

# Grace Lutheran Church & School



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

**Church Year:** Pentecost 20/Mission Festival

**Date:** October 10, 2021

## ✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

### Hymns:

TLH 360: Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

CDS: Lift High the Cross

Choir: We All Are One in Mission

WS 767: Church of God, Elect and Glorious

WS 770: I Hear the Savior Calling

WS 771: Listen, God Is Calling

### Worship Prep:

Psalm 67, TLH p. 137

### Liturgy:

As projected  
(TLH 496)

### Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 55:1-11

Acts 5:12-20

### Sermon: Matthew 28:18-20

<sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. <sup>19</sup> "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> "teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even* to the end of the age." Amen. (NKJV<sup>TM</sup>)

## GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS

- 1. Commissioned and sent by Jesus**
- 2. Baptizing and teaching all of God's Word**
- 3. Knowing Jesus is always with you**

Guest Speaker: Pastor Terrel Kesterson

# ✝ ***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](http://FridleyLutheran.org). Face coverings are optional. Thank you for being mindful of your fellow Christians, understanding that there are differing sensitivities about the pandemic.

➔ **Mission Festival:** We thank Pastor Terrel Kesterson for sharing the Gospel today. He is the pastor at Ascension Lutheran in Batavia, IL (Chicago area). His wife, Peggy, is a sister to former Grace member, Pat Dick.



➔ **Mission Festival Potluck:** Today after worship there will be a potluck meal in the fellowship. Everyone is invited to stay for the fellowship! Dorcas Guild Committee #1 is hosting.

➔ **Among Us:** This coming Wednesday Jack Maki will be having shoulder surgery due to injuries sustained from a biking accident. Barb Crandall has been moved to Brookview Villa in Golden Valley, currently allowing no visitors. May the LORD keep His people steadfast in their faith as He in His mercy cares for them.

➔ **Sunday School Sings** next week with TLH 266:1-3.

➔ **Minnesota Area Reformation Festival:** You are invited to attend a Reformation Festival Service at Berea Lutheran in Inver Grove Heights, MN, on Sun., Oct. 31, 4 pm. A meal after the service will be provided by the Ladies of Berea. In our service we will give thanks to God for the gift of His Word in our native tongue, something that wasn't available to Germans prior to Martin Luther's translation work in the Wartburg Castle 500 years ago this year. Pastors Luke Willitz and John Schnose will be conducting the service. Children in attendance are invited to participate in a Joint Children's Choir, singing an arrangement of "Lord Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" (copies by the guest book). Children are asked to be at Berea by 3:30 for practice. If you plan to attend the meal, please register online at [www.tinyurl.com/MNARF21](http://www.tinyurl.com/MNARF21) or contact Pastor Pfeiffer ([pastor@BereaCLC.org](mailto:pastor@BereaCLC.org)/651.432.0101).



➔ **2022 CLC Mission Helper Trip:** Applications are being accepted for the 2022 Mission Helper Trip to Africa in July. Find more info. and apply online at: [mht.lutheranmissions.org/2022-east-africa](http://mht.lutheranmissions.org/2022-east-africa)

- ➔ **MN Pastoral Conference:** Pastor attended this during the past week. Such an event encourages further study in the Word and professional development. The presentations included: 1) Study of Habakkuk 3:8-19; 2) Study of Titus 1:1-9; 3) an Evaluation of Classical Education and Beneficial Applications to Our Christian Day Schools; 4) Pre-Marital Counseling Resources; 5) 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Diet of Worms; 6) Book Review on Resilient Recovery; 7) How to Respond Evangelically to Accusations of Bigotry, Hatred, and Intolerance on Both a Congregational and Personal Level.
- ➔ **Nominations for ILC President:** The Board of Regents invites nominations for the office of President of Immanuel Lutheran College. The current term of Professor Daniel Schierenbeck concludes on June 30, 2022. All pastors, professors, male teachers, and voting members of the CLC are entitled to nominate a man from the faculty of Immanuel Lutheran College to serve a two-year term beginning July 1, 2022. Nominations are to be received by email or letter no later than midnight December 15, 2021 (letters postmarked December 1, 2021) to: Mr. James Burkhardt; 217 Windy Lane; Rockwall, TX 75087; email: jeb6217@yahoo.com.
- ➔ **CLC News:** Pastor David Ude of Living Hope Lutheran in Appleton, WI, has received the call to Ascension Lutheran in Tacoma, WA. † As planned, Pastor Dave Fuerstenau of Holy Truth Lutheran in Ketchikan, AK, has recently retired from the public ministry, serving since 1985. He and his wife, Roxy, will reside in Eau Claire, WI.
- ➔ **Sunday School Memory Work: #5 – Third Commandment**

