

Grace Lutheran Church

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Resurrection of Our Lord, Easter Day

April 12, 2009

6:30 a.m., 8:15 a.m., & 10:45 a.m.

The Mission of Grace Lutheran Church is to bring the good news of God's saving grace, through Jesus Christ's life, death and resurrection to all to be free to be the people of God.

Welcome to Worship at Grace Lutheran Church

Companion Congregation: Msindo Parish in Tanzania

Prelude (6:30) **“Praised Be Thou, O Jesus Christ”** J.S. Bach

(8:15 & 10:45) **“Processional Entry”** Richard Strauss/Max Reger
Grace Brass, Tympani and Organ
(Please prepare for worship through quiet reflection and meditation)

Announcements

stand

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

P: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain! Alleluia!

C: He gives us new life and hope through his resurrection! Alleluia!

P: Rejoice then, even in your distress.

C: The Risen Christ is with us!

P: God has claimed us as his own.

C: God has called us from our darkness into the light of his day.

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

Hymn

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

#365

Grace Brass, Grace Bells, Tympani and Organ

P: In this season of baptismal rejoicing, let us call to mind the prophet's vision:

C: You shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. [Isaiah 58:10a,11b]

P: Let us pray. God of our salvation, through the waters of the sea you rescued your people from slavery and through the baptism of death Christ freed us from death's hold. Let us who have passed through baptismal waters know ourselves to be blessed with power and grace;

C: That all might share at the feast of the Lamb!

P: Risen Lord, victorious over death: in compassion for your troubled friends you appeared in many places, that they might dare again to trust. In a world of dire hunger and shattered faith, strengthen us, also, with signs of your presence;

C: That all might share at the feast of the Lamb!

P: Lord Jesus, hidden traveler along the road: at your companions' request you stayed for supper, and they recognized you in the breaking of the bread. Open our hearts to the words of those who walk beside us; move us to ask new friends to table,

C: That all might share at the feast of the Lamb!

P: God, whose will is well-being and life: you gave your apostles power to heal and to witness boldly before the rulers of the age. Inspire us also to speak with power for the sake of the hungry and the poor,

C: That all might share at the feast of the Lamb!

P: Gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting: your followers in Jerusalem acted with one heart and soul, owning all things in common and dividing their goods that none might need. As we gather like them for the breaking of the bread, give us freedom toward our belongings and glad and generous hearts,

C: That all might share at the feast of the Lamb!

P: O God, creator of all that lives and grows upon the earth: as springs of water refresh a garden, the waters of baptism have renewed your people, that we might flourish in beauty and give you praise. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, that we might pour ourselves out for the hungry, and rich and poor alike may feast in joy. In the name of Jesus we pray,

C: Amen.

(The above litany is from "Pour Yourself Out for the Hungry: A Resource for Worship," ©1993 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America)

Refrain
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us
 free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and
 strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.
Refrain
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the
 hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and
 might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
Final refrain
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P: The Risen Lord is with you.

C: **And is also with you.**

P: Let us pray...

C: O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Lesson

Isaiah 25:6-9

More than 700 years before Christ, the prophet Isaiah proclaims the good news of God's salvation and calls all people to rejoice! The Lord will make a rich feast for God's people. The Lord will wipe the tears from their eyes. And most importantly, the Lord will destroy death itself.

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“Easter Anthem”

William Billings

Chancel Choir

Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

The core of the Christian faith and Paul's preaching is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As the crucified and risen Christ appeared to the earliest of his followers, so we experience the presence of the risen Lord in the preaching of this faith.

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you — unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them — though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*
 Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Gospel Processional

The Bible will be taken to the middle of the aisle for the Gospel. Please face the Cross as the lesson is being read.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St Mark, the sixteenth chapter

GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Hymn of the Day "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing" #389

Apostles' Creed

C: 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 Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.

The Prayers

P: On this day, in boldness we pray...

C: God of new beginnings, hear us.

sit

Offering "O Lord Our God, Thy Sacred Word" J.S. Bach

stand

OFFERING PRAYER

L: Everlasting God, the whole universe sings a new song of praise: the rivers clap their hands, the hills ring out for joy. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us voices ready to cry out for justice and proclaim resurrection joy wherever your Spirit leads us. In Jesus' name we boldly pray.

