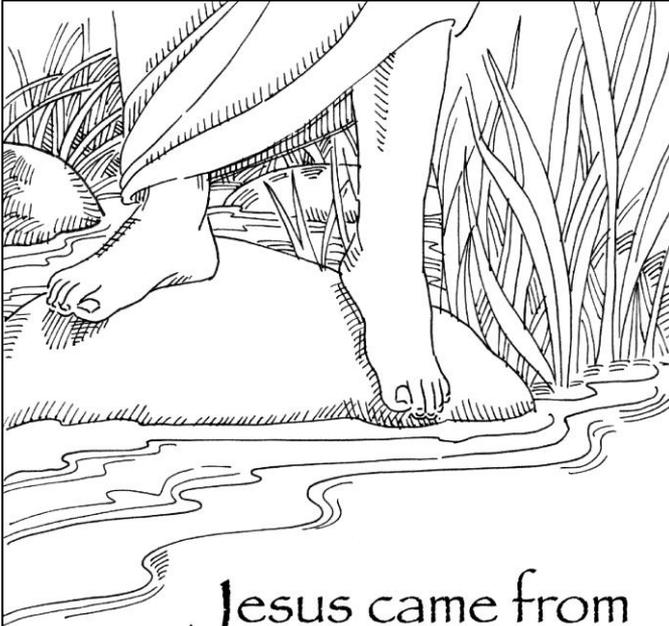


# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Jesus came from  
Nazareth of Galilee  
and was baptized by  
John in the Jordan.

Mark 1:9, NRSV

**PASTOR DANIEL G BREMER**  
**FEBRUARY 17TH AND 18TH, 2018**

# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH WELCOMES YOU!!

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<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 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 – Page 203

1st Sunday in Lent -- February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Pre Service Music “Oh Christ, Thou Lamb of God”

Opening Hymn “O Lord, throughout These Forty Days” #418

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

Confession and Absolution

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Introit (*Italics-Cantor Bold-Choir*)



*When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in / trouble;\*  
I will rescue him and / honor him.*

*With long life I will sat- / isfy him\*  
and show him my sal- / vation.*

**Because you have made the LORD your | dwelling place—\*  
the Most High, who is my | refuge—  
no evil shall be allowed to be- / fall you,\*  
no plague come / near your tent.**

**For he will command his angels con- | cerning you\*  
to guard you in | all your ways.  
On their hands they will / bear you up,\*  
lest you strike your foot a- / gainst a stone.**

**You will tread on the lion and the | adder;\*  
the young lion and the serpent you will trample | underfoot.  
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.**

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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 God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk

through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**Anthem**

**“Cast Thy Burdon Upon the Lord”**

**Old Testament Reading**

*Genesis 22:1–18*

<sup>1</sup>After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here am I.” <sup>2</sup>He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.” <sup>3</sup>So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. <sup>4</sup>On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. <sup>5</sup>Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you.” <sup>6</sup>And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. <sup>7</sup>And Isaac said to his father Abraham, “My father!” And he said, “Here am I, my son.” He said, “Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?” <sup>8</sup>Abraham said, “God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So they went both of them together. <sup>9</sup>When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. <sup>10</sup>Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. <sup>11</sup>But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here am I.” <sup>12</sup>He said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.” <sup>13</sup>And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. <sup>14</sup>So Abraham called the name of that place, “The LORD will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.” <sup>15</sup>And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven <sup>16</sup>and said, “By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, <sup>17</sup>I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, <sup>18</sup>and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual (sung by the Choir)

*Heb. 12:2*

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,\*  
the founder and perfecter | of our faith,  
who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- |  
ing the shame,\*  
and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

## Epistle

*James 1:12–18*

<sup>12</sup>Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. <sup>13</sup>Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am being tempted by God,” for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. <sup>14</sup>But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. <sup>15</sup>Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death. <sup>16</sup>Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. <sup>17</sup>Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. <sup>18</sup>Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Verse (sung by the Choir)

With you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

## Holy Gospel

*Mark 1:9–15*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

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

<sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. <sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.” <sup>12</sup>The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. <sup>13</sup>And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him. <sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

