Grace Lutheran Worship Folder

January 20 & 21, 2024



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Grace Lutheran Church

Grace Lutheran's Purpose Statement

"We share God's love by welcoming all and making a Christ-like difference in our community and world."

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

WELCOME/PRELUDE

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)
(The assembly stands as you are comfortable)

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: God, our rock and refuge,
- C: we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.
- P: The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken: The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of + Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. We are God's beloved.
- C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

"I Love to Tell the Story"

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Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834-1911

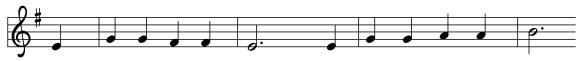
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GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the refining fire of the Holy Spirit, and the peace of God, which surpasses understanding, be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE



- 1 Have mer-cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol-emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer-cy on us, Christ, and wash a way our sin.
- 3 Have mer-cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de part.



We come to hear your liv-ing word; it saves us from de-spair. Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.

Re - new us with your sav-ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

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HYMN OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for ev er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.

Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand. For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(the assembly may be seated)

<u>WORD</u>

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

SCRIPTURE READINGS Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The book of Jonah is a comedy starring a reluctant prophet who is given a one-sentence message: Nineveh will be destroyed in forty days. Much to Jonah's dismay, the people of Nineveh repent. The point of the story is to get the reader to wrestle with the question "On whom should God have mercy?"

¹The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²"Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. ¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 62:5-12

God alone is my rock and my salvation. (Ps. 62:6)

⁵For God alone I wait in silence; truly, my hope is in God.

⁶God alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.

⁷In God is my deliverance and my honor;

God is my strong rock and my refuge.

⁸Put your trust in God always, O people,

pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge.

⁹Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath; those of low estate cannot be trusted. Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.

¹⁰Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

¹¹God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, that power belongs to God.

¹²Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord, for you repay all according to their deeds.

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Paul does not disapprove of marriage or other human social institutions. He does, however, want Christians to live in the present in fervent anticipation of God's future, which even now has dawned through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

²⁹Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(The assembly stands as they are comfortable for the Gospel)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Mark 1:14-20

Before Jesus calls his first disciples, he proclaims a message that becomes known as "the gospel" or good news from God. God is ready to rule our lives. Those who realize this will respond with repentance and faith.

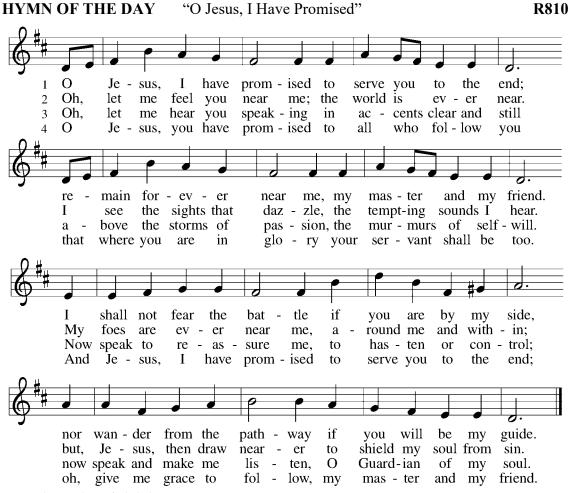
¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." ¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

HOMILY

(The assembly stands as they are comfortable)



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APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again;

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

(Response after each petition)

P: Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Christ.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY (the assembly stands as they are comfortable & sings as the gifts are brought forward)

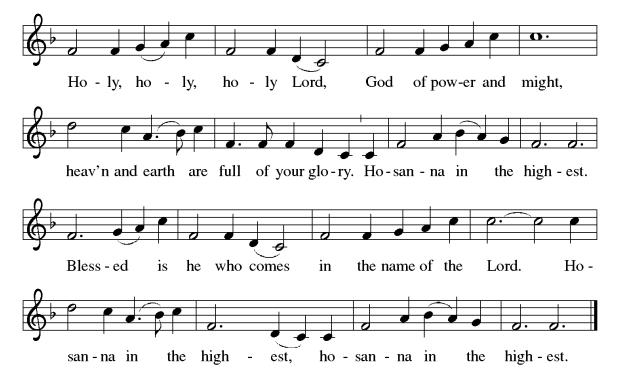


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- P: Let us pray...Blessed are you, Holy One,
- C: for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

- **P:** The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P: It is indeed our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...(concluding)...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER/WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory...

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we who share in Christ's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.



LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

(All who desire to receive Christ's presence in bread and wine are welcome to participate in the Eucharist) At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see.



