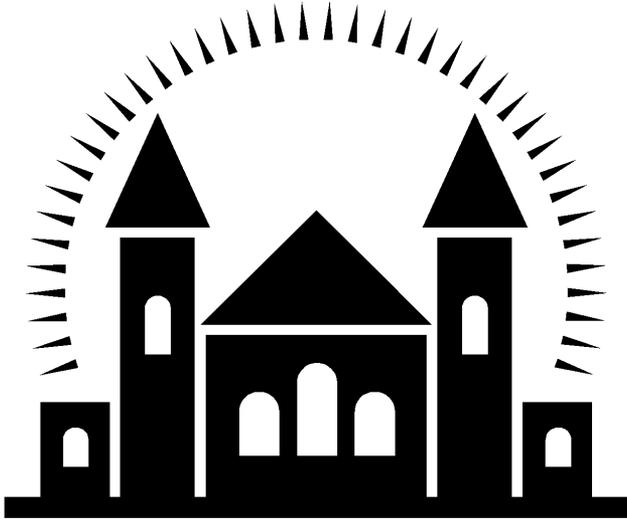


# Grace Lutheran Church

3010 52nd St. Des Moines, Iowa 50310



**“My kingdom  
is not from  
this world.”**

J O H N 1 8 : 3 6 , N R S V

**Christ the King**

November 25, 2012

8:15 and 10:45 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

***Welcome!** 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. Heather Nelson or another daycare staff member will be the attendant each Sunday morning. If there is no one in the nursery, check in the daycare office. The service is also broadcast in the Gathering Hall.*

***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 side aisle and the pastor will commune you in your pew.*

***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.*

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

# Welcome to Worship at Grace Lutheran Church

Companion Congregation: Msindo Parish in Tanzania

**Prelude**                      “Come, Thou Almighty King” by Gerald Peterson  
*(Please prepare for worship through quiet reflection and meditation)*

## THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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

**C: Amen.**

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**Hymn**                      “Come, Thou Almighty King”                      #408

## 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.**

## Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray...

**C: Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of 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: Daniel 7:9–10, 13–14**

*To the community for whom this passage was written, it seemed as though the oppression they were experiencing would never end. Daniel's message is: It shall end. The Ancient One who is judge will call all nations to account and will give dominion to "one like a human being," the Messiah.*

<sup>9</sup>As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. <sup>10</sup>A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened.

<sup>13</sup>As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. <sup>14</sup>To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm: Psalm 93**



**R:**



<sup>1</sup>The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength. The LORD has made the world so sure that it can-<sup>1</sup>not be moved.

<sup>2</sup>Ever since the world began, your throne has<sup>1</sup> been established; you are from<sup>1</sup> everlasting. **R**

<sup>3</sup>The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted up their voice; the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.

**<sup>4</sup>Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.**

<sup>5</sup>Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and for- evermore. **R**

**8:15 Anthem:** Crown Him with Many Crowns (Diademata)

G. Elvey/arr. S. Drummond Wolff

*Chancel Choir*

## Children's Sermon

### Second Lesson: Revelation 1:4b–8

*The book of Revelation begins by celebrating the Almighty God, who spans all of time. Similarly, Jesus is celebrated as the firstborn from the dead who rules over the world's rulers. He is the one whose return we eagerly await.*

<sup>4b</sup>Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup>and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup>and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. <sup>7</sup>Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. <sup>8</sup>I am the Alpha and the Omega, says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**



## Gospel Acclamation



C: Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Please stand as you are able*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighteenth Chapter.

