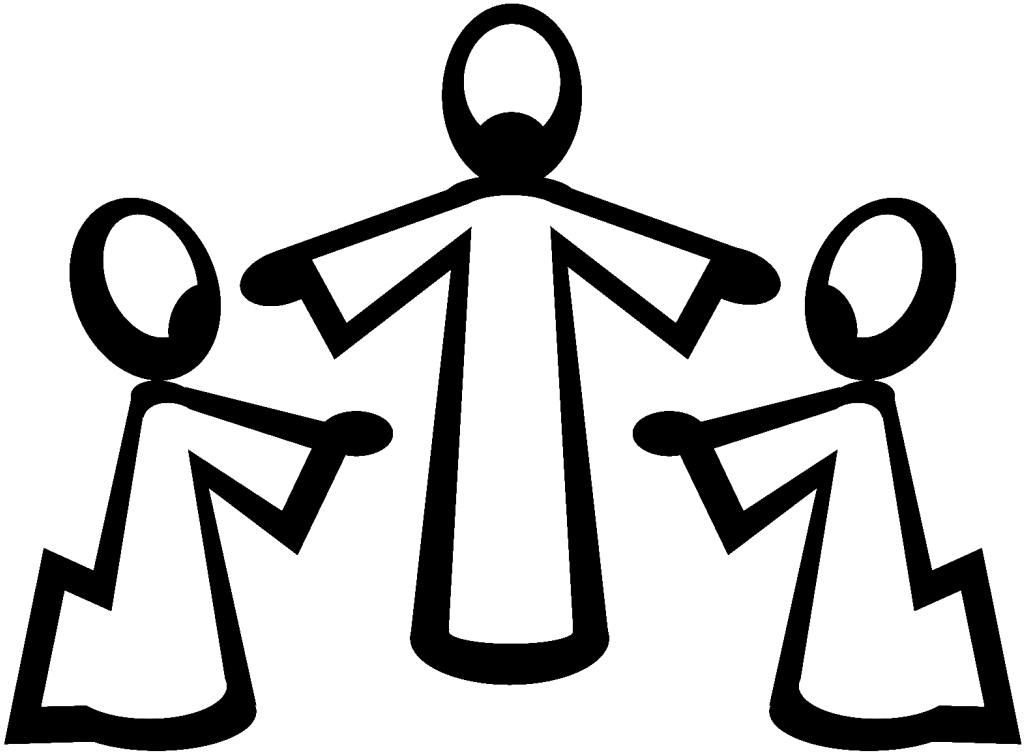


Transfiguration of Our Lord



February 15, 2026

Welcome to Grace

We give thanks that you have come to worship with us at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, and pray that you will receive God's awesome GRACE, mercy and love as we receive Word and Sacrament, the means of grace!

We invite our guests and visitors to worship with us often! If you will, we invite guests to take a welcome bag at the Welcome Desk to learn more about Grace and fill out a Welcome Form in the bulletin or at the Welcome Desk to let us know you were worshipping with us today. Visitor/Member Information sheets may be returned to the pastor, an usher, or placed in the offering.

The complete worship service is contained in this worship folder. Large print worship folders and Busy Bags for our very young worshipers are available from the ushers! We love having children in worship! Should parents have need of nursery during worship, our professionally staffed nursery for childcare is available. Please see an usher for directions.

Our worship space is equipped with a hearing assistance system to accommodate those with hearing difficulties. Please ask the sound technician (at the rear left of the worship space) for a receiver, if desired. Printed copies of the sermon are available at the ushers table in the entry-way, if desired.

Please remember to turn off or silence personal communication devices. We ask that you not bring food or drink into the worship space.

In accordance with the Biblical mandate and our Lutheran tradition, we seek to worship God "in Spirit and in truth...for these the Father seeks to worship him!" (John 4:23-24). If you are not familiar with liturgical worship, it is "the work of the people," as God speaks, the ministers speak and the congregation responds in a spoken, chanted and sung dialogue! Everything in our worship is focused on God and His incarnate, embodied presence in our midst! We pray that you will experience the Word made flesh as we worship today!

To establish and maintain a spirit of reverence, we remind worshipers to please greet one another and fellowship in the gathering space before entering the sanctuary, where others will be preparing their hearts and minds for worship. We appreciate your understanding!

