

Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Easter 2

Date: April 11, 2021

✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

Hymns:

TLH 195: Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands

TLH 190: Christ the Lord is Risen Again

TLH 210: The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done

Communion: TLH 206

TLH 189: He is Arisen! Glorious Word!

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

Worship Prep:

Psalms 16, TLH p. 125

Liturgy:

WS, p. 12 (Communion)

WS p. 29, Psalm 118

Scripture Readings:

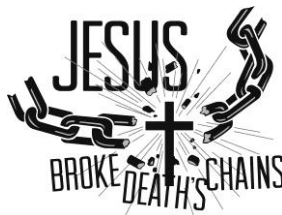
Acts 3:12-20

1 John 5:1-6

Sermon: Psalm 107:10-16

¹⁰ Those who sat in darkness and in the shadow of death, Bound in affliction and irons-- ¹¹ Because they rebelled against the words of God, And despised the counsel of the Most High, ¹² Therefore He brought down their heart with labor; They fell down, and *there was* none to help. ¹³ Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, And He saved them out of their distresses. ¹⁴ He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, And broke their chains in pieces. ¹⁵ Oh, that *men* would give thanks to the LORD *for* His goodness, And *for* His wonderful works to the children of men! ¹⁶ For He has broken the gates of bronze, And cut the bars of iron in two. (NKJVTM)

CHRIST HAS BROKEN
DEATH'S STRONG CHAIN!



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.

- ➔ **School History Fair:** This Friday, April 16, at 7:00 pm the children of the Day School will be presenting a school fair with the theme centered on explorers. Each child will be making an individual presentation. Come and listen to our students who, along with the teachers, have prepared extensively for this event.
- ➔ **Recording Volunteers:** Volunteers are being sought to help with recording our worship services. This would be "manning the booth" behind the organ, controlling cameras, audio, and recording software. Those interested, speak with Eli Wales or Dale Enns.
- ➔ **CLC Youth Camp** registration currently is open to those entering 9th-12th grade this Fall. Registrations for 8th graders will be accepted starting at 4 pm CT, today, April 11. We will still be abiding by a lower-than-usual capacity, so it is our recommendation that you register your campers right away when it opens. If we receive any 8th grade registrations prior to 4 pm CT on Sun., they will be voided. Also, we will not be running a bus service this year. Camp is June 13-19 in Pillager, MN. Cost is \$180 per camper. Here is the link to register: youthcampclc.wixsite.com/camp/register. Contact the camp directors with any questions- youthcamp.clc@gmail.com
- ➔ **Visitors' Day:** Immanuel Lutheran High School in Eau Claire, WI will host an in-person High School Visitors Day on Friday, April 30, 2021, starting at 9 am for students grades 8 and up. Please register students and chaperones at www.ilc.edu by Friday, April 23. A live theater performance Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch will take place on Friday at 1:30 pm for those attending Visitors Day and for families of performers. A limited live audience may attend the Saturday performance at 7:30 pm. Both performances will be livestreamed at youtube.com/ilcvideos. An outdoor band concert will be open to the public on Friday at 3:30 pm. For additional information please contact Prof. Joel Gullerud (joel.gullerud@ilc.edu 715-544-8446).
- ➔ **The 2021 ManUp!** Men's Retreat will be held Sept. 30-Oct. 3, 2021, at Wyalusing State Park near Prairie du Chien, WI. ManUp! offers strength and encouragement for men 18 and older for their personal faith, family, and fellowship at church. The cost is \$75, including lodging and meals. You can register by going to the Man Up! website here: www.manup.clclutheran.org.

- ➔ **After Banquet:** Parents of Immanuel Lutheran High School students are presently working on this year's After Banquet Party to be held May 8, 2021. The After-Banquet Party is held to provide a fun and safe place for the students to enjoy this special evening honoring the senior class. The gym is decorated to a theme with games, prizes, refreshments and entertainment provided at NO cost to the students. Nearly every student attends the After-Banquet party, even if they don't attend the Banquet beforehand. We rely on donations from the parents, families and local businesses. We are able to buy some prizes at local businesses, but if you would like to donate gift cards or prizes that would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions regarding prizes and/or donations, please contact: Jennifer Radermacher, imjenrad44@gmail.com. Monetary donations may be sent to: ILC After-Banquet Committee, c/o Immanuel Lutheran College, 501 Grover Road, Eau Claire, WI 54701. Thank you for considering! - ILHS Parents' Association/After Banquet Committee
- ➔ **Retirement Gift:** Professor John Reim has announced his retirement effective at the end of the current academic year. His faithful service to our church and our school will be acknowledged during the ILC Class Day/Graduation festivities on May 21-22. Our custom is to present a monetary gift as a token of our appreciation. CLC members are invited to contribute to this gift which will be presented to him at Graduation (May 22). Please make your checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran College and indicate: "Prof. Reim Retirement." Send your gift to: Immanuel Lutheran College, 501 Grover Road, Eau Claire, WI 54701.
- ➔ **Prof. Reim Retirement Video:** If you attended Immanuel (Eau Claire, WI) in the past 33 years, you are invited to partake in a commemoration video for Prof. John Reim. All that is needed is a short video clip of you saying, "Thank you Prof. Reim." If you wish to elaborate more and/or share memories, you are most welcome! Entries may be emailed to ILC student Sam Radermacher: samurade@ilc.edu. Deadline is May 1.
- ➔ **CLC News:** Teacher Matthew Kranz of Immanuel Lutheran in Mankato, MN, has returned the 5th-6th Grade Teacher call to Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, WI. † Teacher Carrie Reim has received the Kindergarten Teacher call to Messiah Lutheran in Hales Corners, WI (Milwaukee area).
- ➔ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #16 – 2nd Article (Part 2)

