

Grace Lutheran Church

3010 52nd St. Des Moines, Iowa 50310

**For to all those who have,
more will be given, and
they will have an abundance ...**

Matthew 25:29, NRSV



The Twenty-second Sunday in Pentecost

November 13, 2011

8:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

Holy Communion Services

*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

“Prayer”

Boehlmann

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.

Gathering Hymn

“As Saints of Old”

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Greeting

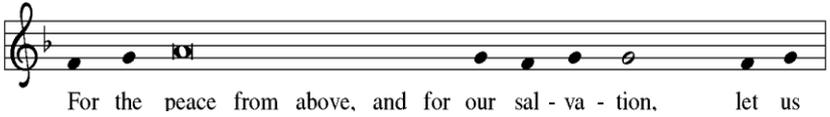
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie



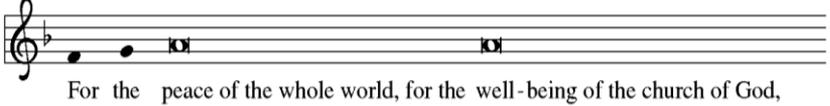
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



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



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



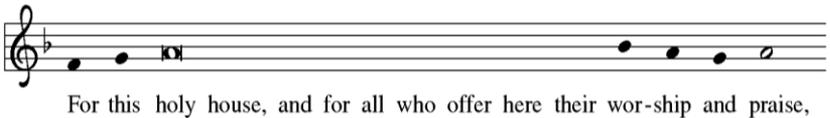
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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.**



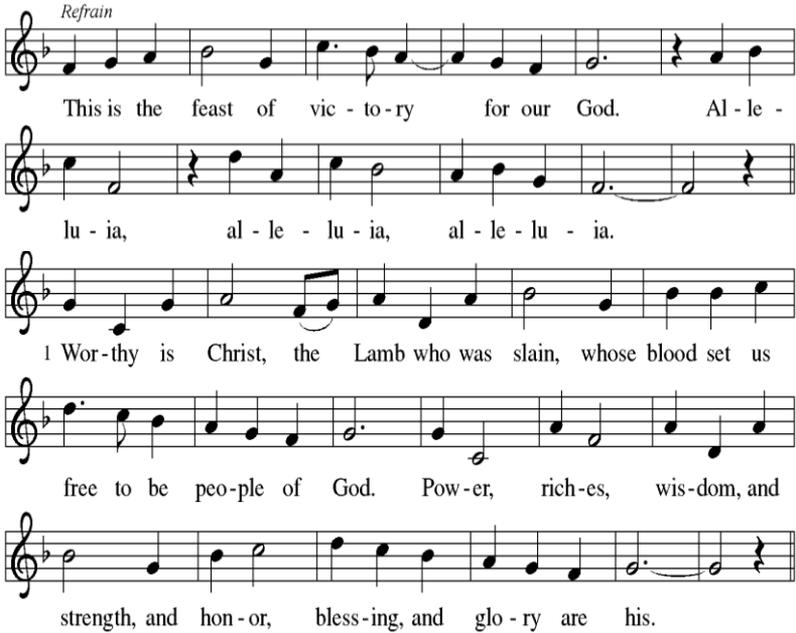
Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

