

# Grace Lutheran Church

3010 52nd St. Des Moines, Iowa 50310



## Fourth Sunday in Lent

April 3, 2011/el 3 de abril de 2011

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

Congregación de compañero: Msindo Parish en Tanzania

#### Prelude "Change Ring Prelude on *Divinum Mysterium*"

Grace Bells arr. Fred Gramman

*(Please prepare for worship through quiet reflection and meditation)*

#### Announcements

##### Temple Talk

Jerry Fritsch  
Lutheran Lakeside Camp

*stand*

#### Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the well of eternal life, the light of the world, the breath giving life to dry bones.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Gracious God,

**C: we confess that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Forgive  
us and give us strength to turn from sin and to serve you in  
newness of life. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all 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

"Be Thou My Vision"

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Greeting

P: The free gift of grace in Jesus Christ, the reconciling love of God, and the life and peace of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

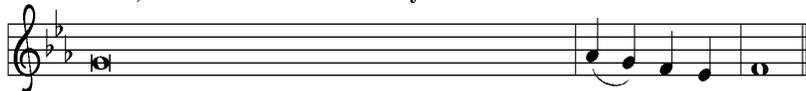
Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



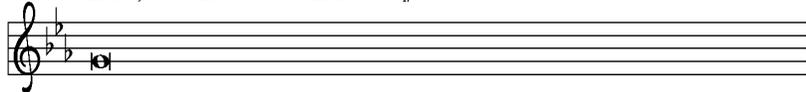
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



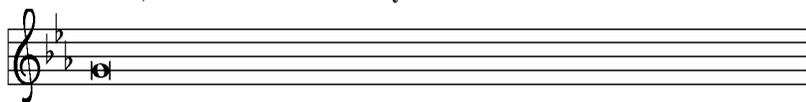
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



A - men, a - men.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

C: Bend your ear to our prayers, Lord Christ, and come among us. By your gracious life and death for us, bring light into the darkness of our hearts, and anoint us with your Spirit, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*sit*

The Lesson Ephesians 5:8-14

*Because we now live in the divine light that is Jesus Christ, we conduct our lives in ways that reflect the light of Christ, so that our activity is truly pleasing to God.*

<sup>8</sup>For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light — <sup>9</sup>for

la lectura

Efesios 5:8-14

<sup>8</sup> Porque ustedes antes eran oscuridad, pero ahora son luz en el Señor. Vivan como hijos de luz<sup>9</sup> (el fruto de la luz consiste en toda bondad, justicia y verdad)<sup>10</sup> y comprueben lo que agrada al Señor.<sup>11</sup> No tengan nada que ver con las obras infructuosas de la oscuridad, sino más bien

the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. <sup>10</sup>Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup>Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. <sup>12</sup>For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; <sup>13</sup>but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, <sup>14</sup>for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

denúncienlas,<sup>12</sup> porque da vergüenza aun mencionar lo que los desobedientes hacen en secreto.<sup>13</sup> Pero todo lo que la luz pone al descubierto se hace visible,<sup>14</sup> porque la luz es lo que hace que todo sea visible. Por eso se dice: «Despiértate, tú que duermes, \*levántate de entre los muertos, y te alumbrará Cristo.»

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**



**Psalm 23**

**R** <sup>1</sup>The LORD <sup>1</sup>is my shepherd; I shall not <sup>1</sup>be in want.  
<sup>2</sup>**The LORD makes me lie down <sup>1</sup>in green pastures and leads me be- <sup>1</sup>side still waters.**  
<sup>3</sup>You restore my <sup>1</sup>soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways <sup>1</sup>for your name's sake.  
<sup>4</sup>**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall <sup>1</sup>fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they <sup>1</sup>comfort me. R**

**Salmos 23**

**R** <sup>1</sup>El SEÑOR es mi \*pastor, nada me falta;  
<sup>2</sup>**en verdes pastos me hace descansar. Junto a tranquilas aguas me conduce;**  
<sup>3</sup>me infunde nuevas \*fuerzas. Me guía por sendas de \*justicia por amor a su \*nombre.  
<sup>4</sup>**Aun si voy por valles tenebrosos, no temo peligro alguno porque tú estás a mi lado; tu vara de pastor me reconforta. R**

