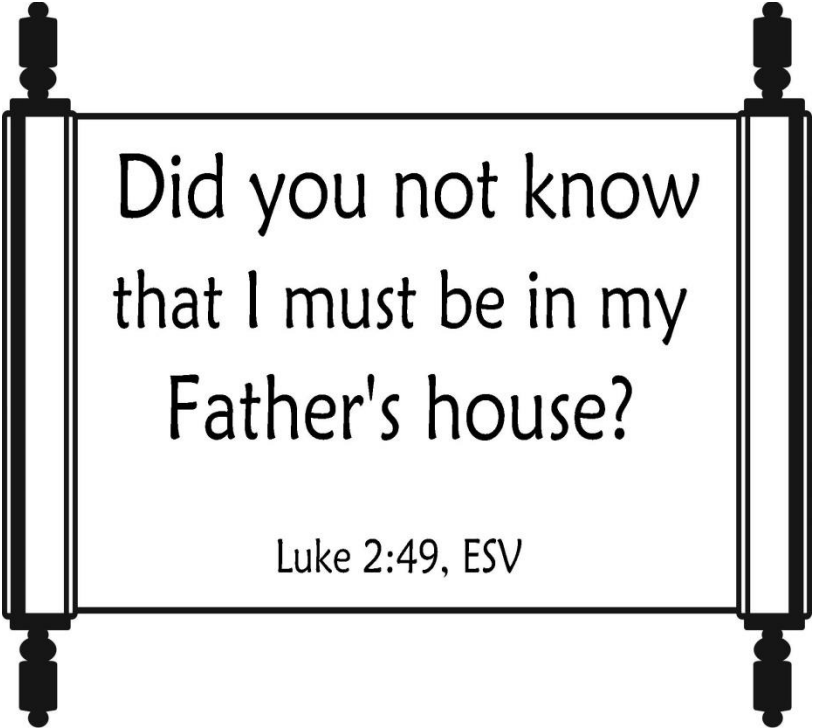


**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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Did you not know  
that I must be in my  
Father's house?

Luke 2:49, ESV

**PASTOR DANIEL G BREMER  
JANUARY 4TH & 5TH**

# 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 KRGJ—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.

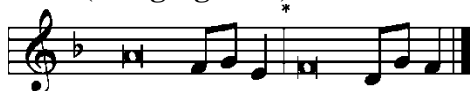
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*2nd Sunday after Christmas -- January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020*

Hymn                    “From God the Father, Virgin-Born”                    # 401

Confession and Absolution                    p. 184

Introit (Congregation)



The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen  
his | glory,\*

glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of | grace and  
truth.

Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises | to our God;\*  
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is | fitting.

Great is our Lord, and abun- | dant in power;\*  
his understanding is beyond | measure.

But the LORD takes pleasure in those who | fear him,\*  
in those who hope in his | steadfast love.

Praise the LORD, O Je- | rusalem!\*

Praise your God, O | Zion!

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.

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen  
his | glory,\*

glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of | grace and  
truth.

Kyrie                    p. 186

Gloria in Excelsis                    p. 187

Salutation

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

## Collect of the Day

**P** Let us pray. Almighty God, You have poured into our hearts the true Light of Your incarnate Word. Grant that this Light may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## Old Testament Reading

*1 Kings 3:4–15*

<sup>4</sup> The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the great high place. Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. <sup>5</sup> At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, “Ask what I shall give you.” <sup>6</sup> And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant David my father, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you. And you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne this day. <sup>7</sup> And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of David my father, although I am but a little child. I do not know how to go out or come in. <sup>8</sup> And your servant is in the midst of your people whom you have chosen, a great people, too many to be numbered or counted for multitude. <sup>9</sup> Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?”

<sup>10</sup> It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. <sup>11</sup> And God said to him, “Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, <sup>12</sup> behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you. <sup>13</sup> I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor, so that no other king shall compare with you, all your days. <sup>14</sup> And if you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your days.”

