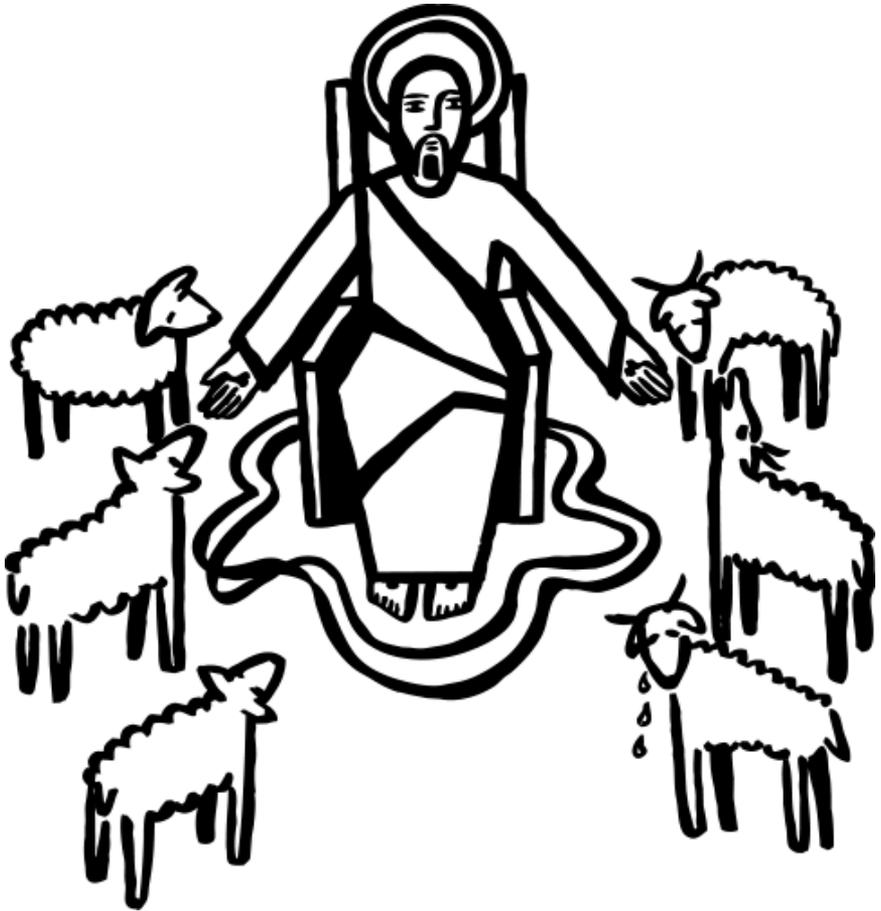


Grace Lutheran Church

3010 52nd St. Des Moines, Iowa 50310



Christ the King

November 20, 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 **“Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing”** 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.

Gathering Hymn “Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing” #389

Greeting

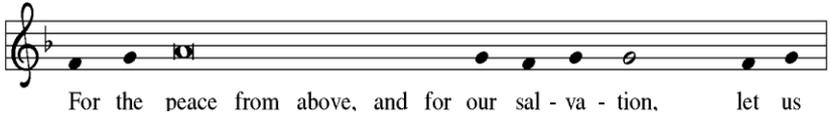
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie



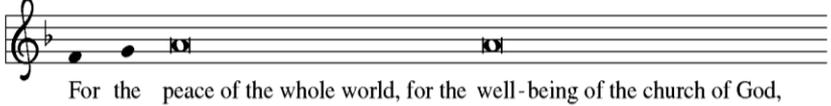
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



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



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



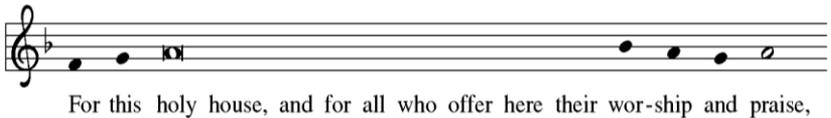
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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.**