- of О Lamb of God, you bear the sin all the world a - way;
- O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- Lamb of God, you bear the sin O of all the world a - way;



suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, you pray. free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we vou set us God you made: give us your peace, we peace with ter - nal

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COMMUNION HYMN "Light Shone in Darkness"

R307



- Light shone dark in ness at the new cre tion: a
- Light shines in dark ness till the full cre tion:



bath - ing in beau - ty na-ture's rev - e - la - tion. All that has Christ rose in glo - ry, won for us sal - va - tion. Sing, earth and heav - en, Christ's bod-y, groan-ing, suf-fers trib-u-la-tion, longs for God's jus-tice,



ad - o - ra - tion, "Praise for the light. men!" crv in ju - bi - la - tion, praise for hymns of the light. men! glob - al trans - for - ma - tion, light. prays for the men!

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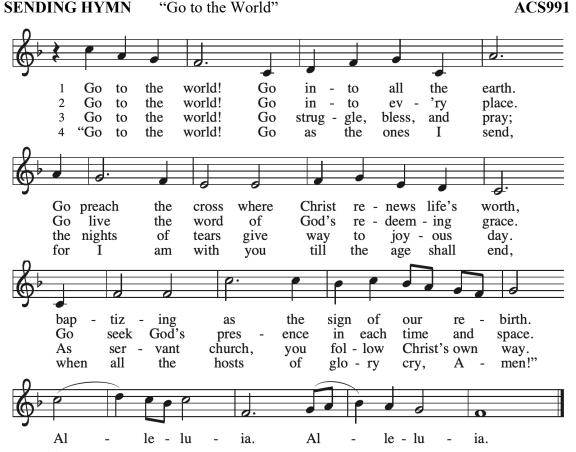
(the assembly stands as they are comfortable)

- P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us pray...God of every gift,
- C: Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

P: God who names us, Christ who claims us, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in us, + bless us and remain with us always.

C: Amen.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

P: Go in peace. You are God's beloved. C: Thanks be to God.



POSTLUDE

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT GRACE LUTHERAN

A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

We are glad to have you here worshiping with us. For visitors, we would be glad to tell you more about Grace Lutheran and how we share God's love. Please leave the best way to contact you on the visitor sheets in the Sanctuary Narthex or the Office Lobby or use the bulletin and give it to an usher.

COFFEE HOUR AFTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

Join us for a time of fellowship with coffee/tea/juice and treats in the Fellowship Hall off the Office Lobby after our Sunday worship.

ALTAR FLOWERS

In Memory of Alan Freel, given by Darlene Freel.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Mary Barney-Bock, Eleanor Coddington, Sandy Malaski, Janet Chroninger, Bonnie Cross, Elfie Jahnke, Budd & Marlene Jobson, Harry Kautz, Lisa Wooll, Kristin Berles, Don Barnard, Meredith Smith, Robert Larsen, Vicki Piontkowski, Elaine Hatch, Scott Lancaster, Gerald Lancaster, Dorothy Hansen, Larry & Emma Nelson, Michele Amelotte, Jim Malaski, Katherine Rettell -- Violet, Rhett, Eden, Annie Olsen, Brenda Donajkowski, Carl Smith, Rev. Laraine Sundin, Rev. Sarah Samuelson, Arlene Bettega, Duane Morin, Linda, Kaye Harry, Sandra Beck, Kevin Carlson, Laura Fettes (Don Cross' granddaughter), Arlie Prevost, Donna Kendziorski, Jeff Kendziorski, Geraldine Rhoads, James Marculewicz, Herb Schiller, Ann Haske, Joanne Coughlin, Jimmy Lappan, Donna Hatch, Jordyn, Maggie, Emily Cross, and Joseph Hansen.

PRAYER PARTNERS

From the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, this weekend we pray for the Music Ministry/Prayer Groups at All Saints Catholic Parish. Our Synod Prayer Partner for this week: Grace Lutheran Church/Lansing, Rev. Christin Fawcett, and Bishop Craig Satterlee and Synod Staff.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School resumes this Sunday, January 21st.

ADULT CE FOR JANUARY 21

Honoring Our Neighbor's Faith - Methodist Traditions

Our Sunday morning class returns to exploring other Christian denominations by looking at the Methodist traditions. The United Methodist Church is a full communion partner with the ELCA. The UMC is currently undergoing a split with many churches leaving. We will explore the tradition and where they are today.

LENT BEGINS FEBRUARY 14TH

Grace hosts Ash Wednesday Service - need Soups and Breads

We are just done with Christmas and Epiphany and Lent comes very early this year, starting on February 14th with Ash Wednesday. (That makes Easter March 31.) Grace is again hosting the Ash Wednesday service for the Ecumenical Lenten Series. We NEED SOUPS AND BREADS to serve that evening. Sign up sheet Office Lobby. Also help is needed for setup and clean up from the supper.

2024 FLOWER CHART

The 2024 flower chart is posted on the wall by the Office Lobby entrance. If you would like to place flowers on the altar, please sign the chart AND fill out an "Altar Flowers" form (located on the table by the flower chart) telling us what you would like printed in the bulletin.

