

Grace Lutheran Church Sanctuary ~ 100th Anniversary & Rededication

The first meeting to organize a Lutheran Church in Watertown was held on Sept. 19, 1883. On Dec. 22, 1883 the First Scandinavian Evangelical Lutheran Church was organized in a room over the Merchants Bank of Watertown. The dedication of the first church building, which was a 30 x 40 ft structure with no basement, was held on Sept. 26, 1886.

In 1917 plans were begun for a new church building. On Aug 1, 1920 the cornerstone of the present sanctuary was laid and the name was changed to Grace Lutheran Church the following May. The present brick building (the sanctuary of Grace Lutheran) was dedicated on July 10, 1921.

Grace Lutheran Church Welcomes You to Worship

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PRELUDE

Congregation responses in Bold Print

Welcome and Announcements

CALL TO WORSHIP

- P: Our help is in the name of the Lord, **C: the maker of heaven and earth.**
- P: Let the name of the Lord be blessed. C: from this time forth forevermore.
- P: The stone that the builders rejected **C: has become the chief cornerstone.**
- - ALL: Come, let us Worship our Lord.

GATHERING HYMN:

"The Church's One Foundation" ELW 654

1The church's one foundation

- is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
- she is his new creation
- by water and the word.
- From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
- with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
- 2 Elect from ev'ry nation. vet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth: one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.
- 3 Though with a scornful wonder this world sees her oppressed. by schisms rent asunder. by heresies distressed,

vet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up: "How long?" And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

- 4 Through toil and tribulation and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore; till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.
- 5 Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won. Oh. blessed heav'nly chorus! Lord, save us by your grace, that we, like saints before us, may see you face to face.

GREETING

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

KYRIE

ELW p 138

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. Amen. "This is the feast"

FESTIVAL HYMN

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This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,

whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

DECLARATION OF PURPOSE:

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, this is the day the Lord has made, this is a day of rejoicing. We come together to bless and rededicate this sanctuary and ourselves. Let us open our hearts and minds to receive God's Word with faith. May our blessed communion, born of one baptism and nurtured at one table of the Lord, strengthen us for Christian witness sand service, empowered by the Holy Spirit, as we gather in love. C: Amen.

THE WORD OF THE LORD

P: So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the word of Christ. (Rom 10:17) Let us now hear the Word.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 28: 16-17 Pew Bible p 571

¹⁶ So this is what the Sovereign LORD says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who relies on it will never be stricken with panic. ¹⁷I will make justice the measuring line and righteousness the plumb line; Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 118: 18-29

¹⁹ Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD through which the righteous may enter.

²¹ I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.

²² The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;

²³ the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴ The LORD has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

²⁵ LORD, save us! LORD, grant us success!

²⁶ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD. From the house of the LORD we bless you.

²⁷ The LORD is God, and he has made his light shine on us. With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar.

²⁸ You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you.
²⁹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 11; 8-10 Pew Bible p 977

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "God's Word Is Our Great Heritage" ELW 509 God's word is our great heritage and shall be ours forever; to spread its light from age to age shall be our chief endeavor. Through life it guides our way; in death it is our stay. Lord, grant while time shall last your church may hold it fast throughout all generations. GOSPEL: Luke 6: 47-49 Pew Bible p 838

P: The Holy Gospel according to St Luke, the sixth chapter. *C:* Glory to you, O Lord. P: ⁴⁷ I will show you what someone is like who comes to me, hears my words, and acts on them. ⁴⁸That one is like a man building a house, who dug deeply and laid the foundation on rock; when a flood arose, the river burst against that house but could not shake it, because it had been well built. ⁴⁹But the one who hears and does not act is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the river burst against it, immediately it fell, and great was the ruin of that house."

The Gospel of the Lord:

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

WITNESS TO THE WORD ~ BISHOP CONSTANZE HAGMAIER

SERMON SONG:

"Built on a Rock"

ELW 652

- 1 Built on a rock the church shall stand, even when steeples are falling; crumbled have spires in ev'ry land, bells still are chiming and calling calling the young and old to rest, calling the souls of those distressed, longing for life everlasting.
- 2 Surely, in temples made with hands God the Most High is not dwelling high in the heav'ns his temple stands,

all earthly temples excelling. Yet he who dwells in heav'n above deigns to abide with us in love, making our bodies his temple.

