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**“If any want to become
my followers, let them
deny themselves and
take up their cross
and follow me.”**

Matthew 16:24, NRSV

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SEPTEMBER 2ND & 3RD, 2017**

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH WELCOMES YOU!!

<u>Divine Service with Communion each Saturday</u>	7:00 p.m.
<u>Divine Service with Communion each Sunday</u>	9:00 a.m.
<u>Coffee and Rolls in the Parish Hall</u>	10:00 a.m.
<u>Sunday School</u>	10:30 a.m. (ages 2 ½ - grade 8)
<u>Adult and High School Bible Class</u>	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.

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Hymn “In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

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Confession and Absolution

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Service of the Word

Introit (Congregation)



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.

Kyrie

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Hymn of Praise “This is the Feast”

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

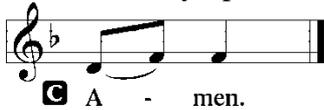


C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; 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

Jeremiah 15:15–21

¹⁵O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance take me not away; know that for your sake I bear reproach. ¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. ¹⁷I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because your hand was upon me, for you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Will you be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail? ¹⁹Therefore thus says the LORD: “If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall be as my mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. ²⁰And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, declares the LORD. ²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual (Congregation)

**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

Romans 12:9–21

⁹Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. ¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who

rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. ¹⁷Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Common Alleluia and Verse (Congregation-Saturday/Sunday)

C Alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 16:21–28

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



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

²¹From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." ²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? ²⁷For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. ²⁸Truly, I say to you, there are some

standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day “Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus” # 531

Sermon

Nicene Creed (Inside Back Cover of Hymnal)

Offering

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Prayer of the Church:

P let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

Service of the Sacrament

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Hymn “Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us” # 851

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: 22 Sunday: 101

This Week at Grace....

Today	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
	Bible Class/Sunday School	10:30 a.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:	Stu Endorf/Andy Gudgel
ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR:	Gretchen Buss
CANTORS:	Karl Heck/Shawn Pfanstiel
VIOLINIST:	Olivia Kim
TODAY'S GREETERS/USHERS:	Kurt Haecker/Jeremiah Ivers Bryan & Brooke Saddler
NEXT WEEKS GREETERS/USHERS:	Charlotte Smith/Sandy Yager Dean Bierhaus/Ralph Laskowski
CRUCIFER:	Jehron Soto
ACOLYTE:	Emma Huggins
RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR:	St. Paul's, Doniphan

BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY THIS MONTH? You are invited to help continue a 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.

Welcome OLIVIA and thank you for your willingness to share violin music with us. God's richest blessings to you!



Junior and Senior Choir rehearsals will begin on **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th**.



Sherry Thuer is stepping down as Sunday School Superintendent effective **September 10th**. If you are interested in the position please contact Kevin Liess, Mike Endorf, or Mark Thuer. Thank you

Sherry for serving as our Sunday School Superintendent.



PARENTS: There will be a meeting for those in catechism on **SEPTEMBER 6th**, at 7:00pm. If you are eligible for catechism, 1st or 2nd year, you are required to be at this meeting. There will also be an acolyte meeting, for those not trained, at 7:30pm. If you are in 3rd or 4th grade or have never been an acolyte before, please be in attendance at the acolyte meeting at 7:30pm.



Grace Guild will be celebrating the 75th birthday of

LWML for their September meeting on **SEPTEMBER 11th, at 7pm**, with a special Bible Study and some fun trivia. Members please bring a picture of past LWML or Circle events and school supplies for Orphan Grain Train. **All women of the congregation are invited to attend!** Anyone who would like to donate, items needed are: spiral notebooks, pencils, pens, crayons, construction paper, rulers, glue sticks, blunt scissors, washable markers and protractors. There is a box under the coat rack by the Fellowship Hall to put donations in. Thank you for your support!

HEARTLAND LUTHERAN'S QUILTS & CARS EVENT: The event this year will be on **OCTOBER 7TH**. We would love your crafts, quilts, home grown & homemade goodies to sell again this year. Thank you for your support in this fundraiser for Tuition Assistance.



The Young Adults Group will be having a Garage Sale on **Saturday, October 14th, from 8am-3pm**

here at Grace. (Please note the change of date) We will be accepting donations from now until October 1st. Please contact Brynn Saddler, Brody Sheeks, or any of the youth involved with the Young Adults Group