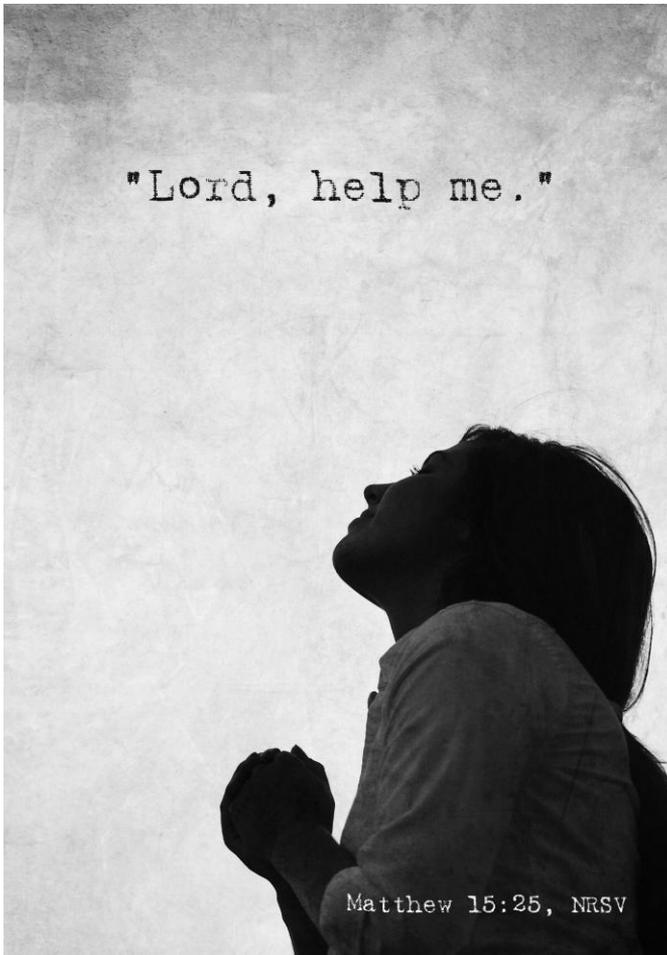


Grace Lutheran Church

3010 52nd St. Des Moines, Iowa 50310



Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 14, 2011

9:00 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

“For All the Saints”

Held

(Please prepare for worship through quiet reflection and meditation)

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. 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.

Hymn

“Give Thanks for Saints”

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Greeting

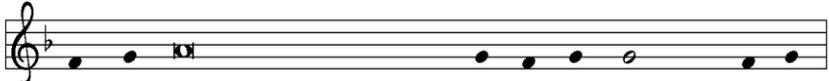
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie



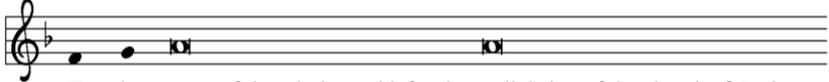
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



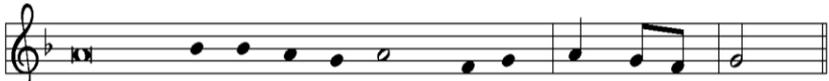
For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, let us



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



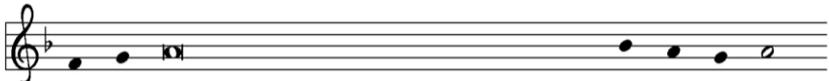
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



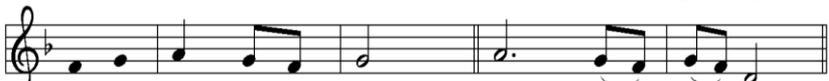
and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



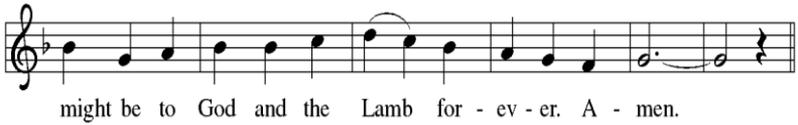
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



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



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



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: God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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The Lesson

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

The prophet calls upon Israel to do justice in view of God's imminent intervention to save. Righteousness and obedience define who belongs to the Israelite community—not race, nationality, or any other category.

Thus says the LORD: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. ⁶And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant — ⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my

stand

Gospel Acclamation

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

L: Alleluia. Jesus preached the good news¹ of the kingdom* and cured every sickness a-¹mong the people.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the Fifteenth Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel

Matthew 15:21–28

Jesus teaches his disciples that true purity is a matter of the heart rather than outward religious observances. Almost immediately, this teaching is tested when a woman considered to be pagan and unclean approaches him for help.

