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*Strive to enter thru the
narrow door.*

*For many, I tell you,
will seek to enter
and not be able.*

Luke 13:24

PASTOR DANIEL G BREMER
AUGUST 24TH & 25TH

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

WELCOMES YOU!!

Divine Service with Communion each Saturday 7:00 p.m.

Divine Service with Communion each Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Coffee and Rolls in the Parish Hall 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School 10:30 a.m. (ages 2 ½ - grade 8)

Adult and High School Bible Class 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 KRGH—1430 a.m.

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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.

Divine Service, Setting Four

11th Sunday after Pentecost – August 25, 2019

Opening Hymn “Today Your Mercy Calls Us”

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

Confession and Absolution

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Introit

Ps. 117; antiphon: Ps. 96:6a; 115:18



Splendor and majesty are be- | fore him;*

we will bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore. |

Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD, all | nations!*

Extol him, all | peoples!

For great is his steadfast | love toward us;*

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. | Praise the
LORD!

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.

Splendor and majesty are be- | fore him;*

we will bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore. |

Praise the LORD!

Kyrie/ Gloria in Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. O Lord, You have called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door. Guide us by Your Word and Spirit, and lead us now and always into the feast of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

¹⁸“For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, ¹⁹and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands afar off, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. ²⁰And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the LORD, on horses and in chariots and in litters and on mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says the LORD, just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the LORD. ²¹And some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites, says the LORD. ²²“For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make shall remain before me, says the LORD, so shall your offspring and your name remain. ²³From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the LORD.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 34:9, 19, alt.

**Fear the Lord, | you his saints,*
for those who fear him lack | nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,*
but the Lord delivers him out | of them all.**

Epistle

Hebrews 12:4–29

⁴In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. ⁵And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons? “My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him. ⁶For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.” ⁷It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? ⁸If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. ⁹Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? ¹⁰For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. ¹¹For the moment all discipline seems

painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

¹²Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, ¹³and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. ¹⁴Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. ¹⁵See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; ¹⁶that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. ¹⁷For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears.

¹⁸For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. ²⁰For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned.” ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.” ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering,

²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect,

²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 13:22–30

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²²[Jesus] went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying toward Jerusalem. ²³And someone said to him, “Lord, will those who are saved be few?” And he said to them, ²⁴“Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. ²⁵When once the master of the

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Nicene Creed (*Inside Back Cover of Hymnal*)

Sermon

Offering

Prayer of the Church:

P let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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Closing Hymn “Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us” # 851

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.

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Saturday: 27

Sunday: 123

This Week at Grace....

Today	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
	Bible Class/Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
Wednesday	Catechism/Acolyte Meeting	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.

THOSE SERVING US THIS MORNING

ELDERS ON DUTY:	Stu Endorf/Randy Kemp
SUNDAY'S ORGANIST:	Joel Jank
TODAY'S GREETERS/USHERS:	Lynette Gibson/Kaleb Ivers
	Steve & Debra Heider
NEXT WEEKS GREETERS/USHERS:	Mike & Kyla Endorf
	Stu Endorf/Duane Buss
TODAY'S DOOR MONITOR:	Kevin Liess
NEXT WEEKS DOOR MONITOR:	Mike Bockmann
CRUCIFER:	Kyle Sheeks
ACOLYTE:	Maleigh Avila
RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR:	Andrew & Lila Gudgel
	In memory of Helen Schrantz

TRUSTEES: The Board of Trustees will be having a short meeting today, Sunday 25th in the library following the worship service.

ATTENTION CATECHISM/ACOLYTE PARENTS: On Wednesday, August 28th at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall there will be a Catechism meeting for any 5th and 6th students and any one not yet confirmed. Pastor will have acolyte training for anyone who hasn't been trained following the catechism meeting.

HLHS NEWS: Help needed at the HLHS State Fair Pie Booth! Every year we run the Village Pie Maker food booth in the 5 Points Arena at the State Fair. However, we cannot do it without your help. If you would like to be part of a fun, fast paced environment for a few hours while supporting HLHS, we would love to have you. The dates are August 23 thru September 2. Please call the school office at 308-385-3900 with a time or times that work for you, or sign up online at [signup.com](https://signup.com/go/gHAnmvd) by following this link: <https://signup.com/go/gHAnmvd>

HLHS GOLF SCRAMBLE: We will tee off a 8am on Saturday, September 21st with registration and rolls from 7:30-8:30am. A post round lunch will be provided immediately after the round by Probasco Partners, Inc. If you originally signed up or sponsored the originally scheduled July scramble, we will carry your spot over to September 21st. If you haven't signed up or sponsored due to conflict, you can do so through the school office at 308-385-3900 or the HLHS school website: www.heartlandlutheran.org Help us make this the most successful scramble ever.

TRINITY EMPLOYMENT OPENINGS: Trinity Lutheran School is looking for a few individuals to serve as coaches for the athletic teams for the 2019-2020 school year. Currently, we are searching for the following:

- Volleyball assistant coach
- Boys' basketball assistant coach
- Girls' basketball head coach
- Girls' basketball assistant coach
- Track assistant coaches.

If interested, please contact the school office at 308-382-5274 or send an email to principal@tlsqi.org.

PARKING LOT FINANCES: Some wonderful gifts have been recently received so we are less than \$2,000 to our goal for the \$180,000 parking lot project costs. Please prayerfully consider how you can help reach the goal. You can use your Building Fund envelope and write "parking lot" on it. Thanks much for the support! Kurt Haecker, Treasurer