



Grace Lutheran 1883-2023

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Grace Lutheran Church

Welcomes You to Worship

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PRELUDE

Congregation responses in Bold Print

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING HYMN:

“Will You Come and Follow Me”

ELW 798

- 1 "Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me?"
- 2 "Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare,
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer pray'r
in you and you in me?"
- 3 "Will you let the blinded see
if I but call your name?
Will you set the pris'ners free
and never be the same?"

- Will you kiss the leper clean,
and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean
in you and you in me?"
- 4 "Will you love the you you hide
if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound
in you and you in me?"
- 5 Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GREETING:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Let us pray... **Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

Pew Bible p 285

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

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 16

¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;

I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

²**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**

³But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

⁴**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
never take their names upon my lips.**

⁵O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

⁶**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

⁷I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

⁸**I have set the Lord always before me;**

because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

¹⁰**For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.**

¹¹You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

SONG OF PRAISE: “Just a Closer Walk with Thee” ELW 697

Refrain: Just a closer walk with thee, 2 Through this world of toil and snares,
grant it, Jesus, is my plea; if I falter, Lord, who cares?
daily walking close to thee, Who with me my burden shares?
let it be, dear Lord, let it be. None but thee, dear Lord, none but
thee. *Refrain*

1 I am weak but thou art strong: 3 When my feeble life is o'er,
Jesus, keep me from all wrong; time for me will be no more;
I'll be satisfied as long guide me gently, safely o'er
as I walk, let me walk close to thee. to thy kingdom shore, to thy shore.
Refrain *Refrain*

Second Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-25 Pew Bible p 951

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: “Alleluia”

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

GOSPEL: Luke 9:51-62

Pew Bible p 843

The Holy Gospel according to St John, the ninth chapter.

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

MESSAGE

SERMON SONG: “O Jesus, I Have Promised” ELW 810

1 O Jesus, I have promised but, Jesus, then draw nearer
to serve you to the end; to shield my soul from sin.
remain forever near me, 3 Oh, let me hear you speaking
my master and my friend. in accents clear and still
I shall not fear the battle above the storms of passion,
if you are by my side, the murmurs of self-will.
nor wander from the pathway Now speak to reassure me,
if you will be my guide. to hasten or control;
2 Oh, let me feel you near me; now speak and make me listen,
the world is ever near. O Guardian of my soul.
I see the sights that dazzle, 4 O Jesus, you have promised
the tempting sounds I hear. to all who follow you
My foes are ever near me, that where you are in glory
around me and within; your servant shall be too.

And Jesus, I have promised
to serve you to the end;

oh, give me grace to follow,
my master and my friend.

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 OF DEDICATION

Let us pray... God of abundance: **Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, 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. (x2)

PRAYER PETITIONS:

God of faithfulness, set the face of your church stand firmly on you. Rooted in your self-giving love, may the church be free from a yoke to sin but find freedom in loving our neighbors. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of gentleness, strengthen the earth's ability to heal. Where there are dangerous storms, bring calm. Where there are destructive fires, bring rain. Remove destructive human desire to harm your creation for personal gain. Protect homes, wildlife, habitats, and livelihoods threatened by climate disasters. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of peace, guide all who govern, that they place the good of their citizens above self-promotion. Anoint leaders of nations with your Spirit of neighborly love. Protect refugees, asylum seekers all who live under tyranny, aggression, or conflict . God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of kindness, reveal your healing presence to all who are sick or dying, especially Rhys, Roy, Jim, Rose, Shannon, Joyce, Dennis, Jody, Judy, Carla, Kaye, Duane, Sharlee, Sylvia, Don, Judy, Megan, Rick, Carolyn, Roger, Caden, Robert family of Reneta McFerran and the family of Ellen Swancutt, those in Care Center, Assisted Living or are homebound. Uphold those who grieve. Support the needs of any who are unemployed, hungry, or have nowhere to lay their heads. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of love, attend to those struggling with addiction, depression, or uncontrolled anger. Provide support systems and loving companions as they work toward health, that they may rest in hope and know the fullness of joy in your presence. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of joy, we give thanks for all who have died and now celebrate the inheritance of life in you. Keep their examples of faithfulness always before us, that we trust your promises in life and in death. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping. **Amen.**

PRAYER SONG: "The Spirit Intercedes for Us" ELW 180

The Spirit intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words to express. Oh, oh. (x2)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW p 144

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We should indeed give thanks and praise to the Almighty God as we come to your table trusting in your abundant mercy, and remember Jesus words of promise spoken on that ancient night...