Little Lambs Children's Ministry is available at either worship service, after the Gospel reading for children ages 3 through third grade During Little Lambs Children's Ministry children and their leader go to the Nursery to enjoy age appropriate Biblically-oriented activities during the Sermon, creed and prayers. They return during the offering to join us for Holy communion! This gives little ones a Bible break during the service, while allowing parents to focus on the sermon!

We invite you to learn more about our congregation at www.grace43081.org and the North American Lutheran Church (NALC) at www.thenalc.org!

PRELUDE

"O Savior, Precious Savior" - *arr. Healey Willan*

"Beautiful Savior" - *arr. David Cherwien*

Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P 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.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 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 and self-examination.

P Most merciful God,

C **we confess that we are in bondage 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**

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, 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.

C **Amen.**

ENTRANCE HYMN

“Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning”

1 Bright-est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,
 2 Cold on his cra - dle the dew - drops are shin - ing;
 3 Shall we not yield him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion,
 4 Vain - ly we of - fer each am - ple ob - la - tion,
 5 Bright-est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,

dawn on our dark - ness and lend us your aid.
 low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
 fra - grance of E - dom and of - f'ring di - vine,
 vain - ly with gifts would his fa - vor se - cure;
 dawn on our dark - ness and lend us your aid.

Star of the East, the ho - ri - zon a - dorn - ing,
 an - gels a - dore him in slum - ber re - clin - ing,
 gems of the moun - tain and pearls of the o - cean,
 rich - er by far is the heart's ad - o - ra - tion,
 Star of the East, the ho - ri - zon a - dorn - ing,

guide where our in - fant re - deem - er is laid.
 mak - er and mon - arch and sav - ior of all.
 myrrh from the for - est or gold from the mine?
 dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.
 guide where our in - fant re - deem - er is laid.

The Liturgy of The Word

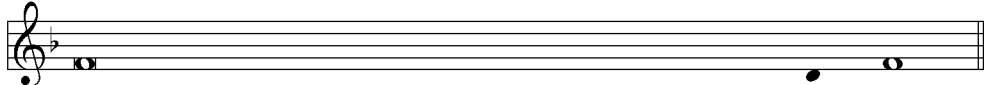
THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

- 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



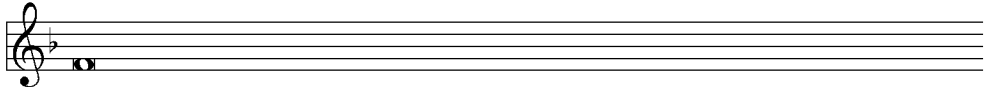
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** **Lord, have mer - cy.**



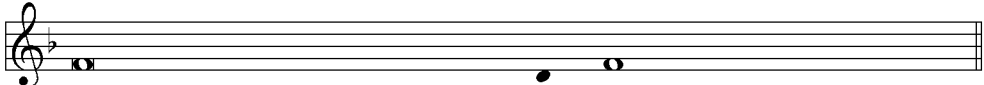
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C **Lord, have mer - cy.**



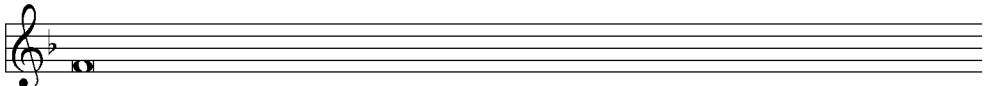
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



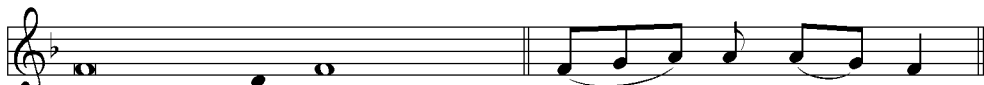
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



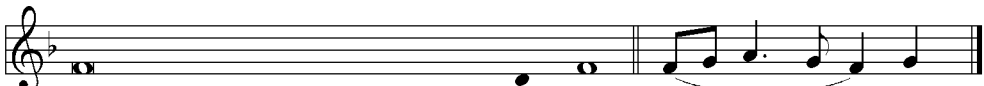
C **Lord, have mer - cy.**



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** **Lord, have mer - cy.**



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

HYMN OF PRAISE



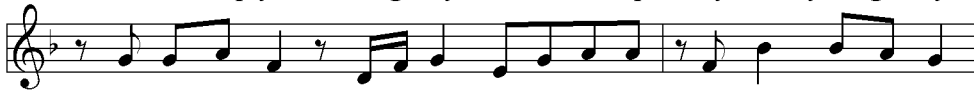
A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



B Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

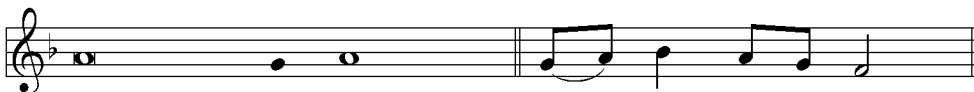


you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

PRAYER OF THE DAY



P The Lord be with you.