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

### **Gospel: John 18:33–37**

*In John's gospel, the story of Jesus and Pilate presents two different ways of exercising power: through force or with love.*

<sup>33</sup>Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" <sup>35</sup>Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" <sup>36</sup>Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." <sup>37</sup>Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

**Sermon**

*Please stand as you are able*

**Hymn**

“Beautiful Savior”

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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**

L: Hear us, O God,

**C: your mercy is great.**

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

**C: Amen.**

**All: God of love, 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** “Aria in C Minor by J.S. Bach” ed. By Charles Callahan

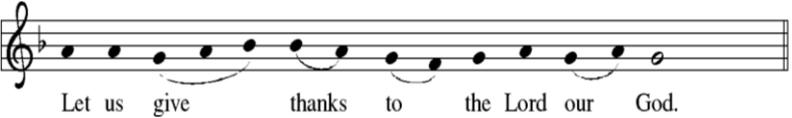
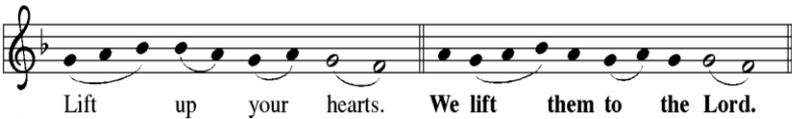
*Please stand as you are able*

## Offering Prayer

P: Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving



## Preface

### Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on four staves in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The music is in a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are placed below the notes on each staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The final note of the fourth staff is a double bar line.

### Thanksgiving at the Table

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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

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

## Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen**

## Invitation to Communion

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

*Please be seated*

## Communion Song



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

**Distribution Hymns: 631, 770, 838**

*Please stand as you are able*

**Prayer after Communion**

P: O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our 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.**

**Hymn**

“The Head That Once Was Crowned”

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**Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. The Lord is near.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

“Rejoice, The Lord is King” by James Mansfield



## Announcements and Calendar Sunday, November 25, 2012

**In our prayers:** Bev Anderson, LeRoi Beers, Lyle Black, Dennis Farver (John Farver's father), Nayeli Jacobo, Diane Jessen, Karla Swanson, the family of Rev. Del Niemuth, the family of Bob Schossow (Beverly Russell's father), and the others we name before you...

**Flowers on the altar** are given to the glory of God by Lori and Rick Fry.

**Quarters** placed in the offering plate today and every Fourth Sunday are for Msindo.

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

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### Education Opportunities

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

**Adult Forum**      **November 25** – Time of Fellowship – Gathering hall  
**December 2** – Mark Mattes on Isaiah

**Adult Bible Study** meets Tuesday mornings from 8:45–10:15a.m. in Grace Hall II. Tuesday evening Bible Study meets Tuesday evenings at 6 p.m. *this week in the conference room*. Pastor Mike leads both studies.

**Super Wednesday Activities and Dinner will resume Wednesday November 28.** The Ridnours are cooking for us again. YUM!

Please consider volunteering to prepare and serve a dinner. A casserole, sandwich bar, a hot soup and rolls – all ideas and efforts are welcome! *Open Dinner dates are December 12 and December 19.*

**Sunday  
school**

will resume on December 2.



**Happy Anniversary to:** Todd and Barbara Burley, Frank and Colleen McKinney, Anthony and Tara Royster, Vernon and Helen Fanning, Neal and Sandra Meyer, Ross and Cindy Peeler



**Happy Birthday to the following people this week!**

Dorothy Jensen, Rev. Douglass Johnson, Kerry Riordan, Paul Thielking, Virginia Wangerin, Carol Woodruff, Laura Wangerin, Peter Kiefer, Jessica Rissman, Edward Ridnour, Karinne Harmon, Angie Hidalgo, Joshua Cline, Sarah Williamson, Deanna Weber, John Lund



**Holiday Carols in Concert**

The Southwestern Community College Chamber Singers will perform at Grace on Friday November 30, at 7:30 p.m.

**A “very tasty” turkey dinner! Sign up today!**

Grace Fellowship is sponsoring the annual “very tasty” turkey dinner in Grace Hall on Sunday, December 2, at 5:00 p.m. We’ll have the great dinner, a lively program, and good fellowship. All adults are included in this group. The price is \$10 and reservations are needed by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, November 26. Sign up in the Gathering Hall or call Lenora Iverson at 279-3870, Verda Swanson at 276-6625, or the church office.

