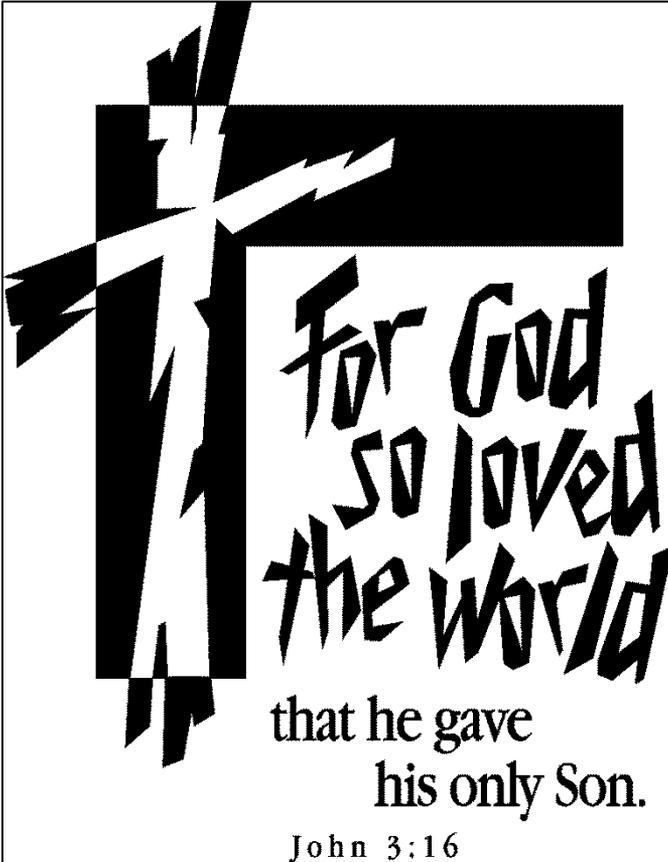


GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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MARCH 14/15, 2015

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 main 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 am.

E-mail Pastor Bremer gracluth@kdsi.net
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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.

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Divine Service, Setting 4-- pg 203

Hymns:

#918

#571 *Cantors sing vs. 2*

#629 #837

#566

Introit (*Cantor: Italics, Congregation: Bold*)



*The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear?**

*The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be
afraid?*

**Though an army encamp against me, my heart | shall not
fear;***

though war arise against me, yet I will be | confident.

*One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek | after:**

*that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his |
temple.*

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of | trouble;*

**he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift
me high up- | on a rock.**

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 LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear?**

*The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be
afraid?*

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray...Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies
are new every morning; and though we deserve only

punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, 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

Numbers 21:4–9

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." ⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual *is sung by the Cantor*



[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,
the founder and perfecter | of our faith,
who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- |
ing the shame,*
and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.*

Epistle

Ephesians 2:1–10

¹And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— ³among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Verse of the Day *is sung by the Cantor (Sunday)*

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Holy Gospel

John 3:14–21

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶[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.

¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through

him. ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. ²¹But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to You, O Christ.

Prayers

P...let us pray to the Lord:

G Lord, have mercy.

This Week at Grace....

Today	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
	Bible Class/Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
Wednesday	Senior Choir	6:00 p.m.
	Lenten Supper	5:30 – 6:30 p.m.
	Lenten Service	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	Worship Service	7:00 p.m.
Next Sunday	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
	Bible Class/Sunday School	10:30 a.m.