C: Amen.

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise, call us to your table, grant us your life.

When the world was a formless void, you formed order and beauty.
When Abraham and Sarah were barren, you sent them a child. When the Israelites were enslaved, you led them to freedom, Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath, and the psalmists cried out for healing, and full of compassion, you granted the people your life.

You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother. He was born among the poor, he lived under oppression, he wept over the city. With infinite love, he granted the people your life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you, Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in by blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his death, we cry out...

C: Amen.

P: Celebrating his resurrection, we shout...

C: Amen.

P: Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead...

C: Amen.

P: O God, you are Breath; send your Spirit on this meal. O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself. O God, you are Wine: warm our hearts and make us one. O God, you are Fire: transform us with hope.

O God most majestic, O God most motherly, O God our strength and our song, you show us a vision of a tree of life with fruits for all and leaves that heal the nations. Grant us such life, the life of the Father to the Son, the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior, life in you, now and forever.

C: Amen

Lord's Prayer

**C: 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**

P: The Lord swallows up death forever and makes a feast of rich food and wine. Eat, drink, the gift is for you.

sit

Communion

Communion – We welcome to the Lord's table all baptized to receive Holy Communion. Children not instructed are invited to come forward for a blessing. If you would prefer to have grape juice, take a rose-colored glass from the inner ring of the tray

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
 us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
 take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymns: #462, #474, #515

stand

P: Let us pray. Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament you strengthen us with the saving power of your suffering, death, and resurrection. May this Sacrament of your body and blood so work in us that the way we live that the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C. Amen

Blessing

P: In the name of the God of life, the Creator, who in Christ, overcame the power of death;

In the name of Jesus, the Redeemer, who has gifted us lasting freedom;

In the name of the Spirit, the Sanctifier, who unites us in Christ;

Rise with Christ in your baptismal commitment, and inherit His life active in this world.

May God bless you so that your life may be holy. The Risen Lord unites us and sends us with forgiveness and healing for all.

C: AMEN

P: Go in peace. Serve the Risen Lord!

C. Thanks be to God!

Closing Hymn

“Thine Is the Glory”

#376

Postlude

“Hallelujah Chorus”

from *The Messiah*

G.F. Handel/arr. Mark Bernard

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We wish to thank Grace Brass and Grace Bells for their offering to the enhancement of the Easter Services.

If you are not able to come forward to take communion, please notify an usher before the service. Then try to sit by the aisle and the pastors will serve you communion in your pew.

Happy Birthday to the following people this week: Gary Harper, Rebecca Downard, Pablo Miramontes, Samantha Prescott, Bradley Moon, John Nelson, Emily Woodruff, Elva Regalado, Maya Uehling Lint, Jennie Wonderlin, Diane Bro, Brian Olson, Olivia Hynnek, Kelley Bowermaster, Devon Gonzalez, Matt Hagerty, Mark Stumme, Cherie Rissman, Brett Brindley, Jared Nelson, Luke Baehr, Lanette Kennebeck, DeVee Trickle, Thomas Gannon, Angela Sindergard, and Mira Voelker.

Education Opportunities

Adult Forum meets in Grace Hall 1 each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. – We will not have Adult Forum this morning.

Adult Bible Study meets Tuesday mornings, from 8:45 – 10:15 a.m., in Grace Hall II. They are studying the Book of 1 Samuel. Pastor Cline leads this class.

Family Easter Celebration - Children and families please join us this morning in the Sunday school rooms downstairs from 9:30-10:30 for a special Easter celebration. You may join us any time during that hour. Instead of regular Sunday school classes we will have stations in the rooms. Gather your family and join us in games, crafts, snacks and an Easter egg scavenger hunt! Don't miss out on this fun family celebration!

Easter Breakfast – You are invited to breakfast in Grace Hall, from 7:00 – 10:00 a.m. on Easter morning. It is being served by Men in Mission.

GraceWORKS, a new publication about the faith stories of our church, is available in the Gathering Hall. Pick up several copies and share with family, friends, neighbors and acquaintances. GraceWORKS is published by the Communications Team.

Hannah Circle will have their monthly meeting tomorrow night upstairs in the High School room at 7:00 p.m. We are a group of young to middle aged women who meet to serve the church, fellowship with one another and have dessert!

