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Welcome to Grace!

August 5 & 8, 2021

What We Believe:

- \oplus As Lutheran Christians we stand with the church of the ages and confess the faith of the **Holy Bible**, which is **God's Word**.
- ⊕ We believe that our **Triune God** created man and woman holy; however, since we sinned and still sin we cannot free ourselves from **sin and death**. Therefore God sent His Son **Jesus Christ,** who is our **only way to salvation**. By His death and resurrection and through no work or decision of our own, we have forgiveness, life, and salvation.
- ⊕ We joyfully receive these gifts in His Word, and in the holy sacraments of **Baptism** and the **Lord's Supper**.
- ⊕ In all our teaching and preaching we seek to be faithful to God's holy **Law** which shows our sin, and to proclaim His precious **Gospel**, which is the good news of our **salvation in Christ!** ⊕ We subscribe also to **Luther's Small Catechism** and the other documents in the Book of Concord of 1580 because they faithfully confess these biblical truths.

Guests and Holy Communion:

Holy Communion is a gift Christ gives to His Church. In it, He offers His true Body and Blood, in, with and under the bread and wine. When received in faith, it brings forgiveness, new life and salvation.

Holy Communion is also a statement of our unity in Christ (*community*). Those who receive the Lord's Supper at Grace Lutheran Church are baptized Christians who have been instructed in and publicly confess the Evangelical Lutheran faith.

For this reason, *only members of our congregation or sister congregations of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod* are ordinarily communed at this altar. If you have any questions regarding the doctrine of Close Communion, please talk to the pastor before or after the service.

Nursery: If your child becomes restless during the service, you are welcome to make use of the Nursery downstairs.

Fellowship Time: Immediately following the 9:00 AM Worship in the Fellowship Hall.

Large Print Hymnals: Are available from the ushers!

Electronic Devices: PLEASE silence all devices during worship. Thanks!

May the Lord bless your worship today!

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 5 & 8, 2021 – Divine Service, Setting One

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC, CHIMES, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

♬Come unto Me, Ye Weary

LSB 684

Invocation
Confession of Sins and Absolution

LSB 151 LSB 151

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit *

Psalm 34:8–10; antiphon: Psalm 145:16

P You open | your hand;*

you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

- Oh, taste and see that the | LORD is good!*

 Blessèd is the man who takes ref- | uge in him!
- P Oh, fear the LORD, | you his saints,* for those who fear him | have no lack!
- The young lions suffer want and | hunger;* but those who seek the LORD lack | no good thing.
- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- You open | your hand;*
 you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

IJKyrie IJHymn of Praise – Gloria in Excelsis LSB 152

LSB 154

Salutation and Collect of the Day

I SB 156

- P Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Old Testament Reading – 1 Kings 19:1–8

Pew Bible, p. 301

¹Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ²Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." ³Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.

⁴But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." ⁵And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." ⁶And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." ⁸And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

Epistle – Ephesians 4:17—5:2

Pew Bible, p. 978

¹⁷This I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. ¹⁸They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. ¹⁹They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. ²⁰But that is not the way you learned Christ!— ²¹assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, ²²to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²³and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

²⁵Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and give no opportunity to the devil. ²⁸Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. ²⁹Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. ³²Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

^{5:1}Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ²And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

⁴¹So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴²They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" ⁴³Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ⁴⁶not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

Catechism Time – Sacrament of Holy Baptism Luther's Small Catechism, LSB 325

Second

- P What benefits does Baptism give?
- It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.
- **P** Which are these words and promises of God?
- Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned." (Mark 16:16)

↓Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor

LSB 534

Sermon

Apostles' Creed

LSB 159 or inside back cover of hymnal

Prayer of the Church

After each petition:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

☐OffertoryLSB 159

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

 □ Preface	LSB 160
 ∫ Sanctus	LSB 161
Prayer of Thanksgiving	LSB 161
Lord's Prayer	LSB 162
The Words of Our Lord	LSB 162
♪Pax Domini	LSB 163
∄Agnus Dei	LSB 163

Distribution – If you are visiting with us, please read "Guests and Holy Communion," printed on the inside page of the worship bulletin. If you would like to receive Holy Communion in your pew, please notify the pastor or an usher. If possible, please sit near the center aisle, and it will be brought to you at the conclusion of the distribution. Wine greatly diluted with water is available in purple-tinted cups in the center of each Communion tray for those with alcohol sensitivities.

Distribution Hymns:

☐Father, We Thank Thee

☐Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise ☐Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared ☐I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light	LSB 680 LSB 622 LSB 411	
□Post-Communion Canticle – Thank the Lord Post-Communion Collect □Benediction	LSB 164 LSB 166 LSB 166	
#Deflection	L3B 100	

+ TO GOD BE THE GLORY +

LSB 652

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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF August 8th THROUGH August 15th

TODAY	9:00 AM 10:30 AM	DIVINE SERVICE I WITH HOLY COMMUNION Bible Study
THURSDAY	6:30 PM	DIVINE SERVICE I WITH HOLY COMMUNION
FRIDAY	7:00 PM	Romans Bible Study Office Closed
SUNDAY	9:00 AM 10:30 AM	DIVINE SERVICE I WITH HOLY COMMUNION Bible Study

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Lectionary Summary: The Lord Jesus Feeds Us with His Flesh, in Order to Strengthen Us with His Own Life: God the Father sent His Son into the world, so that the world might have life in Him. Now He "draws" you to His Son, Christ Jesus, by the preaching of His Gospel. "Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father" comes to Jesus, who will never cast him out but "will raise him up on the last day" (John 6:44–45). He is "the bread of life," who "comes down from heaven" in the flesh, that you may eat of Him and "live forever" (John 6:48–51). Although "the journey is too great for you," in the strength of this food you shall come to "the mount of God." Do not be afraid, and do not despair, but "arise and eat" (1 Kings 19:5–8). And "no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds" (Eph. 4:17), but "walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us" (Eph. 5:2). In Him, you have been "created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness" (Eph. 4:24). Therefore, "be imitators of God, as beloved children" (Eph. 5:1), by "forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you" (Eph. 4:32).

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About the Bulletin Cover: Jesus is the bread of life, and this is His own flesh. Jesus gave of Himself on the cross for the life of the world. Today, He continues to give us the bread of life whenever we are gathered around His Word. Moreover, He gives the bread of life in His body and blood in the Lord's Supper. His body is the very bread that grants eternal life.

Our Partnership in the Gospel

Grace's Mission: We are friends in God's family through Jesus, strengthened by His Spirit to represent Christ in our daily lives, our community and the world.

Grace's Vision: To be an active, growing Christ-centered congregation offering youth and adults traditional Lutheran worship, Bible study and fellowship while reaching out especially to our neighbors, families and friends with the Gospel invitation.

2021 Theme: "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

Our Worship Attendance:

July 29 & August 1, 2021: 85 (27/58)