

Grace Lutheran Church, School, ECC

Oak Creek, Wisconsin
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The 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 6th, 2021

*Celebrate
Teach
Share
God's Grace*

“By His Grace you are saved through faith”

Ephesians 2:8



Image: “I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel.” (Genesis 3:15)

Welcome to Grace!
We're Glad You've Joined Us!

WORSHIP NOTES FOR OUR GUESTS

Worship bulletins (age 3-6) are available for your children to use during the service. Please see an usher if you need assistance finding them.

Children are **always** welcome - we don't want anything to keep families from attending! From time to time a child will naturally have a difficult moment in worship. If that happens and you feel a need to step out, please make use of our Church Narthex and Entrance, so you may still be able to follow along in worship until your child is ready to return again!

If you would like to include a **prayer for someone** in our worship today, please add it to the Prayer Request Sheet found on the podium in the narthex.

We're glad you're with us. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Taggatz. If you are in search of a new church home, or are interested in learning more about Grace, we would be happy to visit with you. We hope you'll be back and give us an opportunity to know you!

As We Gather- *"God's Goal: Family"*

As the family is the shape of our lives on earth, so is family God's design for eternity. When Adam and Eve succumbed to Satan's lies and were lost to God, He was relentless in working to restore them and their children. He delivered up His own Son to rescue and redeem us and make us His children once again. God's family is all those who are bound by blood—the blood of Christ—and who have been born anew, adopted, and marked as His own. Satan's claim on us is paid in Christ so that we might be free to be the children of God, to call God Father, and to know and trust in His gifts, grace, and promises. This is our identity today by Baptism and faith, and this is our future in everlasting life.

Order of Service...Divine Service Setting 4, pg. 203

We invite a moment of silence during the prelude for Prayer

As our organist begins the prelude we move from our regular conversations and the happenings of the world around us in order to turn our attention to worship. **Please take these moments as an opportunity to focus on prayer.** Make use of this time to look through our service in anticipation of the scripture we will share and the hymns we will sing. God richly bless us as we gather in God's presence today! We hope you will take these moments as a time to transition into worship as we have entered into God's presence through Word and Sacrament.

✂ PREPARATION ✂

Opening Hymn

657 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (vs. 1-4)



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, A sword and shield vic -
2 No strength of ours can match his might. We would be lost, re -
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land All threat'ning to de -
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, No thanks to foes, who



to - rious; He breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod And wins sal -
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, Whom God Him -
mour us, We trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; They can - not
fear it; For God Him - self fights by our side With weap - ons



va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe Has sworn to
self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be? The Lord of
o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage; In bat - tle
of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house, Goods, hon - or,



work us woe. With craft and dread - ful might He
hosts is He, Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord, God's
we'll en - gage. His might is doomed to fail; God's
child, or spouse, Though life be wrenched a - way, They



arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
can - not win the day. The King - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

✂ **WORD** ✂

Introit

Ps. 28:7-9; antiphon: Ps. 28:6

Blessèd | be the LORD!*

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for | mercy.

The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and | I am helped;*
my heart exults, and with my song I give | thanks to him.

The LORD is the strength of his | people;*

he is the saving refuge of his a- | nointed.

Oh, save your people and bless your | heritage!*
Be their shepherd and carry them for- | ever.
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.
Blessèd | be the LORD!*
For he has heard the voice of my pleas for | mercy.

Kyrie

LSB 204

C Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204

C
To God on high be glory
And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father;
Your holy name we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory,
Lord God, our heav'nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten,
The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior,
You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus;
Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated
At God's right hand on high—

For You alone are holy,
You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever,
Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit
Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory.
"Amen!" our glad reply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, Your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 3:8-15

(God addresses Adam and Eve with the promise of the One to come who would restore them to Him.)

⁸And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” ¹⁰And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.” ¹¹He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” ¹²The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.” ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent,

“Because you have done this,
cursed are you above all livestock
and above all beasts of the field;
on your belly you shall go,
and dust you shall eat
all the days of your life.

¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and her offspring;
he shall bruise your head,
and you shall bruise his heel.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Ps. 145:3, 5b, 6b

Great is the LORD, and greatly | to be praised,*
and his greatness is un- | searchable.
On your wondrous works, I will | meditate,*
and I will declare your | greatness.

Epistle

2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1

(“We have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.”)

¹³Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, “I believed, and so I spoke,” we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴knowing that he who raised the Lord

Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

¹For we know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

2nd Sunday after Pentecost Verse

“Alleluia. Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Alleluia.” (Psalm 127:1a)

Holy Gospel

Mark 3:20-35

(“Who are My mother and My brothers?”)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁰Then [Jesus] went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat.

