

“Well done,
good and faithful
servant!”

Matthew 25:21, NIV



Grace Lutheran Church
November 15, 2020

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 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.

in the light of Your Son, Jesus Christ, that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

Zephaniah 1:7–16

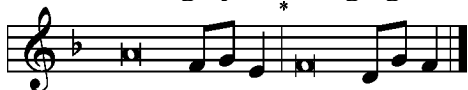
⁷Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is near; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice and consecrated his guests. ⁸And on the day of the LORD's sacrifice—"I will punish the officials and the king's sons and all who array themselves in foreign attire. ⁹On that day I will punish everyone who leaps over the threshold, and those who fill their master's house with violence and fraud. ¹⁰"On that day," declares the LORD, "a cry will be heard from the Fish Gate, a wail from the Second Quarter, a loud crash from the hills. ¹¹Wail, O inhabitants of the Mortar! For all the traders are no more; all who weigh out silver are cut off. ¹²At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the men who are complacent, those who say in their hearts, 'The LORD will not do good, nor will he do ill.' ¹³Their goods shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them." ¹⁴The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter; the mighty man cries aloud there. ¹⁵A day of wrath is that day, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, ¹⁶a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual is sung by the Congregation

Rev. 7:14b; Ps. 84:5



These are the ones coming out of the great tribu- | lation.*

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood | of the Lamb.

Blessèd are those whose strength is | in you,*
in whose heart are the highways to | Zion.

Epistle

1 Thessalonians 5:1–11

¹Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. ²For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³While people are saying, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. ⁴But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. ⁵For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. ⁶So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. ⁷For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia



C Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:14–30

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 25th chapter.

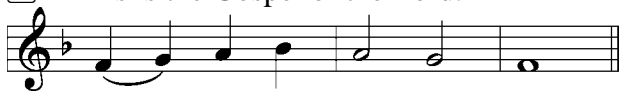


C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

¹⁴“For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. ¹⁵To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. ¹⁷So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. ¹⁸But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master’s money. ¹⁹Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts

with them. ²⁰And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.' ²¹His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' ²²And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.' ²³His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' ²⁴He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' ²⁶But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed and gather where I scattered no seed? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. ²⁹For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. ³⁰And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

RADIO SIGN UP: The 2021 Radio Show sign up sheet is on the bulletin board. We have 3 slots available. **Please remember to write RADIO SHOW on your check/envelope so the counters know and I can mark you off as paid.**

NEW PHONE NUMBER: Joyce Christenson has a new phone number. It is 308-380-8101. Please update your directories.

HLHS BLUE CROSS CELEBRATION: You are cordially invited to Heartland Lutheran High School's annual Blue Cross Celebration today, November 15, 2020. Doors will open at 4:30. A short welcome will be at 5:15, and the meal by Whitefoot Market Inc. Catering will be served at 5:30. Our Lord has blessed us tremendously with Lutheran education and the students and teachers of HLHS. Come and celebrate with us. The cost for a ticket is \$25. We would be honored to have you join us

HLHS FUNDRAISER: HLHS Volleyball and Girls Basketball are having a fundraiser at Dairy Queen (on Capital Street) on Tuesday, November 17th from 5-8 pm.

HLHS NEW STUDENT OPEN HOUSE: Heartland Lutheran High School is inviting any students that are interested in coming out and taking a tour of the school, ask questions and enjoy some refreshments on Sunday, December 6th, 2020 from 3-5 pm.

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: 19

Sunday: 97

This Week at Grace....

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| Today | Worship Service | 9:00 a.m. |
| | Sunday School | 10:30 a.m. |
| Monday | Guild Executive Board Meeting | 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday | Catechism Class | 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

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| ELDERS ON DUTY: | Mark Liess/Keith Pobanz |
| ORGANIST: | Cindy Kemp |
| TODAY'S GREETERS/USHERS: | Caleb Pobanz/Dave Gibson Karl & Paula Heck |
| NEXT WEEKS GREETERS/USHERS: | Lynnette Gibson/Kaleb Ivers Steve & Debra Heider |
| TODAY'S DOOR MONITOR: | Stu Endorf |
| NEXT WEEKS DOOR MONITOR: | Mike Bockmann |
| CRUCIFER: | Brody Sheeks |
| ACOLYTE: | Braxtyn Lemos |
| RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR: | Rick & MaryAnn Ressel To the Glory of God |