

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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LWML SUNDAY

OCTOBER 3/4, 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 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 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.

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Service, Setting Two

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Hymns

#834

#863

#632 #725

#594

Pre Service Music

"For God So Loved the World"

Introit *is sung by the congregation*



Unless the LORD | builds the house,*
those who build it la- | bor in vain.

Behold, children are a heritage | from the LORD,*
the fruit of the womb | a reward.

Like arrows in the hand of a | warrior*
are the children | of one's youth.

Blessèd is the man who fills his quiver | with them!*
He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his
enemies | in the gate.

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.

Unless the LORD | builds the house,*
those who build it la- | bor in vain.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray...Merciful Father, Your patience and loving-kindness toward us have no end. Grant that by Your Holy Spirit we may always think and do those things that are pleasing in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives

and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Women's Ensemble Anthem

"Seek Ye First"

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 2:18–25

¹⁸Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." ¹⁹So out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. ²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."

²⁴Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. ²⁵And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual is sung by the congregation

**He will command his angels con- | cerning you*
to guard you in | all your ways.**

**Bless the LORD, | O my soul,*
and all that is within me, bless his | holy name!**

Epistle

Hebrews 2:1–13

¹Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. ²For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, ³how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, ⁴while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

⁵Now it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. ⁶It has been testified somewhere,

“What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him? ⁷You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor, ⁸putting everything in subjection under his feet.” Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. ⁹But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. ¹¹For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one origin. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, ¹²saying, “I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise.” ¹³And again, “I will put my trust in him.” And again, “Behold, I and the children God has given me.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse *is sung by the congregation*

Holy Gospel

Mark 10:2–16

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

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

² Pharisees came up and in order to test [Jesus] asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?"

³He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" ⁴They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away." ⁵And Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' ⁷Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, ⁸and they shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. ⁹What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."

¹⁰And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹And he said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

¹³And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁵Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it."

¹⁶And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Prayers

P ...let us pray to the Lord,

C **Lord, have mercy.**

This Week at Grace....

Today	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
	Bible Class /Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
	Quilts and Cars at HLHS	12:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Junior Choir	6:15 p.m.
	Senior Choir	7:00 p.m.
	Catechism	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: Keith Pobanz/Mike Krecklow/Mark Liess		
ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR: Gretchen Buss		
CHOIR: Women's Ensemble		
CANTORS: Karl Heck/Shawn Pfanstiel		
TODAY'S GREETERS/USHERS: Roger and Rosalie Roscoe Duane and Marcia Fowler		
NEXT WEEKS GREETERS/USHERS: Mike and Kyla Endorf Mark Liess/Tony Budnick		
ACOLYTE/CRUCIFER: Kiera Avila/Jehron Soto		
RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR: Doniphan		

Gifts and Treasures

Worship Service Attendance: Saturday: 26 Sunday: 124
 Sunday School Attendance: Sunday School Offering:

Last Week's Offerings

General Fund	\$3,013.41
Other Offerings	\$.00
Birthday/Anniversary Gifts	\$29.00
Total Received	\$3,042.41

Year to Date Offerings

General Fund	\$146,490.53
Other Offerings	\$15,348.83
Birthday/Anniversary Gifts	\$1,470.00
Total Received	\$163,309.36

Weekly Budget

General Fund Needed	\$4,250.00
General Fund Difference	-\$1,236.59

Year to Date Budget

	\$165,750.00
	-\$19,259.47

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.

LWML SUNDAY

We are celebrating LWML Sunday today. Please join us for muffins, quick breads and other goodies during the fellowship/bible class hour. LWML Board Officers will remain the same as last year.

President: Cindy Kemp
Vice President: Vicki Bartels
Secretary: Lynnette Gibson
Treasurer: Paula Heck
Christian Growth: Cindy Bremer
Mary/Sarah Circle Chairperson: Gretchen Buss
Elizabeth Circle Chairperson: Ruth Strauch

PARKING LOT SAFETY

We had a member's car broken into last Sunday during the worship service. Please make sure to keep all valuables with you or locked in your trunk so they are not visible.

HELP NEEDED

The trustees are seeking four strong, young men to help with some concrete work here at the church. They will be working on Friday evening and Saturday morning Oct. 9th/10th, and Oct. 16th/17th. Please see Dave Gibson for more details.