²¹And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, “He is out of his mind.”

²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, “He is possessed by Beelzebul,” and “by the prince of demons he casts out the demons.” ²³And he called them to him and said to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house.

²⁸“Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”— ³⁰for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

³¹And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. ³²And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you.” ³³And he answered them, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” ³⁴And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

LSB 206

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Children's Message— "A Different Kind of Family" (Mark 3:20-35) *The children of the congregation are invited to come up to the chancel area for a special message for them. Please note—parents of small children may also come up near the chancel area to accompany their children for the message)*

Sermon Hymn

561 The Tree of Life (vs. 1-4)



1 The tree of life with ev - 'ry good In E - den's
 2 The still - ness of that sa - cred grove Was bro - ken,
 3 What mer - cy God showed to our race, A plan of
 4 Now from that tree of Je - sus' shame Flows life e -



ho - ly or - chard stood, And of its fruit so pure and
 as the ser - pent strove With tempt - ing voice Eve to be -
 res - cue by His grace; In send - ing One from wom - an's
 ter - nal in His name; For all who trust and will be -



sweet God let the man and wom - an eat. Yet in this
 guile And Ad - am too by sin de - file. O day of
 seed, The One to fill our great - est need— For on a
 lieve, Sal - va - tion's liv - ing fruit re - ceive. And of this



gar - den al - so grew An - oth - er tree, of which they
 sad - ness when the breath Of fear and dark - ness, doubt and
 tree up - lift - ed high His on - ly Son for sin would
 fruit so pure and sweet The Lord in - vites the world to



knew; Its love - ly limbs with fruit a -
 death, Its aw - ful poi - son first dis -
 die, Would drink the cup of scorn and
 eat, To find with - in this cross of



dorned A - gainst whose eat - ing God had warned.
 played With - in the world so new - ly made.
 dread To crush the an - cient ser - pent's head!
 wood The tree of life with ev - 'ry good.

Sermon “The Family of God” (Mark 3:20-35)

Stand

Offering During this Covid-19 Pandemic, we will not be passing the offering plates during worship, but will have them at the entrance of the church for people to drop their offerings off before or after the worship service. Thank you for your generosity and support of Jesus Christ our Lord’s Kingdom work!!! God bless you!!!

You can now give online. It’s easy, fast, and secure. If you’re able, we also encourage you to set up recurring giving. Thank you for supporting our mission. Text the word: graceoc to 206-859-9405, use this QR Code or head to our web-site: graceoakcreek.org. You may give a onetime gift or set up your regular weekly/ monthly offering. Those using this method of giving may still bring their envelope if they wish and simply write ‘online giving’ on the outside and place it in the offering plate.)



Stand

Prayer of the Church (After each petition the Pastor will say, “Lord in Your mercy,” and the congregation responds saying, “Hear our prayer.”)

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

Preface

LSB 208

P The Lord be with you.
 C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.
 C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 208

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

LSB 209

C **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.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

LSB 209

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Agnus Dei

LSB 210

C O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we
pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,

Sit

Distribution

We celebrate the Lord's Supper

Members of our sister LC-MS congregations are invited to join us for communion. Guests to our Lutheran Church are invited to first speak with Pastor before joining at our Lord's Table. We hope you will learn more about us as we gather to "*Celebrate, Teach, and Confess*" the Good News of God's Grace!

Grace Continuous Line Communion-*During this Covid-19 Pandemic we are doing continuous line communion here at Grace, we will do the Pulpit side first and then the lectern side, Pastor Taggatz and the Elder on duty will be using a mask and hand sanitizer before and after communion, and if you would like the Elder and Pastor to commune you in the pew, please be sure to let an Elder or an Usher know.*

Distribution Hymn

424 O Christ, You Walked the Road (vs. 1-5)



1 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.
2 No bread of earth a-lone Can fill our hun-g'ring hearts.
3 No blind-ing sign we ask, No won-der from a-bove.
4 When lures of eas-y gain With prom-ise bright-ly shine,
5 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.



You faced with us temp-ta-tion's pow'r And fought our an-cient foe.
Lord, help us seek Your liv-ing Word, The food Your grace im-parts.
Lord, help us place our trust a-lone In Your un-swerv-ing love.
Lord, help us seek Your king-dom first; Our wills with Yours a-lign.
Stay with us through temp-ta-tion's hour To fight our an-cient foe.

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

C O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.

All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction

A Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.
- C Amen.