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence <sup>1</sup>of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is <sup>1</sup>running over.  
<sup>6</sup>**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days <sup>1</sup>of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the <sup>1</sup>LORD forever. R**

<sup>5</sup>Dispones ante mí un banquete en presencia de mis enemigos. Has ungido con perfume mi cabeza; has llenado mi copa a rebosar.  
<sup>6</sup>**La bondad y el amor me seguirán todos los días de mi vida; y en la casa del SEÑOR habitaré para siempre.**

**Anthem "What Wondrous Love Is This"**

Grace Bells arr. Anna Laura Page

**Children's Sermon**

Brent Stanek  
Lutheran Lakeside Camp

stand

**Gospel Acclamation (1st time Liturgist, 2nd time Congregation)**



P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Ninth Chapter

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**The Gospel John 9:1-41**

*Jesus heals a man born blind, provoking a hostile reaction that he regards as spiritual blindness to the things of God.*

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup>His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who

**el Evangelio Juan 9:1-41**

<sup>1</sup>A su paso, Jesús vio a un hombre que era ciego de nacimiento. <sup>2</sup>Y sus discípulos le preguntaron: —Rabí, para que este hombre haya nacido ciego, ¿quién pecó, él o sus padres? <sup>3</sup>—Ni él pecó, ni sus padres — respondió Jesús—, sino que esto

sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. <sup>4</sup>We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. <sup>5</sup>As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." <sup>6</sup>When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, <sup>7</sup>saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. <sup>8</sup>The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" <sup>9</sup>Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." <sup>10</sup>But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" <sup>11</sup>He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." <sup>12</sup>They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." <sup>13</sup>They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. <sup>14</sup>Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. <sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees

sucedió para que la obra de Dios se hiciera evidente en su vida.<sup>4</sup> Mientras sea de día, tenemos que llevar a cabo la obra del que me envió. Viene la noche cuando nadie puede trabajar.<sup>5</sup> Mientras esté yo en el mundo, luz soy del mundo. <sup>6</sup> Dicho esto, escupió en el suelo, hizo barro con la saliva y se lo untó en los ojos al ciego, diciéndole: <sup>7</sup> —Ve y lávate en el estanque de Siloé (que significa: Enviado). El ciego fue y se lavó, y al volver ya veía. <sup>8</sup> Sus vecinos y los que lo habían visto pedir limosna decían: «¿No es éste el que se sienta a mendigar?»<sup>9</sup> Unos aseguraban: «Sí, es él.» Otros decían: «No es él, sino que se le parece.» Pero él insistía: «Soy yo.» <sup>10</sup> —¿Cómo entonces se te han abierto los ojos? —le preguntaron. <sup>11</sup> —Ese hombre que se llama Jesús hizo un poco de barro, me lo untó en los ojos y me dijo: "Ve y lávate en Siloé." Así que fui, me lavé, y entonces pude ver. <sup>12</sup> —¿Y dónde está ese hombre? —le preguntaron. —No lo sé —respondió. <sup>13</sup> Llevaron ante los \*fariseos al que había sido ciego.<sup>14</sup> Era \*sábado cuando Jesús hizo el barro y le abrió los ojos al ciego.<sup>15</sup> Por eso los fariseos, a su vez, le preguntaron cómo había recibido la vista. —Me untó barro en los ojos, me lavé, y ahora veo —respondió. <sup>16</sup> Algunos de los fariseos comentaban: «Ese

also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." <sup>16</sup>Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. <sup>17</sup>So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." <sup>18</sup>The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight <sup>19</sup>and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" <sup>20</sup>His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; <sup>21</sup>but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." <sup>22</sup>His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. <sup>23</sup>Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." <sup>24</sup>So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner."

