784-6340 Church Year: Pentecost 13 **Phone:** 763-784-8784 **Grades:** Kindergarten-8th **Date:** August 30, 2020

ት Worship Information ት

Hymns:

WS 764: God of Grace and God of Glory TLH 428: I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus TLH 457: What a Friend We Have in Jesus WS 783: Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

Worship Prep: Psalms 133 and 134 Liturgy: WS, p. 12 (Projected) Offering: Plate at organ

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 56:1,6-8 Romans 11:13-15,28-32

Sermon: Matthew 15:21-28

²¹ Then Jesus went out from there and departed to the region of Tyre and Sidon. ²² And behold, a woman of Canaan came from that region and cried out to Him, saying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! My daughter is severely demon-possessed." ²³ But He answered her not a word. And His disciples came and urged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she cries out after us." ²⁴ But He answered and said, "I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵ Then she came and worshiped Him, saying, "Lord, help me!" ²⁶ But He answered and said, "It is not good to take the children's bread and throw *it* to the little dogs." ²⁷ And she said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their masters' table." ²⁸ Then Jesus answered and said to her, "O woman, great *is* your faith! Let it be to you as you desire." And her daughter was healed from that very hour. (*NKJV*TM)

By Faith You Have Been Saved

ት The Announcements ተ

- Thanks to retired pastor, John Schierenbeck, for sharing the Word today. He and his wife, Sharon, currently live in Eau Claire, WI.
- 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. If any member remains uncomfortable about coming to worship, online worship is still available at <u>FridleyLutheran.org</u>.
- Masks: Due to the Governor's executive order, face coverings or masks are now required during worship at Grace. Children under the age of 2 are exempt. Ages 2-5 "are encouraged to wear a face covering when in public if they can do so reliably ..." Also, pastor does not need to wear one while leading the worship service.
- Physical Distancing: The pews are set up to be alternating, post-its on the pews that are to be used. Our ushers are asked to be proactive when ushering people in so that distancing between household units can be better accomplished. Also, please remember to do your visiting <u>outside</u> away from the building before and after worship, ensuring that the doorway isn't blocked by a group. Thank you for being mindful of your fellow Christians.
- Sunday School: Those interested in teaching or subbing may speak with either Pastor or Ryan Oman.
- Service Schedule: The Sunday schedule will be changing on September 13. Sunday School will begin at 9:00 am with regular morning worship at 10:00 am. The intent is to begin Bible Class on Oct. 4. Our members are strongly encouraged to take advantage of these classes to strengthen themselves spiritually through the "one thing needful" during their life's journey. As Jesus said in Luke 11:28: "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"
- Pastor's Vacation: Pastor Hein is visiting family near Spokane, WA. He will be there until Sept. 11. For emergency pastoral help, you may call the parsonage at 763-784-8784 or call Pastor directly on his cell at 612-408-1635. Pastor Nathan Pfeiffer of Berea in Inver Grove Hts. is also willing to help as needed, his cell being 651-432-0101. Alternatively, you may call Pastors Emeritus David Schierenbeck (651-202-8602) or Daniel Fleischer (651-352-1471), including any hospital calls.

CLC E-Devotion – Tuesday, October 3, 2017

John 6:35 And Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst."

FEED YOUR SOUL!

If a person wants to have a strong, healthy body, one of the most important things to do is feed the body good, substantial, nourishing food. In fact, without good, regular nourishment, the body will not only become unhealthy, it will waste away and die.

What is true of man's body is also true of his soul. Unless the soul gets good, substantial, wholesome, and soul-nourishing food, it cannot live, but will also suffer all the pains which precede a death of starvation, and will finally die. Which does not mean that it shall pass out of existence, but that it shall be damned. Anyone who is interested in finding out what pain and agony of a damned soul is like may read about it in Scripture where Christ describes the woe and misery of those souls. And anyone interested in becoming acquainted with the pains and agonies which precede the death of starvation may read about it in the early life history of Dr. Martin Luther. For his soul, although it did not die but was rescued, experienced all these starvation pains. Read the early life history of Luther, the life which he spent in the Roman Catholic Church, the life when he had to feed his soul on false teachings of man and see how his soul was wasting away because it could find no comfort, no peace, no way of silencing the attacks of conscience and Satan.

About the soul of man: Scripture says it is not a material thing created out of matter as the body was created out of the dust of the ground, but it is a spirit which man received from God Himself when He breathed the breath of life in the nostrils of man. Since the soul of man is not matter, but a spirit, therefore it cannot live by or on material things. Of course, there are people who claim that it can, but they're only fooling themselves. No, if the soul is a spirit then it can only live on spiritual food.

And what might that correct spiritual soul-diet be? The only One who can tell us is He who gave us our souls, God. In Scripture He answers this question--first in a negative way and then in a positive way. His negative answer now is as follows-- in His own words: "In vain do they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men." So He says in Matthew 15:9. And again, in Psalm 108:12, He says, "For the help of man is useless." Hence His negative answer to our question would be: Man with his teachings or doctrines has nothing at all to offer to nourish the souls of men and women.

In a positive way now the Lord has this to answer to our question: "The Law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul." Thus we read in Psalm 19:7. "Hear [His Word] and your soul shall live!" Thus He says in Isaiah 55:3. "Man lives by every Word of God!" So He says in Luke 4:4. His answer to our question, therefore, is this: "Your soul shall live by the Word of God!" That is its food and its only food.

This life-giving food for your souls is dwelling richly among you, my friends. At home you have it in your Bible where you can partake of it by reading it. Every week it is preached in your midst, so that you may partake of it in an audible way. Your soul does not ever need to starve or experience any pains of starvation, for you always have the right soul-food on hand.

ት Today at Grace ት

<u>Organist:</u> Sue Nelson

<u>Elder</u>: Eli Wales

<u>Ushers</u>: Larry Brandt; Jeremiah Boe; Nick Duehlmeier; Dale Enns; Duane Enns

<u>Counting Team 3</u>: Brian Eichstadt; Duane Enns; David Hein; Dan Degnan; Benno Sydow

Church Cleaners: Any Volunteers?

ት Next Week at Grace ት

<u>Ushers</u>: Larry Brandt; Jeremiah Boe; Nick Duehlmeier; Dale Enns; Duane Enns

<u>Counting Team 4</u>: James Bomber; Roger Ochsner; Al Rosendahl; Dave Rust

Church Cleaners: R. & H. Nelson

ት OUR SCHEDULE ት

Sun., Sept. 6: Mon., Sept. 7:	9:00 am – Worship Service 8:00 am – Opening Service at Grace Lutheran School 9:00 am – Worship Service w/Lord's Supper Labor Day – No School
Sun., Sept. 13:	Return to Regular Sunday Worship Schedule
	9:00 am – Sunday School Begins (no Bible Class yet) 10:00 am – Worship Service
	CLC Coordinating Council Meeting
Sun., Oct. 4:	9:00 am – Bible Class Begins
October 6-7: Sun., Oct. 11:	Minnesota Pastoral Conference @ Sleepy Eye, MN Mission Festival w/Pastor Mark Bernthal

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 the Pastor. He would be delighted to visit with you!



For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. - Ephesians 2:8-9