THOSE SERVING US THIS MORNING:

ELDERS ON DUTY: Mike Krecklow, Keith Pobanz, Stu Endorf

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR: Gretchen Buss

CHOIR:

CANTORS: Karl Heck and Shawn Pfanstiel

TODAY'S GREETERS/USHERS: Bryan and Brooke Saddler

Duane Buss and Dean Bierhaus

NEXT WEEKS GREETERS/USHERS: Karl and Paula Heck

Alice Bartlett/Bruce Bluhm

ACOLYTE/CRUCIFER: Elizabeth Pobanz/Caleb Pobanz

RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR: Ella Hoag

Gifts and Treasures

Worship Service Attendance:

Saturday: 22 Sunday: 123

Sunday School Attendance:

Sunday School Offering: \$

Last Week's Offerings

General Fund	\$2,654.28
Other Offerings	\$152.00
Birthday/Anniversary Gifts	\$74.00
Total Received	\$2,880.28

Year to Date Offerings

General Fund	\$37,783.99
Other Offerings	\$3,162.00
Birthday/Anniversary Gifts	\$306.00
Total Received	\$41,251.99

***Totals include Lenten Services**

Weekly Budget

General Fund Needed	\$4,250.00
General Fund Difference	-\$1,595.72

Year to Date Budget

General Fund Needed	\$42,500.00
General Fund Difference	-\$4,716.01

CHURCH PROJECTS

Project	Amount Needed	Gifts Received
Fellowship Hall Roof	\$50,000.00	\$20,350.23

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LENTEEN SERVICES

WEDNESDAYS – 7:00 p.m.

There will be a meal preceding the service from 5:30 – 6:30. A freewill offering will be taken. Money will be used to cover the cost of cleaning children's choir robes and the fellowship hall roof repair.

EASTER LILIES

If you would like to place an Easter Lily on the altar for Easter, please fill out a form on the counter in the narthex. Place it in a "Easter Lily" envelope along with \$12.00 and drop it in the box outside Vicki's office.

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY CONCERT AT PEACE LUTHERAN

The Christus Chorus of Concordia University, St. Paul, Minnesota will present "Full of Grace and Truth," a concert of sacred music proclaiming the fullness of God's Creation, our graceful salvation in Jesus Christ, and the truth-filled life in the Holy Spirit. The concert will be at Peace Lutheran Church in Grand Island on Sunday, March 29, at 7 p.m. The 90-minute concert is free and open to the public. A freewill offering will be taken to support the choir's music ministry.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We are in need of a person to oversee our Vacation Bible School program this summer. We will also need class leaders, music leaders, story leaders, and craft leaders. Please consider these opportunities to work with our youth members. If you would like to volunteer, please see Mark or Sherry Thuer. Materials are here if you would like to look through them.

BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY GIFTS

Do you have a birthday or anniversary this month? If so, we invite you to help continue a recent tradition. As you celebrate, please make a special gift to Grace Lutheran in the amount of years you have been blessed. All special gifts in 2015 will be used toward the cost of repairing the fellowship hall roof.

TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL COLOR RUN

The 2nd annual Color Run honoring educators will be on Saturday, April 25th. It is a 5K and 1 mile Fun Run. More information and registration can be found at bit.ly/tlscolorrun

LIFE LINE SCREENING WILL BE HERE ON APRIL 22

Can You Recognize the Signs of a Stroke?

Do you know how to recognize the warning signs of a stroke? If you or someone you know is experiencing any of the below symptoms, call 911 right away. It is important to seek medical treatment immediately.

- Sudden Numbness
- Difficulty Speaking
- Severe Dizziness
- Loss of Coordination
- Sudden Loss of Vision
- Sudden Intense Headache
- Brief Loss of Consciousness

Protect your health by finding out your risk of having a stroke by participating in the Life Line Screening that will be at Grace Lutheran Church on Wednesday, April 22, 2015. Through ultrasound we evaluate the carotid arteries for the buildup of fatty plaque, which is the leading cause of stroke.

Please note that you must sign up on either the provided registration sheet (available on the flyers) or by calling the special Helping Hands registration number, which is 1-800-324-9458, in order for us to receive our \$10 donation as well. If you prefer to visit the exclusive Helping Hands website to register, you may do so by visiting www.helpinghandsforhealth.com. You must sign up one of these three ways in order to get both the \$10 discount as well as the \$10 donation for our organization.

In addition, please take just three minutes to learn more about Life Line Screening by watching this short three-minute video:

<http://www.lifelinescreeningblog.com/introduction/>