

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### COUNCIL MEETING

There will be a church council meeting on Monday, April 20 at 7:00 p.m.

### FELLOWSHIP HALL ROOF REPAIRED; GIFTS NEEDED

Let it rain! Just prior to Easter, the contractor finished up on the replacement roof on the fellowship hall and restrooms so we are prepared for spring showers. Now, we are in need of some special gifts to pay for the nearly \$50,000 project. We have made a payment of \$20,000, but will be borrowing nearly \$30,000 yet this month to completely pay the roof repair bill.

Please prayerfully consider how you can assist us in retiring the debt over the next few months while also continuing to provide your weekly support for our ongoing operating expenses. Your past and continued support is greatly appreciated!

If you have questions, please contact Karl Heck, President, or Kurt Haecker, Treasurer.

### SPRING FRIENDSHIP SUPPER- TOMORROW EVENING

Our annual Spring Friendship Supper is scheduled for Monday April 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. All women of the congregation are invited to attend.

### BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY GIFTS

Do you have a birthday or anniversary this month? If so, we invite you to help continue a recent tradition. As you celebrate, please make a special gift to Grace Lutheran in the amount of years you have been blessed. All special gifts in 2015 will be used toward the cost of repairing the fellowship hall roof.

### TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL COLOR RUN

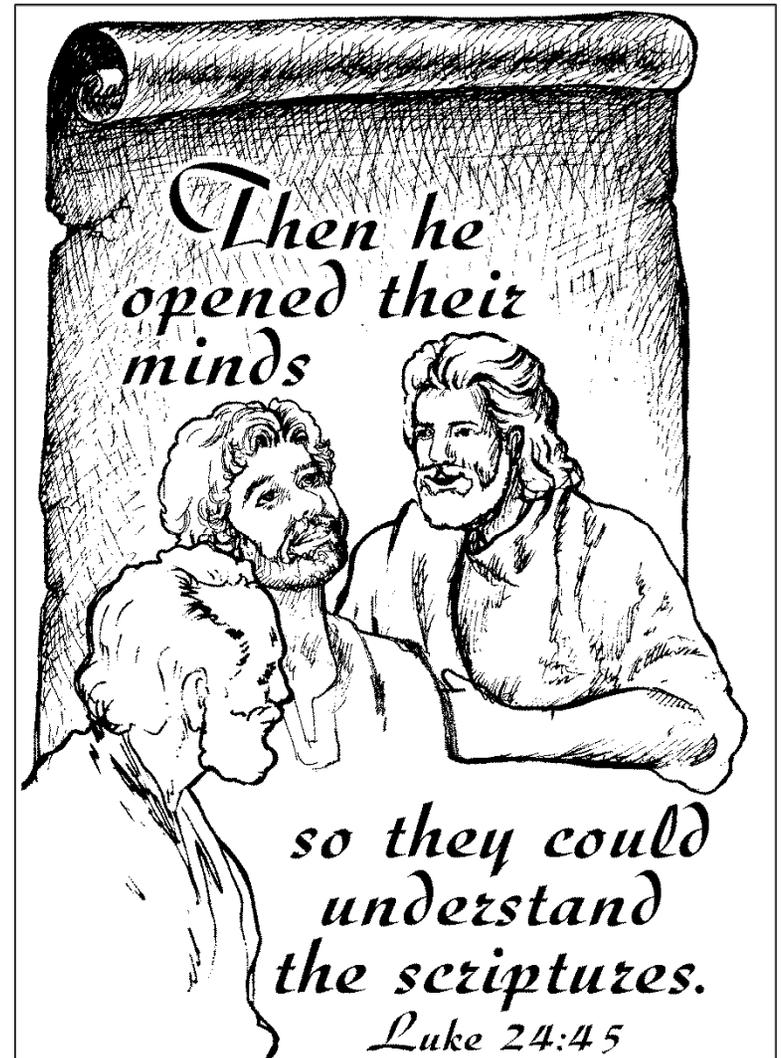
The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Color Run honoring educators will be on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. It is a 5K and 1 mile Fun Run. More information and registration can be found at [bit.ly/tlscolorrun](http://bit.ly/tlscolorrun)

## GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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PASTOR DANIEL G BREMER

APRIL 18/19, 2015

# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH WELCOMES YOU!!

<u>Divine Service with Communion each Saturday</u>	7:00 p.m.
<u>Divine Service with Communion each Sunday</u>	9:00 a.m.
<u>Coffee and Rolls in the Parish Hall</u>	10:00 a.m.
<u>Sunday School</u>	10:30 a.m. (ages 2 ½ - grade 8)
<u>Adult and High School Bible Class</u>	10:30 a.m.

**Restrooms** can be found between the parish hall and the entryway.

**Interested in membership at Grace?** Pastor Bremer would consider it a privilege to speak with you. Please fill out a pew card expressing your interest or see him after Divine Service.

