

# Grace Lutheran Church

3010 52nd St. Des Moines, Iowa 50310

*In him we have*  
**REDEMPTION...**  
*the*  
**FORGIVENESS**  
*of our trespasses,*  
*according to the riches*  
*of his*  
**GRACE....**  
*Ephesians 1:7, NRSV*

## **The Season of Pentecost**

July 22, 2012

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:** "We Plow the Fields and Scatter" by Robert J. Hughes

## Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who calls us beloved children, who gathers us into one flock, who guides us into all truth.

**Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sins, trusting that God will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Faithful and just God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We have not loved our sisters and brothers as you have first loved us.**

**Forgive us, God of mercy. Let your Holy Spirit work in us to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the abundant life given in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. 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.

**Amen.**

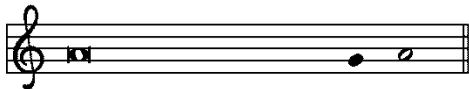
**Gathering Hymn** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" #634

## Greeting

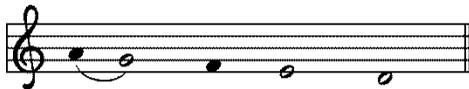
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you!**

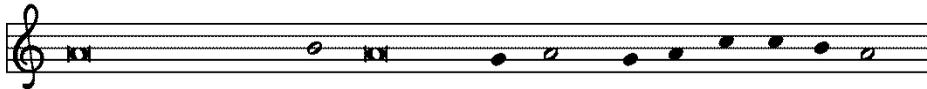
# Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



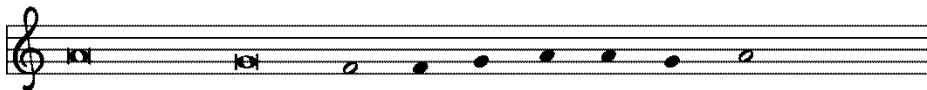
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



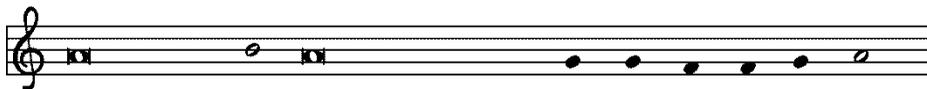
For the peace of the whole world, for the well - being of the church of God,



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 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*  
Assisting minister



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

All



1 Wor-ty is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. 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 and hon - or and 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.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

### Prayer of the Day

**C: O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

*Please be seated*

### First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1–6

*Jeremiah prophesied before the exile in 587 B.C. In this passage, he uses the metaphor of a shepherd to describe the bad kings who have scattered the “flock” of Israel. God promises to gather the flock and to raise up a new king from David’s line to save Israel and Judah.*

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD.

<sup>2</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. <sup>3</sup>Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. <sup>4</sup>I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. <sup>5</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup>In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

L: the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

### Psalm: Psalm 23

R:   
The LORD is my shep-herd; I shall not be in want.

<sup>1</sup>The LORD | is my shepherd; I shall not | be in want.

<sup>2</sup>**The LORD makes me lie down | in green pastures and leads me be- | side still waters.**

<sup>3</sup>You restore my | soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways | for your name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall | fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me. R**

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence | of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

<sup>6</sup>**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the | LORD forever. R**

**Special Music**

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

Chancel Choir

### Children's Sermon

#### **SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:11–22**

*The author of this letter is reminding his audience that originally they were not part of God's chosen people. Through Jesus' death, however, they are included in God's household of faith, whose cornerstone is Jesus Christ.*

<sup>11</sup>So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" — a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands — <sup>12</sup>remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup>But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup>For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility

between us. <sup>15</sup>He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, <sup>16</sup>and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. <sup>17</sup>So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; <sup>18</sup>for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup>So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. <sup>21</sup>In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; <sup>22</sup>in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able*

### Gospel Acclamation

C: Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the Sixth Chapter.

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

### Gospel: Mark 6:30–34, 53–56

*When Jesus sent his disciples out to teach and heal, they ministered among large numbers of people. Their work was motivated by Christ's desire to be among those in need.*

<sup>30</sup>The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup>And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. <sup>33</sup>Now many saw them going and

recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. <sup>34</sup>As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. <sup>53</sup>When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. <sup>54</sup>When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, <sup>55</sup>and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. <sup>56</sup>And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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**

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

#742

## **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 the People

L: Hear us O God,

**C: your mercy is great.**

P: Receive our hopes and prayers, O God of mercy, for great is your faithfulness in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**All: God of love, have mercy on us. Pour out your Spirit upon us. Center us in worship. Hold us in grace. Strengthen us in love. Send us forth in mission. 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:**

"How Lovely is His Peace"

by Christopher Neal

*Please stand as you are able*

## 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, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
 heav'n 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.

