



Grace Sanctuary 1921-2021

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Grace Lutheran Church

Welcomes You to Worship

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PRELUDE

Congregation responses in Bold Print

Welcome and Announcements

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

GATHERING HYMN: “Of Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts” ELW 658

1 O Jesus, joy of loving hearts,
the fount of life, the light of all:
from ev'ry bliss that earth imparts
we turn, unfilled, to hear your call.
2 We taste you, ever-living bread,
and long to feast upon you still;
we drink of you, the fountainhead;
our thirsting souls from you we fill.

3 For you our restless spirits yearn,
where'er our changing lot is cast;
glad, when your smile on us you turn,
blest, when by faith we hold you fast.
4 O Jesus, ever with us stay!
Make all our moments fair and bright!
Oh, chase the night of sin away!
Shed o'er the world your holy light.

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Before we speak, God knows our needs, yet our words open our hearts to God's grace. Let us prepare ourselves for God's healing as, in words and silence, we tell of all that separates us from God and one another.

Please join me as we pray,

CONFESSION

First of all, Everlasting God, we must confess how we have not lived as your people. We serve many masters—work, wealth, power, addictions—yet find no hope in them. We hear the cries of the poor, and shut the doors of our hearts to them. We ridicule those who expose their hopes and dreams to us.

Forgive us, Compassion's Heart, and heal us of our brokenness. Make us well, so that by our healing, we might be the hope and love others need in their lives, even as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior,

brought these gifts to us, calling us to be faithful with the grace, peace, and joy entrusted to us.

Silence is kept

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (*inspired by Ephesians 4:32*)

Now that we have let go of the pain, the bitterness, the anger of our lives, let us be kind, tender-hearted, and gentle towards each other, forgiving as God has forgiven us.

We are God's beloved children, and will model God's grace and love in our hearts. Thanks be to God! We are forgiven! 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.**

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.**

FESTIVAL HYMN

"This is the feast"

p 140

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Let us pray... **Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8

Pew Bible p 284

⁴[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors."⁵Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat."⁶He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. ⁷The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you."⁸He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

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

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 34: 1-8

¹I will bless the LORD at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

²**I will glory in the LORD;**
let the lowly hear and rejoice.

³Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt God's name together.

⁴**I sought the LORD, who answered me**
and delivered me from all my terrors.

⁵Look upon the LORD and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.

⁶**I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me**
and saved me from all my troubles.

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD

and delivers them.

**⁸Taste and see that the LORD is good;
happy are they who take refuge in God!**

Second Reading: Ephesians 4: 28-5: 2 Pew Bible p 951

²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. ^{5:1}Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: “Word of Life, Jesus Christ” WOV p 48

Word of life, Jesus Christ, all glory to you! Word of life, Jesus Christ, all praise to you!

Our hearts burn within us while you open to us the Scriptures.

Word of life, Jesus Christ, all glory to you! Word of life, Jesus Christ, all praise to you!

(Please stand as you are able)

GOSPEL: John 6:35, 41-51

Pew Bible p 868

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

*Response: **Glory to you, O Lord.***

³⁵Jesus said to [the crowd,] “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ⁴¹Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven’?” ⁴³Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among

yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. ⁴⁶Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

(You may be seated)

MESSAGE

SERMON SONG: “Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness” ELW 488

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| <p>1 Soul, adorn yourself with gladness,
leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
come into the daylight's splendor,
there with joy your praises render.
Bless the one whose grace unbounded
this amazing banquet founded;
Christ, though heav'nly, high, and holy,
deigns to dwell with you most lowly.</p> | <p>3 Now in faith I humbly ponder
over this surpassing wonder
that the bread of life is boundless
though the souls it feeds are countless;
with the choicest wine of heaven
Christ's own blood to us is given.
Oh, most glorious consolation,
pledge and seal of my salvation.</p> |
| <p>2 Hasten as a bride to meet him,
eagerly and gladly greet him.
There he stands already knocking;
quickly, now, your gate unlocking,
open wide the fast-closed portal,
saying to the Lord immortal:
"Come, and leave your loved one
never;
dwell within my heart forever."</p> | <p>4 Jesus, source of lasting pleasure,
truest friend, and dearest treasure,
peace beyond all understanding,
joy into all life expanding:
humbly now, I bow before you,
love incarnate, I adore you;
worthily let me receive you,
and, so favored, never leave you.</p> |

