

Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Date: March 9, 2025

✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

Hymns:

TLH 159: Go to Dark Gethsemane

TLH 410: Jesus, Lead Thou On

TLH 144: Jesus, Grant that Balm and Healing

TLH 402, st. 1-3: O God, Forsake Me Not!

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

Worship Prep:

Psalms 91, TLH p. 143

Liturgy:

WS p. 12 (Projected)

Scripture Readings:

Deuteronomy 26:5-10

Passion Harmony

Sermon: Luke 4:1-13

¹ Then Jesus, being filled with the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, ² being tempted for forty days by the devil. And in those days He ate nothing, and afterward, when they had ended, He was hungry. ³ And the devil said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." ⁴ But Jesus answered him, saying, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.'" ⁵ Then the devil, taking Him up on a high mountain, showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. ⁶ And the devil said to Him, "All this authority I will give You, and their glory; for *this* has been delivered to me, and I give it to whomever I wish." ⁷ "Therefore, if You will worship before me, all will be Yours." ⁸ And Jesus answered and said to him, "Get behind Me, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve.'" ⁹ Then he brought Him to Jerusalem, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down from here." ¹⁰ "For it is written: 'He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you,' " ¹¹ "and, 'In *their* hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.'" ¹² And Jesus answered and said to him, "It has been said, 'You shall not tempt the LORD your God.'" ¹³ Now when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from Him until an opportune time. (NKJVTM)

When Tempted, Christ's Authority Triumphs

✝ **THE ANNOUNCEMENTS** ✝

➔ **Midweek Lenten Services:** Our midweek Lenten services will continue this Wednesday, March 12, 7 pm. The theme we will consider is: "Sounds of the Passion." These midweek services can deepen our appreciation of the redemptive work of our Savior.



➔ **Lenten Soup Suppers:** These gatherings (at 6 pm) are a way for people to eat between work and our Midweek Lenten worship services. There is a sign-up sheet posted in the fellowship hall for those who are willing to provide soup and do setup and cleanup.

➔ **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.

➔ **Tournament:** Next weekend (March 14 & 15) many of our CLC youth in grades 5-8 will be participating in a grade school basketball tournament at ILC. The event starts on Friday at 10:10 with morning chapel at ILC, followed by the games running from 11 am to 10 pm on Friday and 8 am to 9:30 pm on Saturday. The schedule is available at tinyurl.com/GradeschoolTourney. To view chapel and the games live, go to www.youtube.com/@ilcvideos/streams.



➔ **Tournament Volunteers Requested:** The Grade School Tournament in Eau Claire (March 14-16) is in need of volunteers to help referee and run the scoreboard. Please contact Steve Sydow (steve.sydow@ilc.edu) for any questions and/or to volunteer.

➔ **Installation:** Rev. George Dumann will be installed as pastor at Faith Lutheran in New Ulm, MN, on Sunday, March 30 at 4 pm. A meal will be provided following the service. If you plan to attend, please let your pastor or Pastor Nathan Pfeiffer know by Sunday, March 16 (revpfei@gmail.com).

➔ **Arts Camp 2025:** This is the final weekend to sign up for Arts Camp at Immanuel Mankato held on March 21-23. Registration closes Monday, March 10, 5 pm. You may register your 5th-8th grader now at immanuelmankato.org/arts-camp. Email Amber at artscamp@immanuelmankato.org if you have any questions.