GRACE YOUTH

Parent's and members of Grace Lutheran Church youth group. Please keep in mind whether you are of Jr. High School, High School or College age we would like to encourage you to participate in our group. This month we will be going to the **Big Apple in Kearney on Saturday the 17th of October**. We will be meeting at the church 1:00 pm then leaving for Kearney. We will be returning between 3:00-3:30 pm. Participants will need to have at least \$40.00 to pay for the Laser Tag and other activities at the Big Apple.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The church Council will meet tomorrow evening, Monday, October 5th at 7:00 pm.

VOTER'S MEETING

The Voter's assembly annual meeting will be held next Sunday, October 11 following morning worship service. The meeting will include election of officers, HLHS delegates, presentation of the proposed 2016 budget and other business.

CHURCH OFFICERS NEEDED

The election of church officers will take place at the annual meeting of the Voters' Assembly, Sunday, October 11. The following offices are up for election:

Vice President

Financial Secretary – succeeding 1 year terms.

Elders – 2 positions (one 3 year term)

Trustees – 2 positions (one 3 year term)

Board of Education. – 1 position (one 3 year term).

Please see or contact Karl Heck (308-390-0942) if you are interested in learning more about these positions and/or if you would like your name placed on the ballot.

LWML

Mary/Sarah Circle will meet Monday, Oct. 12th at 7:00 p.m.

Elizabeth Circle will meet Wednesday, Oct. 14th at 9:30 a.m.

All women of the congregation are invited to join us.

We will be using the bible study "The Friend Factor" from the quarterly.

Please bring your copy with you.

THRIVENT MEMBERS

All Thrivent members are invited to the annual Tailgate Party.

Date: Saturday, October 24, 2015

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Place: St. Paul's Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall
1515 South Harrison, Grand Island, Nebraska

You and your family are invited to enjoy a meal by Whitefoot Catering and entertainment by Melinda Ferree, who does a wonderful imitation of Patsy Cline. There will also be drawings for gift cards and door prizes.

HEARTLAND LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

"Quilts & Cars" is today from 12:00 to 4:00. Stop out and see what's happening. Food, fun and entertainment.

October 9 is the homecoming game for the Red Hornets. All are invited to join us for the 7 p.m. game as we take on Palmer HS. We will be tailgating before the game with burgers and brats. Join us any time after 5 for the food (free will offering). **All Alumni are invited to attend a special reception in the HLHS commons after the game!**

LUTHERAN BLUE CROSS CELEBRATION

Tickets are now on sale at the school office. Tickets are only \$15 each. The event on Sunday, November 8 includes a catered dinner, followed by guest speaker Andy Hoffman. Andy is the father of Jack and founder of the Team Jack Foundation which raises money for pediatric brain cancer research. Jack was diagnosed with brain cancer in 2011. Befriended by Rex Burkhead, Jack has been a frequent guest on the field and in the locker room at Husker football games. Jack even put on the uniform and ran for a 69 yard touchdown in the Husker spring scrimmage game in 2013, a moment which won an ESPY. Andy will talk about the Huskers, Jack's experiences, and his own experiences of numerous tv appearances and meeting President Obama to raise money for pediatric brain cancer research. You don't want to miss this presentation! This event is named the Blue Cross Celebration as the HLHS facilities have always featured a blue cross and the symbol has come to represent it ministry. This event will be a celebration of HLHS, an opportunity to thank our generous supporters and a chance to encourage more people to support HLHS!

PLEASE HELP WITH OUR OPERATING NEEDS

As you have noticed in the Gifts and Treasures area of the bulletin, our finances have fallen behind the year-to-date budget. Thus, our gifts are approximately \$18,000 below our expenses. Please prayerfully consider how you can help make up the deficit in our operating finances. While all bills and payroll are paid current, we have had to borrow the shortfall from the building savings fund, which now leaves no reserve for maintenance or unexpected repairs. Thank you for your support.

Kurt Haecker, Treasurer

BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY THIS MONTH?

You are invited to help continue a recent tradition at Grace Lutheran if you have a birthday or anniversary this month. As you celebrate, please make a special gift to the church in the amount of years you have been blessed. The special gifts will go toward the replacement/upgrade of some church windows.