hombre no viene de parte de Dios, porque no respeta el sábado.» Otros objetaban: «¿Cómo puede un pecador hacer semejantes señales?» Y había desacuerdo entre ellos. <sup>17</sup> Por eso interrogaron de nuevo al ciego: —¿Y qué opinas tú de él? Fue a ti a quien te abrió los ojos. —Yo digo que es profeta —contestó. <sup>18</sup> Pero los judíos no creían que el hombre hubiera sido ciego y que ahora viera, y hasta llamaron a sus padres<sup>19</sup> y les preguntaron: —¿Es éste su hijo, el que dicen ustedes que nació ciego? ¿Cómo es que ahora puede ver? <sup>20</sup> —Sabemos que éste es nuestro hijo —contestaron los padres—, y sabemos también que nació ciego.<sup>21</sup> Lo que no sabemos es cómo ahora puede ver, ni quién le abrió los ojos. Pregúntenselo a él, que ya es mayor de edad y puede responder por sí mismo. <sup>22</sup> Sus padres contestaron así por miedo a los judíos, pues ya éstos habían convenido que se expulsara de la sinagoga a todo el que reconociera que Jesús era el \*Cristo.<sup>23</sup> Por eso dijeron sus padres: «Pregúntenselo a él, que ya es mayor de edad.» <sup>24</sup> Por segunda vez llamaron los judíos al que había sido ciego, y le dijeron: —Júralo por Dios.<sup>[a]</sup> A nosotros nos consta que ese hombre es \*pecador. <sup>25</sup> —Si es pecador, no lo sé —respondió el hombre—. Lo único que sé es que yo era

<sup>25</sup>He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." <sup>26</sup>They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" <sup>27</sup>He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" <sup>28</sup>Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses." <sup>29</sup>We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." <sup>30</sup>The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes." <sup>31</sup>We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. <sup>32</sup>Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. <sup>33</sup>If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." <sup>34</sup>They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out. <sup>35</sup>Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" <sup>36</sup>He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." <sup>37</sup>Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking

ciego y ahora veo. <sup>26</sup> Pero ellos le insistieron: —¿Qué te hizo? ¿Cómo te abrió los ojos? <sup>27</sup> —Ya les dije y no me hicieron caso. ¿Por qué quieren oírlo de nuevo? ¿Es que también ustedes quieren hacerse sus discípulos? <sup>28</sup> Entonces lo insultaron y le dijeron: —¡Discípulo de ése lo serás tú! ¡Nosotros somos discípulos de Moisés!<sup>29</sup> Y sabemos que a Moisés le habló Dios; pero de éste no sabemos ni de dónde salió. <sup>30</sup> —¡Allí está lo sorprendente! —respondió el hombre—: que ustedes no sepan de dónde salió, y que a mí me haya abierto los ojos.<sup>31</sup> Sabemos que Dios no escucha a los pecadores, pero sí a los piadosos y a quienes hacen su voluntad.<sup>32</sup> Jamás se ha sabido que alguien le haya abierto los ojos a uno que nació ciego.<sup>33</sup> Si este hombre no viniera de parte de Dios, no podría hacer nada. <sup>34</sup> Ellos replicaron: —Tú, que naciste sumido en pecado, ¿vas a darnos lecciones? Y lo expulsaron. <sup>35</sup> Jesús se enteró de que habían expulsado a aquel hombre, y al encontrarlo le preguntó: —¿Crees en el Hijo del hombre? <sup>36</sup> —¿Quién es, Señor? Dímelo, para que crea en él. <sup>37</sup> —Pues ya lo has visto —le contestó Jesús—; es el que está hablando contigo. <sup>38</sup> —Creo, Señor —declaró el

with you is he." <sup>38</sup>He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." <sup>40</sup>Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" <sup>41</sup>Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains.

hombre. Y, postrándose, lo adoró. <sup>39</sup> Entonces Jesús dijo: —Yo he venido a este mundo para juzgarlo, para que los ciegos vean, y los que ven se queden ciegos. <sup>40</sup> Algunos fariseos que estaban con él, al oírlo hablar así, le preguntaron: —¿Qué? ¿Acaso también nosotros somos ciegos? <sup>41</sup> Jesús les contestó: —Si fueran ciegos, no serían culpables de pecado, pero como afirman que ven, su pecado permanece.

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

### Sermon

*stand*

### Hymn

“Christ, Be Our Light”

#715

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,  
was crucified, died, and was  
buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose  
again;  
he ascended into heaven,**

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,  
fue crucificado, muerto y  
sepultado.  
Descendió a los muertos.  
Al tercer día resucitó  
subió a los cielos,  
y está sentado a la diestra del**

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.

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.