- ➔ **ILC Enrollment Now Open:** Our Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, offers an academically excellent, Christ-centered college education. There are four-year degree programs in Education (BS) and Pre-Theology (BA), as well as a two-year Associate of Arts program. ILC offers a range of student aid to help you finance your education; apply by the May 1 deadline to receive priority consideration. If you are a high school junior or senior (or older) thinking about college, check out our academic and registration information at ILC.edu, or contact our Academic Dean, paul.naumann@ilc.edu, phone (715) 836-6636.
- ➔ **ILHS Visitors Day:** Immanuel Lutheran High School in Eau Claire, WI, will host their annual High School Visitors Day on Friday, May 2 for students grades 7 and up. A schedule of events can be found at www.ilc.edu. Please speak with Pastor or Janelle if interested in registering. A theater performance of The Worst High School Play in the World will take place on Friday and Saturday at 7:30 pm. Friday night's play performance will be livestreamed on YouTube with an unlisted link that will be shared via email. The Immanuel Band will perform before the play on Friday at 7:00 pm, and student talent performances will take place Saturday at 7:00 pm. Performances are free and open to the public. For more information please contact Prof. Joel Gullerud (joel.gullerud@ilc.edu/715-544-8446).
- ➔ **CLC Youth Camp at Pillager 2025:** Registration opens Saturday March 15, 10 am. CLC Youth Camp at Pillager is for campers entering grades 6th-12th. Camp runs June 8-14, 2025. For more information please visit our website, youthcampclc.wixsite.com/camp, or contact Amber Casto and Ethan Sydow (youthcamp.clc@gmail.com).
- ➔ **Christ's Explorers Camp:** Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran of West Columbia, SC, will be hosting Christ's Explorers Camp June 19-22 in Bryson City, NC. Our theme for the retreat is "Discovering Your Purpose." Camp is geared toward high school and college-aged youth. The cost of the retreat is \$150, and this includes all expenses for the weekend. Registration will be limited to the first 50 guests. Contact info. and registration: www.ChristsExplorers.com.
- ➔ **CLC News:** Berea Lutheran of Inver Grove Heights, MN, has called members Christine Starland (Part-Time Teacher) and Deb Owens (Band) to fill the vacancy created by Cathy Augustin's retirement. † Pastor John Schnose of Bethel Ev. Lutheran in Morris, MN, has returned the call to Faith Lutheran in Manchester, MO (St. Louis area).
- ➔ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #18 – Second Article, Part 3

LENT, HOLY WEEK, EASTER 2025

Grace Lutheran Church

Please join us in worship!



Midweek Lenten Services

Soup Suppers at 6 pm

Wednesday, March 5, 7 pm

Wednesday, March 12, 7 pm

Wednesday, March 19, 7 pm

Wednesday, March 26, 7 pm

Wednesday, April 2, 7 pm

Wednesday, April 9, 7 pm

Tour Choir Worship Concert

Sunday, March 23, 10 am

with Immanuel Lutheran Tour Choir

Palm Sunday Service

Sunday, April 13, 10 am

with Christian Day School Concert

Good Friday Service

Friday, April 18, 7pm

with Tenebrae & Holy Communion

Easter Festival

Bible Class & Sunday School Suspended

Breakfast: Sunday, April 20, 7:30-8:30 am

Worship Service: Sunday, April 20, 9 am

Tour Choir Concert – March 23

The Immanuel Lutheran Tour Choir will be holding a concert here at Grace during our 10 am Sunday morning service on March 23. Any offering for the choir may be designated as "Tour Choir." The children of the congregation will be joining the choir on "God's Own Child I Gladly Say It," found in our Worship Supplement, #751, any stanzas they can memorize.



Also, the congregation will be providing housing for the choir on the evening of March 22. This will be for 26 students and one director. The choir has prearranged housing partners in pairs, so we need to house 7 female partners of 2, 6 male partners of 2, and the director. Those willing to house any of these pairs, please speak with Pastor after worship today.

We will be providing a supper for the choir on Saturday after they fly in to the airport from Washington. Also, we will be hosting a meal for the choir after our Sunday morning worship service. Committee #2 (committee head, Marj Rosendahl) will be hosting the meal for the Tour Choir on Saturday evening. After the concert on Sunday morning, Committee #3 (committee head, Laura Wales) will be serving a potluck meal for the choir and congregation/visitors. Please bring a dish (hotdish, meat, salad, or dessert) to share.

CLC E-Devotion

Luke 4:1-2a Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the desert, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil.

HE ANSWERED FOR YOU

When Satan tempted Christ in the wilderness, the answers he received from Jesus were not the ones he was used to hearing from a member of the human race. The first Adam, after all, had fallen easily. A little appeal to pride ("you will be like God") and the fruit from the forbidden tree was eaten. But now all alone with Jesus, he could not get Him to do anything wrong.

