

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH 545 MEMORIAL DR. GRAND ISLAND, NE. 68801 JULY 17TH & 18TH, 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  $2\frac{1}{2}$  - 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.

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8th Sunday after Pentecost -- July17/18, 2021

**Opening Hymn** 

"Christ Is Our Cornerstone"

#912

# **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

#### **Confession and Absolution**

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**Introit (Congregation)** 

Ps. 147:7–11; antiphon: Ps. 145:16



You open | your hand;\*

you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

Sing to the LORD with thanks- | giving;\*

make melody to our God on the lyre!

He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain | for the earth;\*

he makes grass grow on the hills.

He gives to the | beasts their food,\*

and to the young ravens | that cry.

His delight is not in the strength | of the horse,\*

nor his pleasure in the legs | of a man,

but the LORD takes pleasure in those who | fear him,\*

in those who hope in his | steadfast love.

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.

You open | your hand;\*

you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

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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. Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may

acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

## **Old Testament Reading**

Jeremiah 23:1-6

1"Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD. <sup>2</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. <sup>3</sup>Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. <sup>4</sup>I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD.

<sup>5</sup>"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup>In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual** is sung by the Congregation

Rom. 11:33, 36

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.

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## **Epistle**

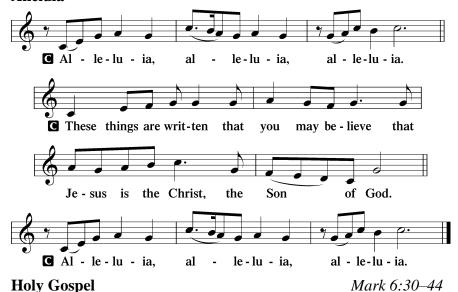
Ephesians 2:11-22

<sup>11</sup> Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— <sup>12</sup>remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup>But now in Christ Jesus you who

once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup>For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility <sup>15</sup>by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, <sup>16</sup> and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. <sup>17</sup>And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. <sup>18</sup>For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup>So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, <sup>21</sup>in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup>In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

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

#### Alleluia



- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>30</sup>The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>And he said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup>And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. <sup>33</sup>Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. <sup>34</sup>When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. <sup>35</sup>And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. <sup>36</sup>Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." <sup>37</sup>But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" <sup>38</sup>And he said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." <sup>39</sup>Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. <sup>40</sup>So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. <sup>41</sup>And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. <sup>42</sup>And they all ate and were satisfied. <sup>43</sup>And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. 44 And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

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

C Praise to You, O Christ.

**Nicene Creed** 

(inside back cover of hymnal)

Hymn "The Church's One Foundation" #644

Sermon

**Offering** 

**Prayer of the Church:** 

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

## **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

ACELC CONFERENCE: The Association of Confessing Evangelical Congregations invites you to join us for our annual conference to be held July 27-29, 2021 at Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church in Eagle, NE. It is our hope that this conference will help in unifying the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod in doctrine and practice. This year's theme is, "Christ For Us: Ecclesiastical Supervision." For more information, and to register, go to www.acelc.net

MISSION CENTRAL BUS TRIP: Join us Saturday July 31st, for a visit, hosted by Old Missionary Gary Thies, to this "not normal" place in rural lowa. See how God has indeed blessed this place to be a mission center focusing on telling others about Jesus! View the amazing creation theater. For more information, including how to reserve your seat, please see the flyer on the bulletin board.

**PEW CUSHION UPDATE:** We have already met the half-way point of raising the necessary funds for the new pew cushions – thanks to all who have contributed to-date!

The price per cushion is \$300 and the new fabric has been selected. If you are interested in making a general contribution or, if you would like to purchase one or more cushion as a family or individually, please mark your gift(s) accordingly to; "Pew Cushions". Your continued support for this project is greatly appreciated! If you have any questions, please contact Karl Heck after church or at 308-390-0942.

#### **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: Sunday:

### This Week at Grace....

**Today** Worship Service 9:00 a.m.

Bible Class/Bible Class 10:30 a.m.

**Saturday** Worship Service 7:00 p.m. **Next Sunday** Worship Service 9:00 a.m.

Bible Class/Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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#### THOSE SERVING US THIS MORNING

**ELDERS ON DUTY:** Keith Pobanz/Dave Plond

ORGANIST: Shawn Pfanstiel

TODAY'S GREETERS/USHERS: Dave Gibson/Kaleb Ivers

Steve & Debra Heider

**NEXT WEEKS GREETERS/USHERS:** Mark Liess/Kurt Haecker

Duane Fowler/Keith Pobanz

THIS WEEK'S DOOR MONITOR:

Jesse Bartels

NEXT WEEK'S DOOR MONITOR:

CRUCIFER:

Blake Saltzgaber

Caleb Pobanz

ACOLYTE: Maleigh Avila

RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR: St. Paul's, Doniphan