

Grace Lutheran Church

3010 52nd St. Des Moines, Iowa 50310

*"It is the
Spirit
that gives
Life:
the flesh is useless.
The words that
I have spoken
to you are
Spirit
and Life."*

John 6:63, NRSV

The Season of Pentecost

August 12-September 2, 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

Please prepare for worship through quiet reflection and meditation

"Fantasia #8" by Georg Philipp Telemann

Jennifer Wohlenhaus Bloomberg, oboe

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the creator of wind and rain, field and ocean, the bread of life coming down from above, the power at work within us and this world.

Amen.

P: Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God and Father of all,

C: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have thought better of ourselves than others. We have told lies, said hurtful things, acted in ways we wish we could take back, and looked the other way when action was needed. In your mercy, O God, forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior. 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

"Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer"

#618

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

The congregation sings the refrain only

Refrain



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for
- 4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus-tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Canticle of Praise

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the
Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. 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

Refrain

hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his. This is the feast of
vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. 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 - t'ry for our God, for the

Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

C: Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

Please be seated

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:4–8

First Kings chapter 18 describes the contest between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. The contest proves that the Lord is God; and afterwards Elijah orders the killing of the Baal prophets. Angered by the deaths of her prophets, Queen Jezebel threatens to kill Elijah. This reading finds Elijah fleeing, fatigued, and in utter despair.

⁴But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." ⁵Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." ⁶He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of

water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. ⁷The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." ⁸He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

L: the Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 34:1–8

R:  Taste and see that the LORD is good.

The musical notation is a single line of music on a five-line staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notes are: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4-A4 (beamed eighth notes), G4-F#4 (beamed eighth notes), E4 (quarter), and D4 (half). The lyrics "Taste and see that the LORD is good." are written below the notes.

¹I will bless the LORD ¹at all times; the praise of God shall ever be ¹in my mouth.

²**I will glory ¹in the LORD; let the lowly hear ¹and rejoice.**

³Proclaim with me the greatness ¹of the LORD; let us exalt God's ¹name together.

⁴**I sought the LORD, who ¹answered me and delivered me from ¹all my terrors. R**

⁵Look upon the LORD ¹and be radiant, and let not your faces ¹be ashamed.

⁶**I called in my affliction, and ¹the LORD heard me and saved me from ¹all my troubles.**

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who ¹fear the LORD and de- ¹livers them.

⁸**Taste and see that the ¹LORD is good; happy are they who take ref- ¹uge in God! R**

Children's Sermon

SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:25—5:2

Christians are called to be imitators of God. This does not mean Christians are perfect. Rather, the Spirit is at work in our lives so that our actions and attitudes genuinely reflect the love and forgiveness we have received through Christ and his death.

Chapter 4

²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

Chapter 5

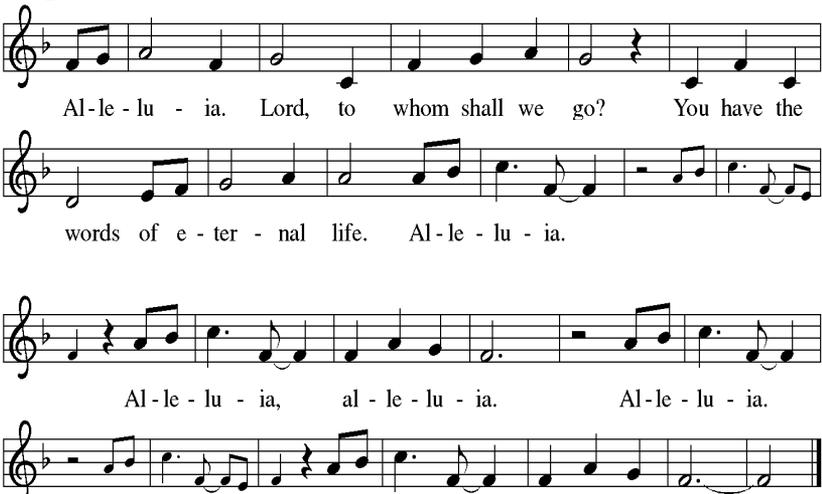
Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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.
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 6:35, 41–51

After feeding more than five thousand people in the wilderness, Jesus teaches them regarding the true significance of this remarkable sign.

