



Grace Lutheran 1883-2023

Day of Pentecost ~ May 28, 2023

Grace Lutheran Church

Welcomes You to Worship

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PRELUDE

Congregation responses in Bold Print

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Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

GATHERING SONG:

“Holy Spirit. Enter In”

ELW 786

1 O Holy Spirit, enter in,
and in our hearts your work begin,
and make our hearts your dwelling.
Sun of the soul, O Light divine,
around and in us brightly shine,
your strength in us upwelling.
In your radiance life from heaven
now is given overflowing,
gift of gifts beyond all knowing.

no matter who derides us.
Gently heal those
hearts now broken;
give some token you are near us,
whom we trust to light and cheer us.
3 O mighty Rock, O Source of life,
let your good Word in doubt and strife be in
us strongly burning,
that we be faithful unto death
and live in love and holy faith,
from you true wisdom learning.
Lord, your mercy on us shower;
by your power Christ confessing,
we will cherish all your blessing.

2 Left to ourselves, we surely stray;
oh, lead us on the narrow way,
with wisest counsel guide us;
and give us steadfastness, that we
may follow you forever free,

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *(inspired by 2 Corinthians 12: 2-10)*

Merciful God, of what do we boast? Can we truly say with Paul that we do not boast about ourselves or our achievements? Does the danger in such thinking lie in the next step—the thought that we can do anything, or all things—by ourselves?

**Forgive us the times when we ignore you, O God,
and depend on our own strength to do things our own way.**

Paul talks about power being made perfect in weakness.

**Forgive us for believing that we have to be hard and domineering
if we want to get ahead in life.**

Paul says that he boasts of his weaknesses
so that the power of Christ may dwell in him.

**Forgive us when we use our power selfishly or aggressively, ignoring that
indwelling, Christ-given power which frees us to be vulnerable.**

Jesus says “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.”
Permeate our lives with your grace, Lord, so that we can affirm with Paul that we are

content with weaknesses for your sake, and fill us with the knowledge that it is when we allow ourselves to be empowered by you, that we are truly strong. **Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Hear again the good news: that Jesus' grace is sufficient for us all—sufficient for us to be forgiven in his name. Receive that grace and rejoice in the power to live in his strength. **Thanks be to God!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Let us pray... **O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

First Reading: Numbers 11:24-30 **Pew Bible p 114**

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

²⁴How manifold are your works, O Lord!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

²⁵**Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.**

²⁶There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

²⁷**All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.**

²⁸You give it to them; they gather it;

you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

²⁹**When you hide your face, they are terrified;**

when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;

and so you renew the face of the earth.

³¹**May the glory of the Lord endure forever; O Lord, rejoice in all your works.**

³²You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.

³³**I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;**

I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the Lord.

^{35b}**Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 **Pew Bible p 933**

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: **"Alleluia"**

Alleluia. To whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 20:19-23

Pew Bible p 883

Response Before: Glory to you, O Lord. After: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY:

“Remember and Rejoice”

ELW 454

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| 1 Remember and rejoice,
renewed by floods of grace.
We bear the sign of Jesus Christ,
that time cannot erase. | to cling to Christ's community,
in justice, peace to dwell. |
| 2 In life, in death, we trust
in God's most holy name,
forever traced by water sign,
and sealed by Spirit flame. | 4 God, bless us by your grace;
remind us of your care.
Renewing Spirit, fill us now,
inspire our work, our prayer. |
| 3 We pledge ourselves anew
to flee the lures of hell, | 5 Remember and rejoice,
renewed by floods of grace.
We bear the sign of Jesus Christ,
that time cannot erase. |

APOSTLE'S CREED....

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you. *(We greet you all in peace.)*

OFFERING FOR THE MISSION AND MINISTRY of Grace Lutheran Church

SONG of OFFERING:

“We Are an Offering”

ELW 692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you; we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands,
Lord, use our lives, they are yours; We are an offering.
All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, We lift our lives up to you;
We are an offering, we are an offering

PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING: Let us pray... Holy One, you have given yourself to us in Creator, in Christ, in the Spirit. We now give back to you:

**this money that seems so little; this worship that seems so small;
these words that never quite get it right.**

Receive what we offer and transform it by the power of your Spirit into:
**enough money, sufficient praise, worthy words for proclaiming and enacting
your peace, justice, and love in the world. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world,
and all in need.

PRAYER SONG: “The Spirit Intercedes for Us” ELW 180

The Spirit intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words to express. Oh, oh.

PRAYER PETITIONS: *Response to:* Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

PRAYER SONG: “The Spirit Intercedes for Us” ELW 180

**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.**

BENEDICTION FOR PENTECOST

As you enter a new week, may you experience God's presence.

May you feel God pouring out the Holy Spirit over your heads and your thoughts and
the words of your lips, over your hearts and your feelings and emotions and your
compassion for all others, and over your hands and your feet as you put into action all
that God commands you.

