

# Grace Lutheran Church & School



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

**Church Year:** Pentecost 25

**Date:** November 22, 2020

## ✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

### **Hymns:**

TLH 244: Glory Be to God the Father

CW 407: O Lord, You Have in Your Pure Grace

TLH 458, st. 9: Our Father, Thou in Heaven Above

TLH 238: All Glory Be to God Alone

Father in Heaven (Tune TLH 47)

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

### **Worship Prep:**

Psalms 148, TLH p. 156f.

### **Liturgy:**

TLH, p. 5 (Projected)

Gloria: TLH 246:1,4

### **Scripture Readings:**

1 Chronicles 29:6-14

Revelation 7:9-17

### **Sermon: Matthew 6:13b**

"For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.  
Amen." (NKJV<sup>TM</sup>)

Lord's Prayer – Doxology:  
For Thine is the Kingdom, Power, & Glory.  
Amen!

1. Doxology: Praising Our Heavenly Father for Who He is
2. Amen: Being confident that our prayer is answered

The  
LORD'S  
Prayer

## ✝ ***THE ANNOUNCEMENTS*** ✝

- ➔ **COVID-19 Pre-Cautions:** 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. Online worship is still available at [FridleyLutheran.org](http://FridleyLutheran.org). Due to the Governor's executive order, face coverings are required during worship at Grace. Children under the age of 2 are exempt. For physical distancing, post-its are on the pews that are to be used. Please remember to not block areas of foot traffic. Thank you for being mindful of your fellow Christians.
- ➔ **Poinsettias:** There is a signup sheet for Christmas Poinsettias by the guest book at the church entry. If anyone would like to purchase a plant for church, please indicate it by signing your name and plant information on the sheet. For questions, contact Mikey Oman.
- ➔ **Thanksgiving Service:** This Wed. evening, Nov. 25, 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."
- ➔ **Christmas Eve Service:** This year adjustments are being made in accordance with COVID protocols. To accommodate proper distancing within sanctuary and to keep our occupancy under 100, online registration is required: [signup.com/go/jAJfTHA](http://signup.com/go/jAJfTHA). A seating chart will then be created. Also, the children rehearsals will be on Nov. 29, Dec. 6, and 13 following the worship service for about an hour, perhaps the final one being a little longer. We will still have the final rehearsal on the Sunday morning prior, on Dec. 20 at 8:45 am.
- ➔ **CLC News:** Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd Lutheran in Rapid City, SD has returned the call to Redeemer Lutheran in Cheyenne, WY. Pastor Michael Gurath of Holy Cross Lutheran in Phoenix, AZ, now has this call. ✝ Teacher Quinn Sprengeler of Redemption Lutheran in Lynnwood, WA (Seattle area) has the upper grade teacher/principal call to Faith Lutheran in Markesan, WI. ✝ Teacher Matt Thurow of Berea Lutheran in Inver Grove Heights, MN, has the call to teach grades 4-8 and serve as principal at Holy Trinity Lutheran in West Columbia, SC.
- ➔ **Sunday School & Adult Memory Work:** Doxology & Amen.



## Lord's Prayer: The Doxology

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*What does "Amen" mean?*

"Amen" means that I should be certain that these petitions are really heard by the Father in heaven; for He Himself has instructed us to pray in this way and promised that He will hear us. "Amen! amen!" that is, "Yes, indeed, it shall be so!"

**"Amen."** What effect our prayer will have depends on our learning also to say "Amen" to it - that is, not to doubt that the prayer is certainly heard and that it will be granted. "Amen" is simply the expression of an unquestioning faith that prayer is not a gamble and that God is not lying when He promises to grant what we pray for. Now, where such faith is absent, there also the prayer is not genuine.

It is therefore a hurtful delusion when people so pray that they dare not wholeheartedly add their "Yes, it shall be so" nor conclude with certainty that God hears their prayer, but instead remain doubtful and say, "How dare I have the audacity to boast that God heard my prayer? After all, I am only a poor sinner," etc. This shows that they are fastening their gaze not on God's promise but on their own works and their own worthiness, thus despising God and calling Him a liar. Therefore they receive nothing, as St. James says (1:6-8): "But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. For that person must not suppose that a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways, will receive anything from the Lord." See how intensely God desires that we should have the confident certainty that we are not praying in vain and that we should by no means view our prayers with a disparaging eye.