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

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

**Nicene Creed** (*Inside Back Cover of Hymnal*)



## THOSE SERVING US THIS MORNING

<b>ELDERS ON DUTY:</b>	Stu Endorf/Randy Kemp
<b>ORGANIST:</b>	Shawn Pfanstiel
<b>CHOIR:</b>	Senior Choir
<b>CANTOR:</b>	Karl Heck/Shawn Pfanstiel
<b>TODAY'S GREETERS/USHERS:</b>	Lynette Gibson/Josh Gibson Evonne Wageman/Kurt Haecker
<b>NEXT WEEKS GREETERS/USHERS:</b>	Bryan & Brooke Saddler Bruce Bluhm/Caleb Pobanz
<b>CRUCIFER:</b>	Brody Sheeks
<b>ACOLYTE:</b>	Cecily McGuan
<b>RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR:</b>	St. Paul's, Doniphan

**BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY THIS MONTH?** You are invited to help continue a tradition at Grace Lutheran if you have a birthday or anniversary this month. As you celebrate, please make a special gift to the church in the amount of the years that you have been blessed.

**DIRECTORY PICTURES:** We will be taking directory pictures of new members who didn't have a picture taken for the last directory on either **Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup> BEFORE Saturday evening church or BEFORE or AFTER church on Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>**. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board to reserve a time. Current members who have a change since the last directory and want a new picture are also welcome to sign up. (There is no cost and it is not a company taking pictures. These are strictly for our own directory.)

**LENTEN MEAL/SERVICE:** The Lenten Meal this week will be a taco bar. Supper will be from 5:30-6:30pm and the Lenten Service will be at 7:00pm.

**YOUTH GROUP NEWS:** The Youth Group would like to create a library for middle school students through adult. We ask that you please consider helping us with this project by donating Christian based books, VHS ,and DVD's. For more information please contact Kaleb Ivers by text at 308-385-8190 or email at kalebivers@ymail.com

**RED & BLUE 2018:** Red & Blue 2018 is **March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018** at Riverside Golf Club in Grand Island, NE. This year we are celebrating our Emerald Anniversary (20<sup>th</sup>) and we are adding elegance for this milestone. You can buy tickets, choose prime rib or chicken cordon bleu for your meal, and more for this semi-formal celebration and fundraiser at our new Red & Blue website: <http://heartlandlutheran.maestroweb.com> or through the school office at 308-385-3900.

**S.H.A.R.E (Sharing Has A Radiant Effect)** Grace is teaming up with S.H.A.R.E , a program with the United Way, to help local families with desperately needed items. We will be collecting essential cleaning items throughout the month of February. Examples of items needed are: laundry detergent, dish soap, sponges, disinfecting wipes, toilet brush and cleaner, trash bags, broom, etc. There is a poster on the bulletin board. The box will be located under the coat rack at the fellowship hall entrance.

**GIRL SCOUT COOKIES:** Our Girl Scouts from Grace will have a cookie booth in the fellowship hall **TODAY** from 10-10:30a.m

**THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS:** Once again it's time to designate your Thrivent Choice Dollars. HLHS is indeed thankful for your opportunity to assign your Choice Dollars to the school. In order to continue your Choice Dollar selection please contact your Thrivent rep or call 800-847-4836. Selections have to be made annually and need to be completed by **March 1<sup>st</sup>**.

**LUTHERAN WITNESS RENEWAL:** It's that time of year again. The cost if ordering thru the church is \$16/yr. **Renewals need to be sent in by MARCH 26<sup>th</sup>**. **Please let the office know of any changes, or if you want to cancel your subscription by MARCH 12<sup>th</sup>**. If you are paying by check, please note on the envelope AND your check that it is for Lutheran Witness.



**EASTER LILIES:** Envelopes to order lilies are in a basket on the back counter. **Please put the dedication form on Amy's desk.** Cost is \$12, and all orders will need to be in by **MARCH 12<sup>th</sup>**

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To the Glory of God: \_\_\_\_\_

In Loving Memory of:

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