



**SEPTUAGESIMA
(SEVENTY DAYS BEFORE EASTER)**

Grace Lutheran Church

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WELCOME

Good morning and welcome to Grace! We are glad that you joined us today, whether online or here at Grace. If you would like to learn more about the Christian faith as taught here at Grace Lutheran Church, please contact our pastor.

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Exodus 17:1–7

1 Corinthians 9:24–10:5

Matthew 20:1–16

Grace Alone

The people of Israel contended with the Lord in the wilderness (Ex. 17:1–7). They were dissatisfied with His provision. In the same way, the first laborers in the vineyard complained against the landowner for the wage he provided them (Matt. 20:1–16). They charged him with being unfair, but in reality he was being generous. For the Lord does not wish to deal with us on the basis of what we deserve but on the basis of His abounding grace in Christ. The first—those who rely on their own merits—will be last. “For they were overthrown in the wilderness” (1 Cor. 10:5). But the last, those who rely on Christ, will be first. For Christ is the Rock (1 Cor. 9:24–10:5). He is the One who was struck and from whose side blood and water flowed that we may be cleansed of our sin.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated in our Service this morning. If you are not a member of Grace and desire to receive this Sacrament of Christ’s body and blood given and shed for the forgiveness of sins, we ask that you first speak with our Pastor so that the unity of faith might be established. Thank you for honoring this request.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar flowers today are given by Edwin & Susan Mahnken in honor of Susan's birthday (1/26), for the beautification of God's house and in thanksgiving for the Lord's many blessings.

THOSE WHO SERVE

Pastor:
Communion Assistant
Kantor:
Altar Guild:
Choir:
Ushers:
Streaming:

Rev. Kent Schaaf
Chaplain Shawn Found
Jacquelyn Magnuson
Angie Proud
Mannerchor
Greg Warren, Elias Found
Bob Nichols & Riley Middaugh



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THE DIVINE SERVICE FOR SEPTUAGESIMA (SEVENTY DAYS BEFORE EASTER)

Prelude

Ringling of the Church Bell

Confession and Absolution

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

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

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

Exhortation

1 John 1:8–9

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Absolution

[John 20:19–23]

- 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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Hymn of Invocation: Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

LSB 909

Stanza 3: Choir



1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ, our head and
 2 To this tem - ple, where we call You, Come, O Lord of
 3 Grant, we pray, to all Your faith - ful All the gifts they
 △ 4 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, Praise and hon - or



cor - ner - stone, Cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
 hosts, and stay; Come with all Your lov - ing - kind - ness,
 ask to gain; What they gain from You, for - ev - er
 to the Son, Praise and hon - or to the Spir - it,



Bind - ing all the Church in one; Ho - ly Zi - on's
 Hear Your peo - ple as they pray; And Your full - est
 With the bless - ed to re - tain; And here - af - ter
 Ev - er three and ev - er one: One in might and



help for - ev - er And our con - fi - dence a - lone.
 ben - e - dic - tion Shed with - in these walls to - day.
 in Your glo - ry Ev - er - more with You to reign.
 one in glo - ry While un - end - ing a - ges run!

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Service of the Word

Introit

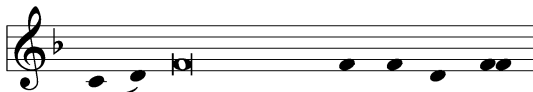
Psalm 18:1-2a, 27, 32, 49; antiphon: vv. 5-6a



- A** The cords of Sheol en- | tangled me;*
the snares of death con- | fronted me.
In my distress I called up- | on the LORD.*
From his temple he | heard my voice.
- C** I love you, O | LORD, my strength.*
The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my de- | liverer.
For you save a humble | people,*
but the haughty eyes | you bring down.
[You have] equipped | me with strength*
and made my way | blameless.
For this I will praise you, O LORD, among the | nations,*
and sing | to your name.
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.
- A** The cords of Sheol en- | tangled me;*
the snares of death con- | fronted me.
In my distress I called up- | on the LORD.*
From his temple he | heard my voice.