### 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.



*Please stand as you are able*

**Prayer after Communion**

P: Generous God, we thank you that at Wisdom's holy table you have fed us again with her bread and wine, the food of everlasting life. Send us, your servants, into all the land, that we may act wisely, seek the good of our neighbor, and call others to come to the feast; 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**            "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"            #547

**Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude:**

"Fanfare"

by Jacques Lemmens

## 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!

**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 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.

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.

### Announcements and Calendar Sunday July 22, 2012

**In our prayers:** Tony, Heath, Erik, Jill, Norma Black, Frances Engquist, Vivian Feilmann, Lucy Krauss, Margaret Olson, Helen Richards, Malena Seymour (Gail Peterson's mother), Sarah Williamson, Zelma Wilson, and the others we name before you...



**Altar Flowers**

**Flowers on the altar** are given to the glory of God by Virginia and Dick Nanney.

**Quarters** placed in the offering plate this weekend, and every fourth weekend, are for Msindo.

**A Stephen Minister** will be available upon request. If you find the need to visit with a Stephen Minister please contact the church office.



**Happy Birthday to the following people this week!** Kathryn Schaller, Pat Bordt, Linda Biegger, Jacob Gibney, Justin Andersen, Morgan Mortenseon, Jeff Robbins



**Happy Anniversary to:**  
Richard and Virginia Naney,  
Michael and Peggy Hansen

**Housing needed for camp staff:** During the week of August 13, Lutheran Lakeside Camp will be running a daycamp program at Bread of Life Church in Des Moines. Housing is needed for the 7 staff who will be coming for it. If you can help with this, please contact Stephanie Johnson ASAP. Thank you!

**Two Rivers Chapter of Thrivent Financial is sponsoring an informational seminar on long-term care for seniors, July 28<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM at the Luther Park Community Center, 1555 Hull Avenue, in Des Moines**

Do you have parents you are concerned about relative to their safety and security as they age? Or, perhaps, you are getting up in years and are thinking about how to spend your retirement years in an enjoyable environment for you and your spouse. If either of these statements fit you, then you should plan on coming to a dedicated seminar for persons interested in, or needing information on long-term care.

The Two Rivers Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans is sponsoring a panel of persons knowledgeable on the subject of long-term care for seniors. Panelists representing the following categories are scheduled to speak:

- Long term care and support for Veterans
- Nursing Home Care
- Assisted Living Accommodations
- Provision of Home Health Support Services
- Medicaid eligibility criteria for long-term care
- Determining the quality of services within long-term care facilities

If you are interested in any or all of these subjects, you are encouraged to attend an informational seminar on **July 28<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM at Luther Park Community Center, located at 1555 Hull Avenue in Des Moines.** Mark your calendars NOW.

Refreshments will be served. If you plan on attending this event or have questions regarding the event, **please call Lon Friesth at 515-276-1527.** We are confident this seminar will be especially informative.

**Attention Christian Rock Fans and State Fair Lovers!!**

Join us for a night of great music by Christian artist, Toby Mac, Tenth Avenue North and Jamie Grace at the State Fair Grand Stands on August 9th at 8:00. Tickets are \$32.00.

Please contact Cherie Rissman at 270-0278 or [cherierissman@gmail.com](mailto:cherierissman@gmail.com)

**This Week at Grace**

**SUNDAY, July 22**

8:00 a.m. – Chancel Choir Practice

9:00 a.m. – Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship

**MONDAY, July 23**

10:00 a.m. – Staff Meeting

4:00 p.m. – Tops

6:00 – 10:00 p.m. – AA in Grace Hall

**TUESDAY, July 24**

6:00 p.m. – Tops

7:00 p.m. – Council Meeting

**WEDNESDAY, July 25**

9:00 a.m. – Willing Workers

**THURSDAY, July 26**

9:00 a.m. – Quilters

**FRIDAY, July 27**

**SATURDAY, July 28**

5:00 p.m. - Holy Communion – Dr. Kenneth Jones preaching

**SUNDAY, July 29**

9:00 a.m. – Holy Communion – Dr. Kenneth Jones preaching

10:00 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship

## **Welcome to Grace!**

**Ministers** – The People of God

**Pastor** - Michael Schmidt

**Preaching Pastor** – Rev. Douglas Johnson

**Director of Laity Ministries** - Stephanie Johnson

**Director of Music Ministries** - Jennifer Wohlenhaus Bloomberg

**Ensemble Director** – Sherry Kocek

**Grace Kids Care Director** - Heather Nelson

**Office Administrator** - Jacquelyn Holmes

**Building/Grounds** - Luis Reaza

**Receptionist** - Diana Johnson

**Office Assistant** - Michelle Voelker

**Ushers** – Jay Wangerin, Paul Nelson, Kevin Krause

**Liturgist** – Sherry Kocek

**Lector** – Kate Schaller

**Childrens Sermon** – Pastor Mike

**Communion servers** – Julie Honsey, Kathy Bowermaster, Janet Trentmann, Shirley Shiffler

**Acolytes** – Devin Ashton

**Altar Guild** – Tammy Denton, Alice Kulzer, Diane Jessen

**Counters** –

**Coffee Servers** – Norm and Lenore Iverson

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