C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.
Almighty God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the cloud you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated.

FIRST READING: Exodus 24:8-18

⁸Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words."⁹Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up,¹⁰and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness.¹¹And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.¹²The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction."¹³So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God.¹⁴And he said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them."¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain.¹⁶The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud.¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel.¹⁸Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

L The Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 2:6-12

Refrain

You are my son; this day have I be - got - ten you.

Psalm Tone

*

L ⁶“I myself have | set my king
upon my holy | hill of Zion.”

C ⁷Let me announce the decree | of the Lord:

He said to me, “You are my son; this day have I be- | gotten you.

L ⁸Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for | your inheritance
and the ends of the earth for | your possession.

**C ⁹You shall crush them with an | iron rod
and shatter them like a | piece of pottery.” Refrain**

L ¹⁰And now, you | kings, be wise;
be warned, you rulers | of the earth.

**C ¹¹Submit to the | Lord with fear,
and with trembling | bow before him;**

L ¹²lest he be angry, | and you perish;
for his wrath is | quickly kindled. **Refrain**

SECOND READING: 2 Peter 1:16-21

¹⁶We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,” ¹⁸we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, ²⁰knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone’s own interpretation. ²¹For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

ALLELUIA VERSE (*John 6: 68*)

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



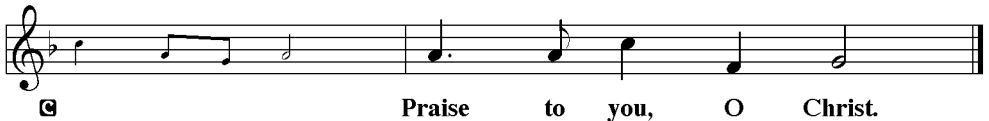
HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 17th chapter.



¹After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. ³And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁵He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." ⁸And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. ⁹And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead."

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated.

LITTLE LAMBS: At this time, Little Lambs Children's Ministry is available for children ages 3 through third grade at both services after the Gospel reading. The children leave the sanctuary with the teacher and enjoy an age appropriate Biblically oriented lesson and activity. They return during the offering to join us for Holy Communion.

SERMON: "Getting Through Hard Times!"

The Rev. Dr. David Wendel

After the sermon, a time of silence for reflection.

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“O Savior, Precious Savior”

1 O Sav - ior, pre-cious Sav - ior, whom yet un - seen we love;
 2 O bring - er of sal - va - tion, who won - drous-ly hast wrought,
 3 In thee all full-ness dwell - eth, all grace and pow'r di - vine;
 4 Oh, grant the con - sum - ma - tion of this our song a - bove,

O name of might and fa - vor, all oth - er names a - bove:
 thy - self the rev - e - la - tion of love be - yond our thought:
 the glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O Son of God, is thine.
 in end - less ad - o - ra - tion and ev - er - last - ing love;

we wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;
 we wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;
 We wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;
 then shall we praise and bless thee where per - fect prais-es ring,

we praise thee and con - fess thee, our ho - ly Lord and King.
 we praise thee and con - fess thee, our gra - cious Lord and King.
 we praise thee and con - fess thee, our glo - rious Lord and King.
 and ev - er - more con - fess thee, our Sav - ior and our King!

THE NICENE CREED

A We confess our Christian faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

C **We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven;

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,

and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge

the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection † of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each petition:

A Lord, in your mercy;

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Remember in our prayers... Don Melick, Tom Zawodny, Ernestine Dietz, Betty Milner, Mary Cooney, Amy Seifert Unkefer, Rod Rice, Sue Ross, Mary Ross, Jim Ross, the families of John Kleberg, Pete Otteson, and Millie Becker

The Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. (*Matthew 5: 22-24; John 20: 19*)

C **And also with you.**

You may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

Please be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE MEAL

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Shine, Jesus, Shine" - arr. Peggy Bettcher

Grace Ringers Bells Choir

Please stand as the offering is brought forward.