3 Christ builds a house of living stones: we are his own habitation; he fills our hearts, his humble thrones, granting us life and salvation. Where two or three will seek his face, he in their midst will show his grace, blessings upon them bestowing.

- 4 Yet in this house, an earthly frame, Jesus the children is blessing; hither we come to praise his name, faith in our Savior confessing. Jesus to us his Spirit sent, making with us his covenant, granting his children the kingdom.
- 5 Through all the passing years, O Lord, grant that, when church bells are ringing,

many may come to hear your Word, who here this promise is bringing: "I know my own, my own know me; you, not the world, my face shall see; my peace I leave with you. Amen."

EXHORTATION:

P: The Lord God in His goodness has blessed this Sanctuary for 100 years for the mission and ministry at Grace Lutheran Church. Today we remember that God has chosen us, baptized us, and brought us together as the community of faith in this place.

We look back with grateful hearts at all the saving acts of God established here in this house of worship in fellowship as the Body of Christ, sharing, caring, working in the world, and living in the hope of the world to come.

Our eyes look back with thanksgiving and forward in hope. Therefore, with thanksgiving for the past and hope for the future, let us rededicate ourselves and this sanctuary to the mission and ministry which God gives us as Grace Lutheran Church.

PRAYER OF REDEDICATION:

C: Almighty God, we give you thanks for the work you have done in this place. We give you thanks for your love and faithfulness. When we called on your name, you made your presence known to us. When we prayed, you heard us. When we preached your Word and administered your Sacraments, you were in our midst. You have accepted our humble sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving. You have listened to our confessions and forgiven our sins. And you have sent your Holy Spirit to heal and comfort our hurts, our sorrows, our infirmities, and our losses.

REDEDICATION:

<u>B</u>: By your Holy Spirit you gather the assembly of your saints and make this your dwelling place. Continue to empower Grace Lutheran with your Spirit, that they might be revived and proclaim your Gospel anew to all people.

C: We dedicate this building and our lives to your service.

<u>B:</u> Help these saints to witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ in all that they do and say so that in this sanctuary your people will be established firmly upon your word and sacraments, joined together in love, and strengthened for service.

C: We dedicate this building and our lives to your service.

<u>B</u>: Show the people of Grace how they might give care and support to the needy, love and mercy to the broken and forlorn, break down prejudices and barriers which divide, and provide a sanctuary where the minds and hearts of all may quest for truth, beauty, goodness, mercy and grace.

C: We dedicate this building and our lives to your service.

<u>B:</u> Show Grace Lutheran new ways of loving one another and those around them. Renew each to give freely of their time, talents, and substance so that by the Spirit, given to all in baptism, they are challenged to move beyond old ruts of the past, apathy for the present, and anxieties of inadequacy in the future.

C: We dedicate this building and our lives to your service.

<u>B</u>: Blessed Lord, draw the hearts of Grace Lutheran to you, guide their minds, fill their imaginations, control their wills and make them wholly yours. Use them and this sanctuary as you will, to the glory of your holy name and the wellbeing of your people. Help them guard this treasure, be blessed by it, nurture it, and pass it on to the generations to come, that they may serve you in truth and spirit, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C**: **Amen**

SHARING OF THE PEACE: P: 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 Give Thee But Thine Own" ELW 686

- 1 We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
- 2 May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive, and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our firstfruits give.

- 3 The captive to release, to God the lost to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 4 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

PRAYER OFFERING:

Let us pray... C: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, our sanctuary, and our possessions. Use us, this building, 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: P: Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

PRAYER SONG: "Hear Our Prayer"

Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole: peace to all people, hope for each soul. God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

PRAYER PETITIONS:

P: Revive your church, O God. Encourage bishops, pastors, and deacons in their proclamation of the gospel. Raise up new leaders and encourage those pursuing a call to ministry to hear your calling. Encourage all the baptized to embody your love and justice. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Restore your creation, O God. We thank you for the refreshing rains upon parched croplands and pastures to provide for farm animals and wildlife. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters and sustain our farmers and ranchers and all who labor to bring food to the shelves. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Reconcile the nations, O God. Break down the dividing walls that make us strangers to one another and unite us as one human family. Equip leaders to deal wisely with conflict and guide diplomats who seek peaceful solutions. Watch over our service men and women as they serve our country. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Heal your people, O God. Look with compassion on immigrants, exiles, and all who are afraid or feel lost. Give rest to those who are weary, comfort to those who are grieving, and recovery to those who are ill, especially Rhys, Roy, Ester, Jim, Shannon, Joyce, Carla, Loren, Bruce, Doug, Judy, Rick, Deb, Donnie, Robert, the family of Kevin Finck, those in Care Center, Assisted Living or are homebound. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Lead us home, O God. We give thanks for all who have died, now citizens with the saints. As you have received them into your heavenly home, so welcome all of us to dwell in your house forever. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