THANK YOU TO ALL

THANKS to all who helped take down our Christmas decorations. Thanks to those who took down the big things. Thanks to those who saw all the little things that needed to be done, too.

Thanks to EVERYONE for Brunch on January 7th. A lot of eating, a lot of talking. A lot of Fellowship.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF (LWR) PERSONAL CARE KITS

Once again we will be collecting items for LWR Personal Care Kits. Please contribute what you are able to. Items needed for each kit (new items please):

- One light-weight bath-size towel (20"x40" to 52"x27"), <u>dark color</u> recommended
- 2-3 bath-size bars of soap totaling 8-9 oz, in original packaging (no mini-hotel size bars, please)
- One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging (toothbrush multi-packs may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business-size envelope; no plastic bags or wrap)
- One sturdy comb (no picks or fine toothed combs)
- One metal nail clippers (attached file optional)

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mark the envelope "Personal Care Kits." If writing a check, please make it out to "Grace Lutheran Church."

Collection will take place throughout January 2024. Items may be placed in tall basket just outside the Fellowship Hall.

SAVE THE DATE!

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH 150TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION DINNER Sunday, April 28, 2024

The dinner will be held here at Grace and catered by JJ's. Cost: \$20/person.

SWEETS & TREATS

If you make a special treat you would like to share at Coffee Hour after Sunday Worship, please sign up for a date in the Office Lobby.

POTATO PANCAKE SUPPER

Saturday, February 3 from 1-6 p.m. St Matthew Lutheran Church, 7109 Wolf Creek Rd., Herron Featuring: potato pancakes, sausage, homemade desserts, beverages \$15 Adults/\$5 children 5-12 years/under 5 free

SUNDAY WORSHIP LIVESTREAMED AND RECORDED

Our Sunday worship service is livestreamed, shown on the internet, as it is happening and recorded for viewing online later. People in the sanctuary attending the Sunday service may be seen as part of the livestream and recording.

GENERAL FUND GIVING FOR DECEMBER 2023

Average needed in December (4 weeks) to meet budget \$18,344.00 Monthly Giving - December \$21,509.47

We received:

151 envelopes, 64 Simply Giving recurring payments, and 9 Give+ payments made from our website





January 1 Jessica Timm

January 5 Ava Lappan

January 6 Anna-Marie Struble

January 7 Douglas Chroninger Olivia Haske

January 17 Erika Nicholls

January 18 Nancy Stachnik





January 19 Sandra Malaski Meredith Smith

January 20 Matthew Freel

January 21 Kasandra McInernev Ricky Slater

January 24 Brody Nowak

January 25 Lisa McIntosh

January 30 Hannah Matzke Erin McCourt

January 31 Brent Welch





Birthdays



January 16 Levi Konarzewski

January 5 Judy Black Ryan Schultz

Mitchell Agius

January 2

January 7 Susan Stacey

January 9 Arnold Jahnke

January 10 Michael Herrmann Elfie Jahnke Kat Tomaszewski

January 12 Rick Engstrom David Hansen

Allison Urlaub

January 19 Rhonda Himes

January 22 Michael Lang Elsa Phillips

January 25 Pamela Nowak

January 28 Jerry Charter

January 29 Madelyn Boyd

January 30 Judy Dorr Adam Urlaub





HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday – 21st	
9:00 am	Choir Practice
9:00 am	Sunday School
9:30 am	Worship
11:00 am	Adult Ed - Lounge
Monday - 22nd	
8am-noon	Church Office Open
Tuesday - 23rd	
8am-noon	Church Office Open
9:00 am	Sewing/Quilting
11:00 am	Pastor's Text Study
4:30 pm	Worship WG
Wednesday - 24th	
8am-noon	Church Office Open
1:30 pm	ReBoot Committee M
6:00 pm	Bell Choir Practice
Thursday - 25th	
8am-noon	Church Office Open
1:30 pm	TB Audubon Society
Friday - 26th	
8am-noon	Church Office Open
Saturday - 27th	
5:00 pm	Worship

Large print worship folders & hearing assistance devices are available from ushers

SERVING JANUARY 20/21

SERVING JANUARY 27/28

Ministers	God's People	
Pastor	Rev. Tom Orth	
Music Director	Claire Schreiber	
Recorded AccompanimentKat Tomaszewski		
Lector	Mike Urlaub	
Communion Asst Joe Gentry, Wayne Lewis		
Ushers. Wayne & Chris Christopherson (Sun.)		
Joel Fraley, Cir	ndy Domrase (Sat.)	
GreetersJo		
Altar Guild Arlis	St. Charles (Set Up)	
Joe & Dawn Gentry (Clean Up)		
Livestream Team Dawn Anderson, Jan		
Charter, Don LaBarre, Alex Struble		
Counters		
Coffee Hour	Dale & Pat Schultz	

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