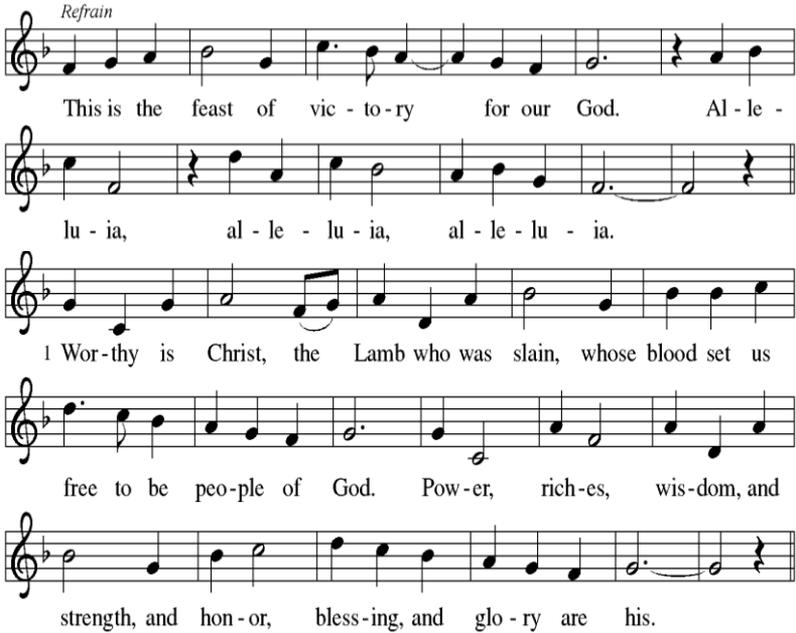
Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

Canticle of Praise

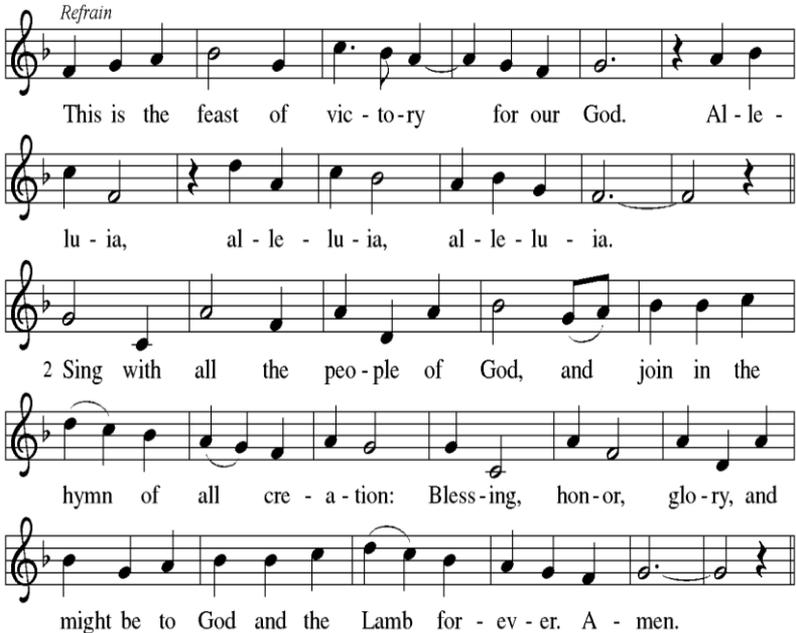
Refrain



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: O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Please be seated

First Lesson:

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Since Israel's kings proved to be bad shepherds, Ezekiel declares that the Lord will assume the role of shepherd in Israel. The Lord will also set over them a shepherd-messiah, "my servant David," who will feed and care for the people.