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ⁴¹Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴²They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'" ⁴³Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. ⁴⁶Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

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

“O Living Bread from Heaven”

#542

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: Let us pray

C: Have mercy, O God.

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: "Menuetto" from "Divertimento for Flute and Bassoon"

by Leopold Hofmann

Jennifer Wohlenhaus Bloomberg, oboe

Timothy Gale, bassoon

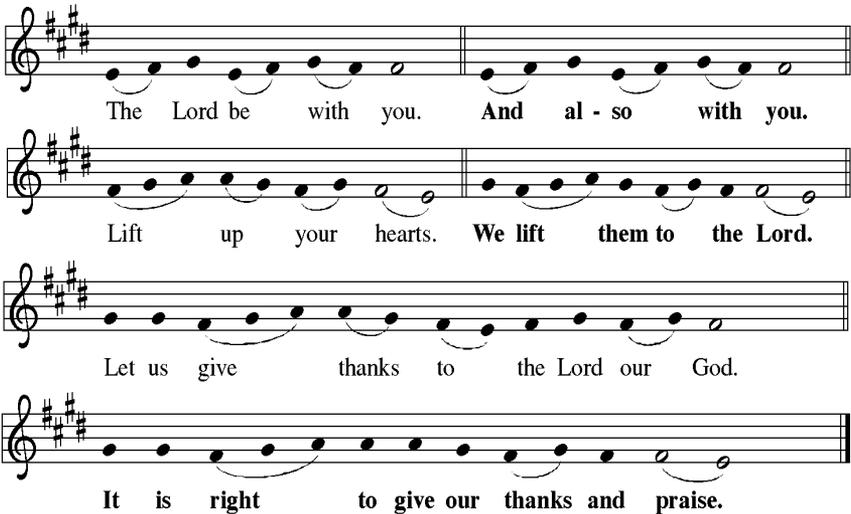
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Offering Prayer

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.

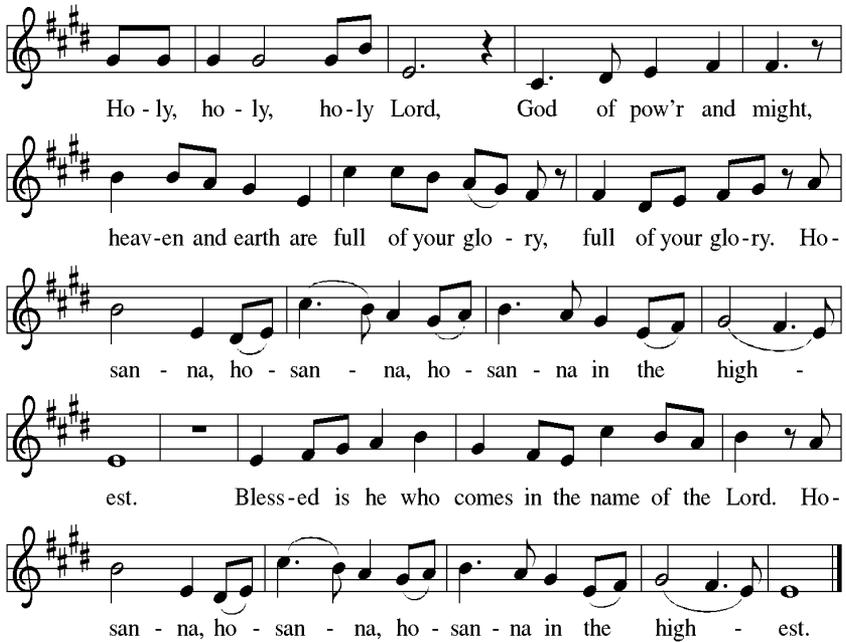
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

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'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, 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. Jesus said, "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

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, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Distribution Hymns:
#493, #496, #779

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

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

#836

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude:

"Duet III"

by Francois Couperin, arr. by Ronald C. Dishinger

Timothy Gale and Jennifer Wohlenhaus Bloomberg, bassoons



Good Morning and Welcome to Grace!

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 August 12, 2012

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

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Vivian and Carl Feilmann in honor of their 60th wedding anniversary.

