

Grace Lutheran Church ~ LCMS

1430 7th Ave. SE, Le Mars, Iowa

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Sunday Worship 9:00am



July 18, 2021 8th Sunday after Pentecost

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Nathan Nelson-Seminary Student

✠ ORDER OF WORSHIP ✠
Vajda Hymn Service
July 18th, 2021

AS WE GATHER

As we gather for worship in the temple of the Lord, God calls us to remember that we are sinners, just as were the people of Israel. Our worship, tithes, and prayers are sometimes just as hypocritical as theirs were. In repentance then, let us turn back to God with sincere and contrite hearts that we might find in our gracious God the forgiveness we need in Jesus Christ.

Welcome and Greeting by Pastor

Opening Hymn #722 *“Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”*

1 Lord, take my hand and lead me
Upon life’s way;
Direct, protect, and feed me
From day to day.
Without Your grace and favor
I go astray;
So take my hand, O Savior,
And lead the way.

2 Lord, when the tempest rages,
I need not fear,
For You, the Rock of Ages,
Are always near.
Close by Your side abiding,
I fear no foe,
For when Your hand is guiding,
In peace I go.

3 Lord, when the shadows lengthen
And night has come,
I know that You will strengthen
My steps toward home.
Then nothing can impede me,
O blessed Friend;
So take my hand and lead me
Unto the end.

◆Those Serving Next Week July 25, 2021◆

Elders: Mark Heimgartner
Ushers: Gene Petersen & Chad Peters
Reader: Allyn Anderson
Music: Jennifer Heisterkamp
Trustee: Darell Kleihauer

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MAIN STREET LIVING Next Weeks This is the Life 10:00am – “My Husband, My Sorrow” – A man and a woman must deal with whether they should consummate an adulterous affair.

Worship Service 10:30am– Rev. Lucas Booher of Zion Lutheran Church in Storm Lake, IA, delivers the message “The Promises of God” based on Genesis 9:8-17. Additional information is available on the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

SUPPORTING ON MAIN STREET If you would like to help support the weekly broadcast of On Main Street by Lutheran Hour Ministries, you can send a check to:

Main Street Living
3204 S. Lakeport Street,
Sioux City, IA 51106

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS did you know you can choose to have your Thrivent Choice dollars directed to support Grace Lutheran’s Ministry? Feel free to contact our representative, Joni Kellen at 712-541-5074. Your support is appreciated.

NO BIBLE STUDY Until further notice there will be no adult Bible class on Sunday mornings. We will let you know when it will start back up. Thank you

POTLUCK There will be a potluck brunch followed by Bible bingo after the church service on July 25th please save the date

TIME CHANGE The time of the Sudanese Sunday school has changed to Saturdays at 4pm.

LWML MITES on the 3rd Sunday of every month, LWML will be collecting Mites. These donations support missions worldwide.

THANK YOU To the person or persons that helped out and pulled the weeds around the church. This is greatly appreciated.

Kyrie (tune LSB #744 Amazing Grace)
Look down in mercy on us, Lord,
Receive our prayers and praise,
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word, For your amazing grace.

Gloria (tune LSB #380 *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*)
Angels, sing, and earth, reply: "Glory be to God on high! " God who flung the stars in space, God who formed the human race, God the mind and God the cause, God the source of nature's laws, God of wisdom, power, and love, God of gods, all gods above. Angels, sing, and earth, reply: "Glory be to God on high!"

Angels, sing, and earth, reply: Glory be to God on high! "God who saw your creatures fall, Loved them still, and loved them all, Gave your only Son to prove What is mercy, what is love; And the Spirit, given free, Recreates your family. Angels, sing, and earth, reply: "Glory be to God on high!"

Collect of the Day
Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still you provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.
Amen.

Old Testament Lesson Jeremiah 23:1-6
¹ “Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!” declares the Lord. ² Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: “You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the Lord. ³ Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the Lord ⁵ “Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in

the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The Lord is our righteousness.’

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Children’s Sermon

Epistle Lesson Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹ Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands ¹² remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵ by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. ¹⁷ And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸ For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, ²¹ in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²² In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

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Music: Ruth Alexander

Trustee: Bryan Heeren

◆News & Notes for July 18, 2021◆

HOLY COMMUNION If you are a visitor to our service and would like to take Holy Communion, we ask that you please speak to an Usher for more information. We take God's Word seriously when we are told to administer this Sacrament correctly, and would like to make sure that your spiritual needs are taken care of. Also, the center ring of communion cups contains non-alcoholic wine, if you would prefer that option. Thank You, Pastor Geitz.