**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.



**Last Week's Stats:** Nov. 15, 2020 Sun.: 61 Bible Cl.: 31 S.S.: 13 Wed.: 16

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$2,211	CLC:	\$260
Weekly Need:	Grace:	4,000	CLC:	950
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-1,789	CLC:	-690
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$177,320	CLC:	\$41,947
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	184,000	CLC:	43,700
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-6,680	CLC:	-1,753
GLC Other: 327	Living Faith:	0	Tuition Aid:	0
SAF Endowment: 0	MDF:	0	Kinship:	125
ILC Student Aid: 40	ILC Bldg.	0	IIF: 0	CEF: 0
Current Balances:	Tuition Aid: \$292			

# Helpful Thoughts When Making Personal Use of the Lord's Prayer:

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Heavenly Father, because Jesus alone paid for all my sins, I am surely Your beloved child and confidently ask You:

Please enable me to honor Your name by what I teach and how I live. Also let Your Holy Spirit set up His kingdom in my heart and may Your good and gracious will be done in my life as it is done in heaven.

Give me this day my earthly needs. Give me a grateful spirit for all of them, including the unpleasant ones which You know must be given to me.

Heavenly Father, forgive my many and great trespasses against You. May Your forgiveness of my trespasses against You cause me to heartily forgive and willingly do good to those who trespass against me.

Faithful Shepherd, take my hand and lead me over life's rough way. Lead me beside the still waters and into the paths of right doing. But please, do not lead me into situations filled with temptation.

Instead, deliver me from all evil. Deliver me from Satan, from the Christ-less world, and especially from my own inherited devil-spirit. Deliver me from their control over me during this earthly life and deliver me from them completely in the life to come.

Heavenly Father, without a doubt, You have been granting me these requests over the past years, are doing so now, and will continue to do so in the future.

Why? Because no creature has authority to stop You. Yours is the kingdom. Yours is the power. Therefore, Heavenly Father, no one, especially me, deserves any of the honor and praise. Yours is the glory both now and forever.

All this is most certainly true. Amen!

## ***CW 407: O Lord, You Have in Your Pure Grace***

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| 1. O Lord, You have in Your pure grace<br>Made shine on us a Father's face:<br>Arise, Your holy name make known;<br>Take up Your pow'r and reign alone;<br>On earth, in us, let Your pure will<br>Be done as angels do it still. | 2. O King and Father, kind and dread,<br>Give us this day our daily bread;<br>Forgive us, who have learned to bless<br>Our enemies, all trespasses;<br>Spare us temptation; let us be<br>From Satan set forever free. |
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3. Yours is the kingdom; unto You  
We bow the knee in homage true.  
And Yours the pow'r; no pow'r is there  
That stands against You anywhere.  
The glory Yours; by ev'ry tongue  
Your praise shall be forever sung!

## ***Father in Heaven***

1. Father in heaven, gracious God above,  
Boldly we come before Your throne of love:  
Holy Your name of triune majesty,  
May all we do reflect Your purity.
2. Your kingdom come, Your rule of love within;  
Lord, by Your Spirit turn our hearts from sin.  
Your will be done in ev'ry place on earth,  
As it is done where angels sing Your worth.
3. Give us this day our daily bread, we pray;  
Thank You for all Your gifts to us each day.  
Forgive our debts, our debtors we forgive –  
Your mercy known, Your mercy we must live.
4. Lead us, O Lord, and keep our footsteps true  
When we are tempted to abandon You.  
Keep us from evil, rescue us from harm;  
Lord, let Your love our fears at death disarm.
5. Yours, Lord, alone the kingdom, pow'r and praise;  
Your glorious reign shall last for endless days ...  
"Yes, yes, dear Lord!" With faith we say again:  
"So shall it be – Amen! Amen! Amen!"

## ***TLH 458: Our Father, Thou in heaven above,***

During our series on the Lord's Prayer, our sermons have concluded with a stanza from this hymn written by Martin Luther in 1539. It can serve as a meditative review of the entire series.

1. Our Father, Thou in heaven above,  
Who biddest us to dwell in love,  
As brethren of one family,  
To cry in every need to Thee,  
Teach us no thoughtless word to say,  
But from our inmost heart to pray.

2. Thy name be hallowed. Help us, Lord,  
In purity to keep Thy Word,  
That to the glory of Thy name  
We walk before Thee free from blame.  
Let no false doctrine us pervert;  
All poor, deluded souls convert.

3. Thy kingdom come. Thine let it be  
In time and in eternity.  
Let Thy good Spirit e'er be nigh  
Our hearts with graces to supply.  
Break Satan's power, defeat his rage;  
Preserve Thy Church from age to age.

4. Thy gracious will on earth be done  
As 'tis in heaven before Thy throne;  
Obedience in our weal and woe  
And patience in all grief bestow.  
Curb flesh and blood and every ill  
That sets itself against Thy will.