During this week, may the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with each of you; **Amen.**

SENDING SONG: “God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind” ELW 400

1 God of tempest, God of whirlwind, as on Pentecost descend! Drive us out from sheltered comfort; past these walls your people send! Sweep us into costly service, there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!	Through your church, Christ's living Body, let your flaming Spirit surge! Where deceit conceals injustice, kindle us to speak your truth, kindle us to speak your truth!
2 God of blazing, God of burning, all that blocks your purpose, purge!	3 God of earthquake, God of thunder, shake us loose from lethargy! Break the chains of sin asunder, for earth's healing set us free!

Crumble walls that still divide us;
make us one in Christ our Lord,
make us one in Christ our Lord!
4 God of passion, God unsleeping,
stir in us love's restlessness!

Where the people cry in anguish,
may we share your heart's distress.
Rouse us from content with evil;
claim us for your kingdom's work,
claim us for your kingdom's work!

DISMISSAL: Go in peace. Filled with the Spirit. **Thanks be to God. We Will!**

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

Announcements for May 28th

Keep in your prayers - Those dealing with Health Issues:

Rhys Arnold, Roy Arnold, Shannon Beck, Joyce Brever, Millie Brinkman, Harper Evjen, Dennis Carlson, Dick Everson, Judy Everson, Kristi Herting, Sharlee Kjellsen. Sylvia Larson, Janelle Marx, Lavern McPeek, Elvira Moen, Brenda Norton, Martha "Evelyn" Quade, Frankie Raml, Rick Raml, Roger Rust, Tracy Schaefer, Dorothy Schooley, Glen & LeRue Sprouse, Marjorie Stevens, Raef Stolp, Caden Thompson, Robert Wittrock, Sandra Wittrock, the family of Arden Hanson, those in Care Centers, Assisted Living, or who are Homebound. Pray for members of the Armed Forces and their families, transportation personal, Law Enforcement, Fire Fighters, EMT and all First Responders.

On the CALENDAR - For the week of May 28th – June 4th

Today	8:30 am Worship service
Monday	Memorial Day
Tuesday	5:30 – 7:30 Preschool Graduation and fund raising dinner
Wednesday	6 pm – Family Worship Service 6:30 pm – Summer Youth group meets: supper and fun.
Friday	5 pm Wedding Rehearsal
Saturday	4:30 pm Wedding of Sandra Reid and Michael Hanks Reception in Fellowship Hall
Sunday	8:30 am Worship service 11 am to 1 pm Phyllis Jongeling 100 th Birthday Celebration

UPCOMING EVENTS:

June 14 – Faith and Family Day at the Canaries game, Sioux Falls
July 8 – Mission Trip to Church on the Street in Sioux Falls

A Century of Love

Let's Celebrate Phyllis (Johnny) Jongeling Turning 100!! On June 4th 11 am to 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall of Grace Lutheran Church. For any unable to attend, you can send a message to Phyllis at TheJongelings@gmail.com.

MORNING COFFEE BIBLE STUDY CHANGES

Morning Coffee and Bible Study has begun, unfortunately with Josh's National Guard commitment and Memorial Day we will have to take a few weeks off: May 29th, June 5th, and

June 12th, there will be NO Coffee and Bible Study. Coffee and Bible Study, as requested, will be moving forward on Tuesday mornings and will resume on June 20th at 9:00 a.m.

SUMMER YOUTH GROUP MEETS WEDNESDAY

Beginning May 31st Youth Group will be meeting at 6:30 pm.

-Come plan the summer—Have a meal—

Enjoy fellowship with other youth. Bring your friends

All 7th thru 12th graders are welcome!

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME!

Join the Grace Lutheran Youth Group on a trip to the Sioux Falls Canaries Faith and Family Day June 14. This is a Canaries tradition, with group discounts for churches, a special prayer before the game, and video testimonials from Canaries players and other local luminaries on what having faith in their life means to them. Faith and Family Day is presented by AARP Sioux Falls! We want to be at the Birdcage at 6:35 p.m. for the game against the Winnipeg Goldeyes! Details are still being worked out but we need sign-up of interest to work out the transportations details. Invite your friends. For more information, contact Josh. Sign up or call the office with your name, phone number, and number attending. Office: 605-886-5737,

Hey Fruit Lovers!

The longest winter is over, and spring is in the air. Our supplier was waiting to make sure they'd have a crop before taking orders. But now is the time to order fresh fruit for delivery in late June. Orders need to be in by June 9th on Apricots, Blueberries, Dark Sweet Cherries and Rainier Cherries. Shipping will be around June 22nd. To order, email gracefruit22@gmail.com or call Darlene before June 9th.

Fruit	Weight	Price
Apricots	20#	\$40.00
Blueberries	10#	\$48.00 (12 pints)
Blueberries	½ flat	\$27.00 (6 pints)
Blueberries	1 pint	\$5.00
Dark Sweet Cherries	18#	\$75.00
Rainier Cherries	15#	\$100.00

Watertown Fruit by Grace will be set up in the Narthex to sell fruit and nuts on June 11th.

There is also candy available. If you are interested in apples in the fall for August or October, let Darlene know.