Kyrie

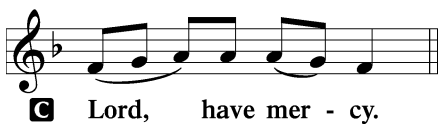
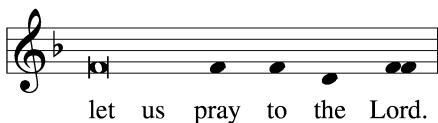
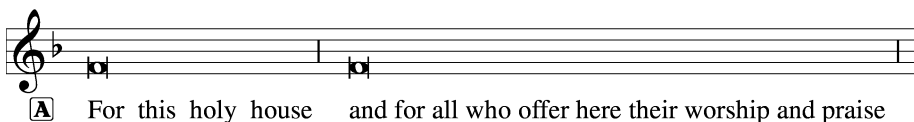
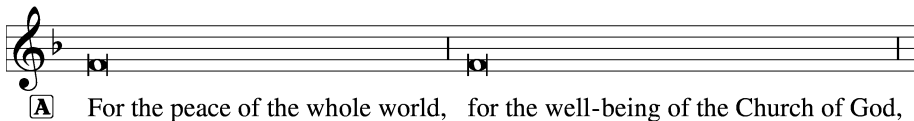
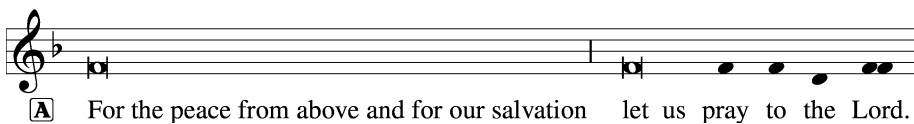
Mark 10:47

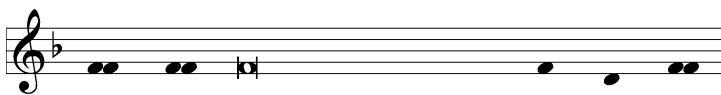


- A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



- C** Lord, have mer - cy.





A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 17:1–7

All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.” And Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?” But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?” So Moses cried to the LORD, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” And the LORD said to Moses, “Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink.” And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalms 9:9–10, 18–19a



- C** The LORD is a stronghold for | the oppressed,*
a stronghold in times of | trouble.
And those who know your name put their | trust in you,*
for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who | seek you.
For the needy shall not always be for- | gotten,*
and the hope of the poor shall not perish for- | ever.
A- | rise, O LORD!*
- Let not | man prevail.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 9:24—10:5

Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Tract

Psalm 130:1–4



C Out | of the depths*

I cry to you, | O LORD!

O Lord, | hear my voice!*

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for | mercy!

If you, O LORD, should mark in- | iquities,*

O Lord, | who could stand?

But with you there is for- | giveness,*

that you | may be feared.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 20:1–16

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twentieth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] “The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.’ And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?’ So the last will be first, and the first last.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: Salvation unto Us Has Come

LSB 555

Stanzas 3 & 7: Women

Stanzas 4 & 8: Men

Stanza 6: Choir



1 Sal - va - tion un - to us has come By God's free grace and
2 What God did in His Law de - mand And none to Him could
3 It was a false, mis - lead - ing dream That God His Law had
4 From sin our flesh could not ab - stain, Sin held its sway un -



fa - vor; Good works can - not a - vert our doom, They
ren - der Caused wrath and woe on ev - 'ry hand For
giv - en That sin - ners could them - selves re - deem And
ceas - ing; The task was use - less and in vain, Our



help and save us nev - er. Faith looks to Je - sus
man, the vile of - fend - er. Our flesh has not those
by their works gain heav - en. The Law is but a
guilt was e'er in - creas - ing. None can re - move sin's



Christ a - lone, Who did for all the
pure de - sires The spir - it of the
mir - ror bright To bring the in - bred
poi - soned dart Or pu - ri - fy our



world a - tone; He is our one Re - deem - er.
Law re - quires, And lost is our con - di - tion.
sin to light That lurks with - in our na - ture.
guile - ful heart— So deep is our cor - rup - tion.