P: We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen. PRAYER SONG: "Hear Our Prayer" ELW 178** *Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:* peace to all people, hope for each soul. God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.P: Lift up your hearts.C: We lift them to the Lord.

ELW p 144

ELW 178

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: We indeed give thanks and praise to the almighty and merciful God for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, and remember His words spoken on that ancient night...

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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 COMMUNION COMMUNION SONGS

"Lamb of God"

ELW p 146

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace. *"Let Us Break Bread"* ELW 471

1 Let us break bread together on our knees; let us break bread together on our knees. *Refrain* When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

2 Let us drink wine together on our knees; let us drink wine together on our knees. *Refrain*

3 Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees. *Refrain*

"As We Gather at Your Table"

- 1 As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word, help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred. Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own; teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's vict'ry known.
- 2 Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life; send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife. Give us, Christ, your great

compassion

to forgive as you forgave; may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.

3 Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least. There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy, as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

ELW 522

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POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER: Let us Pray... C: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

BENEDICTION AND COMMISSIONING

P: Go now, guided by the creator God who opens the way before you. Go now, rededicated to serve the Lord, enabled to follow Christ example. Go now, revived in the Spirit to proclaim the life-changing love of Christ wherever people will hear. And may... The LORD bless you and keep you;

the LORD make his face to shine upon you, with grace and mercy;

the LORD look upon you with favor, and grant you peace. C: Amen.

PRAYER BEFORE THE MEAL: SENDING SONG:

"Faith of Our Fathers"

ELW 812

1 Faith of our fathers, living still in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword.

Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy whene'er we hear that glorious word.

Refrain

Faith of our fathers, holy faith, we will be true to thee till death.

- 2 The martyrs, chained in prisons dark, were still in heart and conscience free; and blest would be their children's fate if they, like them, should die for thee. *Refrain*
- 3 Faith of our fathers! We will love both friend and foe in all our strife; proclaim thee too, as love knows how, by saving word and faithful life. *Refrain*

DISMISSAL: P: Go in peace. Rededicated to God. C: Thanks be to God. We Will!

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ASSIST IN OUR WORSHIP:

PASTOR: Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett READER: JoAnn Spartz ORGANIST: Marcia Jelsma KEYBOARD: Isaak Montemayor PRAISE TEAM: Judy Evenson, Becky Sprouse, Riley Sprouse, Kayla Mohling, Krisma DeWitt, Leigh Carstensen, Rhonda Lorenz SOUND/VIDEO TECH TEAM: Paul Henrichs, Wyatt Sprouse, Larry Picht, Gary Rukstad and Jason Mohr USHERS/ COMMUNION ASSISTENTS: Geri Mohror

Announcements for July 18

Keep in your prayers - Those dealing with Health Issues:

Rhys Arnold, Roy Arnold, Esther Bakeberg, Jim Bakeberg, Shannon Beck, Joyce Brever, Carla Frost, Loren Holzwarth, Bruce Jahraus, Doug Koutz, Judy Lien, Rick Raml, Deb Schlenner, Donnie Vrtacnik, Robert Wittrock, the family of Kevin Finck, 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.

A prayer service was held yesterday, Saturday, July 17, for Kevin Finck at Wight Comes Funeral Chapel. Please keep the family in your prayers.

COMMUNION TODAY

There will be 3 communion stations today: two in the front to go to either side and one in the back. Please go to the closest one.

All who believe in the presence of Jesus in the body and blood, the forgiveness of sins, and life everlasting are welcome at the table.

Youngsters... who are taking communion. Please remember to cup your hands as not all the adults serving you today know you are taking communion. All children not taking communion are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

In each pew there are Green offering envelopes available for any who would like to give a special offering to Grace in celebration of this 100th anniversary. If you'd like to designate it to the 'Raise the Roof' fund or anything in particular – please write on the envelope where you would like it to go. Thank you for your gift and for your presence.