Sit

Closing Hymn 850 God of Grace and God of Glory (vs. 1-4)



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Your peo - ple
 2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ, as -
 3 Cure Your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils



pour Your pow'r; Crown Your an - cient Church's sto - ry;
 sail His ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 Your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; Let the gift of Your sal - va - tion



Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom,
 Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom,
 Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,
 Be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,



grant us cour - age For the fac - ing of this
 grant us cour - age For the liv - ing of these
 grant us cour - age Lest we miss Your king - dom's
 grant us cour - age, Serv - ing You whom we a -



hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
 days, For the liv - ing of these days.
 goal, Lest we miss Your king - dom's goal.
 dore, Serv - ing You whom we a - dore.

Announcements

Pastor: Go in Peace and Serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

☼ *Altar Flowers* ☼

Altar flowers today are given by Pauline Parker in honor of her and Chet's wedding anniversary.

Assisting with the Divine Service

We thank God for all those individuals who have been involved in supporting our worship services this week. If you are interested in assisting in any of the ways shown below, please speak with pastor or one of our elders.

	<u>Thursday 6:30 pm</u>	<u>Sunday 9:00 am</u>
<u>Elders</u>	Lance Kopperud	Greg Nowakowski
<u>Readers</u>	Pastor Taggatz	Lisa Kamprath
<u>Communion Set Up</u>	Janine Tuskowski	Lynn Buzzell
<u>Linens</u>	Donna Dotson	Donna Dotson

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

For all who worship this day, bless us through your Word, O Lord. Terri Meyer (cancer); Michael Parker (healing) Pauline Parker's Son; Pastor Bill Wurm, Pastor Taggatz's father-in-law; Angela Strasse (cancer) friend of Taggatz family; Leigh Schmeiser (healing); Julia Oelke (Army National Guard Medic and her Unit deployed) Debbie Oelke's daughter; Dave Vitek (serving on the Greenfield Police Department) and Milwaukee Police Officers; Norma Manoil (cancer); Tom Janes (healing & strength) Diane Pielsnik's brother; Cindy Riemer (cancer); Art Hartsmandorfer (healing & strength) friend of Doc Medek; Valinda (hospice) Aunt of Glenn Dotson; Virginia Schmeiser (healing & strength); Myles King (blood disorder) son of Meredith & Matthew King; Bev Burette (healing & strength); Sharon McCaigue (healing & strength) sister of Doc Medek & sister-in-law of Ron & Mary Savarino; David (seriously ill) Brother of Suzie Mirenda; Melvin Tesch (blood disorder) former parishioner of Pastor Taggatz; Gudrun Boyd (healing & strength); Jane Durant (healing & strength); Donna Horkan (healing & strength) sister of June Roewer.

For our Homebound Members at Grace: Betty Lemmer, Kathy Gaudian, Bernice Byklum, June Roewer, Art Steinborn, Ernst & Patricia Groth, and Gloria Kilponen.

We Mourn with the family of **Christopher Herte**, the son of Larry & Sandy Herte, as they mourn his recent death. Let us pray. Almighty God, Father of mercies and God of all comfort, deal graciously with the family of Christopher, Larry & Sandy Herte's son, and all who mourn his death that, casting every care upon You, they may know the consolation of Your love; through Jesus Christ, Your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

All those on the Grace Prayer Line dealing with long term health and medical issue; Hear our prayer. We encourage you to submit prayer requests for worship and/or our prayer line by emailing:
Paulinemom@aol.com

If you do not have access to a computer you may call:

Prayers for worship:		Church Office	414-762-8990
Requests on prayer line:	10am-3 pm	Carol Thurber	414-762-9615
	3pm-9 pm	Pauline Parker	414-764-5574

ATTENTION: Voters Meeting



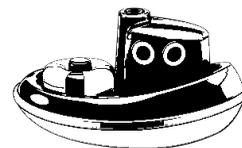
Please mark your calendars and plan on attending our next Voters Meeting at Church!!! It will be on Sunday, June 13th after the 9am worship service. Special topics will include: Pastor's Report, Election of new Officers, Updates from Church Boards, and the progress of our Church Boiler Repair and School Furnace Replacement. Thank you for your continued prayers and support of the ministries here at Grace!!! God bless you!

Giving Tree

The Giving Tree from our Board of Stewardship will be up soon in our Church Sanctuary. Please consider making a donation to our Grace Lutheran Ministries to help us to continue the mission work of our Church, School, and Early Childhood Center. The needs of our ministries are on the Giving Tree for you to take a look at. Also, this year we are offering special gifts of puzzles, devotional literature, and other gift items that we would like to give to our homebound members. Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministries here at Grace!!!

Miss Rosie's 2nd Annual Make-A-Wish Toy Drive

Benefiting Make-A-Wish Wisconsin from now until July 1st. Help Miss St. Francis 2020, Rosie Miliacca fill the "Wish Closet" with new toys! Drop off new, unwrapped toys in donation boxes at Grace Lutheran Church, School, or ECC. Gifts from the "Wish Closet" are given to families going through the wish granting process to help break the ice, build excitement, or even supplement the wish itself!