Funding to RENOVATE THE MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

Funds have been received to fill in the pit and update the lighting of the choir room to renovate it as a multipurpose room, but additional funds are need for finishing work and carpeting. If you would like to donate to this project, you can make a designated offering to the Multipurpose Room Fund in your offering envelop or online at glcwtm.org/ give and select from the list.

A RADIO BROADCAST of the Sunday morning worship service can be heard at 10:05 a.m. each Sunday on KWAT (950 AM). **The RADIO BROADCAST** today is given "In loving memory of Roy & Doris Schmeling" from the Schmeling Radio Fund. **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** today are given from Kris DeWitt in memory of her parents Edward & Racheal Westgard. Your gifts are greatly appreciated for the Mission and Ministry of Grace Lutheran. If you would like to help with these special weekly needs, please call the office or send your donation to **Grace Lutheran, 202 Second Street SE, Watertown, South Dakota 57201**

PICK UP YOUR QUILT BLOCK TO BE IN SPECIAL 140TH ANNIVERSARY QUILT

Our quilt team is making a commemorative 140th anniversary quilt and we'd like everyone to be included. Each family can take a blank quilt block and design something to memorialize your family and Grace Lutheran. The design can be sewn, embroidered, or use clothe paints.

This beautiful quilt will be made from the 7 ½" blocks and be approximately 60" X 80" made. Blocks are available in the church office. When finished, return to Darlene Bresson (or the office) **no later than August 13th** to be sewn together and displayed for the 140th celebration.

Church on the Street is MISSION OF THE MONTH

Welcome to Church on the Street. It is our mission to take the gifts of the Church out to the people who, for whatever reason, cannot come inside.

We build relationships as God did through listening, asking questions, being present and consistent, and showing compassion to all of God's people. We believe that every human being, regardless of whether they are housed or unhoused, deserves a community where they feel at home. We look a little different than most churches, but where it matters we are exactly the same.

There are several ministries within Church on the Street including: Laundry with Love, Undercover Closet, Fruits of the Freezer, Health and Healing and Partners in Christ which includes: Faith Through Frames, Journey of Hope, SD ELCA Synod, Bishop Dudley Hospitality House and Augustana University Sign Language

MISSION TRIP TO CHURCH ON THE STREET July 8th

Grace youth and families will once again serve those who live on the streets on Saturday, July 8th in Sioux Falls. We encourage all members, young and old to travel with us on this mission close to home.

During the month of June, we will collect donations for Church on the Street, Food items of Protein bars, peanut butter, jelly, bags or boxes of cereal, instant potatoes, pancake mix, pancake syrup, white rice and cans of soup; and quarters of case for Laundry with Love to be taken with on this mission trip in July.

Church on the Street is a ministry of the South Dakota Synod and holds church services on the second Saturday of the month. For more information check out churchonthestreetsf.org or Facebook.

UPDATE ON UKRAINE REFUGEE FAMILIES:

Ihor Pavlovich Tokarev, his wife Lyubov, and children Ramir and Davyd, ages 7 and 10, arrived Monday evening in Minneapolis and then traveled to Watertown. There is a meal train set up for anyone who would like to provide a meal for them for the couple of weeks at:

<https://mealtrain.com/16r9yw> Their apartment is # 119 at Wilkeshire Apartments, 1845 Westminster Ave. They will be busy getting settled in during the next weeks.

A HUGH THANK YOU

A Hugh thank you goes out to Linda Williams, Joy Freimark, Lil Jutting, Sherry and Gary Jongeling for all they did to furnish and prepare the apartment, to Darlene Bresson for traveling to Minneapolis to pick-up the families and everyone who donated food and household items, unloaded furniture, and helped in so many ways. It could not have been

done without you. They were excited to at home in a safe place and loved all the special touches offered so much they ran room to room to see everything the first night they got there.

There will be a potluck meet and greet on Tuesday evening, June 6th in the Fellowship Hall at 6 pm. This is a gathering night for all the Ukrainian refugees in the community and a chance to meet those from other congregations that are currently residing here.

Register for July VBS “Keepers of the Kingdom”

Grab your armor and your trusty steed and get ready for a medieval time at *Keepers of the Kingdom!* based on Ephesians 6:10–18 during the 9:30 am to 12 Noon sessions July 24th to 28th VBS at Grace Lutheran Church.

Children learn how they can be part of God's kingdom through salvation in his Son. And they will be equipped with the armor of God as they train to become Keepers of the Kingdom who stand strong in the battle for truth! But we are not meant to fight this battle alone! God, the ruler of the good kingdom, has given his kingdom keepers spiritual armor to wear.

Register your children by June 16 for this fun and exciting time of learning about the Armor of God. A registration form is at the church office. Friends are always welcome at Grace Lutheran Church—202 2nd St SE, Watertown, SD

LWR Monthly Mission Kit Request for June is Towels:

For baby care kits: hand towel, dark color recommended. For personal care kits: light-weight bath size towel. Please bring your towels in June for your offering for the LWR kits.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ASSIST IN OUR WORSHIP:

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