

Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Pentecost 25

Date: November 10, 2024

✝ **WORSHIP INFORMATION** ✝

Hymns:

TLH 24: Lord of My Life, Whose Tender Care
TLH 604: Great God, What Do I See and Hear!
TLH 608: Let Thoughtless Thousands Choose the Road
WS 738: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

Worship Prep:

Psalms 90, TLH p. 142

Liturgy:

WS p. 12 (Projected)

Scripture Readings:

Hebrews 9:24-28
John 5:19-24

Sermon: Malachi 4:1-2

¹ "For behold, the day is coming, Burning like an oven, And all the proud, yes, all who do wickedly will be stubble. And the day which is coming shall burn them up," Says the LORD of hosts, "That will leave them neither root nor branch. ² But to you who fear My name The Sun of Righteousness shall arise With healing in His wings; And you shall go out And grow fat like stall-fed calves. (NKJVTM)

What a Difference the Last Day Makes!

1. It isn't a trivial event
2. It's realities will come to pass
3. It reminds us to be prepared for its coming

✝ ***THE ANNOUNCEMENTS*** ✝

- ➔ **Among Us:** Jane Englehorn was hospitalized this past week after apparently experiencing congestive heart failure which led to having fluid in her lungs. Joseph Thomas now has stage 2 prostate cancer and will begin radiation therapy this coming Thursday. Dan Fleischer will be having his cancer mass removed on Dec. 11.
- ➔ **Appreciation:** Each of us is grateful for the recent funding from the Grace Tuition Aid Fund toward our Christian education at ILHS. We realize how wonderful it is and what a privilege it is to have this kind of support toward our experience at Immanuel. Thank you for this blessing! In Christ, Naomi S., Uriah W., Cam N., and Reagan O.
- ➔ **Grace Shirts:** Order forms with the same Grace clothing items as last time are located by the guest book. Deadline for orders is TODAY.
- ➔ **Installation:** The members of St. John's, Okabena, MN, invite you to join them in giving thanks to the Lord for the gift of their next pastor, Sam Rodebaugh. He will be installed as pastor TODAY at 4 pm.
- ➔ **Congrats** to our church body's ILHS volleyball team of Eau Claire, WI, for securing its first-ever team state championship in any sport.
- ➔ **Immanuel Lutheran College Visitors' Day:** is this Friday, Nov. 15 on the ILC campus in Eau Claire, WI. Come and learn more about your church's college, and consider continuing your education in a solidly Christian setting! Speak with your pastor if you're interested in attending. For questions, contact Academic Dean Paul Naumann. Office: 715-836-6636, cell: 253-228-8736, e-mail: paul.naumann@ilc.edu
- ➔ **CLC News:** Pastor Paul Nolting of Grace Lutheran in Valentine, NE, will be undergoing open heart surgery next Friday (Nov. 15) in Lincoln, NE. Tests have shown that he has no blockages in his heart, but that there is a problem with the mitral heart valve leading from the lungs into the heart. The valve will need to be either repaired or replaced. Recovery time is expected to take 4 to 6 weeks. Prayers are requested. Pastor Nolting writes, "It is wonderful to know you rest in the hands of Jesus." ✝ Pastor Frank Gantt of Zion Ev. Lutheran in Loganville, GA (Atlanta area), has returned the call to Faith Lutheran in Manchester, MO (St. Louis area). ✝ Pastor Caleb Schaller of Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, WI, has received the call to St. Stephen Lutheran in Mountain View, CA (San Francisco area).
- ➔ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #8 – Sixth Commandment

HOW'S YOUR "DEVOTIONAL LIFE"?

The term "**devotional life**" refers to our **personal or private time of prayer, meditation and worship** in our lives. While our "public" worship and meditation on God's Word with others is also deeply personal and heartfelt, there is also a need for daily and regular contact with our heavenly Father and His Word. *Deuteronomy 6:4-9* implies that our faith is so much a part of who we are that it permeates every time and situation in our daily lives. We do not tuck our Sunday faith away in our back pocket during the week. Rather, as we seek to live our lives to His glory, we daily need and seek the nourishment, faith-strengthening, comfort and help provided by God's Word.