¹¹For thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. ¹²As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out

Primera lectura:

Ezequiel 34:11-16, 20-24

¹¹ » " Así dice el SEÑOR omnipotente: Yo mismo me encargaré de buscar y de cuidar a mi rebaño. ¹² Como un pastor que cuida de sus ovejas cuando están dispersas, así me ocuparé de mis ovejas y las rescataré de todos los lugares donde, en un día oscuro y de nubarrones, se hayan dispersado. ¹³ Yo las sacaré de entre las naciones; las reuniré de los países, y las llevaré a su tierra. Las apacentaré en los montes de Israel,

my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. ²⁰Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, ²²I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. ²³I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴And I, the

en los vados y en todos los poblados del país. ¹⁴ Las haré pastar en los mejores pastos, y su aprisco estará en los montes altos de Israel. Allí descansarán en un buen lugar de pastoreo y se alimentarán de los mejores pastos de los montes de Israel. ¹⁵ Yo mismo apacentaré a mi rebaño, y lo llevaré a descansar. Lo afirma el SEÑOR omnipotente. ¹⁶ Buscaré a las ovejas perdidas, recogeré a las extraviadas, vendaré a las que estén heridas y fortaleceré a las débiles, pero exterminaré a las ovejas gordas y robustas. Yo las pastorearé con *justicia. ²⁰ » " Por eso, así dice el SEÑOR omnipotente: Yo mismo voy a juzgar entre las ovejas gordas y las flacas. ²¹ Por cuanto ustedes han empujado con el costado y con la espalda, y han atacado a cornadas a las más débiles, hasta dispersarlas, ²² voy a salvar a mis ovejas, y ya no les servirán de presa. Yo juzgaré entre ovejas y ovejas. ²³ Entonces les daré un pastor, mi siervo David, que las apacentará y será su único pastor. ²⁴ Yo, el SEÑOR, seré su Dios, y mi siervo David será su príncipe. Yo, el SEÑOR, lo he dicho.

LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

L: the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

PSALM:

R: 
We are the peo-ple of God's pas-ture and the sheep of God's hand.

Psalm 95:1-7a

¹Come, let us sing¹ to the LORD; let us shout for joy to the rock of¹ our salvation.

²**Let us come before God's presence¹ with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to the¹ LORD with psalms.**

³For you, LORD,¹ are a great God, and a great ruler a-¹bove all gods.

⁴**In your hand are the caverns¹ of the earth; the heights of the hills are¹ also yours. R**

⁵The sea is yours,¹ for you made it, and your hands have molded¹ the dry land.

⁶**Come, let us worship¹ and bow down, let us kneel before the¹ LORD our maker.**

⁷For the LORD¹ is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep¹ of God's hand. R

Anthem

“Matthew 25”

by Denny Rehder

Children's Sermon

Second Lesson:

Ephesians 1:15-23

In this passage, God is praised for revealing ultimate divine power in raising Jesus from the dead. The resurrected, exalted Christ is Lord both of the church and the entire

Segundo Lectura:

Efesios 1:15-23

Acción de gracias e intercesión

¹⁵ Por eso yo, por mi parte, desde que me enteré de la fe que tienen en el Señor Jesús y del amor que

universe, now and in the age to come.

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

demuestran por todos los *santos,¹⁶ no he dejado de dar gracias por ustedes al recordarlos en mis oraciones.¹⁷ Pido que el Dios de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, el Padre glorioso, les dé el Espíritu de sabiduría y de revelación, para que lo conozcan mejor.¹⁸ Pido también que les sean iluminados los ojos del corazón para que sepan a qué esperanza él los ha llamado, cuál es la riqueza de su gloriosa herencia entre los santos,¹⁹ y cuán incomparable es la grandeza de su poder a favor de los que creemos. Ese poder es la fuerza grandiosa y eficaz²⁰ que Dios ejerció en Cristo cuando lo resucitó de entre los muertos y lo sentó a su *derecha en las regiones celestiales,²¹ muy por encima de todo gobierno y autoridad, poder y dominio, y de cualquier otro nombre que se invoque, no sólo en este mundo sino también en el venidero.²² Dios sometió todas las cosas al dominio de Cristo,^[a] y lo dio como cabeza de todo a la iglesia.²³ Ésta, que es su cuerpo, es la plenitud de aquel que lo llena todo por completo.