Miss Rosie's goal is to DOUBLE donations from last year for a total of 200 toys! It's a big goal, so she needs your help! Not sure what toys to donate? There is a list in the narthex for you to take home with you.

UPDATE ON THE PARKING LOT PROJECT AT CHURCH

Currently we have about \$37,500 in dedicated funds to go towards the repair and replacement of our church parking lot. Please prayerfully consider making a gift to support the repair and replacement of our parking lot. We would like to start on this project sometime in the late Summer months of this year. Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministries at Grace!!! **Please note:** we need to reach \$60,000 in order to start this project.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR - "Out of the Depths" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jason Broge. When our words fail us, we find God's word of promise in the words of Psalm 130. (Psalm 130) **The Lutheran Hour can be heard any time on the internet at: lhm.org** scroll down the page and click on, "listen now." Or listen to any of these local radio stations on Sunday mornings.

WTMJ	Milwaukee, WI	103.3	FM	Sun	6:30 AM
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Stewardship Minute- In His sovereignty, God chose not to evangelize the world by a sudden miracle. Instead of using His angels, God chose to use us to be His hands, feet, and mouth to the world. He wants to work through us to advance His kingdom, and He wants to involve everyone. God calls each of us into the Church, the priesthood of all believers (1 Peter 2:4-5). Each of us has a purpose to fulfill, so we are an important part of God plan. God places us where He wants us to be. To be effective in the work that God gives us to do, we are equipped with the gifts that we will need. In the words of the Apostle Peter, *"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace"* (1 Peter 4:10).



OUR THOUGHTS, WORDS AND ACTIONS BECOME CHANNELS FOR OUR HEAVENLY FATHER'S LOVE.

"Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another" (1 John 4:11).

IN THE WORD FOR THE 2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Catechism: Sacrament of Holy Baptism—How can water do such great things?

Verse of the week: Genesis 15:6, “[Abram] believed in the LORD, and He accounted it to him for righteousness.”

Psalm of the week: Psalm 119: Gimel and Daleth

Hymn of the week: (LSB 768) “To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray”

Bible Stories for the Week:

Sunday— The Rich Man and Lazarus—Luke 16:19-31

Monday— An Angel Frees the Apostles from Prison—Acts 5:17-42

Tuesday— The Choosing of the Seven—Acts 6:1-7

Wednesday— Stephen Is Accused of Blasphemy—Acts 6:8—7:16

Thursday— Stephen Bears Witness Before the Sanhedrin—Acts 7:17-36

Friday— The Martyrdom of Stephen—Acts 7:37-60

Saturday— The Ministry of Philip—Acts 8:1-13

“The boundaries He establishes serve not to forbid any of sexuality’s blessings but to gather its goodness into a single setting so that nothing deprives the marriage bed of its rightful delight.”
Pastor Michael Salemink, Executive Director of Mission and Ministry, Lutherans For Life - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org “Hurting from abortion? Word of Hope can help. www.word-of-hope.org; 888-217-8679.

**Growing In Grace
May 26 & 30, 2021**

<u>Offering</u>				
<i>General Offering</i>		<i>\$2,210.00</i>	<i>Attendance</i>	<i>80</i>
<i>On-Line Giving</i>		<i>225.67</i>	<i>Communed</i>	<i>57</i>
<i>Missions</i>		<i>0.00</i>		
<i>Debt Fund</i>		<i>0.00</i>		
<i>Mortgage Offering</i>		<i>30.00</i>		
<i>Lutheran High</i>		<i>0.00</i>		
<i>Bible Study/Sunday School</i>		<i>0.00</i>		
Total		<i>\$2,465.67</i>		

OPPORTUNITIES AT GRACE THIS WEEK

Sunday	6/6	9:00 am	Divine Worship Service
Tuesday	6/8	7:00 am	Men's Bible Study & Breakfast @ OC Diner
Wednesday	6/9	6:30 pm	Council Meeting at church
Thursday	6/10	6:30 pm	Divine Worship Service
Saturday	6/12	8:00 am	Rise & Sonshine Bible Study, Lake Vista Park-overlook
Sunday	6/13	9:00 am	Divine Worship Service
		10:00 am	Voter's Meeeting

SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

We have gathered today to celebrate the most precious gifts and treasures our Lord gives us: His forgiveness, life and salvation. It would be our honor to have you join us again next week as we “Celebrate, Teach, and Share” the Good News of God’s Grace among all people.

Grace is committed to supporting families through our Early Childhood Center, Day School, and High School. We are blessed to be a member of the Lutheran High School Association of Milwaukee.

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