²¹Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon.

²²Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." ²³But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." ²⁴He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

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Sermon

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Hymn

“Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty”

#777

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,
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.**

Prayers of Intercession

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

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.

Passing of the Peace

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

C: **And also with you!**

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Announcements

The Offering

“Bread of Life”

Matt Huesmann

Jonathan Fry

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Offering Prayer

P: God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and 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.

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.

Thanksgiving at the Table

P: 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.

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

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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**

Invitation to Communion

P: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Come to the table prepared before you. Taste God’s goodness and mercy.

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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: #491, #488, #781

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.

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P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C. Amen

Prayer after Communion

P: Generous God, we give you thanks that again this day you have opened wide your hand and satisfied us with the food of life, the body and blood of Christ. Sharing your compassionate heart, may we be blessed and given to all who hunger and thirst; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

BLESSINGS FOR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

P: For the marvels of your creation,

C: We praise you, O God.

P: For the opportunity to explore and study,

C: We praise you, O God.

P: For those who guide us, teachers and mentors,

C: We praise you, O God.

P: Teach us your ways and guide us in your path,
for you are the creator of all that is seen and unseen.

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. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Hymn

“By Your Hand You Feed Your People”

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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 pastors will commune you in your pew.

Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

A nursery is available if your children become restless during the service. Heather Nelson or another daycare staff member will be the attendant each Sunday morning. If you don't see anyone in the nursery, check in the daycare office. Another option is to go with them to the Gathering Hall for a while, as the service is broadcast there.

Flowers on the altar are to the glory of God given by Marion and Gary Nehmer in celebration of marriage and family.

If you would like to meet with a Stephen Minister, please call Howard Kulzer or Kate Schaller. Stephen Ministers are here to help you by listening to your concerns, caring for you, and praying with you.

Happy Birthday to the following people this week! Darlene Stuckle, Angela Hansen, Milton Heiser, Rachel Welty, Adam Dostalík, Connie Heuton, Alex Pilon, Cheryl Weatherington, Jordan Carter, Michael Best, Beverly Russell, Ruth Berven, Alyssa Weaver, Patricia Anderson, Janette Grodt, Cooper Mortenson, Brent Ridnour and Marilyn Vesey.



Saturday Bible Study meets at 6:00 p.m. in Esperanza Café. We are studying the various stories in the book of Genesis.

The family of Ken and Eleanor Carlson wish to congratulate them on their 50th wedding anniversary.

Lydia Circle will meet August 16. Mary Freimuth Helt will be speaking about the Tanzania trip.



The 2011 Grace Lutheran Church Best Shot Golf Outing will be held Sunday, September 11th, at Woodland Hills Golf Course. Tee off time is 3:30 p.m. It is a *fun* 9-hole tournament with a meal following. Please sign up in the gathering hall. If you are not a golfer, you are welcome to sign up for the meal only. And we want to encourage you to invite guests to join us for the golf and/or meal! If you have any questions, you can see one of the golf outing coordinators, Carol Woodruff or Connie Heuton.

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

SUNDAY, August 14

9:00 a.m. – Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship

MONDAY, August 15

8:30 a.m. – Staff Meeting

4:00 p.m. – TOPS

5:45 p.m. – Worship Committee Mtg.

6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - AA in Grace Hall

No Stephen Supervision

TUESDAY, August 16

6:00 p.m. – Lydia Circle

6:00 p.m. –TOPS

6:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Grace Memory Makers Scrapbooking

7:00 p.m. – Property Committee

WEDNESDAY, August 17

9:00 a.m. – Willing Workers

9:30 – 11:30 a.m. – LSI Staff Mtg. in Grace Hall I

THURSDAY, August 18

9:00 a.m. – Quilters

6:45 – 9:00 p.m. – Embroidery Guild

FRIDAY, August 19

SATURDAY, August 20

5:00 p.m. – Holy Communion Service in Sanctuary

6:00 p.m. – Bible Study in Esperanza Chapel

SUNDAY, August 21

9:00 a.m. – Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. - Council Mtg. Retreat

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 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 – Michelle Voelker

Interim Organist – Rich Snyder

Ushers – Norm Trentmann/Eric Weber/Jay Wangerin

Liturgist – Denny Rehder

Lector – Karen Taylor

Communion Assistants – Haley Turner/Hal Turner

Acolytes –

Altar Guild – Alice Kulzer/Helen Ringgenberg/Kara Jordahl

Counters – Tom McCleary/Jon Rissman

Coffee Servers – Karen Taylor

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