THE OFFERTORY



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the

prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Merciful Father,
 C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE LITURGY OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

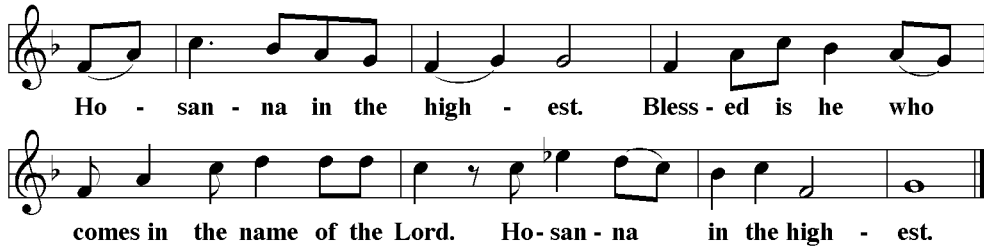
(2 Timothy 4: 22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136)

☐ The Lord be with you. ☑ And al - so 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 him thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right and salutary . . . *The Presider continues with the preface, concluding:...*we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

THE SANCTUS *(Isaiah 6: 3; Matthew 21: 9)*

☑ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow’r and might:
 Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God;
you are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.
You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, that
whoever believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.
Having come into the world, he fulfilled for us your holy will
and accomplished our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took
bread, 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 many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

P Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his
life-giving Passion and Death, his glorious Resurrection
and Ascension, and his promise to come again, we give thanks
to you, Lord God Almighty, not as we ought, but as we are
able; and we implore you mercifully to accept our praise and
thanksgiving, and with your Word and Holy Spirit, to bless us,
your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine;
that we who share in the Body and Blood of your Son may be
filled with heavenly peace and joy, and, receiving the
forgiveness of sin, may be sanctified in soul and body, and
have our portion with all your saints.

C **All honor and glory are yours, O God, Father, Son, and
Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, now and forever.
Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER *(Matthew 6: 9-13)*

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD/THE FRACTION

A time of silence...

P Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. (*John 1:29*)

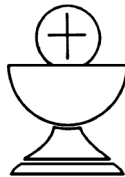
C **Blessed are those who are invited to the supper of the Lamb!**
(*Revelation 19:9*)

LAMB OF GOD (*John 1: 29*)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please be seated.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS



All who are baptized, have received the Lord's Supper and believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine that become our Lord's Body and Blood, are welcome to commune. Children or adults who do not commune are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing!

The Lord's sacramental Blood is available in individual glasses and common cup. As the communion assistants approach, simply indicate which you prefer by a nod of the head or pointing to individual cups or chalice. Grape juice is available in the center ring of each tray. Please place empty individual glasses in the basket provided to either side of the altar area. Gluten-free hosts are available for those who require them. Indicate your preference to the minister administering the hosts.

Private prayer before receiving Holy Communion:

O merciful Lord, I do not presume to come to your Table, trusting in my own righteousness, but in your many and great mercies. I am not worthy to gather up the crumbs under your Table. But you are the same Lord whose will it is always to have mercy. Make me, I pray you, worthy now to receive this Holy Communion. Grant me, gracious Lord, so to consume the very Body and Blood of your dear Son, Jesus Christ in this Holy Sacrament, that He may evermore dwell in me, and I in Him, that my sinful body may be made clean by His Body, and my soul washed through His most precious Blood. Amen.

Private prayer after receiving Holy Communion:

Almighty God, you provide the true Bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that as I have received the Sacrament of His Body and Blood, He may abide in me, and I in Him, and that all who have received may be filled with the power of His endless life. By your grace, help me to walk worthy of my calling, and to learn to bring glory to your name in all things. Amen.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Grace Ringers Bell Choir

"I Love to Tell the Story" - *arr. Janet Van Valey/Susan Berry*

COMMUNION HYMN

"Beautiful Savior"

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,
 Son of God and Son of Man!
 robed in the spar - kling stars on high;
 bright the of God and Son of Man!
 of God and Son of Man!
 high;
 Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing joy, my crown.
 than all the an - gels spir - it sing.
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

After all have communed, please stand.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

THE BENEDICTION (*Numbers 6: 24-26*)

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face to shine on you
 And be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ... give you peace.
 In the name of the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit ✠

C A - men

RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Alleluia, Song of Gladness”