**Combat Hunger** The Confirmation students in collaboration with the Social Ministry Team have been collecting food items for the Food Bank of Iowa’s **Combat Hunger** initiative which runs through November 16. All food items may be placed in the Gathering Hall at the Social Ministry Center. *The Combat Hunger display will remain up throughout the month of November with the food collected after November 16 being taken to the Food Pantry.*

## **Communication Survey**

There is a group of students from Luther College, under the guidance of the Rev. Dr. Mark Johns (son of Marv and Lorna), conducting a survey regarding communication practices here at Grace Lutheran Church. If you are contacted, we hope you will consider participating and we thank you for your open and honest feedback. It is through an honest assessment that we will be able to see how to better serve the people of God at Grace and in the community.

## **This Week at Grace**

### **SUNDAY, November 25 *Christ the King***

8:15 a.m. – Holy Communion

9:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship – Gathering Hall

*No Sunday School or Adult Forum*

9:30 a.m. – Brass practice

9:30 a.m. – Good and Beautiful God Book Discussion - Chapel

9:30 a.m. – Stephen Minister in Upper Room

10:45 a.m. – Holy Communion

### **MONDAY, November 26**

10:00 a.m. – Staff meeting

4:00 p.m. – TOPS

6:00 – 10:00 p.m. – AA in Grace Hall

### **TUESDAY, November 27**

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

8:45 – 10:15 a.m. – Bible Study in Grace Hall

6:00 p.m. – TOPS

6:00 p.m. – Evening Bible Study in the Conference Room

6:00 p.m. – Good and Beautiful God book discussion – Café

6:00 p.m. – Lydia Circle, final for season.

Program will be Adam Dostalík in the Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. – Council Meeting

### **WEDNESDAY, November 28**

9:00 a.m. – Willing Workers

4:30 – 5:00 p.m. – Cherub Choir

4:30 – 5:00 p.m. – Youth Choir

5:00 – 6:00 p.m. – Supper

5:30 p.m. – Book Discussion

5:30 – 6:00 p.m. – Chapel Chimers (grade 3-5)

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Kids Hour

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Lectionary Study

6:00 – 6:30 p.m. – Youth Bells (grades 6-12)  
6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – High School Hangout, high school room  
6:30 p.m. – Brass Practice  
6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Confirmation  
6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Grace Bells  
7:45 – 8:45 p.m. – Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY, November 29**

9:00 a.m. – Quilters  
6:30 p.m. – Holy Communion Evening Worship

**FRIDAY, November 30**

Afternoon: SWCC Choir arrives for rehearsal and dinner  
7:30 p.m. – Southwest Iowa Community College Choir Christmas  
Concert - Sanctuary

**SATURDAY, December 1**

10:00 – 11:00 a.m. – Youth Director Visionary Committee Meeting –  
conference room

**SUNDAY, December 2 - *First Sunday of Advent***

8:15 a.m. – Holy Communion  
9:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship – Grace Hall  
9:30 a.m. – Adult Forum, Education Hour, Brass practice  
9:30 a.m. – Bible study on Mark's Gospel - Esperanza Café  
9:30 a.m. – Good and Beautiful God Book Discussion - Chapel  
9:30 a.m. – Stephen Minister in Upper Room  
10:45 a.m. – Holy Communion  
5:00 p.m. – Grace Fellowship Turkey Dinner

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

Drury 10:45 Jay Wangerin, Mike Carney, Gary Nelson, Rick Fry

**Liturgist** – 8:15 – Alex Davik 10:45 – Mary Freimuth Helt

**Lector** – 8:15 Kate Schaller 10:45 Rev. Ro Zimany 10:45

**Children’s Sermon** – Stephanie Johnson

**Communion servers** – 10:45 Julie Honsey, Ellen Wonderlin, Stephanie Johnson, Jenie Schmidt

**Acolytes** – 8:15 Bobby Briggs 10:45 Isaac McCleary, Sierra Carney

**Altar Guild** – Jane Ridnour, Connie Heuton, Sue Anderson

**Counters** –

**Coffee** – Michele and Hal Turner

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