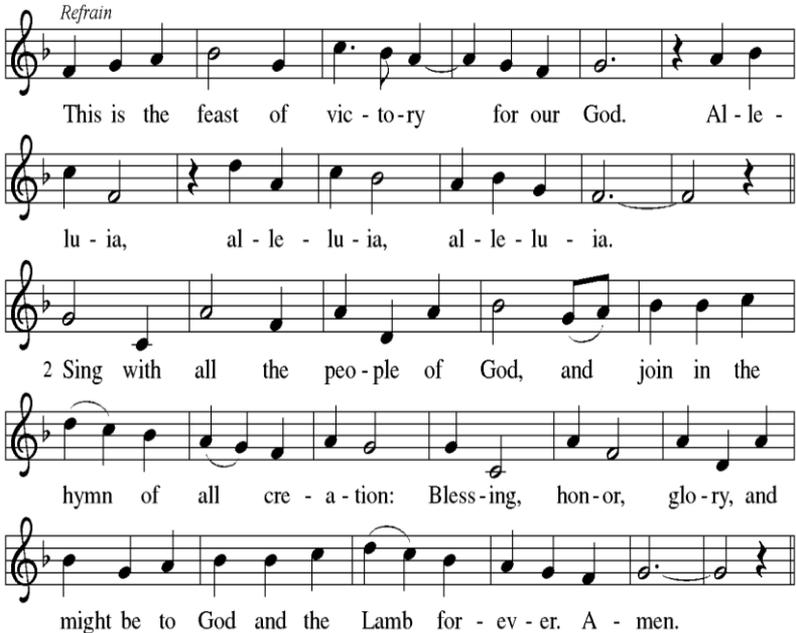
Canticle of Praise

Refrain



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

C: **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

C: Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Please be seated

First Lesson:

Zephaniah 1:7, 12–18

Zephaniah (like the prophet Amos in last week's first reading) presents the day of the Lord as one of judgment and wrath.

Descriptions of the last day in the New Testament include details taken from Old Testament accounts of the day of the Lord.

⁷Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is at hand; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests.

¹²At that time I will search

Primera lectura:

Sofonías 1:7, 12-18

⁷ ¡Silencio ante el SEÑOR omnipotente, porque cercano está el día del SEÑOR; ha preparado el SEÑOR un sacrificio y ha *purificado a sus invitados! ¹² En aquel tiempo registraré Jerusalén con lámparas para castigar a los que reposan tranquilos como vino en su sedimento, a los que piensan: "El SEÑOR no va a hacer nada, ni para bien ni para mal." ¹³ En botín se convertirán sus riquezas, sus casas en desolación: "Edificarán casas, pero no las habitarán; plantarán viñas, pero del vino no

Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The LORD will not do good, nor will he do harm." ¹³Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. ¹⁴The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. ¹⁵That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, ¹⁶a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. ¹⁷I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the LORD, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. ¹⁸Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the LORD's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

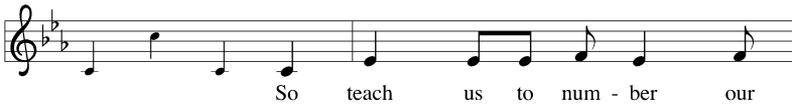
L: the Word of the Lord
C: **Thanks be to God**

beberán."

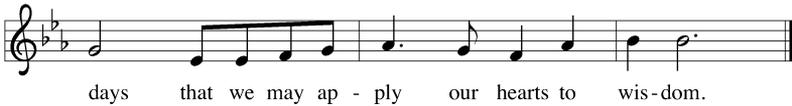
El gran día del SEÑOR

¹⁴ »Ya se acerca el gran día del SEÑOR; a toda prisa se acerca. El estruendo del día del SEÑOR será amargo, y aun el más valiente gritará. ¹⁵ Día de ira será aquel día, día de acoso y angustia, día de devastación y ruina, día de tinieblas y penumbra, día de niebla y densos nubarrones, ¹⁶ día de trompeta y grito de batalla contra las ciudades fortificadas, contra los altos bastiones. ¹⁷ De tal manera acosaré a los *hombres, que andarán como ciegos, porque pecaron contra el SEÑOR. Su sangre será derramada como polvo y sus entrañas como estiércol. ¹⁸ No los podrán librar ni su plata ni su oro en el día de la ira del SEÑOR. En el fuego de su celo será toda la tierra consumida; en un instante reducirá a la nada a todos los habitantes de la tierra.»

Psalm



R:



Psalm 90:1–8, 12

R ¹Lord, you have | been our refuge from one generation | to another.

²Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the | earth were born, from age to age | you are God.

³You turn us back to the | dust and say, "Turn back, O child- | ren of earth."

⁴For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when | it is past and like a watch | in the night; R

⁵you sweep them away | like a dream, they fade away suddenly | like the grass:

⁶in the morning it is | green and flourishes; in the evening it is dried | up and withered.

⁷For we are consumed | by your anger; we are afraid because | of your wrath.

