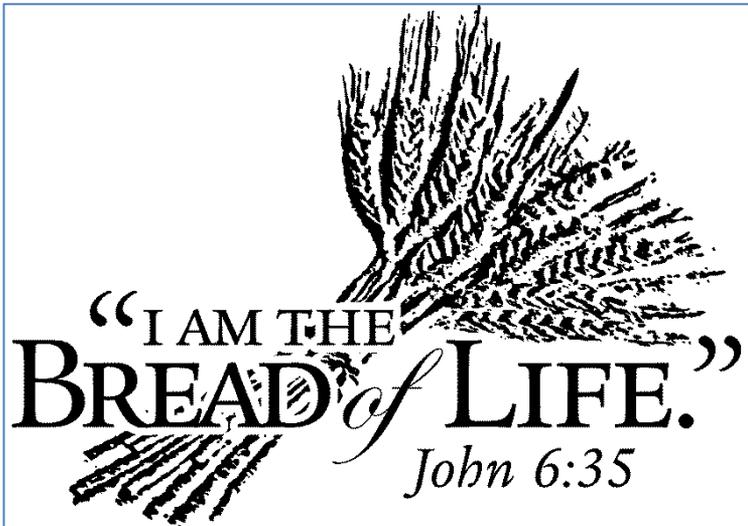


# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH WELCOMES YOU!!

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**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 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.

# Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Service, Setting Two

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Hymns

#907

#918

#633 #789

#917

Introit *is sung by the congregation*



With upright heart he shep- | herded them\*  
and guided them with his | skillful hand.

He commanded the | skies above\*  
and opened the doors of | heaven,  
and he rained down on them man- | na to eat\*  
and gave them the grain of | heaven.

Man ate of the bread of the | angels;\*  
he sent them food in a- | bundance.

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.

With upright heart he shep- | herded them\*  
and guided them with his | skillful hand.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray...Merciful Father, You gave Your Son Jesus as the heavenly bread of life. Grant us faith to feast on Him in Your Word and Sacraments that we may be nourished unto life everlasting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

<sup>2</sup>And the whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, <sup>3</sup>and the people of Israel said to them, “Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

<sup>4</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, “Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day’s portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. <sup>5</sup>On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily.” <sup>6</sup>So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, “At evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, <sup>7</sup>and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against the LORD. For what are we, that you grumble against us?” <sup>8</sup>And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the LORD has heard your grumbling that you grumble against him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the LORD.”

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, ‘Come near before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.’” <sup>10</sup>And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. <sup>11</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, <sup>12</sup>“I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

<sup>13</sup>In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. <sup>14</sup>And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. <sup>15</sup>When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual** *is sung by the congregation*

**Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowl- | edge of God!\***

***How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable | his ways!***

***For from him and through him and to him are | all things.\****

***To him be glory forever. | Amen.***

**Epistle**

*Ephesians 4:1–16*

<sup>1</sup>I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. <sup>7</sup>But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ’s gift. <sup>8</sup>Therefore it says, “When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men.”

<sup>9</sup>(In saying, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup>He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup>And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup>to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup>until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, <sup>14</sup>so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. <sup>15</sup>Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup>from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

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

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

## **Alleluia and Verse** *is sung by the congregation*

### **Holy Gospel**

*John 6:22–35*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

### **C Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>22</sup>On the next day the crowd that remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. <sup>23</sup>Other boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. <sup>24</sup>So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus.

<sup>25</sup>When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not labor for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal." <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?" <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." <sup>30</sup>So they said to him, "Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform?" <sup>31</sup>Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" <sup>32</sup>Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." <sup>34</sup>They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.

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

### **C Praise to You, O Christ.**

### **Prayers**

**P** ...let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord have mercy.**

# This Week at Grace....

Today	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
	Bible Class /Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
Saturday	Worship Service	7:00 p.m.
Next Sunday	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
	Rally Sunday	10:30 a.m.
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THOSE SERVING US THIS MORNING:		
ELDERS ON DUTY:	Dean Bierhaus/Mark Liess/Stu Endorf	
ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR:	Gretchen Buss	
CHOIR:		
CANTORS:	Karl Heck/Shawn Pfanstiel	
TODAY'S GREETERS/USHERS:	Joshua Gibson/Kaleb Ivers Steve and Debra Heider	
NEXT WEEKS GREETERS/USHERS:	Bryan and Brooke Saddler Kurt Haecker/Jeremiah Ivers	
ACOLYTE/CRUCIFER:	Elizabeth Huggins/Isabelle Hoos	
RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR:	Keith and Jeri Pobanz	

## Gifts and Treasures

Worship Service Attendance: Saturday: 20 Sunday: 127  
 Sunday School Attendance: Sunday School Offering:

### Last Week's Offerings

General Fund	\$4,410.00
Other Offerings	\$.00
Birthday/Anniversary Gifts	\$137.00
Total Received	\$4,547.00

### Year to Date Offerings

General Fund	\$116,568.01
Other Offerings	\$14,898.83
Birthday/Anniversary Gifts	\$1,032.00
Total Received	\$132,498.84

### Weekly Budget

General Fund Needed	\$4,250.00
General Fund Difference	-\$872.30

### Year to Date Budget

	\$127,500.00
	-\$10,931.99

### CHURCH PROJECT

	Amount Needed	Gifts Received
Fellowship Hall Roof	\$50,000.00	\$50,075.45

### 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.*

### 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.

## YOU ARE INVITED

We congratulate Richard and Joan Albright on their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. They are hosting an open house from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. this afternoon in the church fellowship hall. All members are invited to attend.

## CONGREGATIONAL POTLUCK

We will have a potluck luncheon on August 9<sup>th</sup> following Rally Sunday activities. Each family is asked to bring a main dish and a side dish (vegetable, salad or dessert)

## RALLY SUNDAY

Rally Day this year will be held on Sunday, the 9th of August from 10:30-11:30. We will have a craft activity. This is also an excellent time for you and your children or grandchildren to visit with their Sunday School teacher and discuss the upcoming year's activities.

## SENIOR CHOIR

How wonderful it was to be informed that almost all Senior Choir members (plus new ones) would be able to sing for the State Fair. We will rehearse for these services on Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. The regular choir season (2015-2016) will begin Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>.

Gretchen Buss

## WITH GRATITUDE, A REVIEW OF CHURCH PROJECTS

Thank, the Lord! We have been blessed at Grace! It is so wonderful to share with you the monetary goal for the Fellowship Roof repair has been reached. As a result, the church has completed four major church projects over the past 3 years, and has no debt outstanding. Yes, our church has completed capital improvements of more than **\$150,000 since mid-2012** with special gifts from you, the congregation. The improvements comprised of a new organ, roof replacement over offices and then fellowship hall, as well as heating & A/C unit upgrades.

Thanks to all involved with improving the equipment and property at Grace Lutheran. Your assistance and support are greatly appreciated.

The Church Council

## OPERATION NEBRASKA CARES

The veterans community task force wants your help supporting our deployed Nebraska military units and Nebraska veterans in need. Our goal is to assemble 146 care packages, representing one package for each year of the Nebraska State Fair. We need your help gathering the supplies needed to reach this goal. A list of recommended items and donation drop off locations are listed on the bulletin board.