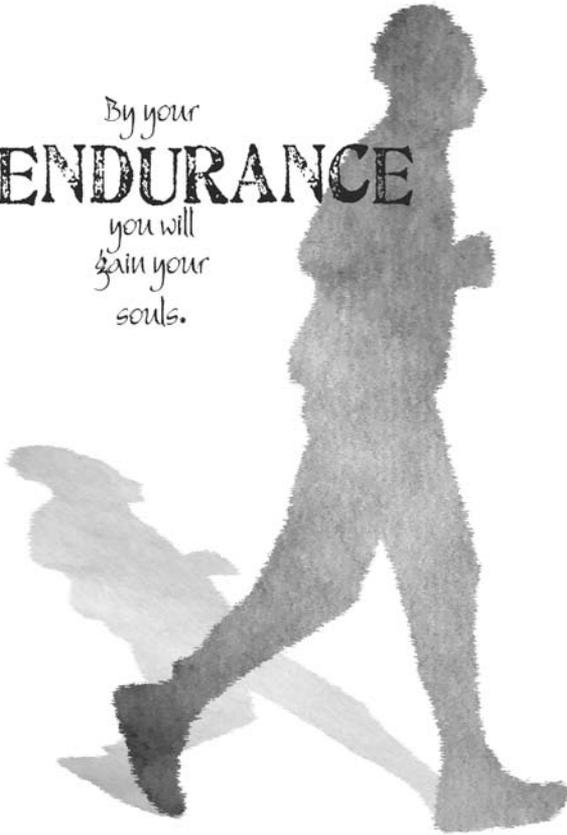


Grace Lutheran Church

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ENDURANCE
you will
gain your
souls.



LUKE 21:19, NRSV

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 14, 2010/el 14 de noviembre de 2010

8:15 & 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.

Nuestro propósito es traer la buenas de Dios a través de la muerte y resurrección de Jesucristo.

Welcome to Worship at Grace Lutheran Church
Bienvenidos a la Grace Lutheran Church
Companion Congregation: Msindo Parish in Tanzania
Comgregación de compañero: Msindo Parish en Tanzania

Prelude

"Aria"

Paul Manz

(Please prepare for worship through quiet reflection and meditation)

Announcements

stand

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God, the whole company of
heaven, and our sisters and brothers in this community.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Holy and gracious God,

C: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have lived only for the present, without regard for generations to come. We have sought the realms of this world, rather than your promised reign of justice and peace. Have mercy on us, forgive our sins, and bring us to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: How blessed are those whose sins are forgiven. In the mercy of
almighty God, I announce to you the entire forgiveness of your sins,
in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Passing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all,

C: And also with you!

Hymn

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

#853

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



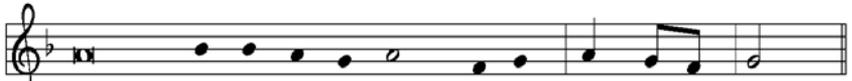
For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



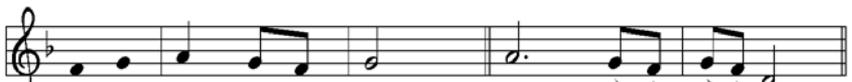
and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



Canticle of Praise

Refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The first line of the canticle features a single staff of music in G major. The melody begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, and G4. A slur covers the notes from A4 to G4. The lyrics 'This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below the staff.

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.

The second line of the canticle features a single staff of music. The melody continues from the previous line. The lyrics '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.' are written below the staff.

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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

The third line of the canticle features a single staff of music. The melody continues from the previous line. The lyrics '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' are written below the staff.



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



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 Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,

C: **O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

sit

First Lesson Malachi 4:1-2a

Malachi, whose name means "my messenger," warns that the day of the Lord is coming. On that day, the evil will be destroyed like stubble in a fire, but the "sun of righteousness" will shine on those who fear God.

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant

primera lectura

Malaquías 4:1-2a

¹ »Miren, ya viene el día, ardiente como un horno. Todos los soberbios y todos los malvados serán como paja, y aquel día les prenderá fuego hasta dejarlos sin raíz ni rama —dice el SEÑOR *Todopoderoso—. ² Pero para ustedes que temen mi *nombre, se

and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ²But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

levantará el sol de justicia trayendo en sus rayos^[a] salud. Y ustedes saldrán saltando como becerros recién alimentados.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**



In right-eous-ness will the LORD judge the world.

Psalm 98

R ¹Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done ¹marvelous things, whose right hand and holy arm have ¹won the victory.

