



# **Celebration Sunday**

**Welcome to Worship  
with artist Paul Oman**

## **Grace Lutheran Church**

*Companion Congregation: Msindo Parish in Tanzania*

May 22, 2016

**Welcome!** *If this is your first time worshipping at Grace Lutheran, the Visitor Center in the Gathering Hall (right outside the sanctuary) has information for you about our congregation. Please sign the guest book, ask questions, say hello! We also invite you to sign the Attendance Registration sheets which are found in each pew. The greeters, ushers, and neighbors (or the colorful announcement sheet tucked in your bulletin) will happily fill you in on education hour offerings, Sunday school, and the teen hangout.*

**We invite you to join us** *for coffee and the workshops in Grace Hall after the service. (just follow the crowd!). Lunch will be served in Grace Hall around 11:30.*

*If you are interested in finding out more about **membership at Grace**, please contact Pastor Mike at [Mike@gracedm.org](mailto:Mike@gracedm.org), 515-276-6873.*

*We worship together in many ways: Standing, sitting, singing, speaking, listening. You are invited to worship in as many (or few) ways as you are comfortable and able.*

**Large print bulletins** *are available from the ushers.*

**Children belong and are welcome in worship!** *Children's bulletins are available from the ushers, and activity bags are available outside the doors to the sanctuary. If your children become restless, the service is broadcast in the Gathering Hall so you may still watch and participate together. The nursery is available for newborns to age 3 and is staffed by Grace Kids Care staff members.*

**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.*

*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** “Hyfrydol” by Ralph Vaughan Williams

*Please stand as you are able*

**Welcome**

**Opening Hymn** “As We Gather at Your Table” #522

*Please be seated*

**Reading:** The Woman at the Well – John 4:4-26

L: the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

**Hymn** “Amazing Grace” #779

**Closing of School Year, Recognition of Sunday School Teachers**

**Reading:** The Paralytic - Mark 2:1-22

L: the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

**Chancel Choir** “The Never Ending Song of Praise” by Ed Harris

**Reading:** The Feeding of the 5000 – John 6:5-15

L: the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

**Grace Bells** “Shall We Gather at the River” by Michael Helman

**Recognition of Ministry**

**Offertory** “According to Thy Gracious Word” by Gilbert Martin

**Reading:** The Last Supper – Luke 22:7-20

L: the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

**Lord’s Prayer**

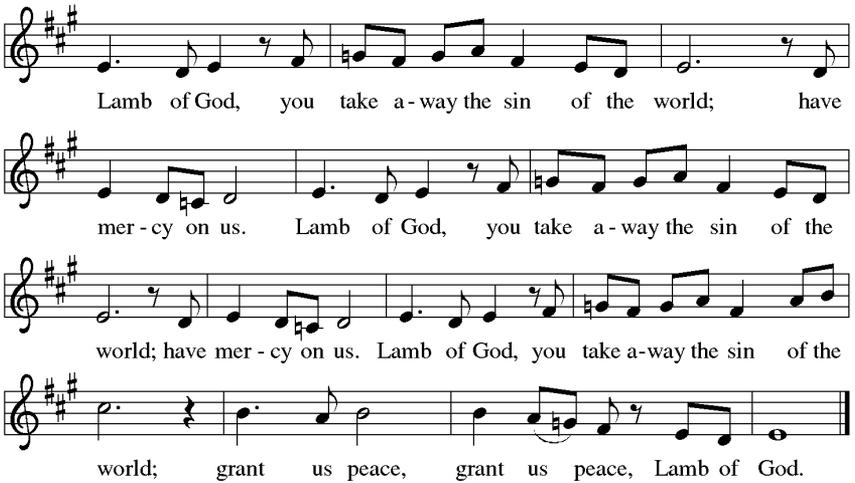
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver**

**us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

**Invitation to Communion**

P: The table of life is spread before you. Feast on the goodness and mercy of God.

**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:** 777, 793, 423, 466

**Reading:** Pentecost – Acts 2:1-21

L: the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

**Grace Brass** “The Saints, Hallelujah!” arr. by the Canadian Brass

**Reading:** The Good Samaritan – Luke 10:25-37

L: the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

**Hymn** “Let Streams of Living Justice” #710

**Reading:** Jesus Walks on Water – Matthew 14:22-32

L: the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

**Hymn:** “How Small Our Span of Life” #636

## **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.**

## **Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Share the Good News.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** "Holy, Holy, Holy" by Peter Scholtes, arr. by Lani Smith

**We invite you to join us in Grace Hall for coffee, the workshop with the artist, and lunch afterward.**

**To find Grace Hall**, walk across the Gathering Hall,  
**Up** the stairs by the elevator.  
**Left** and walk past the wall of photos.  
**Right** and straight into Grace Hall.

- **The workshop with Paul Oman** will begin around 10:30.
- **Children and youth** will be able to work on the large wall mural.
- **Lunch will be** pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw, baked beans, and will begin around 11:30. There will be a free-will offering for lunch.

