

Sunday, September 27, 2020
Grace Lutheran Church

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.

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Hymn “Christ Is the World’s Redeemer”

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Confession and Absolution

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Service of the Word

Introit (*Cantor/Congregation*) Ps. 147:1–5; antiphon: Ps. 147:6



*The LORD lifts up the / humble;**
he casts the wicked / to the ground.

Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises | to our God;*
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is | fitting.

*The LORD builds up Je- / rusalem;**
he gathers the outcasts of / Israel.

He heals the broken- | hearted*
and binds | up their wounds.

*He determines the number / of the stars;**
he gives to all of / them their names.

Great is our Lord, and abun- | dant in power;*
his understanding is beyond | measure.

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 lifts up the / humble;**
he casts the wicked / to the ground.

Kyrie

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Hymn of Praise “This Is the Feast”

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

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[P] The Lord be with you.



[C] And al - so with you.

[P] Let us pray. Almighty God, You exalted Your Son to the place of all honor and authority. Enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit that, confessing Jesus as Lord, we may be

led into all truth; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Anthem

“Fight the Good Fight”

(LSB 664; text: John S.B. Monsell; music: *The Lutheran Hymnal*)

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 18:1–4, 25–32

¹The word of the LORD came to me: ²“What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, ‘The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge’? ³As I live, declares the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. ⁴Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die.

²⁵“Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? ²⁶When a righteous person turns away from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it; for the injustice that he has done he shall die. ²⁷Again, when a wicked person turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and right, he shall save his life. ²⁸Because he considered and turned away from all the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die. ²⁹Yet the house of Israel says, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ O house of Israel, are my ways not just? Is it not your ways that are not just?

³⁰“Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. ³¹Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³²For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord GOD; so turn, and live.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual *(is sung by the Cantor)*

*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

Philippians 2:1–4, 14–18

¹So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy,
²complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

¹⁴Do all things without grumbling or questioning, ¹⁵that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, ¹⁶holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. ¹⁷Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. ¹⁸Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

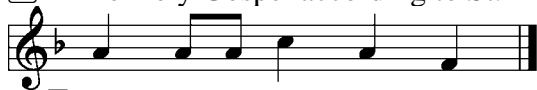
Verse *(is sung by the Cantor)*

Alleluia. Alleluia. All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:23–32

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, 21st chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

²³ When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?”

²⁴Jesus answered them, “I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?” And they discussed it among themselves, saying, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’” ²⁶But if we say, ‘From man,’ we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet.” ²⁷So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

²⁸“What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’

²⁹And he answered, ‘I will not,’ but afterward he changed his mind and went. ³⁰And he went to the other son and said the same. And he answered, ‘I go, sir,’ but did not go. ³¹Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. ³²For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word” # 655
(Choir sings verse 2)

Sermon

Nicene Creed

(Inside Back Cover of Hymnal)

Offering

“Let the Vineyards be Fruitful”

(LSB 955; text: John W. Arthur; music: Richard W. Hillert)

Offertory

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Prayer of the Church:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Service of the Sacrament

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

COMMUNION WINE: We are beginning to run short on communion wine. We only have 10 bottles left and they go pretty quick. If you're at the store, and it wouldn't be an inconvenience, please consider buying a bottle or two of Mogan David Concord Grape Wine in the 1.5 liter size. Thank you!

VOTER'S MEETING: There will be a Voter's Meeting, Sunday, October, 11th, 2020 right after church.

HLHS WISH LIST: Grace Guild is going to be taking donations from Heartland Lutheran's wish list through the month of September. Please take a look at the list on the bulletin board to see if there is something you can help with. Thank you!

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: 37

Sunday: 96

This Week at Grace....

Today	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
	Bible Class/Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
Wednesday	Children's Choir Practice	6:15 p.m.
	Senior Choir Practice	7:00 p.m.
	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

ELDERS ON DUTY:	Karl Heck/Dave Plond
ORGANIST:	Shawn Pfanstiel
CHOIR:	Children's Choir
TODAY'S GREETERS/USHERS:	Steve & Debra Heider
	Lynnette Gibson/Kaleb Ivers
NEXT WEEKS GREETERS/USHERS:	Roger & Rosalie Roscoe
	Karl & Paula Heck
TODAY'S DOOR MONITOR:	Bruce Bluhm
NEXT WEEKS DOOR MONITOR:	Tim Bartels
CRUCIFER:	Kyle Sheeks
ACOLYTE:	Zane Harvey
RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR:	St. Paul's, Doniphan