

**GRACE EVANGELICAL
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Welcome to Grace!

May 12 & 15, 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.

Friendship Pad: 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!

Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 12 & 15, 2022 – Divine Service, Setting One

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC, CHIMES, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

♪Lift High the Cross LSB 837

Invocation LSB 151

Confession of Sins and Absolution LSB 151

SERVICE OF THE WORD

♪Introit

Psalm 98:2–6; antiphon: Psalm 98:1



- P** Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done | marvelous things!*
His right hand and his holy arm have worked salva- | tion for him.
- C** **The LORD has made known his sal- | vation;***
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.
- P** He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of | Israel.*
All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation | of our God.
- C** **Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth;***
break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!
- P** Sing praises to the LORD | with the lyre,*
with the lyre and the sound of | melody!
- C** **With trumpets and the sound | of the horn***
make a joyful noise before the | King, the LORD!
- C** **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** Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done | marvelous things!*
His right hand and his holy arm have worked salva- | tion for him.

♪Kyrie LSB 152

♪Hymn of Praise – *This Is the Feast* LSB 155

♪Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 156

P O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Reading – Acts 11:1–18

Pew Bible, p. 919

¹Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, ³“You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them.” ⁴But Peter began and explained it to them in order: ⁵“I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. ⁶Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. ⁷And I heard a voice saying to me, ‘Rise, Peter; kill and eat.’ ⁸But I said, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ ⁹But the voice answered a second time from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, do not call common.’ ¹⁰This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. ¹¹And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. ¹²And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. ¹³And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.’ ¹⁵As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ ¹⁷If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God’s way?” ¹⁸When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, “Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life.”

Epistle – Revelation 21:1–7

Pew Bible, p. 1041

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

⁵And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.” ⁶And he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. ⁷The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.”

♪ Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

Holy Gospel – John 16:12–22

Pew Bible, p. 902

¹²[Jesus said:] “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

¹⁶“A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me.” ¹⁷So some of his disciples said to one another, “What is this that he says to us, ‘A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me’; and, ‘because I am going to the Father?’” ¹⁸So they were saying, “What does he mean by ‘a little while’? We do not know what he is talking about.” ¹⁹Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, “Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, ‘A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me’? ²⁰Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. ²¹When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. ²²So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.”

Catechism Time – The Lord’s Prayer

Luther’s Small Catechism, LSB 325

The Conclusion

P For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

P *What does this mean?*

C This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means “yes, yes, it shall be so.”

♪ At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing

LSB 633

Sermon

Apostles' Creed

LSB 159 or inside back cover of hymnal

Prayer of the Church

♪Offertory

LSB 159

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

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 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:

♪By Grace I'm Saved

LSB 566

♪Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

LSB 700

♪Jerusalem, My Happy Home

LSB 673

♪Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

LSB 803

♪Post-Communion Canticle – *Thank the Lord*

LSB 164

Post-Communion Collect

LSB 166

♪Benediction

LSB 166

♪In Thee Is Gladness

LSB 818

+ TO GOD BE THE GLORY +



CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF May 15th THROUGH May 22nd

<u>TODAY</u>	9:00 AM	DIVINE SERVICE I WITH HOLY COMMUNION
	10:30 AM	Grace Family Gathering Newsletter Deadline
<u>MONDAY</u>	9:00 AM	Circuit Pastors' Meeting at Good Shepherd, Pleasant Prairie – Pastor Crane
<u>TUESDAY</u>	6:30 PM	Confirmation Class
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	10:00 AM	Bible Study
	11:15 AM	Growing Strong with Grace, followed by Game Day
<u>THURSDAY</u>	6:30 PM	DIVINE SERVICE I WITH HOLY COMMUNION
<u>FRIDAY</u>		Office Closed
<u>SUNDAY</u>	9:00 AM	DIVINE SERVICE I WITH HOLY COMMUNION
	10:30 AM	Sunday School & Bible Study
	11:30 AM	Council Meeting



About the Bulletin Cover: After Christ's resurrection, the Holy Spirit took the Lord's words to the disciples and opened their minds to understand all that He had taught. The Spirit is always working in and through the Word to bring about faith among us and all believers. Whenever we gather around Word and Sacrament, the Spirit is at work, drawing us close to the redeeming words of Jesus.



Lectionary Summary: *Jesus Turns Sorrow into Joy*: On earth "*you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy*" (John 16:20). Already the Spirit grants you peace and joy through the forgiveness of your sins. For by the cross of Christ, "*God has granted repentance that leads to life*" (Acts 11:18). His Gospel is "*a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household*" (Acts 11:14). He gives freely "*from the spring of the water of life*" (Rev. 21:6), "*and death shall be no more*" (Rev. 21:4). He dwells with His people, adorning His Church as a bride for her husband, "*making all things new*" (Rev. 21:5). Therefore, as the Son of Man is glorified by His cross, "*and God is glorified in him*" (John 13:31), so He is glorified in us by our "*love for one another*" (John 13:35), which His Spirit works in us by His grace.

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:

May 5 & 8, 2022: 111 (30/81)