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### The Prayers

P: We pray,

C: "O Lord, Hear My Prayer"

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All: God of love, pour out your unifying Spirit upon us. We give you thanks for the blessing of this community of faith. Continue to awaken your gifts in us so we can faithfully build up the body of Christ. Strengthen us to answer the call to the work of your ministry here at Grace. In Jesus' holy name, Amen.

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The Offering "Amazing Grace" setting Dale Wood

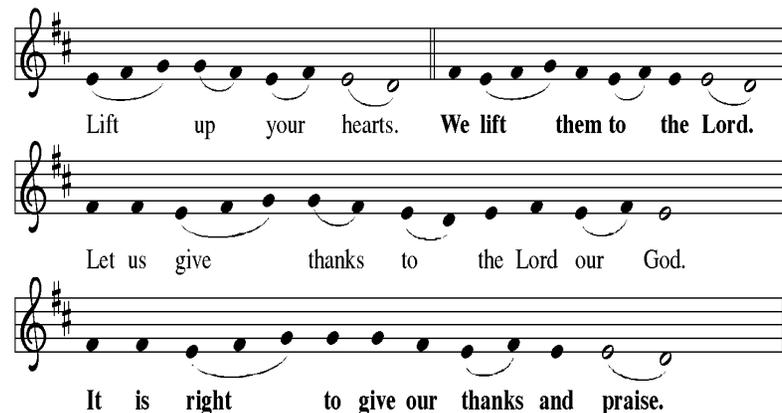
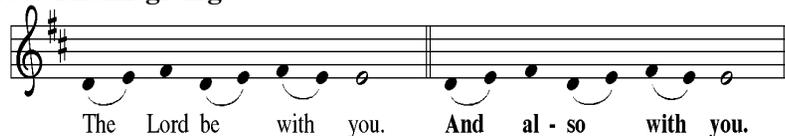
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### Offering prayer

P: God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

### Great Thanksgiving



### Preface

### Holy, Holy, Holy



### Thanksgiving at the Table

P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P: O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

**C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

**C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, 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.**

El Padrenuestro

**Padre nuestro  
que estás en el cielo,  
santificado sea tu nombre.  
Venga tu reino.  
Hágase tu voluntad**

**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**

**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: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.  
Come to Christ, broken and poured out for you.

*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, grant us peace.

Distribution Hymns: #336, #335, #472

**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; grape juice will be in the outer most chalice on both sides. 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 prefriere tener jugo de uva, utilice un vidrio de color rosa.*

*stand*

**Prayer after Communion**

P: Merciful God, accompany our journey through these forty days. Renew us in the gift of baptism, that we may provide for those who are poor, pray for those in need, fast from self-indulgence, and above all that we may find our treasure in the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

**Blessing**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

**Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Hymn “Go, My Children, with My Blessing” #543

Postlude “Auf meinen Lieben Gott” J. S. Bach

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**The Non-Communion service continues here**

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The Offering “Amazing Grace” setting Dale Wood

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**The Prayers**

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The Lord’s Prayer

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hallowed be thy name,  
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but deliver us from evil.  
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and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen**

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que estás en el cielo,  
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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**

**Blessing**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

**Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Hymn "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" #543

Postlude "Auf meinen Lieben Gott" J. S. Bach

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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 pastor will commune you in your pew.

Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

Cada Jueves voy a poner copias del sermón por el próximo Domingo en la Biblioteca cercal as materiales en Español. Pastor Mike

A nursery is now available if your children become restless during the service. Heather Nelson is the attendant each Sunday morning. Another option is to go with them to the Gathering Hall for a while, as the service is broadcast there.

**Nametag Update** – We will be having Nametag Sunday every week in the month of April. This will be a great way to help Pastor Mike get to know us. We are also updating the list, so if we have missed you or you have lost your tag, let us know. There will be a sign up sheet by the nametags for you to put your name on if yours is missing. Thanks for your cooperation!

A **Stephen Minister** is available in the upper Room each Sunday for anyone who has a need for prayer or a need for someone to listen to their concerns.

**Quarters placed in the offering plate today**, and every first Sunday, will go towards Quarters for Hunger.



**Happy Birthday to the following people this week!**

Colleen McKinney, Dolores Johnson, Ellen Batten, Darlene Johnson, Bradley Moon, Carolyn Driscoll, John Nelson, Emily Woodruff, Maya Uehling Lint, Jennie Wonderlin, and Kelley Bowermaster.

