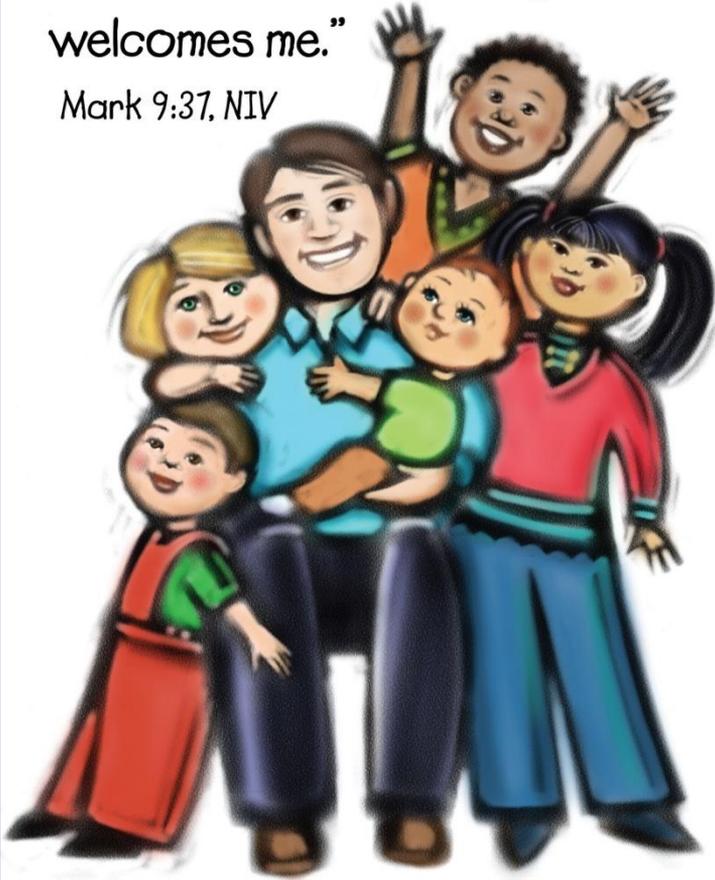


GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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“Whoever welcomes one of
these little children in *my* name
welcomes me.”

Mark 9:37, NIV



PASTOR DANIEL G BREMER

SEPTEMBER 19/20, 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.

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Service, Setting One

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Hymns

#661

#851 *Choir will sing vs. 2*

#630 #842

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Pre Service Music

"Onward, Christian Soldiers"

Introit (*Italics: Cantor, Bold: Senior Choir*)



*Delight yourself | in the LORD,**

and he will give you the desires | of your heart.

Commit your way | to the LORD;*

trust in him, and | he will act.

*He will bring forth your righteousness | as the light,**

and your justice as the | noonday.

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently | for him;*

fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way,

over the man who carries out evil de- | vices!

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.

*Delight yourself | in the LORD,**

and he will give you the desires | of your heart.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray...O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your

Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Senior Choir Anthem

"Oh, Praise the Lord, My Soul"

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 11:18–20

¹⁸The LORD made it known to me and I knew; then you showed me their deeds. ¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. I did not know it was against me they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name be remembered no more." ²⁰But, O LORD of hosts, who judges righteously, who tests the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, or to you have I committed my cause.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual *is sung by the Senior Choir*

Fear the LORD, | you his saints,*

for those who fear him lack | nothing!

Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,*

but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.

Epistle

James 3:13—4:10

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom.

¹⁴But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. ¹⁵This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic.

¹⁶For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.

¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

¹What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ²You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. ⁴You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. ⁵Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? ⁶But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble." ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse *is sung by the congregation (Saturday)*

Verse of the Day *is sung by the Senior Choir (Sunday)*

Alleluia. If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Mark 9:30–37

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

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

³⁰[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know,

³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will

rise.” ³²But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

³³And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?”

³⁴But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. ³⁵And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.” ³⁶And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷“Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Prayers

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

This Week at Grace....

Today	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
	Bible Class /Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
	Directory Photos	10:30 – 11:45 a.m.
Monday	Directory Photos	5: 00-8:15 p.m.
	LWML Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Directory Photos	5: 00-8:15 p.m.
	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.
	Directory Photos	10:30 – 11:45 a.m.

THOSE SERVING US THIS MORNING:	
ELDERS ON DUTY:	Keith Pobanz/Mike Krecklow/Mark Liess
ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR:	Gretchen Buss
CHOIR:	Senior Choir
CANTORS:	Karl Heck/Shawn Pfanstiel
TODAY'S GREETERS/USHERS:	Alice Bartlett/Bruce Bluhm Karl and Paula Heck
NEXT WEEKS GREETERS/USHERS:	Charlotte Smith/Sandy Yager Marilyn Fischer/Lydia Rippe
ACOLYTE/CRUCIFER:	Gavin Link/Preston Nicholls
RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR:	Doniphan

Gifts and Treasures

Worship Service Attendance: Saturday: 22 Sunday: 114
 Sunday School Attendance: Sunday School Offering:

Last Week's Offerings

General Fund	\$4,589.50
Other Offerings	\$.00
Birthday/Anniversary Gifts	\$65.00
Total Received	\$4,654.50

Year to Date Offerings

General Fund	\$140,432.46
Other Offerings	\$15,348.83
Birthday/Anniversary Gifts	\$1,441.00
Total Received	\$157,222.29

Weekly Budget

General Fund Needed	\$4,250.00
General Fund Difference	+\$339.50

Year to Date Budget

	\$157,250.00
	-\$16,817.54

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.

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 \$17,000 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

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The Church Council will meet on Monday, September 21 at 7:00.

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.

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.

GREETING CARDS

LWML will be selling greeting cards through September 27th. Orders will be sent in October 1st. The catalog and order forms are on the small table in the narthex. The cards are very pretty this year. Be sure to check them out.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Grace will be celebrating its 60th Anniversary in January of 2016. As part of this commemoration, we will be putting together a church directory with snap shot photos. These photos will be only used for the directory and not available for purchase. Each member of the congregation will receive a free copy of this directory which will be a 5x7 three-ring binder which can be updated as changes occur. Updates will be done by the committee and available at the church. It is important to have all members of Grace included in this directory. **Please sign up this morning if you have not done so.** Dates available for pictures are as follows:

- Sunday, September 20th from 10:30 – 11:45
- Monday, September 21st from 5 – 8:15
- Wednesday, September 23rd from 5 – 8:15
- Sunday, September 27th from 10:30 – 11:45
- Monday, September 28th from 5 – 8:15

Directory Committee: Karl heck, Randy Kemp, Pastor Bremer

Photographers: Renae Soto and Lynnette Gibson

Questions: Call Randy at 383-9443 or email at cmrdkemp@gmail.com

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 HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

"Quilts & Cars" is quickly approaching. Join us at HLHS between noon and 4 on Sunday, October 4. There will be a car show, quilt show, lots of food, cookie walk, quilt auction and much more! Free admission. You can vote for your favorite cars and quilts, listen to music, and much more! All proceeds go to support the HLHS tuition assistance program.

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!**