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,**

PRAYER PETITIONS:

We pray for Christ church on earth in all its diverse forms. For mission developers, new mission starts, and all communities of faith exploring new models of ministry for the sake of the gospel. For congregations facing difficult decisions about their future, especially Grace Lutheran as we envision our mission and ministry. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for the health and well-being of creation. For shade trees that provide refuge for birds and all wildlife from the hot summer sun. For grasslands and forest that have been scorched by fires. We give you thanks for the rains upon dry ground and pray for those who have suffered from flooding. For lakes, rivers, and oceans contaminated by pollution and all who lack clean water. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for those called to positions of authority in our legal system. For judges, lawyers, law clerks, and court employees who ensure the fair administration of justice. For corrections officers and prison chaplains; for police and law enforcement personal, that you would protect them as they work to protect others. We commend to your gracious care and keeping all men and women of our armed forces. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

For all who cry out to you in their affliction. For exiles, refugees, and others who face long and difficult journeys, uncertain about the future. For all who mourn the death of a loved one. For all who are sick especially Rhys, Roy, Ester, Jim, Shannon, Joyce, Carla, Bella, Loren, Bruce, Doug, Judy, Todd, Rick, Deb, Donnie, and Robert, those in Care Center, Assisted Living or are homebound. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for this assembly gathered around your table. Create a spirit of revival within the hearts of those at Grace Lutheran and give them a vision of their future mission and ministry. Fill them with a desire to do your will more than the status flo so that the message of the Lord may be proclaimed in new and creative ways. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For those who have been raised to eternal life, we give thanks. With all the saints we praise you for the bread of life that keeps us in your love forever so we may be reunited with our loved one who now sit with you at the banquet table. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

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 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

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup,
gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us pray as Jesus has taught us

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table, and hunger no more.

THE COMMUNION

Please Come Forward down the center aisle
and then to either side to return to your seats.

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.

“Come, Let Us Eat”

ELW 491

- 1 (Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,)
come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.
(Our Lord's body let us take together,)
our Lord's body let us take together.

- 2 (Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,)
come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.
(Jesus' blood poured let us drink together,)
Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.

- 3 (In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest,)
in Jesus' presence now we meet and rest.
(In the presence of our Lord we gather,)
in the presence of our Lord we gather.

- 4 (Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word,)
rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word.
(Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom,)
Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING: And now may this body and blood of our Savior Jesus, strengthen you and keep you in His grace. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us Pray... **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.**

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

Go out from here and live lives worthy of the one calling which we all share. In humility, gentleness and patience, speak only what is true and loving and so grow into the unity that is ours in Christ.

And may God the creator reshape your hearts;
May Christ Jesus, the bread of life, sustain you always;
and may the Holy Spirit unite you in the bond of peace. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG:

“Be Thou My Vision”

ELW 793

- 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
thou my best thought both by day and by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r,
raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
- 3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, the first in my heart,

great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

- 4 Light of my soul, after victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace... beloved children of God.

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:** Edwin Williams
USHERS/COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Geri Mohror and Sharon Goble
PIANIST: Judy Everson **SONG LEADER:** Becky Sprouse
SOUND/VIDEO TECH TEAM: Paul Henrichs, Wyatt Sprouse, Larry Picht
Gary Rukstad and Jason Mohr.
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Announcements for August 8th

Keep in your prayers - Those dealing with Health Issues:

Rhys Arnold, Roy Arnold, Esther Bakeberg, Jim Bakeberg, Shannon Beck, Joyce Brever, Carla Frost, Bella Hatch, Loren Holzwarth, Bruce Jahraus, Doug Koutz, Judy Lien, Linda Lindgren, Rick Raml, Deb Schlenner, Donnie Vrtacnik, and Robert Wittrock, 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.