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

Please stand as you are able

Gospel Acclamation

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

L: Blessed is the one who comes in the name¹ of the Lord.*
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our an-¹cestor David. (*Mark 11:9*)

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

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

Gospel: Matthew 25:31–46

Jesus compares himself to a king who moves among his subjects to see how he is treated: what is done for the least of those who belong to his family is truly done for him.

³¹When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵for I

el Evangelio: Mateo 25:31-46

Las ovejas y las cabras

³¹ »Cuando el Hijo del hombre venga en su gloria, con todos sus ángeles, se sentará en su trono glorioso. ³² Todas las naciones se reunirán delante de él, y él separará a unos de otros, como separa el pastor las ovejas de las cabras. ³³ Pondrá las ovejas a su *derecha, y las cabras a su izquierda.

³⁴ »Entonces dirá el Rey a los que estén a su derecha: "Vengan ustedes, a quienes mi Padre ha bendecido; reciban su herencia, el reino preparado para ustedes desde la creación del mundo. ³⁵ Porque tuve hambre, y ustedes me dieron de comer; tuve sed, y me dieron de beber; fui forastero, y me dieron alojamiento; ³⁶ necesité ropa, y me

was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' ⁴⁰And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'
⁴¹Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴²for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.'
⁴⁴Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' ⁴⁵Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it

vistieron; estuve enfermo, y me atendieron; estuve en la cárcel, y me visitaron." ³⁷ Y le contestarán los justos: "Señor, ¿cuándo te vimos hambriento y te alimentamos, o sediento y te dimos de beber?" ³⁸ ¿Cuándo te vimos como forastero y te dimos alojamiento, o necesitado de ropa y te vestimos?" ³⁹ ¿Cuándo te vimos enfermo o en la cárcel y te visitamos?" ⁴⁰ El Rey les responderá: "Les aseguro que todo lo que hicieron por uno de mis hermanos, aun por el más pequeño, lo hicieron por mí."
⁴¹ »Luego dirá a los que estén a su izquierda: "Apártense de mí, malditos, al fuego eterno preparado para el diablo y sus ángeles." ⁴² Porque tuve hambre, y ustedes no me dieron nada de comer; tuve sed, y no me dieron nada de beber; ⁴³ fui forastero, y no me dieron alojamiento; necesité ropa, y no me vistieron; estuve enfermo y en la cárcel, y no me atendieron." ⁴⁴ Ellos también le contestarán: "Señor, ¿cuándo te vimos hambriento o sediento, o como forastero, o necesitado de ropa, o enfermo, o en la cárcel, y no te ayudamos?" ⁴⁵ Él les responderá: "Les aseguro que todo lo que no hicieron por el más pequeño de mis hermanos, tampoco lo hicieron por mí."
⁴⁶ »Aquéllos irán al castigo eterno, y los justos a la vida eterna.

to me.' ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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

Please be seated
Sermon

Please stand as you are able
Hymn of the Day "Rise, O Sun of Righteousness"

#657

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 “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Behnke

Offertory

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: #790, #742, #751

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

“What Feast of Love”

#487

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Burkhardt



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.

In our prayers: Norma Black, Norman Buihner, Shirley Dyson (Sandy Brigg’s mother), Frances Engquist, Vivian Feilmann, Joe Honsey, 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 Lorna and Marvin Johns in celebration of their 61st wedding anniversary.

Apology and Correction: November 13 Flowers on the altar were given to the glory of God by Torry and Bill Henderson in memory of family.

Quarters placed in the offering plate this morning, and every third Sunday, are for Food Pantry.

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. 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. ***We have extra books! Please join us even if you missed the first session, we’d love to have you!***

Option C: Thrivent affinity group conversation about what we can do to fight hunger – Esperanza Café.

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 today.