**Summer Worship Times** begin on May 29 through September 4

- 8:15 a.m. Holy Communion
- Coffee in the Gathering Hall
- 9:45 a.m. Holy Communion

**The Centering Prayer Group** meets Tuesdays from 10:30-11:30 a.m., and will continue through the summer. The group is led by Julie Honsey.

**Adult Bible Study** Bible study meets on Tuesdays from 8:45-10:15 in Grace Hall II, led by Pastor Mike. Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> will be the last meeting until the fall.

**Returning in the Fall:**

**Sundays at 9:30** Sunday School, Youth Sunday

Morning Hangout, Adult Faith Enrichment, **Tuesday** Morning Bible Study, **Wednesday** Evening Religious Discussion Group, Confirmation classes, Chancel Choir, Grace Brass, and Grace Bells rehearsals.

SEPTEMBER

**2015/2016 Sunday School Teachers**

Karri Brandsfield  
Deanna Weber  
MeLissa Lawson  
Sandy Briggs  
Bobbie Briggs  
Shirley Dyson  
Stephanie Johnson  
Beth Flannery  
Alice Kulzer  
Marion Nehmer  
Bev Anderson  
Mary Helt

Sally Preston  
Stacie Holst  
Kristen Medhurst  
Susanne Carney  
Rich Snyder  
Emma Stammer  
Carol Woodruff  
Ashley Lund  
Kara Jordahl  
Kathleen Uehling  
Joyce Lewis

**Middle School / High School**

Tammy Denton  
Shirley Shiffler  
Ellen Rothweiler  
Eric Weber  
Michelle Voelker  
Aaron Brandsfield  
Jenie Schmidt  
Cathy Barks



**THANK YOU TO OUR  
SUNDAY SCHOOL  
TEACHERS**

**In our prayers:** Deb Bradwell (the mother of Jason Bradwell), Jerry Dockum, Dorothy Dulepsingh, Maxine Fischer (Janet Habick's mother) and Jack Habick (Jack Habick's father), Bill Freimuth (Mary Helt's father), Betty Hirschauer, Jackie Holmes, Lucy Krauss, Joseph Mattes, Pat McCleary (brother of Tom McCleary), Dan Mosinski (brother-in-law to Beverly Russell), Moe Nielsen, Ardis Olson, Beverly Russell, Karin Swanson (Karla Swanson's mother), Verda Swanson, Dennis Thurston (brother of Ellen Batten), Mark Wonderlin, the family of Sue Martin (Mark Wonderlin's sister) and the others we name before you...

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



**Happy Birthday!** Jonay Trentmann, Scott Neal, Melissa Newman, Angela Chapman, Hal Turner, John Schwemler, Shirley Davenport, Devin Ashton, Kate Sherer-Eichner, Courtney Brandsfield, Sue Anderson, Linda Vernia, Willa Johansen, Rick Fry

**Happy Anniversary!** Wayne and Debbie Curry, Mike and Susanne Carney, Richard and Michelle Voelker, Harlan and Jayne Mortenson, Robert and Prudence Campbell, Mike and Carla Peterman, Todd and Angela Ringgenberg, Bill and Linda Biegger

**We're on Facebook!**

**Like us to see photos, information about upcoming events such as today's events, and more as we add features over the summer.**



**Grace Lutheran Church**

*(Note: There are many Grace Lutheran Churches on Facebook – we're the one in Des Moines, Iowa!)*



**VBS Snack-time!**

The Preschool week snack list is almost filled – just a few items are needed! Please help us feed our crew! You'll find the sign-up at Volunteer Central. *Look for the Elementary snack needs list in a few weeks.*

**Needed: Afternoon VBS Volunteers!**

**Elementary week, June 27-July 1**

Join us for the fun afternoon activities: Bowling at Air Lanes, A trip to the Fitness Center, making Casseroles for shelters, visiting a farm in Madrid that raises food for the Food Pantry, plus games, movies and more during the afternoons at Grace!

A CELEBRATION!



**You're Invited!**

**Help us celebrate the graduation of  
Adam Dostalík  
from Johnston High School!**

**Open House**

Sunday, May 29 | 1-4 pm | 8211 Goodman Drive | Urbandale

**Senior Trombone Recital**

Wednesday, June 1 | 7 pm | Grace Lutheran Church

**Welcome to Grace!**

**Pastor** – The Rev. Michael Schmidt

**Director of Laity Ministries** - Stephanie Johnson

**Director of Music Ministries** – Emma Stammer

**Developer of Youth and Family Ministry** – Ellen Rothweiler

**Organist** - Jennifer Wohlenhaus Bloomberg

**Grace Kids Care Director** - Heather Nelson

**Church Administrator** –

**Director of Communications** - Michelle Voelker

**Custodian** – Todd Haugen

**Ushers** – Jay Wangerin, Mike Carney, Eric Weber, Dee Hummel

**Acolytes** – Kylie Brandsfield, Layne Weber

**Lector** – Alex Davik, Maya Lint

**Altar Guild** – Jane Ridnour, Loree Nelson

**Counters** – Chris Lawson and Bill Jensen

**Coffee** – Ross Peeler



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