1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, voice of joy that can - not die;
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Lead our prais - es, true Je - ru - sa - lem and free;
 3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways be our song while here be - low;
 4 In our hymns we pray with long - ing: Grant us, bless - ed Trin - i - ty,

al - le - lu - ia is the an - them ev - er dear to choirs on high;
 al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er, bring us to your ju - bi - lee;
 al - le - lu - ia our trans - gres - sions make us for a while for - go;
 at the last to keep glad Eas - ter with the faith - ful saints on high;

in the house of God a - bid - ing thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly.
 but by Bab - y - lon's sad wa - ters mourn - ing ex - iles now are we.
 for the sol - emn time is com - ing when our tears for sin shall flow.
 there to you for - ev - er sing - ing al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.

THE RITE OF SENDING

Children Go in peace, serve the Lord!
 C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Linda Hoch

"Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning" - arr. Wayne L. Wold

Offering: An offering plate will be placed by the baptismal font for offerings to be presented during the offering procession. Offerings may be placed in the plate before or after the service.

Flowers are given by...

Marge Cepek and family in memory of Larry Cepek on his birthday.

WELCOME, GUESTS! We welcome you as our guest in our church home and invite you to continue to worship with us. We invite guests to take a welcome bag at the Welcome Desk to learn more about Grace and fill out a Welcome Form and place it in the offering or hand it to an usher to let us know you were worshipping with us today.

WELCOME



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Financial Update: If you would like a copy of the full monthly Treasurer's report as presented to Council, please reach out to the Treasurer, Jim Caldwell and it will be emailed to you.

Fifth Sunday After The Epiphany, February 8: 8:15: 76; 11:00: 88; total: 164

MUSIC NOTES

"O Savior, Precious Savior" – arr. Healey Willan

The text for this hymn was written by Frances Havergal (1836-1879) at Leamington, England in November 1870. It was first published in her volume *Under the Surface* (1874). Havergal was, for her 43 years, contemporary with America's Fanny Crosby. Havergal could read at the age of three and wrote poetry when she was seven. Because of frail health, she had limited formal education, but she developed great linguistic ability, being fluent in six or seven modern languages as well as Hebrew and Greek. From the age of 14 she was dedicated completely to the service of Christ. She lived with her father until his death in 1873 and then in Caswall Bay. She was an incessant writer whose collected poems appeared in *Poetical Works* (1884) after her death.

"Beautiful Savior" – arr. David Cherwien

Although it is known to have been written at least fifteen years earlier, the original German text ("Schönster Herr Jesu") was first published in the *Münster Gesangbuch* (1677). The anonymous English translation of this Roman Catholic hymn first appeared in Willis' *Church Chorals and Choir Studies* (New York, 1850). A fourth stanza was added by Joseph A. Seiss in 1873 and appeared as part of his full translation in *The Sunday School Book* of the American Lutheran General Council (Philadelphia, 1873).

"Shine, Jesus, Shine" – arr. Peggy Bettcher

This hymn and its music were written by Graham Kendrick (b. 1950) in 1987 and first sung at his church, The Ichthus Christian Fellowship in London. They were used at the "Spring Harvest"

convention in the United Kingdom and included in the *Spring Harvest Songbook* (1988). In the same year they were a part of the eleventh Baptist Youth World Conference held in Glasgow, Scotland, July 27-31, 1988.

“I Love to Tell the Story” – arr. Janet Van Valey and Susan Berry

This hymn is part of a long poem of fifty stanzas in two parts by Arabella Catherine Hankey (also called Katherine Hankey) and was written during a long period of convalescence following a serious illness. Part 1, dated January 29, 1866, is entitled “The Story Wanted” and is the source of the song “Tell me the old, old story.” Part 2, dated November 18, 1866, is called “The Story Told” and contained these lines, which were published in *The Old, Old Story* that same year.

“Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning” – arr. Wayne L. Wold

Reginald Heber’s (1783-1826) interest in the church led him to write a series of hymns for the Christian year, this being designated “Epiphany” and meant to be sung between the creed and sermon. While it uses natural imagery, its concern is to make clear what is acceptable worship to God as stated in Psalm 51:17: “The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise.”