One of the **challenges** of meeting our personal spiritual needs is to **find time**. Busy personal and family schedules and the resulting exhaustion often leave little left for devotional time. Yet, finding time for the "**One Thing (Truly) Needed**" (*Luke 10:42*) is vital—both in public worship and in our personal and family lives—and needs to be given **high priority**. Once that heart and mindset is there, suitable times and places will be found—whether it be at family mealtime, bedtime or simply quiet personal time.

Personal and family **devotional materials** are **best suited** to the **age, understanding, level, attention span and circumstances** of those involved. They need not be lengthy—a few minutes may be enough, especially where young children are involved. One of the devotional blessings of recent years is the abundance of **sound Scriptural devotional materials** produced in confessional Lutheran circles—including our own CLC (e.g. Daily Rest, CLC E-Devotions, etc.). From toddler to early-childhood Bible Story books to simple family devotion books to youth and adult-oriented materials to those dealing with special life-circumstances, there is something available for everyone. A number of excellent tools and books may be found in our **church library**. Your pastor can also help direct you to appropriate materials and even help facilitate an order for you.

Also **beneficial** is a **study and review of Christian doctrine** through a review or discussion of Luther's Small (or Large) Catechism, Adult Bible Studies and other materials to review and fortify your Scriptural convictions. Above all, let's not forget the **greatest devotional book of all—the Bible itself**, through which the Holy Spirit promises to nurture and fortify our faith. May each of us **spend increased quality personal and family time with your dearest Friend and Savior and His previous Word**—both here in His house and in your hearts and homes. **You will be blessed by it!**

- Written by Rev. David Schierenbeck

✠ TODAY AT GRACE ✠

Organist: **Maureen Ochsner** *Elder:* **Eli Wales**

Ushers: **Eli Wales; Alex Baker; Kevin Baker; Dan Kelley; Ryan Oman; Bob Vandever; Uriah Wales**

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

Church Cleaners: **Volunteers?** *School:* **Jankowski**

✠ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✠

Ushers: **Eli Wales; Alex Baker; Kevin Baker; Dan Kelley; Ryan Oman; Bob Vandever; Uriah Wales**

Counting Team 3: **Duane Enns; Tom Graham; Kevin Hulke; Dan Degnan; Benno Sydow**

Hospitality Team 4: **Bonnie Baker; Kevin & Sandy Hulke; Jenny Kleifgen; Pat & Dawn Paplow**

Church Cleaners: **A.Baker/Kelley** *School:* **Kelley**

✠ OUR SCHEDULE ✠



- Sun., Nov. 10:** 8:30 am – Choir Practice
 9:00 am – Bible Class and Sunday School
 10:00 am – Worship (Pentecost 25)
 12:00 pm – Council Meeting (Earlier, if possible)
- Fri., Nov. 15:** Immanuel Lutheran College Visitors' Day (Eau Claire, WI)
- Nov. 15 & 16:** 7:30 pm – ILC Musical, "Mary Poppins" (Eau Claire, WI)
- Sun., Nov. 17:** 8:30 am – Choir Practice
 9:00 am – Bible Class and Sunday School
 10:00 am – Worship (Pentecost 26)
- Tue., Nov. 19:** 9:30 am – MN Pastoral Study Club (Fridley, MN)
- Wed., Nov. 27:** 12:00 pm – Grace School Dismissal
 7:00 pm – Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service
- Thu., Nov. 28:** **THANKSGIVING DAY** (No Worship)
- Sun., Dec. 1:** Advent 1
- Wed., Dec. 4:** 7:00 pm – Midweek Advent Worship Begins

Last Week's Stats: Nov. 3, 2024 Sun.: 88 S.S.: 14 B.Cl.: 37

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$2,643	CLC:	\$270				
Weekly Need (est.):	Grace:	4,900	CLC:	1,135				
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-2,257	CLC:	-865				
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$212,685	CLC:	\$49,595				
Year-to-Date Need (est.):	Grace:	215,600	CLC:	49,940				
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-2,915	CLC:	-345				
GLC Other:	50	Living Faith:	0	Tuition Aid:	50	Sanctuary:	0	
SAF Endowment:	0	MDF:	0	Kinship:	147	EduK8:	0	
ILC Student Aid:	50	ILC Bldg.	0	IIF:	0	CEF:	0	
Current Balances:	Tuition Aid:		\$970	Sanctuary:				\$8,175