VISITORS! If you are a visitor, please do not feel obligated to give during the offerings. But you are welcome to support our ministry here any time. Our offerings are used to support several missionaries, provide a comfortable facility for members and visitors alike to worship in, support the work of our District and Synod, and provides for our Pastor and other employees. We just desire that you give to God out of what He has blessed you with. Pastor

PRAYERS Darlene Norell and Deb Janssen, Family of Jay Faber on the death of his cousin

DON'T HAVE CASH TODAY? You can give using the Tithe.ly app with either iOS or Android phones. Download the free Tithe.ly app and use it to give once or to give a recurring gift. You may mail in or drop off your offering as well!

CHRISTIAN NEEDS is collecting the following items– Jelly, Cereal, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, Pancake Syrup, Canned Fruit, Pasta Noodles, Shampoo, Toothpaste , Toilet paper, Paper towels

Closing Hymn #643 “*Sent Forth by God's Blessing*”

1 Sent forth by God’s blessing,
Our true faith confessing,
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.
The Supper is ended.
O now be extended
The fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of His teaching,
Receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
His grace did invite us,
His love shall unite us
To work for God’s kingdom and answer His call.

2 With praise and thanksgiving
To God ever-living,
The tasks of our ev’ryday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing,
In love ever caring,
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.
With Your feast You feed us,
With Your light now lead us;
Unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living
With praise and thanksgiving
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

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✠This Week at Grace Lutheran✠

Sun, July 18 **Worship at 9:00am w/ HC**
 LWML Mites Sunday
 Sudanese Worship at 1:00pm
Mon, July 19 Bible Study at 9:30 am
Sat, July 24 Sudanese Sunday School 4:00pm
Sun, July 25 Worship 9:00am
 Potluck 10:15am
 Sudanese Worship at 1:00pm

Gospel Lesson Mark 6:30-44

³⁰ The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹ And he said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³² And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. ³³ Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. ³⁴ When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. ³⁵ And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. ³⁶ Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat.” ³⁷ But he answered them, “You give them something to eat.” And they said to him, “Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?” ³⁸ And he said to them, “How many loaves do you have? Go and see.” And when they had found out, they said, “Five, and two fish.” ³⁹ Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰ So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. ⁴¹ And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. ⁴² And they all ate and were satisfied. ⁴³ And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. ⁴⁴ And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon Hymn #545 “*Word of God, Come Down on Earth*”

1 Word of God, come down on earth,
Living rain from heav’n descending;
Touch our hearts and bring to birth
Faith and hope and love unending.
Word almighty, we revere You;
Word made flesh, we long to hear You.

2 Word eternal, throned on high,
Word that brought to life creation,

Word that came from heav'n to die,
Crucified for our salvation,
Saving Word, the world restoring,
Speak to us, Your love outpouring.

3 Word that caused blind eyes to see,
Speak and heal our mortal blindness;
Deaf we are: our healer be;
Loose our tongues to tell Your kindness.
Be our Word in pity spoken,
Heal the world, by sin now broken.

4 Word that speaks God's tender love,
One with God beyond all telling,
Word that sends us from above,
God the Spirit, with us dwelling,
Word of truth, to all truth lead us;
Word of life, with one bread feed us.

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Sermon "Fish & Faith" Mark 6:30-44

Confession of Faith (tune LSB #802 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise)

Great God, our Creator, from whom all receive
Their being and blessing, in you we believe.
Almighty, all knowing, all-gracious, all-true,
Provider and Father, our trust is in you.

And you, Jesus Christ, we affirm as our Lord,
True Son of the Father, by angels adored;
Redeemer incarnate, you paid for our sins,
And, joined in your rising, our new life begins.

Free Spirit of wisdom, of power and love,
On us, as on Christ, you descend from above;
You call us, you cleanse us, you open our eyes,
You keep us in peace, you restore paradise.

Prayer of the Church

The 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.

Words of Institution

The peace of the Lord be with you always
Amen

Sanctus (tune #507 Holy, Holy, Holy)

"Holy, holy, holy!" all the saints in glory
Fill your temple with their song around your golden throne;
"Holy, holy, holy!" with them we adore you;
God in three Persons, all in Christ as one.

Agnus Dei (tune #702 My Faith Looks Up to Thee)

Meek, slaughtered Lamb of God, You bore the sinners' load
To buy our peace: Now risen and enthroned, With life and
glory crowned, To all the lost and found Please grant your
peace.

Distribution of the Lord's Supper

Quiet Music During Distribution

Blessing of Those Who Communed

Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Amen.

Benediction

Amen.