Whether the temptation was to doubt God's ability to care for His needs, or whether it was the temptation to sin for the sake of earthly gain, or whether it was the temptation to put God's faithfulness to the test, Jesus gave the devil an answer. And the answer was always, "No!"

The fact the Jesus answered this way means the greatest blessing and comfort to you. For when He answered Satan, He did so in your place and as your representative. Our answer to temptation is often, "Yes! I'll do that!" From the two year old throwing a temper tantrum to the 20 year old facing sexual temptations; to the middle aged dissatisfied with where God has placed him in this life; to the older person afraid of the future, the devil tempts us in many ways, and in many circumstances we find ourselves failing to give the right answer.

So we needed Christ to answer Satan for us. We needed Him to stand against sin as one of us. This He most certainly did. Without making use of His divine power He stood against the devil -- standing just like we stand. In all points tempted like we are, so that in the end He could offer to the Heavenly Father perfection and victory over the devil and the Heavenly Father would accept that perfection as our own. When Jesus gave the devil the answers He did, He was giving them for you.

✠ TODAY AT GRACE ✠

Organist: **Maureen Ochsner**

Elder: **Phil Radichel**

Ushers: **Al Rosendahl; Kyle Aymond; Kevin Hulke; Jack Maki;
John Maki; Keith Radichel; Grant Wells**

Counting Team 2: **Kyle Aymond; Dan Degnan; Rick Nelson;
Bill Rust; Bob Vandever; Clint Welker**

Church Cleaners: **Wales**

School: **R. Vandever**

✠ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✠

Ushers: **Al Rosendahl; Kyle Aymond; Kevin Hulke; Jack Maki;
John Maki; Keith Radichel; Grant Wells**

Counting Team 3: **Gary Gunther; Roger Ochsner; Al
Rosendahl; Dave Rust; Benno Sydow**

Hospitality Team 1: **Dan & Cindy Degnan; Larry Nelson;
Barb Sydow**

Church Cleaners: **Volunteers?**

School: **M. Vandever**

✠ OUR SCHEDULE ✠

Sun., Mar. 9: Daylight Saving Time Begins (Clocks ahead 1 hour)

8:30 am – Choir Practice

9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School

10:00 am – Worship Service (Lent 1)

12:00 pm – Council Meeting

Wed., Mar. 12: 6:00 pm – Lenten Soup Supper

7:00 pm – Midweek Lenten Worship

March 14-16: Youth Basketball Tournament (ILC Fieldhouse @ Eau Claire)

March 14-23: Grace School – Spring Break

Sun., Mar. 16: 8:30 am – Choir Practice

9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School

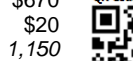
10:00 am – Worship Service (Lent 2)

11:00 am – Hospitality (Team 1)

Sun., Mar. 23: 10:00 am – Immanuel Lutheran Tour Choir Concert



Last Week's Stats: Mar. 2, 2025 Sun: 67 S.S.: 12 B.Cl.: 35 Wed.: 34

Week's Offering:	Grace:	\$4,996	CLC:	\$670	<div>QR Code for Online Giving:</div> 		
Wed. Offering:	Grace:	\$163	CLC:	\$20			
Weekly Need (est.):	Grace:	5,100	CLC:	1,150			
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	+59	CLC:	-460			
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$55,914	CLC:	\$12,450			
Year-to-Date Need (est.):	Grace:	45,900	CLC:	10,350			
Difference from Budget (+/-)	Grace:	+10,014	CLC:	+2,100			
GLC Other:	30	Living Faith:	0	Tuition Aid:	330	Sanctuary:	200
SAF Endowment:	0	MDF:	40	Kinship:	165	EduK8:	20
ILC Student Aid:	10	ILC Bldg.	200	IIF:	0	CEF:	0
Current Balances:	Tuition Aid:		\$5,342	Sanctuary:		\$10,800	