⁸Our iniquities you have | set before you, and our secret sins in the light | of your countenance. R

¹²So teach us to num- | ber our days that we may apply our | hearts to wisdom. R

Anthem "We Bow Down/Great Is The Lord" Arr. by Peggy Bettcher
Youth Bells

Children's Sermon

Second Lesson:

1 Thessalonians 5:1–11

Though we do not know and cannot calculate the day of Christ's return, we live faithfully in the here and now as we anticipate the day when we will be given eternal

Segundo Lectura:

1 Tesalonicenses 5

¹ Ahora bien, hermanos, ustedes no necesitan que se les escriba acerca de tiempos y fechas,² porque ya saben que el día del Señor llegará como ladrón en la

salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. ²For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; ⁵for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. ⁶So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; ⁷for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

noche.³ Cuando estén diciendo: «Paz y seguridad», vendrá de improviso sobre ellos la destrucción, como le llegan a la mujer encinta los dolores de parto. De ninguna manera podrán escapar.⁴ Ustedes, en cambio, hermanos, no están en la oscuridad para que ese día los sorprenda como un ladrón.⁵ Todos ustedes son hijos de la luz y del día. No somos de la noche ni de la oscuridad.⁶ No debemos, pues, dormirnos como los demás, sino mantenernos alerta y en nuestro sano juicio.⁷ Los que duermen, de noche duermen, y los que se emborrachan, de noche se emborrachan.⁸ Nosotros que somos del día, por el contrario, estemos siempre en nuestro sano juicio, protegidos por la coraza de la fe y del amor, y por el casco de la esperanza de salvación;⁹ pues Dios no nos destinó a sufrir el castigo sino a recibir la salvación por medio de nuestro Señor Jesucristo.¹⁰ Él murió por nosotros para que, en la vida o en la muerte,^[a] vivamos junto con él.¹¹ Por eso, anímense y edifíquense unos a otros, tal como lo vienen haciendo.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able

Gospel Acclamation

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

L: Abide in me as I a-¹bide in you;* those who abide in me¹ bear much fruit. (*John 15:4, 5*)

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the Twenty-fifth Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 25:14–30

Jesus tells a parable about his second coming, indicating that it is not sufficient merely to maintain things as they are. Those who await his return should make good use of the gifts that God has provided them.

¹⁴For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents.

el Evangelio: Mateo 25:14-30

Parábola de las monedas de oro

¹⁴ »El reino de los cielos será también como un hombre que, al emprender un viaje, llamó a sus *siervos y les encargó sus bienes. ¹⁵ A uno le dio cinco mil monedas de oro, ¹⁴ a otro dos mil y a otro sólo mil, a cada uno según su capacidad. Luego se fue de viaje. ¹⁶ El que había recibido las cinco mil fue en seguida y negoció con ellas y ganó otras cinco mil. ¹⁷ Así mismo, el que recibió dos mil ganó otras dos mil. ¹⁸ Pero el que había recibido mil fue, cavó un hoyo en la tierra y escondió el dinero de su señor. ¹⁹ »Después de mucho tiempo volvió el señor de aquellos siervos y arregló cuentas con

¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.'
²¹His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.'
²²And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.'
²³His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.'
²⁴Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.'
²⁶But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter?
²⁷Then you ought to have invested

ellos.²⁰ El que había recibido las cinco mil monedas llegó con las otras cinco mil. "Señor —dijo—, usted me encargó cinco mil monedas. Mire, he ganado otras cinco mil." ²¹ Su señor le respondió: "¡Hiciste bien, siervo bueno y fiel! En lo poco has sido fiel; te pondré a cargo de mucho más. ¡Ven a compartir la felicidad de tu señor!" ²² Llegó también el que recibió dos mil monedas. "Señor —informó—, usted me encargó dos mil monedas. Mire, he ganado otras dos mil." ²³ Su señor le respondió: "¡Hiciste bien, siervo bueno y fiel! Has sido fiel en lo poco; te pondré a cargo de mucho más. ¡Ven a compartir la felicidad de tu señor!" ²⁴ »Después llegó el que había recibido sólo mil monedas. "Señor —explicó—, yo sabía que usted es un hombre duro, que cosecha donde no ha sembrado y recoge donde no ha esparcido."²⁵ Así que tuve miedo, y fui y escondí su dinero en la tierra. Mire, aquí tiene lo que es suyo." ²⁶ Pero su señor le contestó: "¡Siervo malo y perezoso! ¿Así que sabías que cosecho donde no he sembrado y recojo donde no he esparcido?"²⁷ Pues debías haber depositado mi dinero en el banco, para que a mi regreso lo hubiera recibido con intereses. ²⁸ » " Quítenle las mil monedas y dáselas al que tiene las diez mil."²⁹ Porque a todo el que tiene, se le dará más, y tendrá en abundancia. Al que no tiene se le

my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

quitará hasta lo que tiene.³⁰ Y a ese siervo inútil échenlo afuera, a la oscuridad, donde habrá llanto y rechinar de dientes."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon

Rev. Roland Zimany

Please stand as you are able

Hymn of the Day "Take My Life, That I May Be"

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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: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Receive these our prayers, O God, and give us all we need for this day and the days to come, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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!