²**O LORD, you have made ¹known your victory, you have revealed your righteousness in the sight ¹of the nations.**

³You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the ¹house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the victory ¹of our God.

⁴**Shout with joy to the LORD, ¹all you lands; lift up your voice, re- ¹joice, and sing. R**

⁵Sing to the LORD ¹with the harp, with the harp and the ¹voice of song.

⁶**With trumpets and the sound ¹of the horn shout with joy before the ¹king, the LORD.**

Salmos 98

R ¹Canten al SEÑOR un cántico nuevo, porque ha hecho maravillas. Su diestra, su santo brazo, ha alcanzado la *victoria.

²**El SEÑOR ha hecho gala de su *triumfo; ha mostrado su justicia a las naciones.**

³Se ha acordado de su amor y de su fidelidad por el pueblo de Israel; ¡todos los confines de la tierra son testigos de la *salvación de nuestro Dios!

⁴**¡Aclamen alegres al SEÑOR, habitantes de toda la tierra! ¡Prorrumpen en alegres cánticos y salmos! R**

⁵¡Canten salmos al SEÑOR al son del arpa, al son del arpa y de coros melodiosos!

⁶**¡Aclamen alegres al SEÑOR, el Rey, al son de clarines y**

⁷Let the sea roar, and ¹all that fills it, the world and those who ¹dwell therein.

⁸Let the rivers ¹clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to ¹judge the earth.

⁹The LORD will judge the ¹world with righteousness and the peo- ¹ples with equity. **R**

trompetas!

⁷ ¡Brame el mar y todo lo que él contiene; el mundo y todos sus habitantes!

⁸ **¡Batan palmas los ríos, y canten jubilosos todos los montes!**

⁹ Canten delante del SEÑOR, que ya viene a juzgar la tierra. Y juzgará al mundo con justicia, a los pueblos con equidad. **R**

Anthem

"This Little Light of Mine"

Youth Bells

Arr. by Martha Lynn Thompson

"'Tis The Old Ship of Zion"

Chapel Chimers

Carol Woodruff, Director

Arr. by Martha Lynn Thompson

Second Lesson

2 Thessalonians 3:6–13

Some members of the Thessalonian community, because of their belief in the nearness of Christ's return, had ceased to work, living off the generosity of other members of the community. Paul warns them bluntly that if they want to eat, they need to work.

⁶Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and

segundo lectura

2 Tesalonicenses 3:6-13

⁶ Hermanos, en el nombre del Señor Jesucristo les ordenamos que se aparten de todo hermano que esté viviendo como un vago y no según las enseñanzas recibidas ^[a] de nosotros. ⁷ Ustedes mismos saben cómo deben seguir nuestro ejemplo. Nosotros no vivimos como ociosos entre ustedes, ⁸ ni comimos el pan de nadie sin pagarlo. Al contrario, día y noche trabajamos arduamente y sin descanso para no ser una carga a ninguno de ustedes. ⁹ Y lo hicimos así, no porque no tuviéramos derecho a tal ayuda, sino para darles buen ejemplo. ¹⁰ Porque incluso cuando estábamos con ustedes, les ordenamos: «El que no quiera trabajar, que tampoco

day, so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹²Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

coma.»
¹¹ Nos hemos enterado de que entre ustedes hay algunos que andan de vagos, sin trabajar en nada, y que sólo se ocupan de lo que no les importa. ¹² A tales personas les ordenamos y exhortamos en el Señor Jesucristo que tranquilamente se pongan a trabajar para ganarse la vida. ¹³ Ustedes, hermanos, no se cansen de hacer el bien.

L: The word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

stand

Gospel Acclamation

C: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Repeat alleluia

L: Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the Twenty-First Chapter.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel**Luke 21:5-19**

As history moves toward God's fulfillment there will be frightening signs and events. Before the end, believers will draw strength from their relationship to God and shall be given the words they need to testify and to endure without fear.

⁵When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ⁶As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down. ⁷They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" ⁸And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. ⁹When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately. ¹⁰Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. ¹²But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought

el Evangelio**Lucas 21:5-19**

⁵ Algunos de sus discípulos comentaban acerca del *templo, de cómo estaba adornado con hermosas piedras y con ofrendas dedicadas a Dios. Pero Jesús dijo: ⁶—En cuanto a todo esto que ven ustedes, llegará el día en que no quedará piedra sobre piedra; todo será derribado. ⁷—Maestro—le preguntaron—, ¿cuándo sucederá eso, y cuál será la señal de que está a punto de suceder? ⁸—Tengan cuidado; no se dejen engañar—les advirtió Jesús—. Vendrán muchos que usando mi nombre dirán: "Yo soy", y: "El tiempo está cerca." No los sigan ustedes. ⁹ Cuando sepan de guerras y de revoluciones, no se asusten. Es necesario que eso suceda primero, pero el fin no vendrá en seguida. ¹⁰ »Se levantará nación contra nación, y reino contra reino—continuó—. ¹¹ Habrá grandes terremotos, hambre y epidemias por todas partes, cosas espantosas y grandes señales del cielo. ¹² »Pero antes de todo esto, echarán mano de ustedes y los perseguirán. Los entregarán a las sinagogas y a las cárceles, y por causa de mi nombre los llevarán ante reyes y gobernadores. ¹³ Así tendrán ustedes la oportunidad de dar testimonio ante ellos. ¹⁴ Pero tengan en cuenta que no hay por qué preparar una defensa de antemano, ¹⁵ pues yo mismo les daré tal elocuencia y sabiduría para

before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; ¹⁵for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your souls.

responder, que ningún adversario podrá resistirles ni contradecirles.¹⁶ Ustedes serán traicionados aun por sus padres, hermanos, parientes y amigos, y a algunos de ustedes se les dará muerte.¹⁷ Todo el mundo los odiará por causa de mi nombre.¹⁸ Pero no se perderá ni un solo cabello de su cabeza.¹⁹ Si se mantienen firmes, se salvarán.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

sit
Children's Sermon

Sermon "Is There A Doctor in the House?"

stand
Hymn "If You But Trust in God to Guide You" #769

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
 Holy Spirit,
 born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

El Credo Apostólico
**Creo en Dios Padre todopoderoso,
 creador del cielo y de la tierra.
 Creo en Jesucristo, su único Hijo,
 nuestro Señor.
 Fue concebido por obra del
 Espíritu Santo
 y nació de la Virgen María.
 Padeció bajo el poder de Poncio
 Pilato,**

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.

fue crucificado, muerto y sepultado.
Descendió a los muertos.
Al tercer día resucitó
subió a los cielos,
y está sentado a la diestra del Padre.
Volverá para juzgar a los vivos y a los muertos.
Creo en el Espíritu Santo,
la santa iglesia católica,
la comunión de los santos,
el perdón de los pecados,
la resurrección del cuerpo,
y la vida eterna. Amén.

The Non-Communion Service continues on page 15.

Prayers of Intercession

P: Hear us O God,

C: Your mercy is great.

P: You are the hope of all creation, merciful God, and we lift our prayers to you, trusting in the name that is above every name, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

All: God of Love, pour out your unifying Spirit upon us. Awaken your gifts in us so we can faithfully build up the body of Christ. Equip us for the work of your ministry here at Grace. In Jesus' Holy Name, Amen.

sit

The Offering "If You But Trust in God to Guide You" Paul Manz
stand

Offering Prayer

P: God of our salvation, receive these gifts, signs of your gracious love, give us a foretaste of the feast to come, and lead us to the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

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.

The musical score consists of four staves of music in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy

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.

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Thanksgiving at the Table

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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 my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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**

El Padrenuestro
**Padre nuestro
que estás en el cielo,
santificado sea tu nombre.
Venga tu reino.
Hágase tu voluntad
en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada
día.
Perdona nuestras ofensas
como también nosotros
perdonamos a los que nos
ofenden.
No nos dejes caer en tentación
y líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
tuyo es el poder y tuya es la
gloria, ahora y siempre. Amén**

Invitation to Communion

P: Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

sit

Communion Song



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: #623, #496, #528

Communion – We welcome all people to the Lord’s Table 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. Communion bread is gluten free.

La santa cena -- Todos quien son bautizados están invitados a recibir la Santa Cena. Los niños que no han tomado la clase de primera comunión están invitados a recibir una bendición. Si usted prefiere tener jugo de uva, utilice un vidrio de color rosa.

stand

Prayer after Communion

P: Remember us, and all the faithful, when you come into your kingdom, O Lord. As you have fed us with holy food and drink, send us into the world to live as your holy people, until we come to the full vision of your glory, for you are Lord, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Blessing

P: The church is surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. May you find strength and courage in their presence. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Hymn **"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"** **#597**

Postlude **"Prelude and Fugue in G"** J. S. Bach

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The Non-Communion service continues here

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The Offering "If You But Trust in God to Guide You" Paul Manz

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thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
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Venga tu reino.

Hágase tu voluntad

en la tierra como en el cielo.