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R W W H R R M D E S S E L B H

“As for me, I have **set** my **King** on **Zion**, my **holy hill**.” I will **tell** of the **decree**: The **LORD** said to me, “You are my **Son**; **today** I have **begotten** you. **Ask** of me, and I will make the **nations** your **heritage**, and the **ends** of the **earth** your **possession**. You shall **break** them with a **rod** of **iron** and **dash** them in **pieces** like a **potter’s vessel**.” Now therefore, O kings, be **wise**; be **warned**, O rulers of the earth. **Serve** the **LORD** with **fear**, and **rejoice** with **trembling**. **Kiss** the **Son**, lest he be **angry**, and you **perish** in the **way**, for his **wrath** is **quickly kindled**. **Blessed** are all who take **refuge** in him.

Serving Today

OFFICIATING/PREACHER	The Rev. Dr. David Wendel
COMMISSIONED LAY MINISTER	Molly King
ASSISTING MINISTER	8:15 Jim Caldwell 11:00 Andrea Bush
ORGANIST	Linda Hoch
SACRISTAN	Fred Pfanz
CHOIR DIRECTOR	Dr. Helen Kang
BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR	Maria Laderman
CANTOR	Chris Troutman
ACOLYTE	8:15 Caroline Young 11:00 Titus French
LECTOR	8:15 Bob Ayers 11:00 Kyle Lamb
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	8:15 Paul Whitacre, Donna Dettmann 11:00 Tami Stone, Heather Bush
USHERS	8:15 Chris Banks, Dan George, John Kotik, Bela Bernhardt 11:00 Tom Moser, Andy Laderman, Michael King
GREETERS	8:15 Nelson Grover 11:00 Bill Ridder
LITTLE LAMBS	8:15 Cathy Burner 11:00 Amy Quinn
NURSERY ATTENDANTS	Kaitlyn F., Donna P.
ALTAR GUILD	Team 4
SOUND TECHNICIANS	Chris Banks, Eric Bush, Dan George, Paul Grant, Brice Graves

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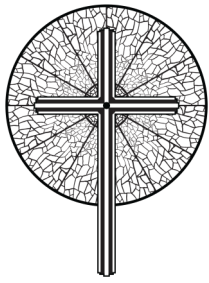
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Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church has been serving the Westerville community for more than 115 years, supporting local ministries such as the Westerville Area Resource Ministry, Westerville Partnership Habitat for Humanity, and Westerville CROP Walk. Grace also provides weekly meeting space for five AA groups.

Vision Statement: We envision Grace to be a welcoming Christ-centered community of faith, inviting all, growing in discipleship, sharing in ministries.

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This Week at Grace: February 15-22, 2026

Amazing God-- Amazing Grace-- Amazing Worship!

Feb. 15
8:15 am
9:40 am
9:45 am
11:00 am
4:00 pm

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD
Worship Service
Sunday School and Confirmation
Adult Learning (Fellowship Hall)
Worship Service
Amazing Grace Concert - "Soli Deo Gloria; The King of Instruments"
featuring local accomplished organists Linda Hoch, Dr. David Banas,
Ian Gayetsky and Jim Hildreth

MON —**OFFICE CLOSED**—
6:30 pm YPCO Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
6:30 pm Band of Brothers (Rose Garden)

TUES **SHROVE TUESDAY**
10:30 am Senior "Social" Moments (Loaves and Fishes Café)
4:30 pm Care Team Meeting (Loaves and Fishes Café)
6:00 pm Pancake Supper (Fellowship Hall)
7:00 pm Service
8:00 pm AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
Council Items Due for Feb. 24 Meeting

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THURS
9:15 am BSF Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
6:15 pm Supper Club @ BJ's Brewhouse Polaris
6:30 pm Rotary Board Meeting (Loaves and Fishes Café)
6:30 pm Dartball @ Grace of God 2
7:30 pm GLCC Steering Committee Meeting @ ZOOM
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FRI. 8:00 pm AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

SAT 8:00 am Men of Grace (Loaves and Fishes Café)
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8:15 am Worship Service
9:40 am Sunday School and Confirmation
9:45 am Adult Learning (Fellowship Hall)
11:00 am Worship Service

Upcoming Events	
Feb. 23	1:00 pm– Euchre Group
Feb. 24	6:30 pm– Council Meeting
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March 29	Palm Sunday/ Passion Sunday

Service Recording: The recorded 8:15am service will be available at www.grace43081.org around 11am.



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Loaves and Fishes café is OPEN! Please stop in between services for a drink and a snack! There is a sign-up sheet in the café if you are interested in helping. Please call Vanessa Stewart with any questions or concerns.