Nov. 27 Adult Forum –

Option A: Time of Fellowship

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

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.



**TAKE
NOTE**

**Wednesday Evening activities will resume on
November 30.**



Happy Birthday to the following people this week!

Kelley Riordan, Zachary Kulzer, Ashley Lund, Harriet Pearson, Jon Rissman, Nicholas Scholten, Renee Dingman, Dorothy Jensen, Douglas Johnson, Kerry Riordan, Paul Thielking, Virginia Wangerin, Carol Woodruff, Laura Wangerin, Jessica Rissman, Peter Kiefer



Happy Anniversary this week to:

Gary and Melinda Scholten, Marvin and Lorna Johns,
Todd and Barbara Burley, Frank and Colleen McKinney

Final week of the 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. The display is in the Gathering Hall to until November 27.



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: Today, 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.

Lydia Circle will hold their final 2011 meeting on Tuesday November 29. If you have an Advent Wreath, please bring it to the meeting as part of the evenings program.

Christmas Poinsettias

The altar is decorated each Christmas by the donation of poinsettias from members at Grace. This year the poinsettias will be pink, white and red. If you would like to purchase a poinsettia to be placed on the altar, complete the order form and place in the offering plate along with payment or turn into the church office. Cost is \$9.00 per plant and payment is due with the order. ***The last day to order poinsettias will be Monday, December 5th***. You will be able to pick up your poinsettia after Sunday service on December 25.



You are invited to the **Annual Turkey Dinner** sponsored by the **Senior Members** on Sunday, December 4, 5:00 p.m. in Grace Hall I. Cost is \$9.00 per person. Reservations and sign-ups in the Gathering Hall, November 20 & 27. Or, call the church office before 12 noon on Monday November 28. Come and enjoy a great evening!



Gift Making Party - calling all Gift Makers! Share your talents and gifts to help others make gifts. (Or teach Pastor Mike to Knit) 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.

Christmas Pageant practices will be starting during the Sunday School and Super Wednesday music rehearsals. You'll want to put these dates on your calendar: Rehearsals on Saturday December 17 from 10 a.m. – 12 noon, and Sunday December 18 during the Sunday School hour. The Pageant will be during the second service on Sunday the 18th.

This Week at Grace

SUNDAY, November 20

8:15 a.m. – Holy Communion

9:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship

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

10:45 a.m. – Holy Communion

MONDAY, November 21

10:00 a.m. – Staff Meeting

4:00 p.m. – TOPS

5:45 p.m. – Worship Committee

6:00 p.m. – Stephen Supervision

6:00 – 10:00 p.m. - AA in Grace Hall

TUESDAY, November 22

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

8:45 a.m. – Bible Study in GH

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

6:00 p.m. – Brass Practice/TOPS

7:00 p.m. – Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY, November 23

No Super Wednesday Activities - will resume on November 30

7:00 p.m. – Combined Thanksgiving Service at Immanuel Methodist

THURSDAY, November 24

Thanksgiving Day, Office closed

FRIDAY, November 25

Office Closed

SATURDAY, November 26

SUNDAY, November 27

8:15 a.m. – Holy Communion

9:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship

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10:45 a.m. – Holy Communion

Welcome to Grace!

Ministers – The People of God

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 – 8:15 Carol Krause, Jerry Westercamp, Mike Peterman, Kevin

Drury 10:45 - Jay Wangerin, Mike Carney, Gary Nelson

Liturgist - 8:15 – Alex Davik 10:45 – Doug Johnson

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

Communion Assistants – 8:15 Karen Taylor, Mindy Scholten, Natasha Voelker, Kate Schaller

Acolytes - 8:15 – Adam and Haley Dostalík

10:45 – Isaac McCleary, Matt Farrell

Altar Guild - Jane Ridnour, Connie Heuton, Rita Stackhouse

Counters – 8:15 Jon Rissman, Jeff Farrell,

10:45 Alex Davick, Mark Stumme

Coffee Servers – Ross Peeler

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