

Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Date: March 14, 2021

✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

Hymns:

WS 722: Deep Were His Wounds

WS 724 (Between Readings)

TLH 151:1-4: Christ, the Life of All the Living

TLH 151:5-7: Christ, the Life of All the Living

TLH 158: Glory Be to Jesus

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

Worship Prep:

Psalms 38, TLH p. 132

Liturgy:

TLH, p. 5 (Projected)

Gloria: WS 779:1

Scripture Readings:

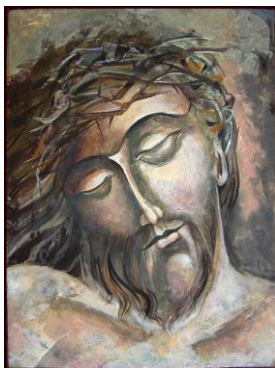
John 3:14-21

Passion Harmony

Sermon: Hebrews 13:12,15

¹² Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate. ... ¹⁵ Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. (NKJVTM)

CHRIST, THE LIFE OF ALL THE LIVING



✝ *THE ANNOUNCEMENTS* ✝

COVID-19 Pre-Cautions: If anyone is high risk, vulnerable, recently exposed to a COVID-19 patient, or has symptoms of illness (esp. high temp. and cough), the individual along with any others in that person's household are urged to stay home for one's own well-being and the well-being of others. Online worship is still available at FridleyLutheran.org. Due to the Governor's 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.

- ➔ **Spring Break:** Grace School will resume from spring break this coming Thursday, March 18.
- ➔ **Offering:** The ushers are now bringing up the offering prior to our general prayer during the section of the service where we have traditionally done this. As of now there will be no collection of the offering from the pews. The ushers will also leave another offering plate by the organ for those who submit their offering after the worship service. The counters will collect both plates.
- ➔ **Midweek Lenten Services:** Our midweek services will continue this Wednesday, March 17, 7 pm. The theme we are considering is, "The Lamb's Lenten Letters of Love," focusing on the letters to the seven churches in Revelation 2-3. This week we will focus on Jesus' letter to Sardis, a congregation that had become lethargic in its faith life. Jesus calls for them to repent, reminding them that He is coming. So they need to be prepared by keeping in the Word which they had originally received and kept.
- ➔ **Lenten Soup Suppers:** These are at 6 pm each Wed. as a way for people to eat between work and our Lenten worship services. Family groups are to be seated together and masks required when not eating. There is a sign-up sheet posted in the Fellowship Hall.
- ➔ **Easter Flowers:** A sign-up sheet is out by the guest book for anyone interested in purchasing Easter lilies or decorative flowers for Easter Sunday. Please see Mikey Oman for any questions.
- ➔ **Tour Choir Concert:** The ILC Tour Choir is coming to present a concert of sacred music at Grace Lutheran on Saturday, March 20, 6 pm. To accommodate proper distancing within sanctuary and to keep our occupancy under 100, online registration is required: signup.com/go/tWgigyD. A seating chart will then be created. To support the choir, you may designate "Tour Choir" on your offering. Arrangements are still being made regarding the choir, including whether or not there will be a meal.
- ➔ **CLC News:** Jessica Krueger has accepted the call to be Upper Grade Teacher at Faith Lutheran in Markesan, WI. Jessica is a member of Faith who is presently teaching in the public school. ✝
- ➔ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #12 – Conclusion

CLC Financial Report - February

CLC Financial Report Operating Funds	Balance 7/1/2020	YTD Revenue	YTD Disbursed	Budget 8 Months	Balance 2/28/2021
General Fund	0	653,738	691,011	731,600	–37,273
ILC Operations (incl. CLC subsidy)	0	948,810	851,668	918,760	97,142
Auxiliary Funds					
ILC Improvement Fund (IIF)	201,448	17,371	124,243		94,576
ILC Building Projects (AC/Dorm)	14,542	2,089,388	1,069,423		1,034,507
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	84,054	164,227	120,844		127,437
Kinship	86,093	132,141	80,116		138,118
Church Extension Fund (CEF)	1,914,371	1,838,601	427,809		3,325,163
Student Aid Fund (SAF)	84,280	89,854	88,607		85,527
Reserve Fund	294,092	27,721	0		321,813
Total	\$2,678,880	\$4,359,303	\$1,911,042		\$5,127,141

General Fund – February offerings of \$65,295 vs disbursements of \$75,327, resulted in a net shortfall for the month of \$10,031, and increased the General Fund deficit to –\$37,273. Offerings to date are falling short of our CBP estimated revenue needs by \$77,862, but General Fund disbursements are \$40,589 less than estimated expenses, partly due to our boards' efforts to hold down expenses. We share the confidence of David: *"I have been young and now am old, yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor His seed begging bread."* (Ps 37:25) The Lord always provides for His people!