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**THE LORD'S PRAYER:
INVITATION TO COMMUNION
THE COMMUNION
COMMUNION SONGS**

"Round the Table"

(Refrain) Come together 'round the table. Come and taste the wonder,
A healing touch and a deep connection From the living center of it all.
Seeking meaning on the run You try and save the day.
But all is ready, will you come? Love invites the way. **(Refrain)**
Bring a friend or enemy, Or one you hold or blame.
With each other we are one, Here in Jesus' name. **(Refrain)**
Hear creation groan for life. Will hate and hunger cease?
In the roar of violence The world cries for peace. **(Refrain)**

"We Are A Chosen People of God"

(Refrain) We are a chosen people of God;
Called into light and gathered in love;
Redeemed and held by the holy one. We are a chosen people of God.
Look around you and see People in your neighborhood;
Endless variety; God has created good.
We're a part of it all, chosen and called. **(Refrain)**
Look around you and see The blessings given us;
Earth, sky and sea; they're all placed in our trust.
We're a part of it all, chosen and called. **(Refrain)**
Look around you and see Not all is going right.
In this mystery; we're called to be a light.
We're a part of it all, chosen and called. **(Refrain)**

POST COMMUNION BLESSING and PRAYER: Let us Pray... **Life-giving God,**
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy.
Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come
to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

BLESSING *(inspired by Mark 5:21-43)*

The God of peace, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you,
and show you the path of life this day and always. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG:

"Lead Me, Guide Me"

ELW 768

Refrain

Lead Me, guide me, along the way;
For if you lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

1 I am weak and I need thy strength and
pow'r
To help me over my weakest hour.
Help me through the darkness thy face to
see. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

2 Help me tread in the paths of
righteousness,
Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.
I am putting all my trust in thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain*

3 I am lost if you take your hand from me.
I am blind with out thy light to see.
Lord, just always let me thy servant be.
Lead me O Lord, lead me. *Refrain*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. And proclaim the kingdom of God ...
Thanks be to God. We Will!

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

Announcements for June 26

Keep in your prayers - Those dealing with Health Issues:

Rhys Arnold, Roy Arnold, Jim Bakeberg, Rose Beck, Shannon Beck, Joyce Brever, Dennis Carlson, Jody Crane, Judy Eide, Carla Frost, Kaye Harriott, Duane Holker, Sharlee Kjellsen. Sylvia Larson, Don Learned, Judy Lien, Megan Mohorovich Rick Raml, Carolyn Ronke, Roger Rust, Caden Thompson, Robert Wittrock, the family of Reneta McFerran and the family of Ellen Swancutt those in Care Centers, Assisted Living, or who are Homebound. Pray for members of the Armed Forces and their families, our Law Enforcement personal, Fire Fighters, EMT and all First Responders.

Mailing address for Sharlee Kjellsen: 405 1st Ave, Brookings, SD 57006

On the CALENDAR - For the week June 26th to July 3rd

Today	8:30 am Worship service w/Holy Communion
Monday	1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters
Tuesday	6 pm – Summer Bible Study (in the courtyard weather permitting)
Wednesday	5:30 pm Youth Group meets in the Youth Room 6 pm – Midweek Family Worship Service 7 pm Stewardship Committee meets
Sunday	8:30 am Worship service
Monday July 4 th	– Office Closed – <i>Happy 4th of July!</i>

Upcoming Events:

July 9 – Mission Trip to Church on the Street in Sioux Falls with LCOOR

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.

COME JOIN US ON A MISSION TRIP TO “CHURCH ON THE STREET”

On July 9th our youth and families will be doing a service project at Church on the Street in Sioux Falls. This service project is not just for youth, it is for anyone at Grace Lutheran who would like to take this opportunity to serve those who are struggling with homelessness and poverty. The group will meet at Grace at 8:30 am and travel to Heritage Park - 610 E 6th St, Sioux Falls, SD to help set up and participate in the 11 am worship service. This year we are scheduled to serve along with LCOOR from Watertown.

Fire up the cookie Ministry: Our portion of the meal will be servings of fresh fruit/fruit cups with spoons, a bag of chips, and a dessert of cookies for 200. **We will need at least 400 cookies.** We are asking our amazing cooky ministry team to provide cookies for this activity in July. If you can donate cookies, please sign up at the office and have them to Grace by Friday, July 8th to be individually sacked prior to going. For more information, contact Pastor Cheryl

A RADIO BROADCAST of the Sunday morning worship service can be heard at 10:05 a.m. each Sunday on KWAT (95 AM). **The RADIO BROADCAST is given in loving memory of Roy and Doris Schmeling from the Schmeling Radio Fund. The Altar Flowers today are given from the Let’s Fla-Mingle Event.** 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*

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THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ASSIST IN OUR WORSHIP:

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PIANIST: Judy Everson

SONG LEADER: Becky Sprouse

USHERS: Ann & Doug Murfield

GREETER: Marian Raml & Guy Gibson

COMMUNION ASSISTENTS: Geri Mohror & JoAnn Spartz

SOUND/VIDEO TECH TEAM: Paul Henrichs, Wyatt Sprouse, Larry Picht, Gary Rukstad, Anthony DeHaan, & Dylan Jordan

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