On the CALENDAR - For the week of August 8th thru 15th

Today 8:30 am Worship service w/communion
Monday 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters
Tuesday 11 am – Prairie Coteau Conference Pastors Meet/Picnic

Wednesday 6 pm – Altar Guild meeting
 10 am Service at Hi-Rise
 5:30 pm Youth Group meets in the Youth Room
 Thursday 10 am – Service at Stoneybrook
 6 pm – Grace Council meets
 Friday 3 pm – Committal Service for Helmer Moen
 5 pm – Bunde/Hagen wedding rehearsal
 Saturday 2:30 pm – Wedding of Morgen Bunde and Evan Hagen
 Sunday 8:30 am Worship

Upcoming Events:

September 1 – Confirmation begins
 September 12 – Rally Day for Sunday school
 September 15 – Rally Day for Wednesday school
 Youth Groups starts meeting at 7:30 pm
 Family worship at 7 pm
 September 19-21: Fall Theological at Pierre, SD (Pastor gone)
 October 15 & 16th: 1517 “Here I Stand” Conference (Pastor gone)
 October 30th – Nordefest Plus

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 in loving memory of Joe Rondeau on his birthday today by Scott Bassett and Pastor Cheryl. Altar Flowers today are given by Cal and Nyra Brown. 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*

GLCW (Glacé Lutheran Church Women) preparing school kits

School supplies are out in the schools and as everyone turns their attention back to school, GLCW wants to remind you of the supplies needed for the Lutheran World Relief (LWR) kits. Only supplies are needed as the book bags have been purchased.

To be include in each school kit:

- FOUR 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper, approximately 8” x 10 ½”; no loose leaf paper
- ONE 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- ONE pencil sharpener
- ONE pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)

- FIVE unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- FIVE black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band
- ONE box of 16 or 24 crayons
- ONE 2 ½” eraser

Items for Baby Care Kits include:

- TWO lightweight cotton t-shirts (no Onesies ®)
- TWO long- or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- TWO receiving blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, between 36” and 52” square
- FOUR cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
- ONE jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with a hood, or include a baby cap
- TWO pairs of socks
- ONE hand towel, dark color recommended
- TWO or three bath-size bars of gentle soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping; no mini or hotel size bars
- TWO diaper pins or large safety pins

Items for Personal Care Kits are:

- ONE light-weight bath-size towel (between 20” x 40” and 52” x 27”), dark color recommended
- TWO or three bath-size bars of soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping
- ONE adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging*
- ONE sturdy comb, remove packaging
- ONE metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging

MISSION OF THE MONTH – Pueblo de Dios, our “Neighbors in Solidarity”

The mission of the month is **Pueblo de Dios**, a bilingual church in central Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

The South Dakota Synod responds to God’s call to share the reconciling gospel of Jesus Christ with all people, from all nations and walks of life. “Neighbors in Solidarity” gives you the opportunity to support amazing ministries throughout the South Dakota Synod.

Solidarity is a commitment with others and a way of seeing, being, and acting. Solidarity means seeing and experiencing one’s own well-being as connected to the well-being of others and the communities to which they belong. Solidarity often

involves people aligning themselves with others who do not have the same experiences. The principle of solidarity compels respect for the lived experience of all our brothers and sisters. Solidarity encourages us to share in our neighbor's suffering and to participate in their liberation.

Pueblo de Dios is a congregation of English speakers and Spanish speakers in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Each Sunday they gather to worship together as one people – the people of God. Many of our families speak Spanish at home and English at work and school, or have one parent that prefers English and one parent that prefers Spanish. Each Sunday we read, pray, and declare our beliefs together – no matter what language we speak.

The mission and vision of Pueblo de Dios: Following God; Breaking down barriers; Standing with people in need.

More information is available at: <https://www.pueblodedios.org/> Financial support can be given through the South Dakota Synod.

FUND RAISING NOTE: with the fund from the Celebration, bundle tickets, donations, pledges, and all we have reached **\$90,000 plus** for the “Raise the Roof” project. For those who are interested in helping, please help sell tickets. There are a few tickets left for the shotgun bundle drawing and the tickets for the Side by Side are going fast. A book of tickets has 10 tickets. You can pick up a book to sell from the office. The sooner they are sold, the sooner we get to draw a winner.

Raise the Roof funds	
Foundation	\$ 20,000.00
Grace general	\$ 20,000.00
Pledges	\$ 27,124.00
Memorials/Donations	\$ 7,759.00
Fundraisers	\$ 15,978.00
Total funds	\$ 90,861.00

Altar Guild

Want to volunteer to help do your part for the church. Altar Guild is an opportunity to

**Check us out on our website at glcwn.org
And Grace Lutheran Watertown FaceBook.**