**Last Week's Stats:** Oct. 3, 2021 Sun.: 77 S.S.: 14 B.Cl.: 31 Wed.: 18

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$3,443	CLC:	\$530
Weekly Need:	Grace:	4,125	CLC:	1,000
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-682	CLC:	-470
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$167,144	CLC:	\$38,289
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	165,000	CLC:	40,000
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	+2,144	CLC:	-1,711
GLC Other: 1,626	Living Faith:	5	Tuition Aid:	340
SAF Endowment: 0	MDF:	160	Kinship:	217
ILC Student Aid: 15	ILC Bldg.	0	IIF: 0	CEF: 0
Current Balances:	Tuition Aid:	\$1,182*	Organ:	\$26,880

\* Recently \$3,900 was dispersed for two high school students attending Immanuel.

**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 visit with you!**

## **CLC E-Devotion – September 18, 2017**

Matthew 28:18-20 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

### **GO THEREFORE ...**

Often times this part of the great commission is portrayed or thought of as an imperative, or as a command. I've seen Christian clip art trying to depict this passage with a drawing of Jesus standing in front of His disciples with an arm outstretched as if He was a commanding general ordering His disciples to GO! While Jesus does send us out into the world with this and other passages of Scripture, this is not the emphasis of these words in Matthew 28. Perhaps a better way to understand the words of Jesus when He says: "Go therefore." is more like this: "As you are going." You see, what Jesus has in mind for His ambassadors is that we simply proclaim the Good News as we make our way through life. That's not to say that we don't make specific plans to share the Gospel from time to time, but it also means that we share the Gospel even when we haven't made specific plans to do so. Or another way to look at it is that we look for opportunities to speak the truth of God's word at all times.

This too provides great comfort and encouragement for us as we do the work of evangelism. You see, effectiveness of Gospel does not depend on my great plans or evangelism projects. The power is always in the Word of God. I know that I have been discouraged at times because I've failed to "create" an evangelism opportunity. But sometimes I wonder if God's Kingdom wouldn't be better served if we spent as much time simply telling others about Jesus as we do worrying about evangelism programs and opportunities. To paraphrase this in a question: Do we spend more time talking about how to spread the Gospel than the time spent actually proclaiming the Gospel?

So, perhaps a better way to think of the great commission is this: As you are going ... make disciples of all nations, wherever and whenever the Lord opens a door of opportunity to share the Good News. Amen!?



# CLC Board of Missions

*Report to the Coordinating Council*

*September 22, 2021*

***"Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand." (Ephesians 6:10-13 – NKJV)***

Look around. Murder and rioting, hatred and vitriol are the marks of our society, at times, even among "friends." Is there any doubt that we live in evil days? A war is being waged around us.

From one perspective, things have changed a lot in our lives in the past twenty years. What is the cause of these drastic changes? Our culture has drifted away from the truth. This hasn't happened overnight, but the speed at which it is taking place is increasing. The majority of our culture is no longer Christian and what's worse, the majority of those who call themselves Christian are either woefully unprepared for battle or are playing dead just wanting to survive.

But from another perspective, things haven't really changed at all. We live in evil days today, just as our parents lived in evil days fifty years ago. Paul was living in evil days too. It doesn't matter on what continent or in what era of history we live. The days are evil. We live in a fallen world which is hostile to Christ and to His church. A war is raging around us.

