

Grace Lutheran Church



The Holy Trinity
First Sunday after Pentecost

June 15, 2014

8:15 a.m. and 9:45 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 in the Gathering Hall.*

***Communion** – We welcome all people to the Lord’s table to receive Holy Communion. Children ages 3 and above are welcome at the parents’ discretion, after meeting for instruction with the pastor. 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 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. Communion bread is gluten free.*

***Stephen Ministry** is a one-to-one care giving ministry for those experiencing personal problems such as grieving or crisis situations. If you would like to be connected to a Stephen Minister, please contact the office for assistance.*

Prelude “Hymn to the Trinity” by Robert J. Hughes
Please prepare for worship through quiet reflection and meditation

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, abounding in steadfast love toward us, healing the sick and raising the dead, showering us with every good gift.

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 the power of sin that dwells within us. We put ourselves first and others last. What we think will make us happy leaves us longing for more. Even when we want to do what is good, we find ourselves doing the opposite. Rescue us from death's grip on our lives, and raise us up day by day, that we may be alive to God in Christ Jesus. 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.

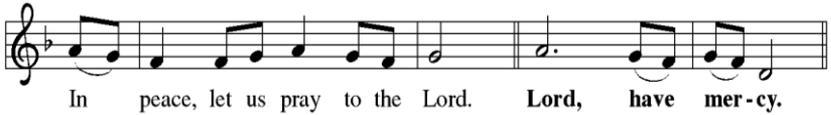
Hymn “Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty” #413

Greeting

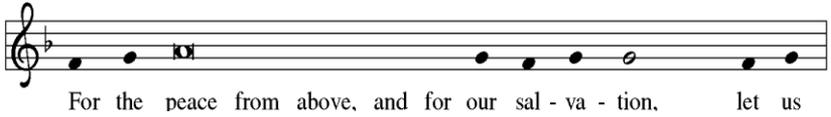
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie



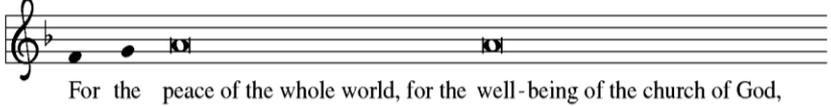
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



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



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



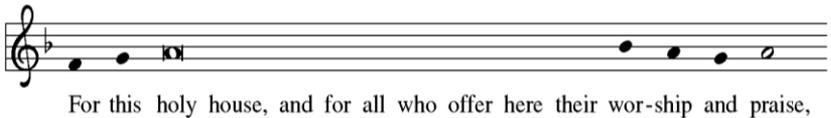
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



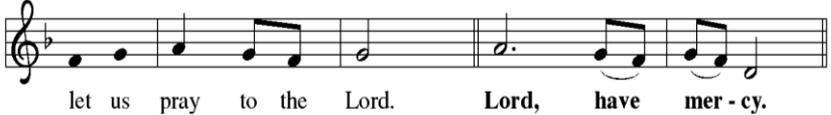
and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



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.**



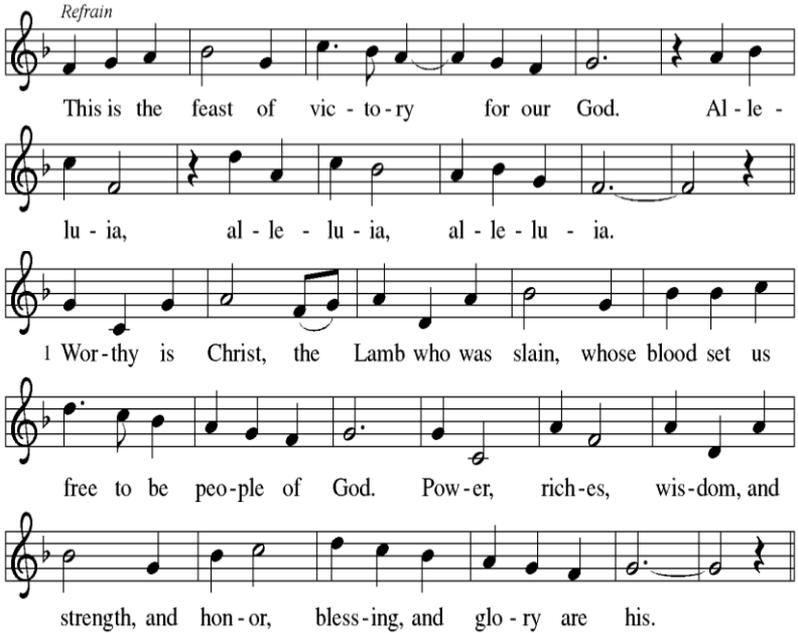
Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



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: **Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

Please be seated

Children's Sermon

Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11–13

Paul closes a challenging letter to the Corinthians with an appeal to Christian fellowship grounded in the triune harmony of Christ's grace, God's love, the Spirit's partnership.

¹¹Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹²Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. ¹³The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

L: the Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God**

Please stand as you are able

Gospel Acclamation



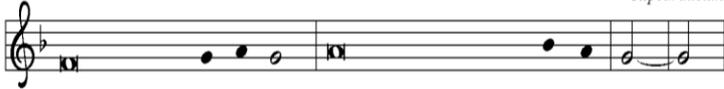
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C:



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

Repeat alleluia



L: *Holy, holy, holy is the¹ Lord of hosts;**

God's glory fills¹ the whole earth. (Isa. 6:3)

Gospel Acclamation

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

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

Gospel: Matthew 28:16–20

After his resurrection, Jesus summons his remaining disciples and commissions them to baptize and teach all nations in the name of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

P: The Gospel of the Lord

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

Please be seated

Sermon

Please stand as you are able

Hymn

“Father Most Holy”

#415

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

P: Let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

P: We lift our prayers to you, God of mercy, confident that all things are in your hands. In Jesus' name we pray.

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

“Air”

by G.F. Handel

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.

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 as 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. Christ invites you to a place of honor at this banquet. Welcome to the feast.

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: 771, 468, 483

Please stand as you are able

Prayer after Communion

P: We thank you, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have fed us in a way our hearts can understand, with the saving body and blood of Jesus Christ. Enliven us by your presence in this meal, that we may be your presence in the world, 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.

Hymn

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

#834

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the Good News.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“He Reigns Triumphant”

by James Denton

Good Morning and Welcome to Grace!

In our prayers: Gigi Beeler (Cherie Rissman’s sister-in-law), LeRoi Beers, Lyle Black, Drake Carney, Diane Jessen, Dolores Johnson, Lucy Krauss, Marilyn Newman (Lori Fry’s mother), Robert Schmidt (Pastor Mike’s father), Brian Vance, and the others we name before you...

Quarters placed in the offering basket this and every third Sunday are for the Food Pantry.



Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Joann Pierce in honor all fathers.



Happy Birthday to: Sandra Meyer, Allison Hofman, Peter Mattes, Kenneth Schwarz, Joseph Gutmann, Donald Schroeder, Joseph Honsey, Eugene Krauss, Rita Stackhouse, Curt Johansen, Matthew Jordahl, Vivian J. Swanson, Marilyn Nizzi, Luis Reaza, Paul Kallenbach

Happy Anniversary to: Tim and La Vonne Mitchell, Richard and Mary Johansen, Nick and Kristin Medhurst, Donald and Grace Schreoder

Summer Worship Schedule

May 25 – August 31

Services in the Sanctuary at 8:15 and 9:45 a.m. Sunday

No Wednesday or Saturday services

For your convenience, the current and updated calendar can be found online at www.gracedm.org, or in the entry hall and the hallway just outside of Grace Hall near the Fair Trade coffee display.

Please share your talents in worship this summer!

The special music signup for Sundays in June through the end of August is available in the Gathering Hall.



Graduation Party for Krista Nelson

Krista's college graduation party is Thursday, June 19 from 4:30-7:00 p.m. at Riley Park, across from the church. Please join us as we celebrate her achievement. You may RSVP to Paul Nelson and Kathy Piltingsrud 279-1934. Please leave a message if we are not there.

Heartfelt Thanks to the Willing Workers who responded very quickly to protect our vegetable garden from Peter and the rabbits. They put up additional wire fence on a very warm day with cheerful determination. You are much appreciated.

Many thanks go out to all the volunteers who made preschool VBS such a fun experience for the children this past week, and thanks to the snack donors for refueling children's bodies and helping us to stretch our budget dollars further. The planning team appreciates all of you.



Congregational Care Ministry

We are looking for those who are interested in visiting and building relationships with Grace members who are unable to attend worship. Home bound members may often feel disconnected from the faith community because of the inability to attend church. Out of deep care we desire to foster those connections and relationships.

We are excited about the opportunity to serve the Lord by caring for each other and strengthening the bonds with all in our Grace family. If you are interested in this opportunity please contact Cherie Rissman. (cherierissman@[gmail.com](mailto:cherierissman@gmail.com) or 270-0278)

"Whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone - especially to those in the family of faith." Galatians 6:10



Book Discussion on
"Pastrix, The Cranky, Beautiful Faith of a Sinner and Saint"
by Pastor Nadia Bolz-Weber

Looking for a summer read that will deliver entertainment, boldness, humor, realness and possibly give you hope and a new meaning on the transforming power of grace? If so, join a small group that will meet Mondays this summer to discuss Nadia Bolz-Weber's book, "Pastrix." Nadia went from horrific substance addictions to the sweet addiction to God's grace; from a stand up comic at night clubs to a stand up convicted at the pulpit.

We will discuss the outrageous life stories of a Christ follower who portrays herself as a woman who is both deeply faithful and deeply flawed. Her spiritual memoir is a declaration of her new found and renewed hope in the radical power of God's grace.

For further details in this small group discussion please contact Cherie Rissman. (cherierissman@gmail.com or 270-0278)

Welcome to Grace!

Ministers – The People of God

Pastor – The Rev. Michael Schmidt

Preaching Pastor – The Rev. Roland Zimany

Director of Laity Ministries - Stephanie Johnson

Director of Music Ministries - Jennifer Wohlenhaus Bloomberg

Grace Kids Care Director - Heather Nelson

Office Administrator - Jacquelyn Holmes

Office Assistant - Michelle Voelker

Custodian – Todd Haugen

Ushers – 8:15 - Linda Biegger, Dee Hummel, Tim Nelson and Mike

Peterman 9:45 - Mark Stumme, Bill Jensen, Jay Wangerin

Liturgist – 8:15 Alex Davik 9:45 Kristina Hutton

Lector – 8:15 Karen Taylor 9:45 Kate Schaller

Children's Sermon – Stephanie Johnson

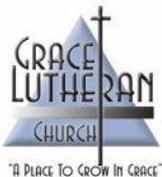
Communion servers – 8:15 Karen Taylor, Loree Nelson, Tim Nelson,
Kate Schaller

Acolytes – 8:15 Sawyer Shiffler 9:45 Sierra Carney

Altar Guild – Mindy Scholten, Diane Jessen

Counters – 9:45 Alex Davik and Carter Woodruff

Coffee - Karen Taylor



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