Lutheran Lakeside is holding its 16th Annual Quilt Auction April 18 at Augustana Lutheran Church in Sioux City. Quilts are handmade by individuals and women's groups who support the camp. The event begins with quilt viewing and lunch between 11:00am and 12:30pm. The auction begins at 1:00. If you are unable to attend but would like to send a gift, you may send it to Lutheran Lakeside Camp, 2491 170th St., Spirit Lake, IA 51360. Please indicate on your check your wishes to help with the quilt auction.

Do You Need Help? Men in Mission will help members of Grace, both women and men, with yard, garage, and basement cleaning. If you need any work done, please advise the church office. Your requests will be reviewed each Wednesday morning.

Summer Camp! Interested in summer camp at Lutheran Lakeside? For those who register by April 15, there is a \$15 discount. For more information about the camp and its programs, or to find out about campership money that is available, go to www.lutheranlakeside.com

EASTER SUNDAY, April 12

6:30 a.m. – Holy Communion
7:00-10:00 a.m. – Easter Breakfast in Grace Hall
8:15 a.m. – Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. – Family Easter Celebration
10:45 a.m. – Holy Communion
10:45 p.m. – Esperanza Holy Communion

MONDAY, April 13

Office closed

5:00 p.m. - TOPS
6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - AA in Grace Hall
7:00 p.m. – Hannah Circle in High School Room
7:00-9:00 p.m. - Crazy Talk in Gathering Hall

TUESDAY, April 14

8:30 a.m. - Prayer Service
8:45 a.m. - Bible Study
6:00 p.m. - TOPS
6:00 p.m. - Brass
7:00 p.m. – Octangle
7:00 p.m. – Finance Committee
7:00 p.m. - Adult Education Team in Conference Room

WEDNESDAY, April 15

9:00 a.m. – Willing Workers
5:30 p.m. - Book Discussion
5:30 – 6:00 p.m. – Chapel Chimers
6:00 – 6:30 p.m. – Youth Bells
6:00 – 6:30 p.m. – Youth Choir
6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Grace Bells
7:45 – 8:45 p.m. – Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, April 16

9:00 a.m. - Quilters
10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting
6:00 - 7:45 p.m. – Cub Scouts
6:45 - 9:00 p.m. – Embroidery Guild

SATURDAY, April 18

Lutheran Lakeside Quilt Auction at
Augustana Lutheran Church in Sioux City
4:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Liberian Association
7:00 p.m. - Esperanza Bible Study

SUNDAY, April 19

8:15 a.m. – Holy Communion
9:15 a.m. - Coffee
9:30 a.m. - Adult Forum, Education Hour/Brass
10:45 a.m. - Worship
10:45 a.m. – Esperanza Holy Communion
12:00 p.m. – El Puente Meeting in Grace Hall I

GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME TO GRACE!

Visitors and members are asked to sign the Attendance Registrations sheets which are found in each pew. Visitors, please sign the guest book at the Welcome Center.

Pastor - David Cline

Esperanza Pastors - Lorraine and José Luis Avendaño

Visitation Pastor – Michael Hershberger

Director of Music - Rich Dewein

Director of Laity Ministries - Stephanie Johnson

Grace Kids' Care Director - Heather Nelson

Office Administrator - Jackie Holmes

Building/Grounds - Luis Reaza

Receptionist - Diana Johnson

Publications Editor – Lori Fry

Lector – 6:30 Pastor Bill Kallestad; 8:15 Carol Woodruff;

10:45 Ro Zimany

Liturgist – 6:30 Alex Davik; 8:15 Doug Johnson; 10:45 Sarah Dewein

Acolytes – 8:15 Katie Farrell/Natasha Voelker;

10:45 McKenzie Carney/Jennie Wonderlin

Ushers – 6:30 Beth Flannery/Jessye Flannery

8:15 Dave Gronert/Bruce Bergman/Mike Heid/Len Ringgenberg;

10:45 Gary Nelson/Jay Wangerin

Communion Assistants – 8:15 Jeff Farrell/John Roehrick

10:45 Bill Kallestad/Pastor Bill Kallestad

Counters – 6:30 & 8:15 Mike Carney/Marv Simonsen;

10:45 Alex Davik/Mark Stumme

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