ILC Operations – Feb. revenue of \$112,933 (incl \$49,500 subsidy) vs disbursements of \$111,105; 8 months through the fiscal year, disbursements are \$67,000 below YTD estimated needs.

ILC Building Projects – Feb. offerings of \$435 vs disbursements of \$567 for the Building Planning Committee expenses. Earnings (dividends/interest) for 8 months are \$52,548. The Committee is preparing a recommendation for the June 24 CLC Convention for a new gym and repurposing ILC's 50-year-old gym for ILC/CLC gatherings: Musicals, Graduation, Conventions, etc.

CEF – February revenue of \$24,331 (congregation monthly loan payments) vs disbursements of \$251,500 (\$96,850 for 5 individual CEF Notes paid off, \$21,900 semi-annual Note interest paid, and \$132,750 for Grace, Sleepy Eye CEF loan to purchase a teacherage. Two other congregations plan to submit loan applications soon. The Trustees 20-year mortgage (\$131,300) on the Claymore Lane professorage was paid off in February.

MDF – Feb. offerings of \$18,399 vs disbursements of \$11,622, which includes the 9th \$10,000 construction grant (of 12 planned) for the Nepal Bible Institute classroom building and quarters.

SAF – Feb receipts of \$9,771 vs disbursals of \$8,933 for student loans & grants. The SAF Endowment Account earnings (Div & Int) for 8 mo YTD are \$27,045 on an endowment portfolio of \$1,438,942.

ILC PMPG – Public Ministry Prep Grants: YTD receipts of \$38,836 vs a grant of \$32,400 to 9 teacher & 6 pastor students this school year, preparing to be CLC teachers & pastors. The PMP Endowment investments of \$1.7 million has provided earnings of \$33,244 to the PMPG for FY21 year to date.

Kinship – Congregation offerings of \$22,353 vs disbursements of \$599 (Admin, Students, Widows).

James E. Sandeen, CLC Treasurer / Thomas J. Lentz, Chairman, CLC Board of Trustees

✠ TODAY AT GRACE ✠

Organist: Sue Nelson

Elder: Dale Enns

Ushers: Al Rosendahl; James Bomber; Jack Maki; John Maki; Keith Radichel; Grant Wells

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

Church Cleaners: A. Baker/Rust School: A. Baker

✠ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✠

Ushers: Al Rosendahl; James Bomber; Jack Maki; John Maki; Keith Radichel; Grant Wells

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

Church Cleaners: Ochsner School: K. Baker

✠ OUR SCHEDULE ✠

Sun., Mar. 14: 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class
10:00 am – Worship Service (Lent 4)
12:00 pm – Council Meeting

Wed., Mar. 17: 4:00 pm – Catechism for Public School Students
6:00 pm – Lenten Soup Supper
7:00 pm – Midweek Lenten Worship Service

Sat., Mar. 20: 6:00 pm – Tour Choir Concert at Grace

Sun., Mar. 21: 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class
10:00 am – Worship Service (Lent 5)

Sun., Mar. 28: **PALM SUNDAY**
9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class
10:00 am – Worship Service (Palm Sunday)

Thu., Apr. 1: **MAUNDY THURSDAY** (no worship service)

Fri., Apr. 2: **GOOD FRIDAY**
7:00 pm – Good Friday Worship Service

Sun., Apr. 4: **EASTER**
7:30 am – Easter Breakfast (Elders will decide today)
9:00 am – Easter Festival Worship Service

Sun., Apr. 11: 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class
10:00 am – Worship Service w/Lord's Supper (Easter 2)
12:00 pm – Council Meeting

Sun., Apr. 18: Voters and Dorcas Guild Meetings

Sun., May 23: Confirmation Day

Last Week's Stats: Mar. 7, 2021 Sun.: 64 Bible Cl.: 26 S.S.: 11 Wed.: 34

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$4,055	CLC:	\$890
Wed. Offering:	Grace:	\$213	CLC:	\$180
Weekly Need:	Grace:	4,125	CLC:	1,000
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	+143	CLC:	+70
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$40,391	CLC:	\$10,255
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	41,250	CLC:	10,000
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-859	CLC:	+255
GLC Other: 52	Living Faith: 0	Tuition Aid: 0		
SAF Endowment: 0	MDF: 150	Kinship: 10		
ILC Student Aid: 0	ILC Bldg. 0	IIF: 0 CEF: 0		
Current Balances:	Tuition Aid: \$103			