5 Yet as the Law must be fulfilled
Or we must die despairing,
Christ came and has God's anger stilled,
Our human nature sharing.
He has for us the Law obeyed
And thus the Father's vengeance stayed
Which over us impended.

6 Since Christ has full atonement made
And brought to us salvation,
Each Christian therefore may be glad
And build on this foundation.
Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead,
Your death is now my life indeed,
For You have paid my ransom.

7 Let me not doubt, but truly see
Your Word cannot be broken;
Your call rings out, "Come unto Me!"
No falsehood have You spoken.
Baptized into Your precious name,
My faith cannot be put to shame,
And I shall never perish.

8 The Law reveals the guilt of sin
And makes us conscience-stricken;
But then the Gospel enters in
The sinful soul to quicken.
Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live;
The Law no peace can ever give,
No comfort and no blessing.

9 Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone
And rests in Him unceasing;
And by its fruits true faith is known,
With love and hope increasing.
For faith alone can justify;
Works serve our neighbor and supply
The proof that faith is living.

△ 10 All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise
To Father, Son, and Spirit,
The God who saved us by His grace;
All glory to His merit.
O triune God in heav'n above,
You have revealed Your saving love;
Your blessed name we hallow.

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Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

**☩ 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.**

Prayer of the Church

Each petition ends with the following:

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

After the final petition:

Amen.

Sit

Offering & Voluntary

O bone Jesu

Giovanni Palestrina

*O bone Jesu, miserere nobis,
quia tu creasti nos,
tu redemisti nos
sanguine tuo pretiosissimo.*

O good Jesus, have mercy on us,
for you have created us,
you have redeemed us
by your most precious blood.

Stand

Offertory

Psalm 116:12–13, 17–19



What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

Following the Offertory, the live stream is paused for the Service of the Sacrament. If you would like to request a pastoral visit to receive the Sacrament, please contact Pastor Schaaf or the church office.

The live stream audio will resume with the distribution hymns, and the video will resume after the distribution of the Lord's Supper.

Distribution Hymn: By Grace I'm Saved

LSB 566



1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and
 2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct
 3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to
 4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God is



doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?
 have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,
 bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it
 true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,



Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? No! Then this word must
 Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our
 That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and
 What in His Word our God com - mands, Our faith in what our



true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.
 sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.
 grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.
 God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

- 5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
 In tribulation's furnace tried,
 By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
 The Father's heart is open wide.
 Where could I help and strength secure
 If grace were not my anchor sure?
- 6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
 In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
 For though I know my heart's condition,
 I also know my Savior's voice.
 My heart is glad, all grief has flown
 Since I am saved by grace alone.

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Distribution Hymn: O God, My Faithful God

LSB 696



1 O God, my faith - ful God, True foun-tain ev - er flow - ing,
 2 Grant me the strength to do With read - y heart and will - ing
 3 Keep me from say - ing words That lat - er need re - call - ing;
 4 Lord, let me win my foes With kind - ly words and ac - tions,



With - out whom noth - ing is, All per - fect gifts be - stow - ing;
 What - ev - er You com - mand, My call - ing here ful - fill - ing;
 Guard me lest i - dle speech May from my lips be fall - ing;
 And let me find good friends For coun - sel and cor - rec - tion.



Give me a health - y frame, And may I have with - in
 That I do what I should While trust - ing You to bless
 But when with - in my place I must and ought to speak,
 Help me, as You have taught, To love both great and small



A con - science free from blame, A soul un - stained by sin.
 The out - come for my good, For You must give suc - cess.
 Then to my words give grace Lest I of - fend the weak.
 And by Your Spir - it's might To live in peace with all.