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Postlude "Prelude and Fugue in G" J. S. Bach



Parents, we welcome children in the worship service. If children become restless, or begin crying, we encourage you to take children to the Gathering Hall where the service is broadcast.

Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

Flowers on the altar are to the glory of God, given by Lenora and Norm Iverson in memory of loved ones.

Happy Birthday to the following people this week! Larry Buell, Carol Mattes, Blake Edwards, Kristene Shortell, Wilma Frost, Gary Batten, Mark Ridnour, Joseph Kennebeck, Karlton Peters, Haley Dostalick, Emma Mattes, Lyle Black, Gloria Moon, Richard Hirschauer, Susan Johnson, Nick Medhurst, and Rudy Vasquez.

Education Opportunities



Combat Hunger Intergenerational Event TODAY! At 9:30 a.m., the Youth Education Team will be hosting an Intergenerational Sunday School event in Grace Hall. The theme will be Combatting Hunger in the World. The guest speaker will be Sarah Bonefas, Program Coordinator for the Food Bank of Central Iowa. Help our children collaborate with others to combat hunger by attending this event and by dropping off canned food items at the Combat Hunger table in the Gathering Hall today.

Adult Forum meets in Grace Hall 1 each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. –

This morning, please join us for the Intergenerational Combat Hunger event. **Next week**, Pastor Tim will be talking about the new youth Bible, "Here I Stand."

1 John Bible Study – This 4-week study continues at 9:30 this morning as we explore our relationship with Jesus and how that defines our expression of faith. We meet in room 103, and all are welcome to join us even if you missed previous sessions.

English/Spanish classes will be held on Wednesdays from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in Esperanza Café. All are welcome.

Adult Bible Study meets Tuesday mornings, from 8:45–10:15a.m., in Grace Hall II. Pastor Johnson leads this study.

Lectionary Study on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. Mark Mattes and Leonard Larsen lead this study.

A Stephen Minister is available each Sunday between services in the Upper Room if you are in need of a listening ear and/or prayers.

The Companion Congregation Committee will be meeting on this morning, at 9:30 a.m., in the Conference Room. We welcome all people who are interested in learning more about the relationship Grace has with Msindo and Mararo parishes. Hope to see you there.

Fellowship Team meeting: Come one come all! We are meeting on Monday, November 15, at 6:30 p.m., in the Gathering Hall to debrief the Halloween party and begin plans for the next event. If you would like to be a part of this new group, we would love to have you join us. Welcome!

Lydia Circle will meet Tuesday evening, November 16, at 6:00 p.m., for a traditional ham dinner. The program will be on Thanksgiving hymns.



Super Wednesday suppers are from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in Grace Hall I. This week Kristin Medhurst and Beth Flannery will be serving Roast Beef Sundaes.

We had another successful year with the Sunday School vegetable garden, donating over 70 pounds of fresh produce to the DMARC food pantry. Our donations included cucumbers, lettuce, green peppers, tomatoes, grape tomatoes, green beans, broccoli, potatoes, butternut squash, and small pumpkins. Many thanks to the students (and their parents!) who helped over the summer, and to the Willing Workers who helped with tilling, setting up the fence, and the fall clean-up of the area. Also, thank you to the Endowment Committee who approved our request to purchase a rain barrel, and the property committee who assisted with its installation.

The Call Committee has sent in the ministry site profile to the Synod. They met last Sunday, and will meet again today, to formulate interview questions for the future candidates.

The Thanksgiving Service with Immanuel Methodist will be held here at Grace on Wednesday, November 24, at 7:00 p.m. Fellowship and refreshments will follow.

Advent Devotions will start being distributed on November 28. A few more writers are needed, so please sign up at Volunteer Central if you would like to share your gifts in this way. To receive devotions by e-mail, a sign up is available for that as well.

Presiding Bishop's Town Hall Forum: The next one will be Sunday, November 21 at 5:00 p.m. EST. Presiding Bishop Mark Hanson uses this time as a way to engage in conversation with ELCA members and to share his hopes and priorities for the church. There is an opportunity for participants to ask questions and to share stories about their congregation's life-changing mission and ministries. Please go to <http://www.elca.org/townhall> for more information about how to connect.



Save the dates: **The Children's Christmas Program** will be presented on December 19 at the 10:45 worship service. From Nov. 21 – Dec. 12 we will be having rehearsals during the Sunday School opening. If you haven't already returned your participation forms, please drop them off in the envelope outside the Sunday School office. A dress rehearsal is scheduled for Saturday, December 18, at 10:00 a.m.