<sup>15</sup> And Solomon awoke, and behold, it was a dream. Then he came to Jerusalem and stood before the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and

offered up burnt offerings and peace offerings, and made a feast for all his servants.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual** is sung by the Congregation

**To us a child is born, to us a son is | given;\***  
**and the government shall be upon his | shoulder.**

**And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, | Mighty God,\***  
**Everlasting Father, | Prince of Peace.**

**Sing to the Lord a | new song,\***  
**for he has done | marvelous things!**

**Epistle**

*Ephesians 1:3–14*

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love <sup>5</sup>he predestined us for adoption through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, <sup>8</sup>which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

<sup>11</sup>In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, <sup>12</sup>so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup>who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

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

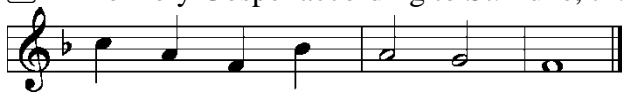
**C** Thanks be to God.

**Alleluia (Saturday/Sunday)**



**A** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

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



**G** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>40</sup>And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him. <sup>41</sup>Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. <sup>42</sup>And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. <sup>43</sup>And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, <sup>44</sup>but supposing him to be in the group they went a day's journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, <sup>45</sup>and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. <sup>46</sup>After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. <sup>47</sup>And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. <sup>48</sup>And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress." <sup>49</sup>And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" <sup>50</sup>And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. <sup>51</sup>And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart. <sup>52</sup>And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man.

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



**G** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

(Inside Back Cover of Hymnal)

Hymn

"Within the Father's House"

# 410

Sermon

Offering

Offertory

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Prayers of the Church:

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,

**G** hear our prayer.

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN:** Orphan Grain Train is in need of plastic grocery and shopping bags (ie: Walmart, Hyvee, etc) The bags are cut into strips and crocheted into sleeping mats by residents of Good Samaritan Village. The made up mats are shipped to the less fortunate by Orphan Grain Train. Please place your bags in a tub provided under the coat rack at the back of the church. If you have any questions, please call Judy Rosenkotter at 308-384-4070  
Thanks!

**GREETER/USHER/DOOR MONITOR:** I received the 2020 Schedule from Keith and put in mailboxes. Please check the bulletin board to see if your name is on there. If you have any questions/concerns please let Keith know. Also please double check to make sure I highlighted correctly, in case I missed one. If you are on the list and didn't get a schedule in your mailbox, please let me know.

**SUMMER YOUTH TRIP:** Any confirmed youth interested in going to the Higher Things conference @ NW Missouri State University, Maryville, MO, July 7-10 (this coming summer), please let pastor know. We will also have a meeting on January 5th right after church to hand out more details.

**ENVELOPES:** Please note that the envelopes for 2020 are in mailboxes.

**FUNERAL LUNCHEON REPLACEMENTS:** Ruth Strauch and Marilyn Fischer have been co-chairing the luncheons for funerals for several years, and are looking to step down. The process is much easier with two people, so they are looking for two replacements that will help with this responsibility. If you have any questions, or want to help with this, please talk with Ruth Strauch.

**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: 18**

**Sunday: 80**

**This Week at Grace....**

|                    |                           |            |
|--------------------|---------------------------|------------|
| <b>Today</b>       | Worship Service           | 9:00 a.m.  |
|                    | Bible Class/Sunday School | 10:30 a.m. |
| <b>Monday</b>      | Epiphany Service          | 7:00 p.m.  |
| <b>Wednesday</b>   | Children's Choir Practice | 6:15 p.m.  |
|                    | Senior Choir Practice     | 7:00 p.m.  |
|                    | Catechism Class           | 7:00 p.m.  |
| <b>Saturday</b>    | Worship Service           | 7:00 p.m.  |
| <b>Next Sunday</b> | Worship Service           | 9:00 a.m.  |
|                    | Bible Class/Sunday School | 10:30 a.m. |

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**THOSE SERVING US THIS MORNING**

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| <b>ELDERS ON DUTY:</b>             | Mark Liess/Karl Bergdolt   |
| <b>ORGANIST:</b>                   | Rebekah Pobanz             |
| <b>TODAY'S GREETERS/USHERS:</b>    | Mark Liess/Kurt Haecker    |
|                                    | Mike & Kim Krecklow        |
| <b>NEXT WEEKS GREETERS/USHERS:</b> | Lynette Gibson/Kaleb Ivers |
|                                    | Steve & Debra Heider       |
| <b>TODAY'S DOOR MONITOR:</b>       | Mike Bockmann              |
| <b>NEXT WEEKS DOOR MONITOR:</b>    | Pastor Busskohl            |
| <b>CRUCIFER:</b>                   | Jehron Soto                |
| <b>ACOLYTE:</b>                    | Kiera Avila                |
| <b>RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR:</b>      | St. Paul's, Doniphan       |