Please be seated

Announcements

The Offering

Offertory

8:15

“I am the Vine”

Chancel Choir

10:45

“Give Thanks”

Youth Choir

Please stand as you are able

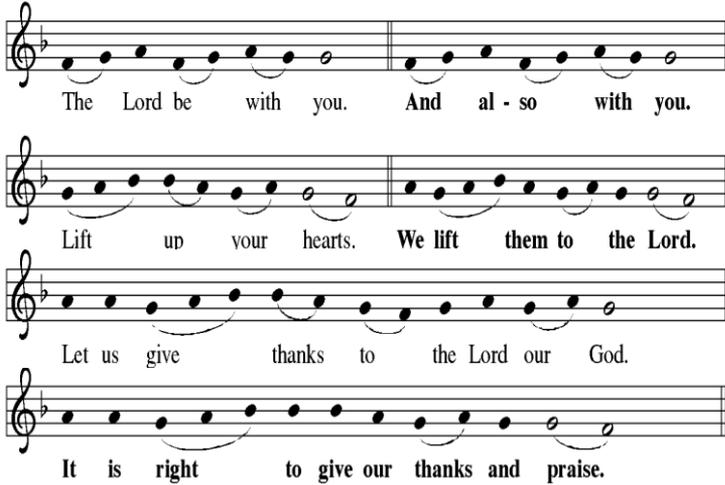
Offering Prayer

P: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world

with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



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

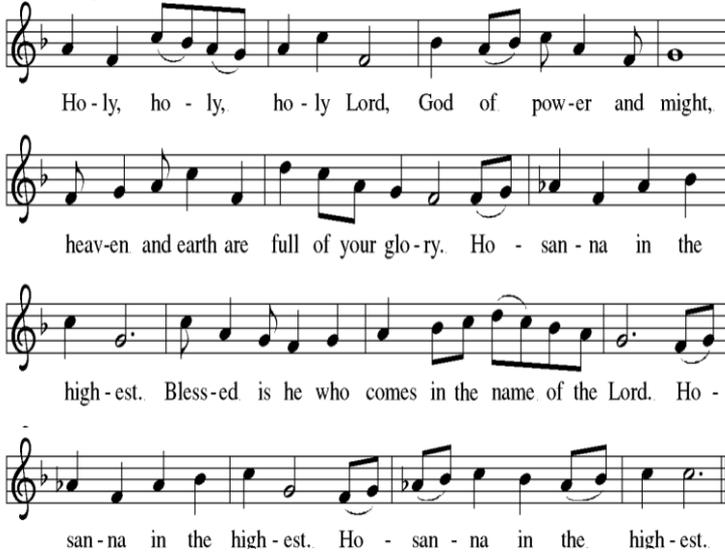
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

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

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Come, you that are blessed by God. Come to the banquet.

Please be seated

Lamb of God



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: #674, #638, #473

Please stand as you are able

Communion Blessing

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: O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through 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.

Sending Hymn

“Rise Up, O Saints of God”

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Good Morning and Welcome to Grace!

Please sign the Attendance Registrations sheets which are found in each pew. Visitors, please also sign the guest book at the Welcome Center, and please join us for coffee and education hour activities between services.

Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

A nursery is available if your children become restless during the service. If you don't see anyone in the nursery, check in the daycare office. The service is also broadcast in the Gathering Hall.

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.

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.

When by intinction: Receive the host (wafer), then dip the host into the chalice (cup) to receive wine (red) or grape juice (clear); depart by the side aisle. Gluten free wafers and a separate glass chalice are available by request on the pulpit side (left when facing altar).

When by pouring chalice: Receive a cup. Receive and eat the bread. Proceed to the wine or grape juice. 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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In our prayers: Norma Black, Norman Buihner, Shirley Dyson (Sandy Brigg's mother), Frances Engquist, Vivian Feilmann, Joe Honsey,

Sandra Roehrick, Tom Russell, Stuart Turner, Marilyn Vesey, Sarah Williamson, Zelma Wilson, and the others we name before you...