Stephen Ministry: God Gives the Growth



What is Stephen Ministry? Stephen Ministry is a ministry, here at Grace, in which trained and supervised lay people provide one-to-one Christian care to individuals facing life challenges or difficulties. Stephen Ministry is a ministry of listening. Think of a time when you really felt cared for. Chances are someone focused on what you had to say, was attentive to your needs and listened to how you felt instead of telling you how you should feel or what to do.

Beginning in January a new class to train Stephen Ministers will start. On Monday, November 15 (tomorrow) at 7:00 pm there will be an informational meeting to explain more in depth about the Stephen Ministry program here at Grace. This meeting will take place in the Upper Room. Anyone in the congregation is invited to come and learn about the program and to ask questions. Between now and then, pray for God's continued guidance of the Stephen Ministry program and more importantly, listen. Listen to hear God's call of service to become a

Stephen Minister and be a part of a great team of people trained to be God's caregivers in our congregation.

Grace has had a Stephen Ministry program for nearly ten years and numerous members of our congregation have benefited from a Stephen Minister. Kate Schaller and Howard Kulzer are the current Stephen Leaders and will be teaching the new class. Please feel free to contact them if you have any questions about Stephen Ministry.

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.

Interim Pastor – Tim Johnson

Director of Music - Rich Dewein

Director of Laity Ministries - Stephanie Johnson

Grace Kids' Care Director - Heather Nelson

Office Administrator - Jackie Holmes

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Publications Editor – Lori Fry

Organist - Rich Snyder

Lector – 8:15 Julie Honsey; 10:45 Ro Zimany

Liturgist – 8:15 Paul Kallenbach; 10:45 Kelley Bowermaster

Acolytes – 8:15 Natasha Voelker; 10:45 Paul Weaver/Christina Anderson

Ushers – 8:15 Carol Krause/Jerry Westercamp/Mike Peterman/
Kevin Drury; 10:45 Jay Wangerin/Mike Carney/Bill Jensen/
Gary Nelson

Communion Assistants – Sean & Mindy Stickrod

Altar Guild – Connie Heuton/Jane Ridnour/Rita Stackhouse

Counters – 8:15 Mike Carney/Marv Simonsen; 10:45 Tom McCleary/
Alex Davik

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

SUNDAY, November 14

- 8:15 a.m. – Worship Service
- 9:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship
- 9:30 a.m. – Brass
- 9:30 a.m. – Intergenerational Combat Hunger Event in Grace Hall
- 9:30 a.m. – Stephen Minister available in Upper Room
- 9:30 a.m. – Companion Congregation in Conference Room
- 10:45 a.m. – Holy Communion with Spanish Translation Available
- 12:00 p.m. - High School Retreat group will return to church

MONDAY, November 15

- 4:00 p.m. - TOPS
- 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - AA in Grace Hall
- 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Stephen's Supervision
- 6:30 p.m. - Fellowship Team Meeting in Gathering Hall
- 5:45 p.m. - Worship Committee in Conference Room

TUESDAY, November 16

- 8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer
- 8:45 a.m. - Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. – TOPS
- 6:00 p.m. - Lydia Circle - Final meeting for the season
- 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. - Grace Memory Makers Scrapbooking
- 7:00 p.m. - Property Committee in Conference Room
- 7:00 p.m. - Council/Finance Meeting in Esperanza Chapel

WEDNESDAY, November 17

- 9:00 a.m. – Willing Workers
- 11:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting
- 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. – Super Wednesday Supper
- 5:30 p.m. - Book Discussion in Library
- 5:30 - 5:55 p.m. – Chapel Chimers
- 6:00 p.m. - Confirmation Service Project
- 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Lectionary Study in Conference Rm.
- 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. – English/Spanish Class in Esperanza Café
- 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. - Youth Bells (grades 6-12)
- 6:00 – 6:25 p.m. – Youth Choir (grades 1-5)
- 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Grace Bells
- 6:30 p.m. – Grace Brass
- 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Confirmation in Esperanza Chapel
- 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Pray & Play Hour (ages 4-5)

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Kids’ Hour (Grades 1-5)

7:45 - 8:45 p.m. - Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, November 18

9:00 a.m. – Quilters

1:30 p.m. - Calvin Community Communion

5:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Cub Scouts

6:45 - 9:00 p.m. - Embroidery Guild

SUNDAY, November 21

8:15 a.m. – Holy Communion Service

9:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship

9:30 a.m. - Adult Forum, Education Hour, Brass

9:30 a.m. – Stephen Minister available in Upper Room

10:45 a.m. – Worship Service with Spanish Translation Available

