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Welcome to Grace!

January 27 & 30, 2022

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.

<u>Friendship Pad</u>: Please sign the Friendship Pad when it is passed during the service.

Offering: The offering plates are not passed. Rather, they are located at the back of the nave. Please place your offering in one of the plates as you enter or leave the church. You may also hand it to one of the ushers.

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!

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany January 27 & 30, 2022 – Divine Service, Setting Four

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC, CHIMES, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

JOpen Now Thy Gates of Beauty

LSB 901

Invocation
Confession of Sins and Absolution

LSB 203

LSB 203

SERVICE OF THE WORD

⊿Introit

Psalm 10:16-18; antiphon: Psalm 10:12



- P Arise, O LORD; O God, lift | up your hand;* forget not the af- | flicted.
- The LORD is king forever and | ever;* the nations perish | from his land.
- O LORD, you hear the desire of the af- | flicted;* you will strength- | en their heart;
- you will incline your ear to do justice to the fatherless and | the oppressed,* so that man who is of the earth may strike ter- | ror no more.
- 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.
- P Arise, O LORD; O God, lift | up your hand;* forget not the af- | flicted.

IJKyrie IJGloria in Excelsis LSB 204

LSB 204

Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 205

- P Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Pew Bible, p. 627

⁴Now the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

⁵"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

⁶Then I said, "Ah, Lord Goo! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth." ⁷But the LORD said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a youth'; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. Bo not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the LORD."

⁹Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth. And the LORD said to me,

"Behold, I have put my words in your mouth.

¹⁰See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant." ...

¹⁷But you, dress yourself for work; arise, and say to them everything that I command you. Do not be dismayed by them, lest I dismay you before them. ¹⁸And I, behold, I make you this day a fortified city, an iron pillar, and bronze walls, against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, its officials, its priests, and the people of the land. ¹⁹They will fight against you, but they shall not prevail against you, for I am with you, declares the LORD, to deliver you."

Epistle - 1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:13

Pew Bible, p. 959

^{31b}I will show you a still more excellent way.

^{13:1}If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

⁴Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. ⁷Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹For we know in part and we prophesy in

part, ¹⁰but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. ¹¹When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. ¹²For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

¹³So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

JAlleluia and Verse

LSB 205

Holy Gospel – Luke 4:31–44

Pew Bible, p. 860

³¹[Jesus] went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. And he was teaching them on the Sabbath, ³²and they were astonished at his teaching, for his word possessed authority. ³³And in the synagogue there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, ³⁴"Ha! What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God." ³⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent and come out of him!" And when the demon had thrown him down in their midst, he came out of him, having done him no harm. ³⁶And they were all amazed and said to one another, "What is this word? For with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and they come out!" ³⁷And reports about him went out into every place in the surrounding region.

³⁸And he arose and left the synagogue and entered Simon's house. Now Simon's mother-in-law was ill with a high fever, and they appealed to him on her behalf. ³⁹And he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her, and immediately she rose and

began to serve them.

⁴⁰Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to him, and he laid his hands on every one of them and healed them. ⁴¹And demons also came out of many, crying, "You are the Son of God!" But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Christ.

⁴²And when it was day, he departed and went into a desolate place. And the people sought him and came to him, and would have kept him from leaving them, ⁴³but he said to them, "I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns as well; for I was sent for this purpose." ⁴⁴And he was preaching in the synagogues of Judea.

Nicene Creed

LSB 206 or inside back cover of hymnal

Catechism Time - The Creed

Luther's Small Catechism, LSB 322

The Second Article

- And [I believe] in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- **P** What does this mean?
- I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord. This is most certainly true.

■Son of God, Eternal Savior

LSB 842

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

After each petition:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

☐Offertory – We Give Thee But Thine Own

LSB 781, vv. 1-2, 6

The offering plates are not passed. Please see note on the first page of the bulletin.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface	LSB 208
♪Sanctus	LSB 208
Prayer of Thanksgiving	LSB 209
Lord's Prayer	LSB 209
The Words of Our Lord	LSB 209
Pax Domini	LSB 209
∄Agnus Dei	LSB 210

Distribution – If you are visiting with us, please read "Guests and Holy Communion," printed on the inside cover of the Friendship Pad. 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:
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SUNDAY

☐I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus ☐How Wide the Love of Christ ☐Take My Life and Let It Be ☐Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me	LSB 729 LSB 535 LSB 783 LSB 722
☐Nunc Dimittis Post-Communion Collect Benedicamus and Benediction	LSB 211 LSB 212 LSB 212

+ TO GOD BE THE GLORY +

LSB 849

△Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

9:00 AM

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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF January 30th THROUGH February 6th

DIVINE SERVICE IV WITH HOLY COMMUNION

OUNDAT	10:30 AM	Sunday School & Bible Study
MONDAY	6:30 PM	Confirmation Class
TUESDAY	7:00 PM	Elders' Meeting
WEDNESDAY	10:00 AM	Bible Study
THURSDAY	6:30 PM	DIVINE SERVICE IV WITH HOLY COMMUNION
FRIDAY		Office Closed
<u>SATURDAY</u>		Aluminum Cans until 10:30 AM
SUNDAY	9:00 AM 10:30 AM	DIVINE SERVICE IV WITH HOLY COMMUNION Sunday School & Bible Study

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About the Bulletin Cover: Jesus was always giving of Himself as He preached the Good News of His saving work in town after town. He did not stop delivering Himself to more and more people. The culmination was when He allowed Himself to be delivered into the hands of sinners and nailed to a cross. The Gospel unites us to Christ in our Baptism; our ears echo with the Good News of Jesus, who delivers Himself to us for our salvation as He continues to feed us in His Holy Supper.

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.

2022 Theme: "They 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." Isaiah 40:31

Our Worship Attendance: January 20 & 23, 2022: <u>59</u> (22/37)