

Grace Lutheran Church January 31, 2021

# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH WELCOMES YOU!!

Divine Service with Communion each Saturday7:00 p.m.Divine Service with Communion each Sunday9:00 a.m.Coffee and Rolls in the Parish Hall10:00 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.

<u>Interested in membership at Grace?</u> 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 THREE**

## 4th Sunday after Epiphany

January 31st, 2021

Hymn "Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure"

# 533

**Confession and Absolution** 

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**Introit** (Cantor/ Congregation) Ps. 32:1–2, 5–7; antiphon: Ps. 32:10



Many are the sorrows of the / wicked,\*

but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts | in the LORD.

Blessèd is the one whose transgression is for- | given,\* whose sin is | covered.

Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no in- | iquity,\* and in whose spirit there is | no deceit.

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my in-|iquity;\* I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity | of my sin.

Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you | may be found;\*

surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not | reach him.

You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from | trouble;\* you surround me with shouts of de- | liverance.

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.

Many are the sorrows of the wicked,\*
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

Kyrie p. 186

Hymn of Praise "Gloria in Excelsis" p. 187

## Salutation and Collect of the Day



Let us pray. Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## **Old Testament Reading**

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

<sup>15</sup>"The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen—<sup>16</sup>just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' <sup>17</sup>And the LORD said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken. <sup>18</sup>I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. <sup>19</sup>And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.

<sup>20</sup>But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die."

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

## **Gradual** (Cantor)

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!

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning food offered to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." This "knowledge" puffs up, but love builds up. <sup>2</sup>If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. <sup>3</sup>But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

<sup>4</sup>Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "an idol has no real existence," and that "there is no God but one." <sup>5</sup>For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords"— <sup>6</sup>yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

<sup>7</sup>However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. <sup>8</sup>Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. <sup>9</sup>But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. <sup>10</sup>For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? <sup>11</sup>And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. <sup>12</sup>Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. <sup>13</sup>Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

### Verse of the day

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. They were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority.

## **Holy Gospel**

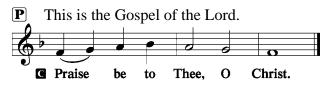
*Mark 1:21–28* 

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



<sup>21</sup>And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching.

<sup>22</sup>And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. <sup>23</sup>And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, <sup>24</sup>"What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God." <sup>25</sup>But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" <sup>26</sup>And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. <sup>27</sup>And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." <sup>28</sup>And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.



**Nicene Creed** 

(Inside Back Cover of Hymnal)

Hymn

"Son of God, Eternal Savior"

# 842

Cantors sing vs. 3

Sermon

Offering

Offertory

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## **Prayers of the Church:**

**P** Lord, in Your mercy

**C** hear our prayer.

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Salutation/Benedicamus p. 201/202

Benediction p. 202

Closing Hymn "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise" #917

#### 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: 16 Sunday: 65

## This Week at Grace....

TodayWorship Service9:00 a.m.WednesdayChildren's Choir6:15 p.m.Senior Choir7:00 p.m.Catechism Class7:00 p.m.SaturdayWorship Service7:00 p.m.Next SundayWorship Service9:00 a.m.

#### THOSE SERVING US THIS MORNING

**ELDERS ON DUTY:** Keith Pobanz/Karl Bergdolt **ORGANIST:** Shawn Pfanstiel CANTORS: Karl Heck & Karl Bergdolt TODAY'S DOOR MONITOR: Stu Endorf **NEXT WEEK'S DOOR MONITOR:** Mike Endorf **Brody Sheeks** CRUCIFER: ACOLYTE: Uriah Fosket RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR: St. Paul's, Doniphan

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**USHER/GREETER/DOOR MONITOR SCHEDULE:** If you signed up to be an usher/greeter or are an officer of the church, please check your mailbox for a copy of the schedule. If I missed getting one to you, there are extra copies on the bulletin board. If you would like to

be an usher/greeter, please get in contact with Keith Pobanz 308-218-8984

<u>HLHS OPEN HOUSE:</u> We are hosting an open house for interested students today, January 31st from 3-5 p.m. All families are invited to come and tour the school and get more information. You are welcome to come at any time during that time or call the office at (308) 385-3900 if you would like to set up your own appointment for a different day.

SAVE THE DATE: Our annual Red and Blue Auction will be on Saturday, March 27th. Doors will open at 4:00; Dinner is at 6:00; Live auction begins at 7:00; silent auction throughout the event. Tickets are \$70 and we also have sponsorships available. Please contact Heartland Lutheran High School at (308) 385-3900 to purchase your ticket, sponsor a table or to be a sponsor of the event.

CHOIR RESUMES: We will plan to resume normal choir rehearsals on Wednesday, February 3, at normal times (Children's Choir at 6:15 pm; Senior Choir at 7:00 p.m.). Please contact Shawn Pfanstiel with any questions: <a href="mailto:gracegimusic@gmail.com">gracegimusic@gmail.com</a> or (308) 370-9388.

<u>CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR:</u> Thank you to Katie Bolin, who will be taking over direction of the Children's Choir at Grace! We thank Amaryah Jenkins for serving us in this capacity for the past several years, and look forward to Mrs. Bolin's leadership.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS: Thrivent Financial members have until March 31 to direct their Choice Dollars for charity. Don't let them expire! Designate your Choice Dollars and put God's Word in the hearts and minds of the students of HLHS.

Just log in to your Thrivent account today to direct your Choice Dollars. If you need help with the Thrivent site, contact your Thrivent representative.

Be part of sharing the Gospel message every day with the students and their families. Designate your <u>Thrivent Choice Dollars</u> to Heartland Lutheran High School today!

HALL COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY DONATIONS: Fr. Joe Kadaprayil at Resurrection Church has agreed to create an account to accept donations for Hall County housing for the amount of over \$28,000 to pay off the back rent owed to prevent the eviction of over 100 people from their apartments. This would help those suffering the collateral damage from the Corona Virus. Paying this bill would put all who are affected at square one with a fresh start. For those who can, please make checks payable to Resurrection Church (memo: HUD account) 4110 Cannon Rd, Grand Island, NE 68803