5. Give us this day our daily bread  
And let us all be clothed and fed.  
From war and strife be our Defense,  
From famine and from pestilence,  
That we may live in godly peace,  
Free from all care and avarice.

6. Forgive our sins, Lord, we implore,  
Remove from us their burden sore,  
As we their trespasses forgive  
Who by offenses us do grieve.  
Thus let us dwell in charity  
And serve our brother willingly.

7. Into temptation lead us not.  
When evil foes against us plot  
And vex our souls on every hand,  
Oh, give us strength that we may stand  
Firm in the faith, a well-armed host,  
Through comfort of the Holy Ghost!

8. From evil, Lord, deliver us;  
The times and days are perilous.  
Redeem us from eternal death,  
And when we yield our dying breath,  
Console us, grant us calm release,  
And take our souls to Thee in peace.

9. Amen, that is, So shall it be.  
Confirm our faith and hope in Thee  
That we may doubt not, but believe  
What here we ask we shall receive.  
Thus in Thy name and at Thy word  
We say: Amen. Oh, hear us, Lord!  
Amen.



## **DOXOLOGY**

*"For Thine is the kingdom and the power and  
the glory forever and ever. Amen."*

Our Bible concludes the prayer our Lord taught us to pray as we learn it from Matthew with what is known as the "doxology." A doxology is a word of praise giving glory to God. The Gospel of Luke in Luke 11 does not include the doxology. Martin Franzmann said, "The doxology ... is thoroughly in keeping with the spirit of the prayer, which seeks first God's kingdom and His righteousness, makes the petitioner dependent on God's grace, and so gives God the glory" (Concordia Bible with Notes, CPH. 1971, page 26). Our God, the Triune God, alone is the King from Whom we seek help. He alone has the power to grant our petitions. The child of God gladly gives to Him all glory and praise for all His benefits toward us. To this doxology is appended, "Amen."



We conclude all our prayers, our hymns, and the sermon each Sunday with "Amen." We conclude the service with the benediction, followed by "Amen." This is not a meaningless exercise, or sigh of relief that now we can go home. "Amen" means, "It is so." It is a confession in itself that we believe and trust in the Lord God. "Amen" says we subscribe to and confess that which we have just heard or spoken!

"Amen" at the end of the Lord's prayer, expresses our confidence that the Lord Who commands us to pray and Who finds our prayers acceptable in Jesus Christ has heard our prayer and will answer. Martin Luther stated it very simply, "Amen, Amen, that is Yea (Yes), Yea (Yes), it shall be so." To God alone the glory. Amen!



## ✝ **TODAY AT GRACE** ✝

Organist: **Jan Davis**

Elder: **Eli Wales**

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

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

Church Cleaners: **Sandhoefner**      School: **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**

Church Cleaners: **Hein**      School: **No School**

## ✝ **OUR SCHEDULE** ✝

- Sun., Nov. 22:** 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class  
10:00 am – Worship Service
- Wed., Nov. 25:** 12:00 pm – Grace School T-Giving Break Begins  
4:00 pm – Catechism for Public School Students  
7:00 pm – Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service
- Thu., Nov. 26:** **THANKSGIVING DAY** – No Worship @ Grace  
9:00 am – Thanksgiving Day Worship @ Berea
- Sun., Nov. 29:** 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class  
10:00 am – Worship Service (Advent 1)  
11:00 am – Christmas Eve Rehearsal
- Mon., Nov. 30:** Grace School Resumes after Thanksgiving Break
- Wed., Dec. 2:** 7:00 pm – Midweek Advent Worship
- Sun., Dec. 6:** 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class  
10:00 am – Worship Service w/Lord's Supper (Advent 2)  
11:00-12:00 pm – Christmas Eve Rehearsal
- Wed., Dec. 9:** 7:00 pm – Midweek Advent Worship
- Sun., Dec. 13:** 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class  
10:00 am – Worship Service (Advent 3)  
11:00-12:00 pm – Christmas Eve Rehearsal  
3:00 pm – ILC Piano & Organ Recital
- Wed., Dec. 16:** Congregational Christmas Dinner (cancelled)  
7:00 pm – Candlelight Worship
- Fri., Dec. 18:** 7:30 pm – ILC Christmas Concert (tentative)
- Sun., Dec. 20:** 8:45 am – Christmas Eve Rehearsal  
10:00 am – Worship Service (Advent 4)  
12:00 pm – Council Meeting
- Wed., Dec. 23:** Grace School's Christmas Party & Christmas Break Begins
- Thu., Dec. 24:** 6:00 pm – Christmas Eve Worship
- Fri., Dec. 25:** 10:00 am – Christmas Day Worship
- Thu., Dec. 31:** 7:00 pm – New Year's Eve Worship w/Lord's Supper