GRACE CELEBRATION

Following worship today: A dinner will begin at 11:30 am of scalloped potatoes and ham, corn, salad, dinner roll and cake by free-will offering as fund-raising activities for the Raise the Roof Fund.

A variety of children's and adult games will be held outside. There is coffee in the courtyard. On display in the halls and fellowship hall are memorabilia, history, and pictures of Grace to enjoy and reminisce over.

A huge Thank you to Bishop Constanze Hagmaier for being with us in this time of celebration and rededication and for her message today. It has been our pleasure to have you here with us as we pass this milestone and help us look forward to our future.

On the CALENDAR - For the week July 11th thru 18th

On the CALLINDAR - 1 of the week July 11 thru 10	
Today	Grace Sanctuary 100 year Dedication Celebration Rededication
	10 am – Worship Service
	11:30 am – Meal - by free will offering for the Raise the Roof project
	Noon – children and adult games outside
Monday	1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters
Wednesday	10 am – Service at Townview
	10:30 am – Service at Jenkins Living Center
	5:30 pm Youth Group meets in the Youth Room
	6 pm – Adult Bible Study in the library
Sunday	8:30 am Worship service w/Holy Communion
	Mission of the Month Sunday
Upcoming ev	ents:
July 30) – 9 am: Committal Service for Sharon and David Johnson at the
Vetera	n's Cemetery in Sioux Falls, SD.
July 31	I – 1:30 pm: Memorial Service for Chris Johnson in Fellowship Hall of
-	Grace Lutheran
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September 19-21: Fall Theological in Pierre, SD

MISSION OF THE MONTH – "St Dysmas – Hope Beyond Bars"

St. Dysmas is a congregation of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and is the prison ministry of the South Dakota Synod ELCA. There are two congregations located behind the walls of the South Dakota State Penitentiary. In Sioux Falls Pastor Wayne Gallipo serves as the Interim Pastor and Mike Durfee State Prison in Springfield. We also support Sunday evening worship at the Yankton Minimum Unit in Yankton.

The congregation council is elected and members serve as ushers, lectors, musicians, communion assistants and the men take pride in their congregation. An Associate council of outsiders from ELCA congregations handles financial matters. Pastor's are called by a vote of the congregation, rather than hired by the prison system. (This also means our income comes solely from individual and congregational gifts.)

Your support is crucial to sustaining our strong and dynamic ministries. We welcome you to worship with us. When you worship with us you fulfill Christ's command and will be blessed by a hospitable welcome and a vibrant worship experience.

ADULT CONFIRMATION SCHEDULED FOR JULY 21

A class will be held on Wednesday evening, July 21 from 6 to 8 pm for any adults who have not taken a catechism class or would like more information about the Lutheran

faith. Registration is required by contacting Pastor Cheryl to order enough materials for the class. Additional classes may be scheduled following this class depending on the group.

For those who are Lutheran but would like a brusher upper—you are welcome to attend as well. If you are thinking about membership to Grace, this would be a good first step. Materials used will be By Heart: Conversations with Martin Luther's Small Catechism. There are three focuses of the course: Scripture and Tradition, (i.e. Ten Commandments as cited in Exodus 20, Apostle's Creed); Luther's explanations of the scripture and the story of Luther.

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** today is given by Pastor Cheryl in grateful thanks and praise for this time of call to Grace Lutheran. Altar Flowers today are given by Roger a& Sandra Wittrock & family in loving memory of Mabel Johnson and in celebration of Abby's 18th Birthday. 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*

VISIONING EXERCISES SET FOR JULY 28TH

The church council will hold visioning exercises beginning on Wednesday evening July 28th from 6 to 8 pm to discuss our future mission and ministry of Grace Lutheran Church.

Visioning is an activity to engage the whole diverse and varied community of Grace in dialogue to exchange ideas and dreams of the church for the next 5 years.

By bringing together community-wide voices with various backgrounds and unique contributions everyone has an opportunity to contribute. Common ground is often found where they can build on each others strengths for the good of the whole community. Everyone is encouraged to participate in these exercises especially youth and those under 40 who will carry on the vision of Grace for years to come.

We want your voice to be heard as part of the mission and ministry planning for your future at Grace.

Check us out on our website at glcwtn.org

And Grace Lutheran Watertown FaceBook.