**Radio:** Grace, along with St. Paul's, Doniphan, can be heard each Sunday at 8:00 a.m. on KRGI—1430 am.

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In faithfulness to God's Word we celebrate the Lord's Supper in every Saturday and Sunday Divine Service. Unlike Baptism this Sacrament is to be received again and again for forgiveness and the strengthening of our Christian faith. Also in faithfulness to God's Word we practice closed

communion. Our faith is not exclusive but God says that we should have unity of faith and doctrine (which Communion expresses). As we receive His gift today we would ask all visitors and guests to refrain from receiving the sacrament until they speak to Pastor Bremer. We also ask that those members who have not communed in the past 6 months to also speak to the pastor before communing once again. For further instruction please turn to Luther's Questions and Answers found on page 329 in the hymnal. These questions/answers are for those who desire to receive the sacrament.

## This Week at Grace....

Today	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
	Bible Class/Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
Monday	Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.
	Spring Salad Supper	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Junior Choir	6:15 p.m.
	Senior Choir	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	Worship Service	7:00 p.m.
Next Sunday	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
	Bible Class/Sunday School	10:30 a.m.

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### THOSE SERVING US THIS MORNING:

ELDERS ON DUTY:	Stu Endorf, Mark Liess, Dean Bierhaus
ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR:	Gretchen Buss
CHOIR:	Senior Choir
CANTORS:	Karl Heck/Shawn Pfanstiel
TODAY'S GREETERS/USHERS:	Steve and Debra Heider Alan and Ruth Strauch
NEXT WEEKS GREETERS/USHERS:	Joshua Gibson/Kaleb Ivers Dave and Lynnette Gibson
ACOLYTE/CRUCIFER:	Cecily McGuane/MacKenzie Hoos
RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR:	Doniphan

## Gifts and Treasures

Worship Service Attendance:	Saturday:	Sunday: 145
Sunday School Attendance:	Sunday School Offering:	\$

<u>Last Week's Offerings</u>		<u>Year to Date Offerings</u>	
General Fund	\$3,615.50	General Fund	\$60,273.09
Other Offerings	\$200.00	Other Offerings	\$4,962.44
Birthday/Anniversary Gifts	\$.00	Birthday/Anniversary Gifts	\$358.00
<b>Total Received</b>	<b>\$3,815.50</b>	<b>Total Received</b>	<b>\$65,593.53</b>

<u>Weekly Budget</u>		<u>Year to Date Budget</u>	
General Fund Needed	\$4,250.00		\$63,750.00
General Fund Difference	-\$634.50		-\$3,476.91

### CHURCH PROJECTS

Project	Amount Needed	Gifts Received
Fellowship Hall Roof	\$50,000.00	\$21,186.46

### COMMUNION

*To help pastor, elders and visiting pastors during communion, if you prefer the common cup please place your hands with both palms up. Thank you for your help in this manner.*

## Holy Gospel

Luke 24:36–49

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

### **C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>36</sup>As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" <sup>37</sup>But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. <sup>38</sup>And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?" <sup>39</sup>See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." <sup>40</sup>And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup>And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" <sup>42</sup>They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup>and he took it and ate before them.

<sup>44</sup>Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

### **C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Prayers

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

# Third Sunday of Easter

## Divine Service, Setting Three

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### Pre Service Music

*"Christ is Risen, Alleluia!"*

### Hymns

#457

#483

#634 #465

#700

### Introit (*Cantor: Italics, Choir: Bold*)



*In your presence there is full- | ness of joy,\**

*at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.*

**I will extol you, O LORD, for you have | drawn me up\***

**and have not let my foes rejoice | over me.**

*O LORD my God, I cried to | you for help,\**

*and you have | healed me.*

**O LORD, you have brought up my soul | from Sheol;\***

**you restored me to life from among those who go down | to the pit.**

*Sing praises to the LORD, O | you his saints,\**

*and give thanks to his | holy name.*

**For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a | lifetime.\***

**Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the | morning.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

*In your presence there is full- | ness of joy,\**

*at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.*

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And with thy spirit.**

**P** Let us pray...O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## Choir Anthem

*"O Day Full of Grace"*

## First Reading

*Acts 3:11–21*

<sup>11</sup>While he clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded.

<sup>12</sup>And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk?"

<sup>13</sup>"The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him.

<sup>14</sup>But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, <sup>15</sup>and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses.

<sup>16</sup>And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

<sup>17</sup>"And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup>But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled.

<sup>19</sup>Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, <sup>20</sup>that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, <sup>21</sup>whom heaven must receive until

the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual** *is sung by the cantor/choir*

*Christ has risen | from the dead.\**

*[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and | honor,  
He has given him dominion over the works | of his hands,\*  
he has put all things un- | der his feet.*

## Epistle

*1 John 3:1–7*

<sup>1</sup>See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

<sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

<sup>4</sup>Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup>You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup>No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup>Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia and Verse** *is sung by the congregation (Saturday)*

**Alleluia and Verse** *is sung by the cantor/choir (Sunday)*

*Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.*

*Alleluia. Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures? Alleluia.*