- 5 Let me depart this life
 Confiding in my Savior;
 By grace receive my soul
 That it may live forever;
 And let my body have
 A quiet resting place
 Within a Christian grave;
 And let it sleep in peace.
- 6 And on that final day
 When all the dead are waking,
 Stretch out Your mighty hand,
 My deathly slumber breaking.
 Then let me hear Your voice,
 Redeem this earthly frame,
 And bid me to rejoice
 With those who love Your name.

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Distribution Hymn: O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace

LSB 693



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, grant us grace That we our Lord and Sav - ior
2 Help us that we Thy sav - ing Word In faith - ful hearts may trea - sure;
3 And when our earth - ly race is run, Death's bit - ter hour im - pend - ing,



In faith and fer - vent love em - brace And tru - ly serve Him ev - er.
Let e'er that Bread of Life af - ford New grace in rich - est mea - sure.
Then may Thy work in us be - gun Con - tin - ue till life's end - ing,



The hour of death can - not bring loss When we are shel - tered
O make us die to ev - 'ry sin, Each day cre - ate new
Un - til we glad - ly may com - mend Our souls in - to our



by the cross That can - celed our trans - gres - sions.
life with - in, That fruits of faith may flour - ish.
Sav - ior's hand, The crown of life ob - tain - ing.

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Stand

Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have prepared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to reveal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it; as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

Post-Communion Collect

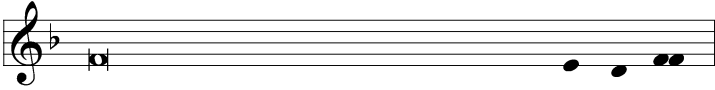
A Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and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



C A - men.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24–26



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 ✠ give you peace.



C A - men.

Hymn to Depart: Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer

LSB 918



1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;
stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,



Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,
Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,
Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,



bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no
strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to



more;
shield;
Thee;
Feed me till I want no more.
Be Thou still my strength and shield.
I will ev - er give to Thee.

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Postlude

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND GOD’S BLESSINGS TO:

January 28 – Bailey Cannon, Ike Witte

January 29 – John Calvillo

January 30 – Joan Ann Olsen

January 31 – Karen Camacho, David Connor, Judy Keppel

February 3 – Bob Bryant

- IN OUR PRAYERS -

**Names of those with health concerns will remain on the prayer list for 2 weeks after a request is made. If you wish to make or renew a prayer request, please call or email Pastor Schaaf or the church office.*

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY to Lori Jones and her family in the recent death of her brother Kent. Funeral services have yet to be decided. Please keep Lori and her family in your thoughts and prayers

HEALTH CONCERNS: Diane Robinette (Sharon LeBlanc’s sister), Bill (JoAnn Bischof’s brother), Cheyenne Staggs & Sara (friends of the Leach’s), Jeanne Von Der Ahe

MEMORIALS:

IN MEMORY OF RACHEL ALLEN:

TO THE WALTER MEMORIAL FUND

By Dorris Deislinger, Gary & Angie Proud

IN MEMORY OF ROBERT JONES:

TO THE GRACE LUTHERAN BUILDING FUND

By Dorris Deislinger

IN MEMORY OF RON KRUEGER:

TO THE WALTER MEMORIAL FUND

By Dorris Deislinger

IN MEMORY OF ROBERT JONES:

TO THE GRACE GENERAL FUND

By Sharon Wilhelm, Ralph & Joan Ann Olsen

IN MEMORY OF PAT FUNK:

TO THE GRACE GENERAL FUND

By Sharon Wilhelm

IN MEMORY OF ROBERT JONES:

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By Gary & Angie Proud

IN MEMORY OF RACHEL ALLEN:

TO THE GRACE GENERAL FUND

By Robert & Wilma Richter, Elizabeth Brandon, Jane Dillingham Fink,
Jerry & Mary Lou Rasco, Joseph Lee Brown, Mary Lou Cravens,
George Keck

SEMINARY STUDENT: John & Jana Carpenter

MEMBERS AND FAMILY IN THE MILITARY: Nicholas Wold (Marine Corps) & Ethan Wold (Navy Corpsman)