Last Week's Stats: Apr. 4, 2021 Sun.: 95

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$2,380	CLC:	\$390
Weekly Need:	Grace:	4,125	CLC:	1,000
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-1,745	CLC:	-610
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$56,197	CLC:	\$12,985
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	57,750	CLC:	14,000
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-1,553	CLC:	-1,015
GLC Other: 100	Living Faith:	0	Tuition Aid:	100
SAF Endowment: 0	MDF:	0	Kinship:	10
ILC Student Aid: 100	ILC Bldg.	0	IIF: 0	CEF: 0
Current Balances:	Tuition Aid:	\$274		

CLC Financial Report - March

CLC Financial Report Operating Funds	Balance 7/1/2020	YTD Revenue	YTD Disbursed	Budget 9 Months	Balance 3/31/2021
General Fund	0	744,511	786,002	823,050	– 41,491
ILC Operations (incl. CLC subsidy)	0	1,075,725	973,235	1,033,605	102,490
Auxiliary Funds					
ILC Improvement Fund (IIF)	201,448	18,926	124,243		96,131
ILC Building Projects	14,542	2,121,718	1,074,441		1,061,819
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	84,054	200,361	133,800		150,615
Kinship	86,093	162,482	99,636		148,939
Church Extension Fund (CEF)	1,914,371	1,898,027	458,376		3,354,022
Student Aid Fund (SAF)	84,280	112,675	98,004		98,951
Reserve Fund	294,092	30,686	0		324,778
Total	\$2,678,880	\$4,544,875	\$1,988,500		\$5,235,255

General Fund – March offerings: \$90,773 vs disbursements: \$94,990, resulted in a net shortfall for the month of \$4,217, which increased the General Fund deficit to –\$41,491. Offerings to date are falling short of our CBP estimated revenue needs by \$78,539, but YTD General Fund disbursements are \$37,048 less than estimated expenses, partly due to our boards' efforts to hold down expenses.

ILC Operations – March revenue: \$126,915 (incl \$49,500 subsidy) vs disbursements: \$121,567, a positive cash flow of \$5,348. YTD ILC disbursements are \$60,370 less than YTD estimated needs.

ILC Building Projects – March offerings of \$1,300 vs disbursements of \$5,017 for the Building Planning expenses. Earnings (dividends/interest) for 9 months are \$55,718. The Committee will bring 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 – March revenue: \$28,148 (congregation monthly loan payments) vs disbursements: \$30,566, including \$24,730 for several CEF personal Notes paid off. The Trustees received a CEF loan application from Messiah, Eau Claire for a new school addition, adding 3 classrooms, offices, workroom, meeting room, restrooms, replace an aging HVAC system, repair & extend roof between the church & school. The estimated \$1.8M project is proposed to be funded by a CEF loan, member loans, & volunteer labor. Prince of Peace, Loveland is preparing an application for a CEF loan for expansion of its church facility to begin in June at an estimated cost of \$130,000.

MDF – March offerings: \$36,133 vs disbursements: \$12,956, which includes the 10th \$10,000 construction grant (of 12 planned) for the Nepal Bible Institute classroom building & quarters.

SAF – March receipts: \$22,821 (\$19,261 loan payments) vs disbursements: \$9,397 for student loans & grants. SAF Endowment Account earnings (Div/Int) for 9 mo \$31,753 on a portfolio of \$1,481,407.

ILC PMPG – Public Ministry Prep Grants: YTD receipts: \$38,836 vs grants of \$32,400 to 9 teacher & 6 pastor students this school year, preparing to be CLC teachers & pastors. The PMP Endowment investments of \$1.83 million has provided earnings of \$39,030 to the PMPG for FY21 year to date.

Kinship – Sponsors/Offerings: \$30,340 vs disbursements: \$19,520 (Orphans, Sem students).

