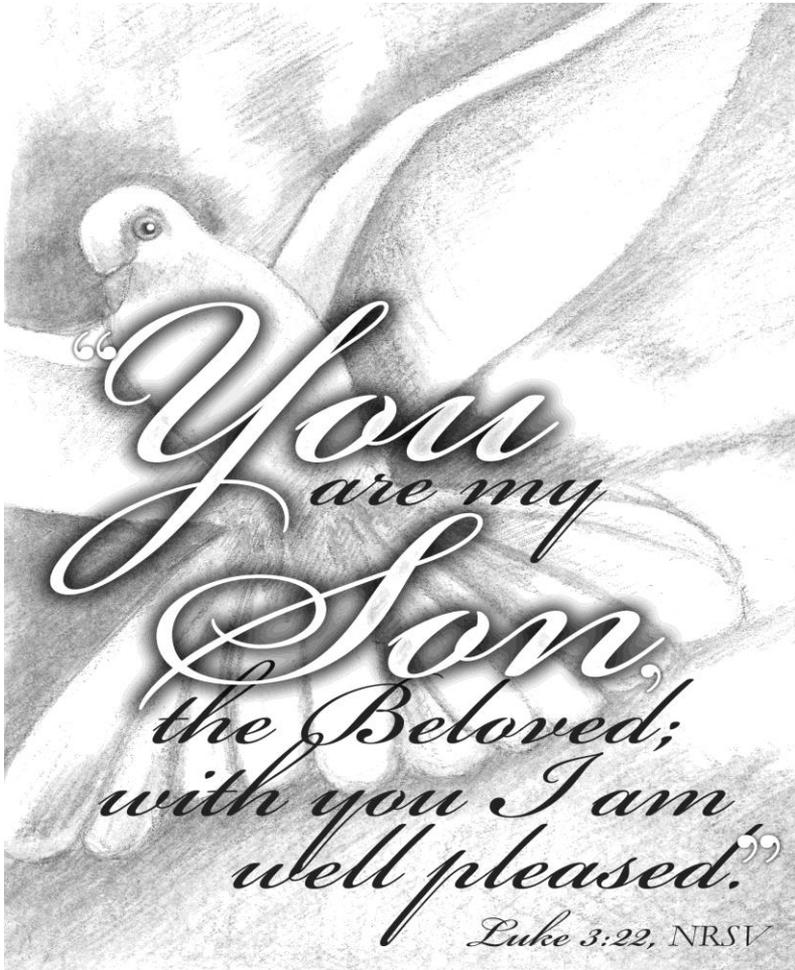


Grace Lutheran Church

3010 52nd St. Des Moines, Iowa 50310



Baptism of our Lord

January 13, 2013

8:15 and 10:45 a.m.

Holy Communion Service

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.*

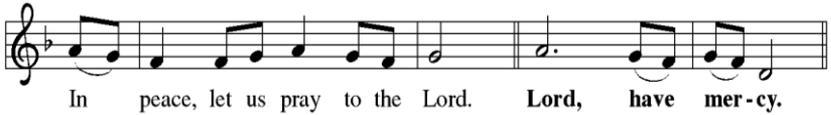
***Communion** – We welcome all people to the Lord’s table to receive Holy Communion. Children not instructed are invited to come forward for a blessing. If you are not able to come forward to take communion, please notify an usher before the service. Then try to sit by the side aisle and the pastor 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).*

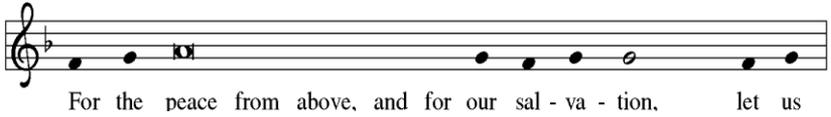
***When by pouring chalice:** Receive a cup. Receive and eat the bread. Proceed to the wine or grape juice. If you would prefer to have grape juice, take a rose colored glass from the inner ring of the tray; grape juice will be in the outer most chalice on both sides. Communion bread is gluten free.*

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

Kyrie



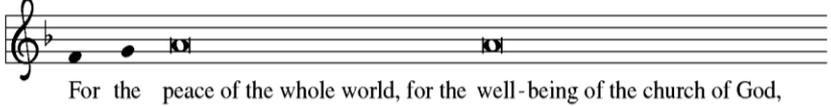
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



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



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



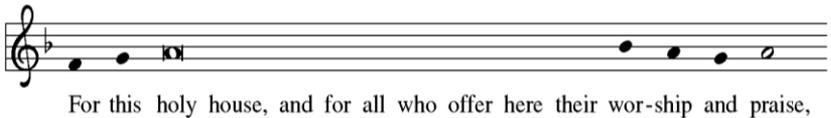
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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.

Detailed description: This block contains the first part of the canticle. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first line of music is a refrain: 'This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -'. The second line continues the refrain: 'lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' The third line starts the first verse: '1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us'. The fourth line continues: 'free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and'. The fifth line continues: '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.

Detailed description: This block contains the second part of the canticle. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first line of music is a refrain: 'This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -'. The second line continues the refrain: 'lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' The third line starts the second verse: '2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the'. The fourth line continues: 'hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and'. The fifth line continues: '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: Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, 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: Isaiah 43:1–7

Near the end of Israel's exile in Babylon, God promises to bring them home. They need no longer be afraid, because the one who formed, created, and called them by name now redeems them from all their enemies. God declares them precious and honored, and God loves them.

But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. ²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. ³For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life.

⁵Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; ⁶I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth — ⁷everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

L: the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Psalm: Psalm 29



¹Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

²**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**

³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

⁴**The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor. R**

⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

⁶**the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

⁷The voice of the LORD bursts forth in lightning flashes.

⁸**The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. R**

⁹The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare. And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"

¹⁰**The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.**

¹¹O LORD, give strength to your people; give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace. R

10:45 Anthem "The Baptism of Our Lord" F.P. Green/A. Lovelace
Chancel Choir

Children's Sermon

Second Lesson: Acts 8:14–17

Peter and John are sent to support the new Christians in Samaria, a group that was recently baptized after hearing the good news of Christ through the preaching of Philip. Here the Samaritans receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in the laying on of hands.

¹⁴Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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: A voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, | the Beloved,*
with whom I | am well pleased." (*Matt. 3:17*)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the Third Chapter.

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



Gospel: Luke 3:15–17, 21–22

The reading opens with questions about the identity of the Messiah. John the Baptist insists that he is not the Messiah; instead he points ahead to one who is coming. And whether the voice of God was heard by all or only by Jesus, God settles the matter: Jesus is God's beloved Son.

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." ²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon

Please stand as you are able

Hymn

“Crashing Waters at Creation”

#455

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: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your loving hands, gracious God, we place ourselves and all our prayers, spoken and unspoken, 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 “Joys Are Flowing Like a River” by Douglas E. Wagner

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

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.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff contains the first two lines of lyrics, the second staff the next two lines, and the third and fourth staves the final two lines. The music consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some phrases ending in a half note or a whole note.

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.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The melody is more rhythmic and melodic than the first piece, featuring eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are written below each staff. The first staff contains the first line of lyrics, the second staff the second line, the third staff the third line, and the fourth staff the fourth line. The music ends with 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**

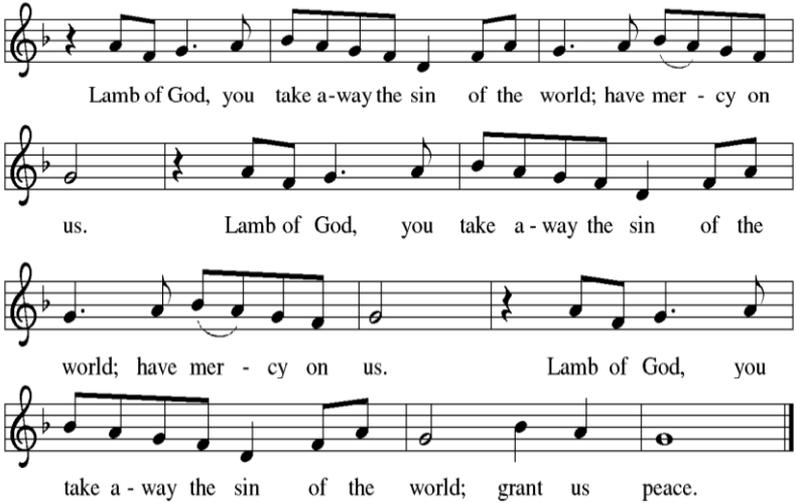
Invitation to Communion

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



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: 661, 614, 800

Please stand as you are able

Prayer after Communion

P: We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in 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.

Hymn

“The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve”

#551

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“Praise to the Lord” by Edward Broughton

Announcements and Calendar

In our prayers: LeRoi Beers, Lyle Black, Diane Jessen, the family of Malena Seymour (Gail Peterson's mother), and the others we name before you...

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of god by Gail and Don Peterson in memory of Gail's parents, Clifford and Malena Seymour and her brother, Richard Seymour.

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** will resume today at 9:30 after coffee time.

Adult Forum **January 13** – Intergenerational Event: Care of Pets/Animals with Sandy Briggs
January 20 – 2013 Budget – Kevin Krause



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. in the Gathering Hall. Pastor Mike leads both studies. Evening Bible Study will NOT meet this week.

Happy Birthday to: Jaqueline Villela, Lolita Huth, Tessa Dawn Fenimore, Laria Preston, Carmen Buell, Kathryn Farrell, Barbara DeBolt, Kari Berven, McKenzie Carney, Lonnie Jessen, Stephen Kallenbach, Arnold Johansen, Rebecca Selander



Sunday school staff ! Don't forget the lunch and meeting at noon today in Grace Hall.



Interested in joining the **Malaria Task Force** to help create a unique fundraising campaign? We would love your ideas. Join us on Tuesday at 7pm in the conference room.



There will be a catered hot lunch on Sunday January 27, before the Annual Meeting in Grace Hall. Lunch will begin following the second service. A free will offering will be accepted to offset costs. Your smiling help in setting up would be greatly appreciated: this includes anything from setting up tables, making coffee, putting out plates and napkins, greeting and directing members, serving or clean-up. Please contact Stephanie Johnson if you are willing to help! Thank you.

Event photos: Has your group recently had an event? If you have photos of your social or ministry event you are welcome to share them on the photo wall bulletin board. Just let Stephanie know when you would like to add them. Consider including names, dates, and details of the event.



Grace Hall Festival of Trees If you brought ornaments for the Christmas trees in Grace Hall and want to take them home now that the trees are packed away, they are available for pickup in Jackie's office. Otherwise, we will carefully pack them in totes and store them for next year's festival. Thank you for your participation as our "grove of trees" expands.

This Week at Grace

SUNDAY, January 13

- 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. – Intergenerational Animal Ministries Event
- 9:30 a.m. – Stephen Minister in Upper Room
- 9:30 a.m. – Good and Beautiful God Book Discussion – Chapel
- 10:45 a.m. – Holy Communion
- 12:00 noon – Sunday School Staff Lunch - GHI

MONDAY, January 14

10:00 a.m. – Staff Meeting

4:00 p.m. – TOPS

6:00 – 10:00 p.m. – AA in Grace Hall

7:10 p.m. – Hannah Circle

TUESDAY, January 15, *no evening bible study tonight*

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

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

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

6:00 p.m. – TOPS

7:00 p.m. – Malaria Task Force meeting

WEDNESDAY, January 16

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 – 7:30 p.m. – High School Hangout, high school room

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)

6:30 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, January 17, *deadline for newsletter articles*

9:00 a.m. – Quilters

2:00-4:00 p.m. - Library Committee

5:45 – 8:00 p.m. – Cub Scouts

6:30 p.m. – Holy Communion Evening Worship

6:45 – 9:00 p.m. – Embroidery Guild

FRIDAY, January 18**SATURDAY, January 19**

10:00 a.m. – Youth/Young Adult Visionary meeting – Conf. room

12:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Merrill and Cowles Mock Trial group

SUNDAY, January 20

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. – Stephen Minister in Upper Room
9:30 a.m. – Good and Beautiful God Book Discussion – Chapel
10:45 a.m. – Holy Communion

Welcome to Grace!

Ministers – The People of God

Pastor - Michael Schmidt

Preaching Pastor - Ken Jones

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

Office Assistant - Michelle Voelker

Ushers – 8:15 Kevin Krause, Chuck Denton, Leslie Denton 10:45 Paul Nelson, Rick Fry, Jay Wangerin

Liturgist – 8:15 Alex Davik 10:45 Janet Habick

Lector – 8:15 Carla Peterman 10:45 Jeff Farrell

Children's Sermon – Carol Woodruff

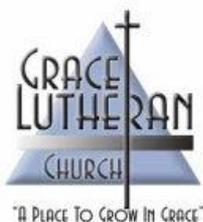
Communion servers – 10:45 a.m. Barb Burley, Kristin Medhurst, Kyler Medhurst, Stephanie Johnson

Acolytes – 8:15 Haley Dostalick 10:45 Ben Wonderlin, Matt Farrell

Altar Guild – Mindy Scholten and Loree Nelson

Counters – 8:15 Mike Peterman, Mike Carney 10:45 Mark Stumme, Tom McCleary

Coffee – The Briggs Family



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