MEMBERS WE PRAY FOR THIS WEEK: Vicki Stigall, The Stillman Family, Ann Stoker, Tim & Sandy Sweeney, Anna & David Tart, Katherine & Nadia Teske, James Tyhurst, Jeanne Von Der Ahe, Nancy Wade, Shane & Kari Ward, The Warren Family, Tommy & Linnea Weed, Elwanda Wells, Elsie Westerfield & Family, The Whitney Family, John & Debbie Whittington, The Wilbert Family, Joyce Wilhelm, Bob & Sheila Wilimzig

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS: Ralph & Joan Ann Olsen, Nancy Orpin, Myrna Smith, Robert & Jan Grant, Robert & Wilma Richter, Sherry Clawitter, Elsie Westerfield, Kay Jenkins, Dorris Deislinger, Joe & Cecillia Gelzine, Mildred Burgess, Emily Esget, Carol Ann Mitchell (Donna Langlais' friend)

- NEWS & NOTES -

Please submit announcement requests for News & Notes to the church office by noon on Tuesday.

PASTOR SCHAAF OUT OF OFFICE Pastor Schaaf will be in Memphis Monday, January 29th - Wednesday, January 31st. The Mid-week Eucharist service is cancelled but all other Wednesday activities will continue as scheduled.

VOTERS MEETING The next Voters Meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, February 4th**, immediately after Divine Worship.

DIAPER DRIVE The CALL Mall needs all sizes of diapers and pull-ups to fill the needs of local families. The Grace Evangelism Committee has provided a collection box on the bridge for donations to be dropped off at your convenience. Donations will be collected from Sunday, January 28 through Sunday, February 25. For more information, please contact Justine Baker.

CIAO! ITALIAN POTLUCK Sunday, February 11th is Italian Potluck Sunday after church services! Bring your family's favorite Italian main dish or provide a side like an Italian meat/cheese/veggie tray, a salad or bread. Special Italian/Valentine desserts are also welcome. Come and enjoy a great time of Christian fellowship and stay for some family friendly puzzles and games afterwards! **GRAZIE!**

ECDC IS HIRING! We are looking for a Teacher and an Assistant Director. If you know of someone who is interested in sharing the love of Christ with Jesus' little lambs and helping them Grow in Grace, please have them contact Robyn Robb at ecdc@gracelutheranlr.org or 501-663-0755. Thank you for your support!

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN 2024 *Altar Guild* is a quiet service with both men and women encouraged to sign up. You can find the 2024 sign-up sheet at the church entrance or in the Sacristy. Please email Angie Proud at angieproud12@gmail.com for more information. *The Usher Ministry* at Grace is also in need of both men and women volunteers on Sunday mornings. Please contact Monica at (monica@glclr.org) or 501.663.3631 for more information and to sign up to assist in this ministry.

Acolyte Schedule

The Acolyte(s) light the candles & the Crucifer carries the Crucifix.

January 28 - Ike - Acolyte / Avery – Crucifer

February 4 - Cooper - Acolyte Addison – Crucifer

February 11 - Jonas - Acolyte Milo – Crucifer

February 18 - Brayden - Acolyte Velta – Crucifer

February 25 - Henry - Acolyte Effie – Crucifer

If you are in need of pastoral care, please contact Pastor Schaaf at 501.663.3631 or kent.schaaf@glclr.org to make an appointment. If there is a pastoral care emergency, you may call/text his cell **24/7** at 501.703.4474. Please leave a message if he does not answer.

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

SUNDAY:

9:00 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

MON. – FRI.:

7:30 a.m. Early Childhood Development Center

WEDNESDAY:

10:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
12:00 p.m. **CANCELLED** Midweek Eucharist Service
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Freewill Meal (Parker Hall)
6:00 p.m. Schola Cantorum (Choir Room, 2nd-8th graders)
6:00 p.m. Preaching Partners (Parker Hall)

THURSDAY:

7:00 p.m. Kantorei Rehearsal (Choir Room & Sanctuary)

NEXT SUNDAY:

9:00 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
12:00 p.m. Voters Meeting