

# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# 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 KRGH—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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Opening Hymn

“Glory Be to God the Father”

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Confession and Absolution

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### Service of the Word

Introit (Cantor/Congregation)



*Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided / Unity.\**

*Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mer- / cy to us.*

**I have set the LORD always be- | fore me;\***

**because he is at my right hand, I shall not be | shaken.**

*Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being re- / joices;\**

*my flesh also | dwells secure.*

**For you will not abandon my soul | to Sheol,\***

**or let your holy one see cor- | ruption.**

*You make known to me the / path of life;\**

*in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures for- / evermore.*

**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.**

*Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided / Unity.\**

*Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mer- / cy to us.*

Kyrie

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Hymn of Praise

“This is the Feast”

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray. O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; 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

*Proverbs 8:1–4, 22–31*

<sup>1</sup>Does not wisdom call? Does not understanding raise her voice? <sup>2</sup>On the heights beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; <sup>3</sup>beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries aloud: <sup>4</sup>“To you, O men, I call, and my cry is to the children of man. <sup>22</sup>“The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old. <sup>23</sup>Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. <sup>24</sup>When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. <sup>25</sup>Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth, <sup>26</sup>before he had made the earth with its fields, or the first of the dust of the world. <sup>27</sup>When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, <sup>28</sup>when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, <sup>29</sup>when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, <sup>30</sup>then I was beside him, like a master workman, and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, <sup>31</sup>rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the children of man.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual (Congregation-Saturday, Cantor-Sunday)

The word is near you, in your mouth and | in your heart,\*  
the word of faith that | we proclaim.

For with the heart one believes and is | justified,\*  
and with the mouth one confesses | and is saved.

## Second Reading

*Acts 2:14a, 22–36*

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. <sup>22</sup>“Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— <sup>23</sup>this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. <sup>24</sup>God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. <sup>25</sup>For David says

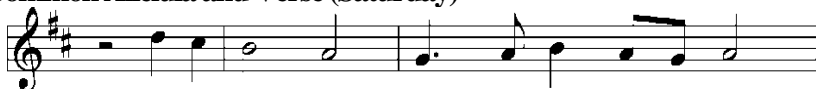
concerning him, “I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; <sup>26</sup>therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. <sup>27</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption. <sup>28</sup>You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

<sup>29</sup>‘Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. <sup>30</sup>Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, <sup>31</sup>he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. <sup>32</sup>This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. <sup>33</sup>Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. <sup>34</sup>For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, “The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, <sup>35</sup>until I make your enemies your footstool.’ <sup>36</sup>Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Common Alleluia and Verse (Saturday)



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

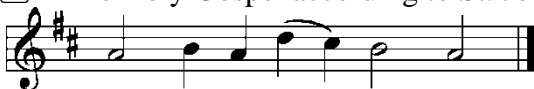
### Verse (is sung by the Cantor)

*Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory! Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

### Holy Gospel

*John 3:1–17*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know

that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.”<sup>3</sup> Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

<sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?”<sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.”<sup>6</sup> That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.<sup>7</sup> Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’<sup>8</sup> The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”<sup>9</sup> Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?”<sup>10</sup> Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things?”<sup>11</sup> Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony.<sup>12</sup> If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things?<sup>13</sup> No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man.<sup>14</sup> And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up,<sup>15</sup> that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.<sup>16</sup> [Jesus said:] “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”<sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

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



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

**Hymn of the Day**

**“Holy, Holy, Holy”**

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*(Cantor sings vs. 3)*

**Sermon**

**Athanasian Creed**

*(see insert)*

**Offering**

**Offertory**

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**Prayers of the Church:**

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,

**G** hear our prayer

## Service of the Sacrament

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**\*Special Thank You to A.J Bader for leading us in worship today\***

### **ATHANASIAN CREED:** "Pastor, that creed didn't sound right..."

The Athanasian Creed has some parts that raise questions to Lutheran ears. They take some explaining.

1) "*Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith*" - This does not mean the Roman Catholic faith. The word "catholic" (with a small "c") means "universal," or "held by all". When the Athanasian Creed says "*the catholic faith*," it means the Biblical faith that all who are truly Christians believe. Our Lutheran church teaches this universal faith.

2) "*Those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire*" - We have to read this in context. Earlier, the Athanasian Creed said that Jesus "*suffered for our salvation*." Also, everywhere else, the Ath. Creed speaks of salvation coming by faith alone (see para. 27-28). Saving faith means our sins are covered by Jesus' blood and righteousness. That means, on the last day, God will not see our sins and evil deeds. In Mt. 25:31-36, Jesus looks at works of the faithful and praises these works as the fruits of saving faith. So it is that through faith alone in Christ, we do good and our good works will be seen on the last day. But our works do not save us. Good works prove that faith in Christ is living.

**POTLUCK FOR PASTOR:** There will be a potluck celebrating Pastor's 35<sup>th</sup> year in the ministry **TODAY, Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>**, after Bible Class. Please bring a main dish and a salad or dessert.

**HLHS SUMMER EVENTS:** The Heartland Lutheran Golf Scramble will take place on **Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup>** at Indianhead Golf Course.

**PARKING LOT FINANCES:** With the work under way to concrete our parking lot, please consider how you can help us avoid any debt for this much needed improvement. We still need more than \$15,000 for the \$180,000 project. You can use your Building Fund envelope and write "parking lot" on it. Or if you wish to give a stock gift or IRA distribution directly to Grace Lutheran Church, please see me. Thank you for your support! Kurt Haecker, Treasurer

**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: 27**

**Sunday: 123**

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

<b>Today</b>	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
	Congregational Potluck	11:30 a.m.
	Bible Class/Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
<b>Monday</b>	Guild Executive Board Meeting	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**

<b>ELDERS ON DUTY:</b>	Randy Kemp/Keith Pobanz
<b>ORGANIST:</b>	Rebekah Pobanz
<b>CANTOR:</b>	Karl Heck
<b>TODAY'S GREETERS/USHERS:</b>	Charlotte Smith/Lydia Rippe Karl & Paula Heck
<b>NEXT WEEKS GREETERS/USHERS:</b>	Mark Liess/Kurt Haecker Marilyn Fischer/Dean Bierhaus
<b>CRUCIFER:</b>	Caleb Pobanz
<b>ACOLYTE:</b>	Kiera Avila
<b>RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR:</b>	Dean Bierhaus In Memory of Pat