## Education Opportunities

**Adult Forum** meets in Grace Hall 1 each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. This morning will be a presentation by Jerry Fritsch, who is one of the executive directors of Lutheran Lakeside Camp. **Next week**, Please join us for the Lutheran World Relief Intergenerational Event. Please see the insert.

**Attention 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> graders:** Brent Stanek, the Program Director from Lutheran Lakeside Camp, will be here today, during Sunday School, to do fun camp activities with you.

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

**English/Spanish classes** will be resume in May.



Reminder: To parents of Sunday School children, we will be planting vegetable seeds for the Faith Garden **today** after Sunday School at 10:30 and immediately following the second worship service at 11:45. We will be working in the kitchen off Msindo Hall. The seeds will be sprouted indoors and planted in the Faith Garden at an intergenerational event on the last Sunday of Sunday School, May 22, when we will bless the space.

**Grace Lutheran World Relief begins today** and continues thru Sunday, April 10, when we will have the Ingathering of Kits and Quilts. Quilts will be on display that day. Stop at the displays in the Gathering Hall and the South entrance to see samples of what the committee has been purchasing as well as one of the many quilts. Contributions can be made to the ladies at the displays or put in the offering plate. Please mark your offering LWR. **Please make checks out to Grace Women.**

Pastor Mike will be out of town from Friday, April 8 – Monday, April 10, at an ELCA Church Council Meeting in Chicago.



**Each Wednesday in Lent, Soup Suppers will be served from 5:00-6:00 p.m. This week, Men in Mission will be serving Corn Chowder.**

During our Wednesday Lenten Worship services, Pastor Mike will be doing a series on **“What it Means to be a Community of Faith”**

April 6 – Lent 4, Seeing Grace  
 April 13 – Lent 5, Living Grace

**Organ Recital:** Each Wednesday during Lent, organ music will be provided from 12:00-12:30 p.m., as an opportunity for people to come to the sanctuary for a time of meditation, to ask questions about the music being played, or about the organ. This week

**Men In Mission** will meet Thursday, April 7 at 6:30 p.m. We will have our meal at Grace and then travel by car pool to Smouse Opportunity School for a presentation by Jim Merkwan. We hope you can join us for an exciting and informative field trip.

**College Scholarship Applications** - Application forms for scholarships to any Lutheran college, university or seminary are available in the church office. All students who have been a member of Grace Lutheran Church for at least one year may apply. The deadline of 12:00 noon on April 24, 2011 is firm so please have them returned to the church office by that time. For additional information or questions please call the church office.



**The Luther Park Auxiliary Spring Luncheon and Bake Sale** will be Saturday, April 9, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at Luther Park Apartments Community Center, 1555 Hull Ave., Des Moines. Come for chicken and ham salad sandwiches, salads, bars, breads, cookies, coffee, and baked goods. A freewill offering will be taken.

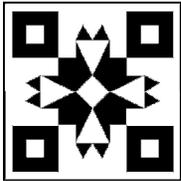
## Good Morning and Welcome to Grace!

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 – Michael Schmidt  
 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  
 Latino Communications Coordinator - Claudia Castillo  
 Receptionist - Diana Johnson  
 Office Assistant – Lori Fry  
 Ushers – 8:15 Dave Gronert/Bruce Bergman/Len Ringgenberg;  
 10:45 Gary Nelson/Jay Wangerin/Tom McCleary  
 Liturgist – 8:15 Kathy Bowermaster; 10:45 Kelley Bowermaster  
 Lector – 8:15 Julie Honsey; 10:45 Ellen Wonderlin  
 Communion Assistants – Jerry Fritsch/Brent Stanek/Kate Schaller/Marion Nehmer  
 Acolytes – 8:15 Andy Anderson/Sean Anderson; 10:45 Tanner Peeler  
 Altar Guild – Sue Anderson/Alice Kulzer/Michelle Voelker  
 Counters – 8:15 Tammy Hagerty/Angela Hansen; 10:45 Mark Stumme  
 Chris Lawson

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**All-Congregation Service Day  
For Lutheran World Relief on  
Sunday, April 10**

On Sunday, April 10, we will welcome two guest speakers from Lutheran World Relief: Pastor Daniel Ruth, who is a social media specialist, and Melonie Gibbons, who is the Parish Projects Coordinator. Pastor Ruth will speak during worship about the mission of Lutheran World Relief. We will also dedicate the kits and quilts that are ready.