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Visits with Pastor David Thursday, February 26, 5-7 PM



Do you have something you'd like to ask or discuss with Pastor Wendel? Would you like to connect? Thursday, Feb. 26, 5-7 PM, Pastor will have 30-minute appointments available for anyone interested in signing up. This is your time to talk about whatever you wish!

This serves as a reminder that Pastor David is available any time to visit with you, either at church, in your home or wherever is comfortable, at a time which is convenient for you! Don't hesitate to email or text Pastor Wendel to arrange a time other than the regularly scheduled evening of visits!

CHRISTIAN GROWTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vision Statement: To nurture Youth and Family in Christ through Bible based teaching, music, activities and community outreach.



Senior "Social" Moment Tuesday, February 17th, 10:30 AM: All seniors of the congregation (and friends!) are invited to our February monthly social/fellowship gathering Tuesday, the 17th, 10:30 AM. The theme will be "President's Day," and we'll share fun facts about presidents and the First Ladies!



Grace Ringers Bell Choir rehearsal is Wednesday at 6:15pm. Contact Maria Laderman.

Grace Chancel Choir rehearsal is Wednesday at 7:00pm! All are welcome! Contact Helen Kang.

Joyful Voices Youth Choir rehearsal schedule: contact Helen Kang.



SAVE THE DATE

This year our VBS program is Rainforest Falls, Exploring the Nature of God. Our program is July 12-16.

COLLECTING ITEMS FOR VBS

I know it's early to start collecting donations but our program recommends we collect these things early to make sure we have enough. We will be creating a rainforest. **The items we would like to start collecting for our rainforest are twinkling white lights, green paper and green plastic table clothes.** There is a bin in the gathering space for donations. If you have any questions let Molly King know.

Youth & Family Sunday Morning and Worship Resources

We are excited to support families and help children grow in faith! Here's how we welcome and care for your family Sunday mornings and during worship:



Nursery Care: For infants through age 6

- ☐ Enjoy worship, Adult Learning or fellowship in the Loaves and Fishes café while your little ones are lovingly cared for.
- ☐ Pagers available for parents – we'll page you if needed.

Busy Bags: Keep little hands busy during the service!

- ☐ Age-appropriate books and activities.
- ☐ Located on the coat tree by the entrance to the sanctuary.

Children's Bulletins

- ☐ Engaging bulletins with activities that follow the lectionary.
- ☐ Available at the usher's table.

Little Lambs Children's Ministry

- ☐ For ages 3 through 3rd grade

Children leave worship after the Gospel reading for a fun, age-appropriate Bible lesson and return during the offering for Holy Communion.

- ☐ Available at **both worship services.**

Sunday School

- ☐ Every Sunday, 9:40 – 10:30 AM, September 7 – Memorial Day

Weekend

- ☐ Classes for Preschool through High School
- ☐ Adult class also available



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church is committed to helping young people and families grow in faith and community. Contact Molly King, m.king@grace43081.org, 614-882-3026

Youth and Family events for 2026

- February 8, Youth making blankets with the Stitchers
- February 14, "God's Love is Sweet" Valentines Ice Cream Social
- March 14, 1:30-3:30pm Chiller Polaris, Ice skating
- March 15, MS & HS Lunch Club
- **March 21, 9:00am-noon-First Communion Class**
- March 29
 - Palm Sunday skit during both services
 - Columbus Blue Jackets Faith and Family Night, 5pm game vs. Boston Bruins (**Ticket sign-up deadline: March 4**)
- April 11, Game Day
- April 12 Confirmation
- April 19 Columbus Fury
- May 3, MS & HS Lunch Club
- May 17, OWL Reveal Party
- May 30, Westerville Putt Putt



Little Lambs Children's Ministry serves children ages 3 through 3rd grade, providing a fun, age-appropriate Bible lesson during the 8:15 AM and 11:00 AM worship service. Children leave after the Gospel reading and return during the offering for Holy Communion. **We are currently seeking caring and committed leaders to help guide our Little Lambs each Sunday at our 11:00 AM service.** If you enjoy working with children and sharing God's love in a meaningful way, we'd love to have you join the team! For more information or to volunteer, please contact Molly King.

