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*You
therefore must
be perfect,
as your
Heavenly
Father is
perfect
Matthew 5:48*

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FEBRUARY 18TH & 19TH, 2017

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 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.

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7th Sunday after the Epiphany -- February 19th, 2017

Pre Service Music “O Sing The Glories of Our God”

Hymn “My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker” #820

Confession and Absolution – p. 184

Introit Ps. 103:8–11; antiphon: Ps. 103:2–3

(Italics-Cantor Bold-Choir)



*Bless the LORD, | O my soul,**
and forget not all his | benefits,
*who forgives all your in- | iquity,**
who heals all your dis- | eases.

The LORD is merciful and | gracious,*
slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love.

He will not | always chide,*
nor will he keep his anger for- | ever.

*He does not deal with us according | to our sins,**
nor repay us according to our in- | iquities.

*For as high as the heavens are a- | bove the earth,**
so great is his steadfast love toward those who | fear him.

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.

*Bless the LORD, | O my soul,**
and forget not all his | benefits,
*who forgives all your in- | iquity,**
who heals all your dis- | eases.

Kyrie – p. 186

Hymn of Praise – p. 187 “Glory in Excelsis”

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray. O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Anthem

“Open My Eyes”

Old Testament Reading

Leviticus 19:1–2, 9–18

¹And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ²“Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them, You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. ⁹“When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. ¹⁰And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the LORD your God. ¹¹“You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another. ¹²You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the LORD. ¹³“You shall not oppress your neighbor or rob him. The wages of a hired servant shall not remain

with you all night until the morning. ¹⁴You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the LORD. ¹⁵“You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. ¹⁶You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the LORD. ¹⁷“You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. ¹⁸You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual is sung by the choir

Ps. 117:1–2a; 96:8

Praise the LORD, all | nations!*

Extol him, all | peoples!

For great is his steadfast | love toward us,*

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for- | ever.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;*

bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!

Epistle

1 Corinthians 3:10–23

¹⁰According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care how he builds upon it. ¹¹For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. ¹²Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw—¹³each one's work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. ¹⁴If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. ¹⁵If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire.

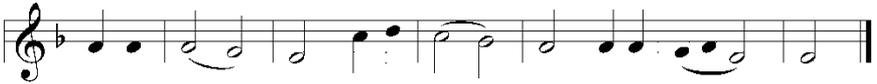
¹⁶Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? ¹⁷If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

¹⁸Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you thinks that he is wise in this age, let him become a fool that he may become wise. ¹⁹For the wisdom of this world is folly with God. For it is written, "He catches the wise in their craftiness," ²⁰and again, "The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile." ²¹So let no one boast in men. For all things are yours, ²²whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all are yours, ²³and you are Christ's, and Christ is God's.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia (Saturday)



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Verse (Sunday—sung by Choir)

Alleluia. Alleluia. Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:38–48

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

³⁸[Jesus said:] "You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' ³⁹But I say to you, Do not resist the one who is evil. But if anyone

slaps you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also. ⁴⁰And if anyone would sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. ⁴¹And if anyone forces you

to go one mile, go with him two miles.
⁴²Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you.

⁴³‘You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ ⁴⁴But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he

makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. ⁴⁶For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same?

⁴⁷And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? ⁴⁸You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed – (Inside Back Cover of Hymnal)

Hymn “O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth”

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(Choir sings vs 2)

Sermon

Offering

Offertory – p. 192

Prayers of the Church:

P Lord, in Your mercy

C hear our prayer.

Preface, Proper Preface, Sanctus – p. 194 - 195

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Pax Domini – p. 197

Agnus Dei -- p. 198

Communion Hymns – 624, 873, 851

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Hymn – “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

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LUTHERAN WITNESS renewals need to be sent in by March 27th. Cost this year is \$16/year. Please let the office know of any changes.

CONCERT ANNOUNCEMENT: The Singing Saints of St. Paul's Lutheran High School will be performing a concert here at Grace on March 9th, at 7pm. The concert will be approximately 1 1/2 hours including the intermission. Make plans to attend. In conjunction to their tour stop we will need housing for the students and their chaperones. The choir travels with about 50 students and 5 chaperones. You will need to keep at least 2 kids and provide them breakfast in the morning. So, this means that we will need 27 homes for the choir members and the support people. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for those willing to help.

TRINITY NEWS:

Have you considered a Christ Centered education?

Kindergarten Sneak-a-Peek

Trinity Lutheran School

208 W. 13th St

Tuesday February 28th, 2017 6:30-7:30pm

LIFE LINE SCREENING: Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Grace on 4/20/17. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is the leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount) All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any packaged priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle**