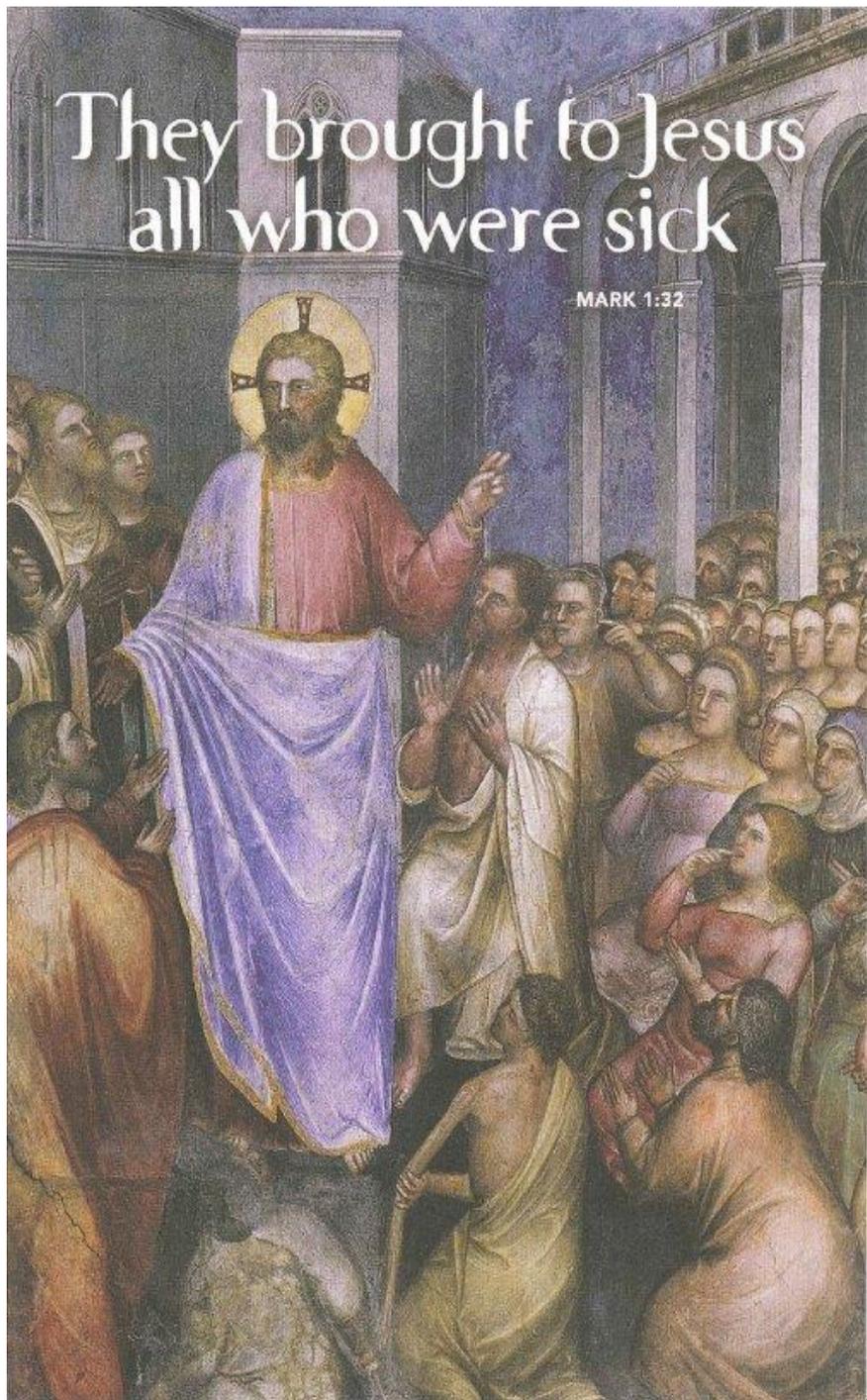


They brought to Jesus all who were sick

MARK 1:32



Welcome to Worship

at

Grace Lutheran Church

Companion Congregation: Msindo Parish in Tanzania

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! Please sign the Attendance Registrations sheets which are found in each pew. Visitors, please 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.

The nursery is available for newborns - age 3. The nursery is staffed by Grace Kids Care staff members for children who become restless during the service. If there is no one in the nursery, check in the daycare office. The service is broadcast in the Gathering Hall. To entertain your children during the service there are purple busy-bags with books and coloring materials for children just outside the sanctuary.

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.*

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 8, 2015

8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m

Prelude

“You Are Mine”

Haas

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

Behnke

Please prepare for worship through quiet reflection and meditation

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who spoke light into creation, who calls us to listen and follow, who sends us to shine like stars.

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 have sinned against our sisters and brothers and against you. We cherish the values of this world. We cause others to stumble. The earth is wounded by our excess. Have mercy, O God. Forgive us, renew us, and raise us up on eagles' wings, that we may do your will with courage and delight.

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

“Lord, Speak To Us, That We May Speak”

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Greeting

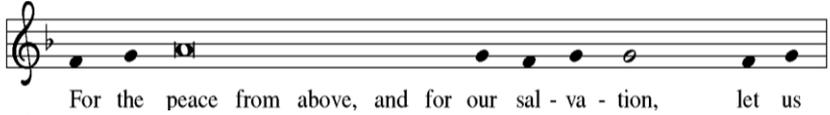
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

Kyrie



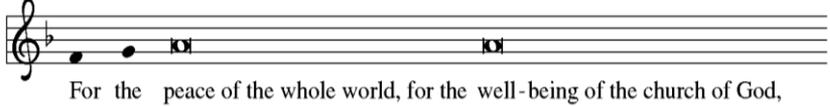
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



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



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



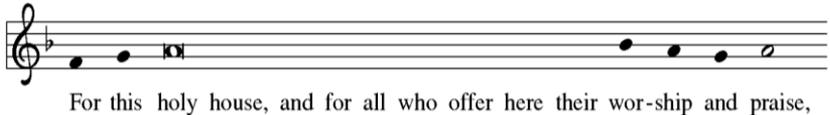
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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.

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: Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

Please be seated

Anthem

8:15 "Lord Of The Dance" by Vicki Smith
Grace Bells

10:45 "Thy Way, Not Mine, O Lord" by Craig Courtney
Chancel Choir

Children's Sermon

Reading: Isaiah 40:21–31

The Judeans in exile have a good reason to be hopeful: the one who will bring them to freedom is the God who created the world, the God who subdues the rulers of the earth and gives strength to those who are weary.

²¹Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? ²²It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; ²³who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. ²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. ²⁵To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. ²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. ²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? ²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. ³⁰Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; ³¹but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

L: the Word of the Lord
C: Thanks be to God

Special Music

8:15

“Glory Bound”
Grace Brass

by Stan Pethel

Psalm 147:1–11, 20c

R: 

The LORD heals the brok - en - heart - ed.

¹Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God! How pleasant it is to honor God with praise!

²**The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem, and gathers the exiles of Israel.**

³The LORD heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

⁴**The LORD counts the number of the stars and calls them all by their names. R**

⁵Great is our LORD and mighty in power; there is no limit to God's wisdom.

⁶**The LORD lifts up the lowly, but casts the wicked to the ground.**

⁷Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make music upon the harp to our God,

⁸**who covers the heavens with clouds and prepares rain for the earth, making grass to grow upon the mountains. R**

⁹God provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they cry.

¹⁰**God is not impressed by the might of a horse, and has no pleasure in the speed of a runner,**

¹¹but finds pleasure in those who fear the LORD, in those who await God's steadfast love.^{20c} Hallelujah! R

R: 
The LORD heals the brok - en - heart - ed.

Please stand as you are able

Gospel Acclamation



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

C: 
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*



L: The servant of God took ¹our infirmities* and bore ¹our diseases.

(*Matt. 8:17*)

Gospel Acclamation

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

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

Gospel: Mark 1:29–39

Everywhere Jesus goes, many people expect him to set them free from oppression. Everywhere he goes, he heals them and sets them free. Disease, devils, and death are running for their lives. The forces that diminish human life are rendered powerless by Jesus.

²⁹As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. ³²That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. ³⁵In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." ³⁸He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." ³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Please be seated

Sermon

Real World Discipleship: Pacing

Please stand as you are able

Hymn

“You Are Mine”

#581

10:45 Sacrament of Holy Baptism

This morning we celebrate the Holy Baptism of Kylan Joseph Appenzeller. Parents are Joshua and Sharena Appenzeller. Sponsors are Kelley Marks and Joshua Curry.



8:15 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: Lord, in your mercy

C: hear our prayer.

P: Trusting your love and healing, O God, we commend to you all for whom we pray, knowing you will hear and answer, through Christ 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 “On What Has Now Been Sown”

Barlow

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.

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.

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,

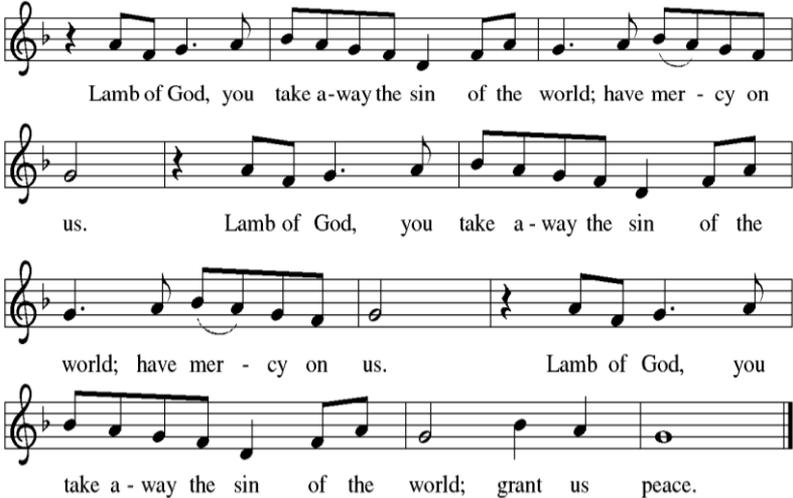
forever and ever. Amen

Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Come to the table of mercy, where the feast of life is spread.

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: 528(3x), 515, 793

Please stand as you are able

Prayer after Communion

P: Everlasting God, we bless you that you have brought us to the mountaintop and fed us with the life and light of your Son. Send us in his name from this place to bring light into dark corners, healing where lives are torn, and nourishment to every hungry heart, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

Sending of Communion

P: Compassionate God, as Jesus called disciples to follow him, bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are homebound. May these gifts be signs of our love and prayers, that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ, all may know your grace and healing revealed in 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

“On What Has Now Been Sown”

#550

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the Good News.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“Little Prelude and Fugue in C Major “

J.S. Bach



Good Morning and Welcome to Grace! Announcements for February 8, 2015

In our prayers: Betty Hirschauer, Bill Jensen, Diane Jessen, Dorothy Singh, and the others we name before you...

Praying for one another is an important part of the life of a community of faith. In order to do this it is important that the prayer list be as current as possible. If you or a relative would like to be included in the prayers please contact the church office. Thank you.



Flowers on the altar glorify God and are given by Janet and Norm Trentmann in memory of their parents.



Happy Birthday! Leonard Larsen, Joshua Shortell, Adam Christensen, Virginia Naney, LeRoi Beers, Eric Oberg, Nancy Robbins, Carol Rudisill, Bonnie Swanson, Kent Weaver, Leonora Iverson, Tyler Peeler, Jessica Christensen, Timothy Hummel

Happy Anniversary!
Jay and Ginny Wangerin



Education Opportunities

Sunday School classes meet at 9:30 on Sunday mornings: Preschool and elementary both start in room 101, with preschool ending in room 105.

Adult Bible Study meets Tuesday mornings from 8:45–10:15a.m. in Grace Hall II. Pastor Mike leads.

Upcoming Sunday morning adult faith enrichment opportunities:
9:30 – 10:30 a.m., Grace Hall

- **Feb 8** -- Intergenerational Pet Event, Social Ministry Committee
- **Feb 15** – Lenten customs/Shrove Tuesday
- **Feb 22** – Hunger Series, Hunger Working Team
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WORSHIP
SCHEDULE
for
LENT

Wednesday services 6:30 p.m.
beginning Ash Wednesday, February 18

Have you ever wanted to learn more about people from the Bible? This year’s Midweek services are a great opportunity. We will hear from Judas, the man born blind, Mary Magdalene, Martha, Nicodemus, and Pilate!

Does your spiritual home feel a little cluttered? Or that of someone else you know? It is time for “Spring Cleaning.” Lent, which initially meant “Spring”, is a great time to “clean” your spiritual home. We will spend the 6 Sundays in Lent diving into a sermon series called “Spring Cleaning.” Come, check it out!



Soup Supper and sign-ups

Wednesdays 5-6:00 p.m. in Grace Hall.

A sign-up form is on the kitchen bulletin board next to the calendar.

WELCA is serving Feb 18, Hannah Circle February 25

Music Rehearsal Schedule

- Grace Bells: Wednesdays 7:15-8:00 p.m. (immediately following the service Ash Wednesday February 18)
- Chancel Choir: Thursdays 6:30-7:30 p.m. beginning February 19
- Chapel Chimers and Praise Bells will be on hiatus until September



Calendar additions and cancellations

Are you planning a meeting at Grace? Has your group had a cancellation or moved regularly scheduled meetings to a different time or date? Please contact Jackie in the office GraceLuth5@msn.com so we can be sure to accommodate your needs for space and keep the calendar updated to avoid double-booking rooms.

Last minute meetings can easily be accommodated, just check with the office to see which spaces are open and available to you.

Activities cancelled?

Grace cancelled services last Sunday – did you receive the email notification? If not, and you would like to, let us know. We will only add you to the cancellation e-news (for ANY cancellation at Grace, though they are few and far between), unless of course, you also would like to receive the weekly Grace e-news or the seasonal Devotionals. Contact Michelle at rvolker1@mchsi.com with a current email address if you would like to be added to one, two, or all three of the lists.

Closings can always be found on the local news stations and their websites and the News portion of the Grace website at www.gracedm.org will also be updated as soon as possible after the cancellation.

Remember, if the church/office is closed, you have a meeting scheduled, and you feel safe to travel, you are still welcome to hold your meeting as planned.



Lions Club Collecting Eyeglasses

Do you have old eyeglasses lying around unused? Grace members of the Lions Club have placed a collection box in the Gathering Hall.

The Pet Event may be over...

However food and pet supply donations will be received from now through the end of February. All donations can be placed in the donation box in the Gathering Hall. Thank you!

Luther Park News

Bill Connet will provide the musical entertainment at our next Luther Park Auxiliary meeting on February 9 at 1:30 p.m. at the Luther Park Apartments Community Center. Please call Cathy at 262-5639, Ext. 161 with questions.

Welcome to Grace!

Ministers – The People of God

Pastor – The Rev. Michael Schmidt

Director of Laity Ministries - Stephanie Johnson

Director of Music Ministries – Emma Stammer

Organist - Jennifer Wohlenhaus Bloomberg

Organ – Rich Snyder

Grace Kids Care Director - Heather Nelson

Church Administrator - Jacquelyn Holmes

Director of Communications - Michelle Voelker

Custodian – Todd Haugen

Ushers – 8:15 – Larry Nordeen, Dave Gronert, Bruce Bergmann, Len Ringenberg

10:45 – Norm Trentmann, Jay Wangerin, Bill Jensen, Barb Burley

Acolytes – 8:15 Emma Ashton 10:45 Sierra Carney, Sam Speck

Liturgist – 8:15 Matt Jordahl 10:45 Denny Rehder

Lector – 8:15 Julie Honsey 10:45 Maya Lint

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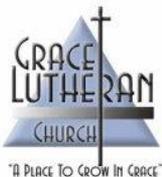
Communion servers – 10:45 Alex Davik , Ellen Wonderlin, Charlotte Nielsen, Lori Fry

Altar Guild – Diane Jessen, Alice Kulzer, Marion Nehmer

Counters – 8:15 Carter Woodruff and Alex Davik

10:45 Chris Lawson and Tom McCleary

Coffee – Sandy Briggs



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