As those who live in evil days, Paul encourages us to prepare for the war that is being fought around us. ***“Be strong in the Lord”*** Paul says. ***“Put on the whole armor of God... that you may be able to withstand in the evil day.”***

As we fight in this war, we need to remember, first of all, that the Lord is our strength. He is more powerful than the ***“principalities,” “powers,” “rulers of darkness,”*** and ***“spiritual hosts of wickedness”*** against which we are battling. Our confidence is in Him. It rests in the cross and the victory that He won there, once and for all, and for every sinner. Nothing can undo that victory! But the battle that Paul describes in these verses is the battle for individual souls as we await the return of our Savior. The Lord desires the salvation of all those whom He has redeemed by His blood and seeks to bring them into His kingdom through His Word of Truth.

That war is being fought all around us. The Lord has called us to arms and has given us what we need to fight in this battle for souls, blood-bought souls for which Christ paid dearly to deliver from sin and death. Thank God that we are counted worthy to be in His army! Be strong and courageous, as we join the ranks of Believers and go forth to war in the power of His might!

*Soldiers of the Cross, arise, gird you with your armor bright;  
Mighty are your enemies, hard the battle you must fight.*

*O'er a faithless, fallen world raise your banner in the sky;  
Let it float there wide unfurled; bear it onward, lift it high.*

*Be the banner still unfurled, still unsheathed the Spirit's Sword;  
Spread Your Word in all the world; let Your kingdom come, O Lord.*

(William W. How)



# 2022 CLC Mission Helper Trip East Africa

Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, Zambia



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*(application deadline:*

*January 10th, 2022)*

## ✝ TODAY AT GRACE ✝

Organist: Maureen Ochsner      Elder: Eli Wales

Ushers: Brian Eichstadt; Alex Baker; Kevin Baker; Dan Degnan; Ryan Oman; Eli Wales

Counting Team 1: Dale Enns; Larry Nelson; Ryan Oman; Pat Paplow; Phil Radichel

Church Cleaners: Wales      School: Oman

## ✝ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✝

Ushers: Brian Eichstadt; Alex Baker; Kevin Baker; Dan Degnan; Ryan Oman; Eli Wales

Counting Team 2: Gary Gunther; Rick Nelson; Bill Rust; Bob Vandever; Clint Welker

Hospitality Team 2: James & April Bomber; Rachelle Kanneh; Heidi Nelson; Bob & Suki Vandever

Church Cleaners: Volunteers?      School: Rinne/Snyder

## ✝ OUR SCHEDULE ✝

- Sun., Oct. 10:** Mission Festival (w/Pastor Terrel Kesterson)  
9:00 am – Bible Class and Sunday School  
10:00 am – Mission Festival Worship Service  
11:00 am – Mission Festival Potluck Meal  
12:00 pm – Council Meeting
- Mon., Oct. 11:** Grace School Pictures
- Wed., Oct. 13:** 4:30-6:15 pm – Catechism for Public School Students  
7:00 pm – Midweek Bible Class
- Sun., Oct. 17:** 9:00 am – Bible Class and Sunday School  
10:00 am – Worship Service (Pentecost 21)  
11:00 am – Hospitality  
11:15 am – Voters & Dorcas Guild Meetings
- Mon., Oct. 18:** Grace School Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 18-22:** No School
- Oct. 20-22:** CLC Teachers' Conference (Hales Corners, WI)
- Sun., Oct. 24:** 9:00 am – Bible Class and Sunday School  
10:00 am – Worship Service (Pentecost 22)
- Sat., Oct. 30:** 9 am – Grace Work Day
- Sun., Oct. 31:** Reformation Day  
9:00 am – Bible Class and Sunday School  
10:00 am – Worship Service (Pentecost 23/Reformation)  
4:00 pm – MN Area Reformation Festival (Inver Grove Hts.)



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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

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