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

The Lord's Supper Preparation

As a reminder, communicants are to examine themselves prior to communing. 1 Corinthians 11:27: "But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup."

Prayer before the Lord's Supper:

Lord God, You invite all who are burdened with sin to come to You for rest. In the sacrament of Holy Baptism You called me to be Your child by the Holy Spirit. I now come at Your invitation to receive the holy body and blood of my Savior, Jesus Christ, in the sacrament of Holy Communion. Prepare my heart, Lord, to receive this precious meal with a repentant heart: sorry for my sins and recognizing they deserve punishment, but also rejoicing in the full forgiveness You have granted me by grace through Jesus' holy and precious blood shed for me at the cross. Strengthen my faith, increase my love and hope in You, and assure me of Your blessed peace. Hear me for the sake of Jesus, my dear Savior. Amen.

Prayer after the Lord's Supper:

Blessed Savior, Jesus Christ, You have given Yourself to me in this holy sacrament. Thanks and praise be to You for Your divine tenderness and love shown to me, Your child. I humbly ask you, now that I've received Your body and blood in the Sacrament, continue to fill me with the power of Your Holy Spirit. May I be led to ever embrace by faith the treasures of Your grace imparted to me, especially the forgiveness of sins and fellowship with You. Keep me in Your faith and favor that I may live in You and You may live in me. Let the love that You have shown me enable me, with a forgiven and tender heart, to love You and my neighbor. Preserve me in the true faith until everlasting life. Hear me, O Jesus, for the sake of Your dear name. Amen.

TLH 306

1. Lord Jesus Christ, Thou hast prepared
A feast for our salvation,
It is Thy body and Thy blood;
And at Thy invitation
As weary souls, with sin opprest,
We come to Thee for needed rest,
For comfort and for pardon.

4. We eat this bread and drink this cup,
Thy precious Word believing
That Thy true body and Thy blood
Our lips are here receiving.
This word remains forever true,
And there is naught Thou canst not do;
For Thou, Lord, art almighty.

7. Grant that we worthily receive
Thy Supper, Lord, our Savior,
And, truly grieving o'er our sins,
May prove by our behavior
That we are thankful for Thy grace
And day by day may run our race,
In holiness increasing.

8. For Thy consoling Supper, Lord,
Be praised throughout all ages!
Preserve it, for in every place
The world against it rages.
Grant that this Sacrament may be
A blessed comfort unto me
When living and when dying.

1 Corinthians 10:16

The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?

✠ **TODAY AT GRACE** ✠

Organist: **Janelle Hein**

Elder: **Eli Wales**

Ushers: **Gary Gunther; Bob Maki; Bill Rust; David Stifter;
Joel Stifter; Bob Vandever**

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

Church Cleaners: **Hein**

School: **Craven**

✠ **NEXT WEEK AT GRACE** ✠

Ushers: **Gary Gunther; Bob Maki; Bill Rust; David Stifter;
Joel Stifter; Bob Vandever**

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

Church Cleaners: **Volunteers?**

School: **Nelson**

✠ **OUR SCHEDULE** ✠

- 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
- Wed., Apr. 14:** CLC Coordinating Council (Eau Claire, WI)
4:00 pm – Catechism for Public School Students
7:00 pm – Midweek Bible Class
- Fri., Apr. 16:** 7:00 pm – Grace Student Fair (Theme: Explorers)
- Sun., Apr. 18:** 9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class
10:00 am – Worship Service (Easter 3)
11:15 am – Voters and Dorcas Guild Meetings
- Sat., April 24:** 9:00 am – Grace Work Day
- April 26-29:** Grace School – Iowa Basic Tests
- Fri., April 30:** Immanuel Lutheran High School Visitors' Day
Grace School – Kindergarten Round-up
1:30 pm – Immanuel Play "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch"
- Sat., May 1:** 7:30 pm – Immanuel Play "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch"
- Thu., May 13:** 7:00 pm – Ascension Day Worship Service
- Fri., May 21:** 3:00 pm – Immanuel Class Day (Eau Claire, WI)
7:30 pm – Immanuel Spring Concert (Eau Claire, WI)
- Sat., May 22:** 10:00 am – Immanuel Graduation Service (Eau Claire, WI)
- Sun., May 23:** Confirmation Day/Pentecost
- Thu., May 27:** 7:00 pm – Grace School Spring Program
- Fri., May 28:** 12:00 pm – Grace School Dismissal for Summer
- Sun., May 30:** Graduation Sunday & Summer Worship Schedule Begins
- Sat., June 5:** 10:00 am – MN Delegate Conference (Mankato, MN)
- June 24-27:** CLC Convention (Eau Claire, WI)
- July 19-23:** 9:00-11:30 am – Vacation Bible School