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Cathy and Brian Barks in memory of loved ones.

A **Stephen Minister** is available in the upper room between services for people who need a listening ear, encouragement and prayer support.

Education Opportunities

Sunday School classes and **Adult Forum** meet at 9:30 after coffee time.

Nov. 13 Adult Forum –

Option A: Elizabeth Ballstadt, DMARC Emergency Food Pantry Director

Option B: Bible study with Julie Honsey – “Close Encounters of the Jesus Kind: Studies in Luke” – Esperanza Chapel. ***Starting today – and we have extra books! Please join us even if you missed the sign-up, we’d love to have you!***

Nov. 20 Adult Forum –

Option A: The Importance of Cross Generational Ministry – Beth Flannery

Option B: Bible study with Julie Honsey – “Close Encounters of the Jesus Kind: Studies in Luke” – Esperanza Chapel

Option C: Thrivent affinity group conversation about hunger: Have a passion about hunger? The Thrivent affinity community program is a pilot focused on engaging the Lutheran community to help work on community issues, related to Thrivent’s mission of helping people make wise decisions with money and be more generous. The project could take several shapes, but overall, hopes to co-create something that is helpful to the community focused on financial wellness. Join a representative from Thrivent and others from Grace in Esperanza Cafe to begin a conversation about what we can do to fight hunger.

New Member Class Today from 1-2 p.m. in the Gathering Hall with Pastor Mike! **You are invited!** Have you thought about becoming a member of Grace Lutheran Church? Do you know someone who is interested in becoming a member?



Adult Bible Study meets Tuesday mornings, from 8:45–10:15a.m. in Grace Hall, or Tuesday evenings at 6 p.m. in Esperanza Cafe. Pastor Mike leads this study. *If you need a ride on Tuesday mornings, please call the church office for the names of volunteers drivers.*

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

Wednesday Evening activities: Book Discussion, Confirmation, Kids Hours, Music Groups or just hang out. Join us before hand for supper between 5:00-6:00 p.m. in Grace Hall I. *Men in Mission are serving Goulash.*

Happy Birthday to the following people this week! Kurt Bowermaster, Jason Bradwell, Zachary Jensen, Larry Buell, Carol Mattes, Kristene Shortell, Wilma Frost, Gary Batten, Mark Ridnour, Joseph Kennebeck, Emma Mattes, Haley Dostalick, Lyle Black, Gloria Moon, Richard Hirschauer, Susan Johnson, Nick Medhurst

Happy Anniversary this week to:
Ellen and Gary Batten, Ruth and Arthur Berven

Combat Hunger Food Drive

The Social Ministry Team and the Confirmation students are collecting food for the DMARC annual Combat Hunger food drive. This event is critical to help feed hungry Iowans due to the shortage of food being donated to DMARC's Food Pantry during these difficult financial times. Fliers are posted on the Social Ministry bulletin board. Visit www.star1025.com for information regarding the Concert to Combat Hunger at Prairie Meadows on November 15. There will be a display in the Gathering Hall to collect food donations during November 6-27.

Advent devotions: The sign-up sheet and a take-home summary of Advent themes are available at Volunteer Central. More detailed instructions are included on the sign-up sheet. If you would like to be added to the church's email list, please send your address to stephaniejohnson@q.com.

Seasons and Songs: Sunday, November 20, 3:00 p.m., Drake University's four choruses will present *Seasons and Songs* a celebration of music in all the seasons of human life. There is no admission charge.

Gift Making Party - calling all Gift Makers! Do you have a talent for making special items? Would you be willing to share and help others on December 11 from 2-4 p.m.? We'll gather with the supplies and treats, you bring the knowledge, and we'll have a party! Contact Stephanie if you have an idea. Don't have an idea to share? Plan to come and start a gift for someone you care about.



Christmas Eve Special Music: We would love to continue the tradition of musical offerings before the Christmas Eve services. Vocal or instrumental pieces welcome. Contact Pastor Mike, or look for more information in December.

Begin the holiday season with **Drake's Christmas Madrigal Dinners on December 3 and 4**, 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$50 person and will be available November 7-22 at the Drake Fine Arts Box Office, 271-3841.

Welcome to Grace!

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Acolytes - 8:15 – Andy Anderson, Cooper Mortenson

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