During Education hour we will have an Intergenerational Event in Grace Hall:

- Hear more about LWR from Melonie Gibbons.
- Honor Grace members that have been dedicated to LWR.
- Help assemble 150 health and school kits.
- See how quilts are made.
- See how LWR uses social networking to get out their message.

Stay around for a pizza lunch:

- Help box the quilts for shipping and finish boxing kits.
- Talk more with our guest speakers.
- Learn to make LWR quilts for a couple hours. Sewers and non-sewers welcome.



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**The Grand View Choir** will present a concert this afternoon, at 3:00 p.m., at Luther Memorial Church, 1201 Grandview Ave.

**Easter lily deliveries:** We are looking for volunteers to deliver Easter lilies to our homebound members. If you enjoy visiting with people and spreading some joy and cheer, please sign up at Volunteer Central. Families are invited to do this ministry together. Lilies can be picked up for delivery after the 10:45am worship service on Easter Sunday. Thank you for your gift of time.

**VBS Registration:** VBS registration packets are now ready and can be found at the displays in the Gathering Hall and in Grace Hall 1. Please send them to the office or place them in the mailbox outside of Stephanie's office by Monday, June 20. Only one registration and health form is needed per family. VBS will be June 27 - July 1 and is open to ages 3 to grade 5. Want to volunteer? There's a place for you, too! Join us at the *Shake It Up Cafe!*



**Summer camp registration:** Lutheran Lakeside Camp season will soon be here! Registrations received by April 15 get a \$15 discount - don't miss out! Registration forms are available on the bulletin board across from the library or at [www.lutheranlakeside.com](http://www.lutheranlakeside.com). You are also welcome to come to the adult forum today to learn more about camp opportunities. Check out the variety of programs available and get ready to splash into summer!

**This Week at Grace**

**SUNDAY, April 3**

- 8:15 a.m. – Holy Communion Worship Service
- 9:15 a.m. - Coffee
- 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

**MONDAY, April 4**

- 4:00 p.m. - TOPS
- 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - AA in Grace Hall
- 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Stephen Ministry Class

**TUESDAY, April 5**

- 8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer
- 8:45 a.m. - Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. – TOPS
- 7:00 p.m. – Grace Women’s Board Mtg.
- 7:00 p.m. – Stewardship Committee Mtg.

**WEDNESDAY, April 6**

- 9:00 a.m. – Willing Workers
- 12:00 – 12:30 p.m. – Organ Recital
- 1:00 p.m. – Iowa Lutheran Hospital Volunteer Committee Mtg. in Library

5:00 - 6:00 p.m. - Soup Supper  
5:30 – 6:30 p.m. – God & Family Class  
5:30 – 6:30 p.m. – First Communion Class in Esperanza Chapel  
5:30 p.m. - Book Discussion  
5:30 - 6:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir  
5:40 - 6:10 p.m. - Youth Bells  
6:20 – 6:30 p.m. – Hymn Sing in Sanctuary  
**6:30 p.m. - Lenten Worship**  
7:15 – 8:15 p.m. - Grace Bells

**THURSDAY, April 7**

9:00 a.m. - Quilters  
10:30 a.m. - Staff Meeting  
6:15 p.m. – Grace Brass  
6:30 p.m. – Men in Mission

**SATURDAY, April 9**

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Al-Anon Birthday Celebration in  
Grace Hall I & II

**SUNDAY, April 10**

**LWR Ingathering**

8:15 a.m. – Worship Service  
9:15 a.m. - Coffee  
9:30 a.m. – Brass  
9:30 a.m. – Intergenerational Event  
9:30 a.m. – Stephen Minister available in Upper Room  
10:45 a.m. – Holy Communion  
1:00 – 2:30 – Whatta Dish – Chalice Making  
12:00 – 3:00 – Quilting in Grace Hall

