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Welcome to Grace!

October 7 & 10, 2021

What We Believe:

✝ 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!

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 7 & 10, 2021 – Divine Service, Setting Three

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC, CHIMES, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

♪ Today Your Mercy Calls Us	LSB 915
Invocation	LSB 184
Confession of Sins and Absolution	LSB 184

SERVICE OF THE WORD

♪ Introit

Psalm 112:3–6; antiphon: Psalm 112:1



- P** Praise the LORD! Blessed is the man who | fears the LORD,*
who greatly delights in his com- | mandments!
- C** **Wealth and riches are | in his house,***
and his righteousness endures for- | ever.
- P** Light dawns in the darkness for the | upright;*
he is gracious, merciful, and | righteous.
- C** **It is well with the man who deals generous- | ly and lends;***
who conducts his affairs with | justice.
- P** For the righteous will nev- | er be moved;*
he will be remembered for- | ever.

♪ Gloria Patri	LSB 186
♪ Kyrie	LSB 186
♪ Gloria in Excelsis	LSB 187
♪ Salutation and Collect of the Day	LSB 189
P Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthly gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.	
C Amen.	

Old Testament Reading – *Amos 5:6–7, 10–15*

Pew Bible, p. 767

⁶Seek the LORD and live,
lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph,
and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel,

⁷O you who turn justice to wormwood
and cast down righteousness to the earth! ...

¹⁰They hate him who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor him who speaks the truth.

¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor
and you exact taxes of grain from him,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not dwell in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.

¹²For I know how many are your transgressions
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and turn aside the needy in the gate.

¹³Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time,
for it is an evil time.

¹⁴Seek good, and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
as you have said.

¹⁵Hate evil, and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Epistle – *Hebrews 3:12–19*

Pew Bible, p. 1002

¹²Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. ¹³But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. ¹⁴For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. ¹⁵As it is said,

“Today, if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.”

¹⁶For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? ¹⁷And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with

those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? ¹⁸And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? ¹⁹So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

♪ **Alleluia**

LSB 190

Holy Gospel – *Mark 10:17–22*

Pew Bible, p. 846

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: ‘Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.’” ²⁰And he said to him, “Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth.” ²¹And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, “You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” ²²Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

Nicene Creed

LSB 191 or inside back cover of hymnal

Catechism Time – *The Sacrament of the Altar*

Luther’s Small Catechism, LSB 327

P *How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?*

C **Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: “forgiveness of sins.”**

♪ **Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower**

LSB 694

Sermon

♪ **Offertory**

LSB 192

Prayer of the Church

After each petition:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

♪Preface	LSB 194
♪Sanctus	LSB 195
Lord's Prayer	LSB 196
The Words of Our Lord	LSB 197
♪Pax Domini	LSB 197
♪Agnus Dei	LSB 198

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:

♪Seek Ye First	LSB 712
♪Seek Where You May to Find a Way	LSB 557
♪Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways	LSB 707
♪Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	LSB 700
♪Nunc Dimittis	LSB 199
♪Thanksgiving	LSB 200
♪Salutation and Benedicamus	LSB 201
♪Benediction	LSB 202
♪Lead Me, Guide Me	LSB 721

+ TO GOD BE THE GLORY +



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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF October 10th THROUGH October 17th

<u>TODAY</u>	9:00 AM	DIVINE SERVICE III WITH HOLY COMMUNION
	10:30 AM	Sunday School & Bible Studies
<u>MONDAY</u>	6:30 PM	Confirmation Class
<u>TUESDAY</u>	6:30 PM	Council Meeting
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	10:00 AM	Bible Study
<u>THURSDAY</u>	6:30 PM	DIVINE SERVICE III WITH HOLY COMMUNION
<u>FRIDAY</u>		Office Closed
<u>SUNDAY</u>	9:00 AM	DIVINE SERVICE III WITH HOLY COMMUNION
	10:30 AM	Quarterly Voters' Meeting
	10:30 AM	Sunday School



Lectionary Summary: *Christ Jesus Is the One and Only Good by Whom You Inherit Eternal Life:* The Lord is the Author and Giver of life, as well as a consuming fire of judgment against all “*who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate*” (Amos 5:12). “*Seek the LORD and live,*” therefore, by hating what is evil, loving what is good, and doing what is just and right, according to His Word. “*And so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you*” (Amos 5:6, 14–15). Understand that “*no one is good except God alone*” (Mark 10:18). The life that you are called to live is found neither in your “*great possessions,*” nor in your good works, but only in Christ Jesus. Let go of “*all that you have*” and follow Him, even unto death, and “*you will have treasure in heaven*” (Mark 10:21–22). Do not harden your heart against His voice, nor turn away from Him, lest you “*fall away from the living God.*” Rather, hear and heed His call, cling to His Word, and “*exhort one another every day,*” that you may remain steadfast in Christ and “*firm to the end*” (Heb. 3:12–15).



About the Bulletin Cover: The rich young man looked upon his life as one that had upheld the commandments from youth. But Jesus points right to the heart of the matter when He tells the man to go sell everything he has and come follow Him. Though outwardly, his life appeared upstanding, the young man’s faith was in his worldly wealth rather than the riches of God. The riches of God are this: Christ Jesus has purchased and won us, not with silver or gold, but with His own precious blood (1 Peter 1:18–19).

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:

September 30 & October 3, 2021: 61 (22/39)