If you have a personal or health related problem area in your life and need someone to listen, a trained **Stephen Minister** is available in the Upper Room between services. Stephen Ministry is about hope. A Stephen Minister actively listens to a care receiver's concerns, identifying feelings and needs with skillful compassion, faithfulness and trustworthiness.



Happy Birthday to the following people this week! Linda Ulrick, Ruth Ann Allen, Paul Johnson, Maria Jacobo, Josefina Ruiz, Milton Heiser, Darlene Stuckle, Angela Hansen, Rachel Welty, Connie Heuton, J. (Alex) Pilon, Adam Dostalík, Cheryl Weatherington, Jordan Carter, Beverly Russell, Michael Best

Happy Anniversary to: Donald and Bonnie Swanson, John and Sharon Schwemler, James and Sherry Merkwan, Gary and Marion Nehmer, Dennis and Patricia Rehder, Ralf and Inga Hoifeldt, Lathrop and Sally Preston, Chris and MeLissa Lawson, Sean and Melinda Stickrod, Dale and Pat Bordt, Virgil and Gayle Olson, John and Carol Rudisill

Please join Carl and Vivian Feilmann as they celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary with an open house in Grace Hall today, August 12, from 2:00-4:00 P.M. If you are unable to attend and would like to send your wishes, send your card to 8211 Sutton Dr., Des Moines, Iowa 50322



Wish These Friends a
"Happy Birthday!"

You are Invited!

Marvin and Lorna Johns will celebrate significant birthdays at an event on Sunday, August 19 at Grace Lutheran Church. A Service of Thanksgiving will begin at 2 p.m. in the church with reception from 2:30-4 p.m. in the church hall. All in the Grace community are welcome. No invitations are being sent and the couple request no gifts.

Parents of college students or military service

Is your child heading off to college or the military service? If so, we, as their church family, would like to stay connected with these young adult members.

The plan is to send some goodies along with notes of encouragement a few times through the school year. All we need is your child's college address. Please provide to Cherie Rissman. (205-8939 or cherierissman@gmail.com)

First Circle Friends training: Two training dates have been set for this new memory loss ministry starting at Grace on October 4. The first is on August 23, and the second on September 20. All volunteers come from from 9:00am-1:00pm on the day of their choice, and those interested in becoming a lead volunteer continue until 5:00pm. Several different volunteer positions are available. For more information on the program or on volunteering, please contact John Roehrick, Don Peterson, Julie Honsey, or Stephanie Johnson. If you are interested in the training and haven't already contacted Stephanie Johnson, please RSVP for whichever training date works for you.

This Week at Grace

SUNDAY, August 12

9:00 a.m. – Holy Communion
10:00 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship
10:00 a.m. – Debt Reduction Information Forum
2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Open House – Carl and Vivian Feilmann’s 60th
Anniversary

MONDAY, August 13

10:00 a.m. – Staff Meeting
4:00 p.m. – Tops
6:00 – 10:00 p.m. – AA in Grace Hall

TUESDAY, August 14

7:00 p.m. – Committee night: Education, Evangelism, Finance, Lay
Ministry Team, Property, Social Ministry, Worship & Music, Youth Ed.
8:00 p.m. – Stewardship meeting
6:00 p.m. – Tops

WEDNESDAY, August 15

9:00 a.m. – Willing Workers

THURSDAY, August 16

9:00 a.m. – Quilters
6:45 – 9:00 p.m. – Embroidery Guild

FRIDAY, August 17

SATURDAY, August 18

1:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Berven Family Birthday Party
5:00 p.m. – Holy Communion

SUNDAY, August 19

9:00 a.m. – Holy Communion
10:00 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship
2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Marv and Lorna Johns Birthdays honored by a
Service of Thanksgiving in sanctuary, followed by a reception in Grace
Hall.

Welcome to Grace!

Ministers – The People of God

Pastor - Michael Schmidt

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, Norm Trentmann

Liturgist – Paul Kallenbach

Lector – Joanne Johnson

Children’s Sermon – Stephanie Johnson

Communion servers – The Rissman Family

Acolytes – Emma Mattes, Payton Lawson

Altar Guild – Gail Peterson, Carol Woodruff

Counters – Jon Rissman, Carter Woodruff

Coffee Servers – Rick and Lori Fry

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