**HELP
WANTED**



BIBLE STUDIES

- **NEW Adult Education class:** Please consider joining the adult bible study for a new study entitled "Don't Give the Enemy a Seat at Your Table". In this video Bible study, bestselling author and pastor Louie Giglio unpacks Psalm 23 to offer insight into how to overcome the enemy's lies and find peace and spiritual security in any circumstance. This study is facilitated by Bill Kulju and will begin on **March 1** in the fellowship hall at 9:45am.
- **Band of Brothers: Band of Brothers will meet Monday, Feb. 16, 6:30 PM:** Our monthly gathering of younger men/working men will take place Monday, Feb. 16, 6:30 PM at the church, study continues of "Uncommon," a book by football coach Tony Dungy.
- **Grace Sisterhood's** next meeting is **February 9 at 7pm.** We will continue meeting the 2nd Monday of each month (so mark your new 2026 calendars so you can join in the fellowship). We will be starting a new Bible Study, "Women and Identity" by Adele Ahlberg Calhoun & Tracey D Bianchi. All younger/working women of the congregation (and friends!) are invited and welcome! Contact: Melissa Hodek
- **Katharine Circle** will meet **Monday, Feb. 2 at 1 p.m.** at church to continue our study, "Ambidextrous Christianity." Dorothy Crain will lead Session 6, Come and join us for study and fellowship! Call Dorothy Crain, 614-264-5304, with questions.

- **Men of Grace Bible Study:** All men of Grace Lutheran Church (and friends!) —next meeting **Saturday, February 21, 8 AM** in the Loaves and Fishes Cafe. We continue the study of the Gospel of Luke! Pastor Wendel facilitates the study. Join us for breakfast, study and fellowship.
- **Ruth Circle** will meet in Rose Garden Room #1 on **Monday, Feb. 9th at 1:00 p.m.** We will be discussing Lesson 5, Growing Through Being in the Middle, in our study series on Life's Challenges. Marge Zimmerman will facilitate the discussion. Verna Kreachbaum will provide light refreshments. All are welcome.
- **Wednesday Women's Bible** is studying "The Promise and Power of Easter" By Christine Caine and Lisa Harper. This is a 4 week Bible study of the Lenten season taking in the details of Jesus' life, the agony of His death, and the overwhelming joy of His resurrection. Join us **Wednesday mornings at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall!** You will be warmly welcomed! Interested contact Molly King.

OUTREACH ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST FRUITS SUNDAYS Let all that you do be done in love". (1 Corinthians 16:14) February Most Needed list:

- Canned Tomatoes
- Lima & Navy Beans
- Pudding & Jello Mix
- Cooking Oil
- Baking Soda
- Pickles
- Vinegar
- Disinfectant Wipes
- Dishwasher Detergent
- Cereal



WARM

Westerville Area Resource Ministry

We cannot accept food that has reached its expiration date. Any fresh produce, baked goods and dairy products take directly to Westerville Area Resource Ministry (WARM). Make Checks Payable to: Grace Lutheran Church, memo notation for WARM. Blessings to all who are making this a part of your regular tithes and offerings.



"Soup"er Bowl Canned Soup Drive ended Feb. 8 and gathered over 311 lbs. of canned soup benefiting WARM! Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!



"Let Us Pray For You" From Donna Dettmann, Let the Intercessory Prayer Team Help You Show Your LOVE. By Donna Dettmann What does the Bible say about "Love"? '

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. 8 Love never fails. 13 And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.'

(1Corinthians 13: 4,5,6b,7a,8,13)

You know the needs of your family, friends and neighbors. Ask IPT to join you in praying for those you love. To make your prayer request:

- * The Prayer Chest at the back of the church - on a table with prayer request forms and pens.
- * Use the Grace website: grace43081.org - The link for "Prayer Request" is found under "More" on the top righthand side of the first page.

Westerville Habitat Partnership is excited to host our second annual Hustle for Habitat 5K race



April 18, 2026 at Hoff Woods Park in Westerville

Saturday, April 18, 2026 at Hoff Woods Park. This 5k run/walk will include 150-200 residents from Westerville and Central Ohio who love Habitat, love running, or just love helping members of their community. They also love supporting our business partners. As we prepare for this event we are seeking a sponsorships to support these efforts. Please consider or share with others who may want to connect and come RUN with us. \$500 and \$1000 sponsor levels will include 2 race entries. **THANK YOU** for your support. Contact: Tabitha Gusler, Member WHP, Hustle for

Habitat 5K Committee, 740-504-0669, TabithaG@kw.com



**RED CROSS
BLOOD
DRIVE**

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE Our next Red Cross Blood Drive is

Tuesday, March 10 from noon-6pm: You can schedule an appointment by contacting the Red Cross at RedCrossBlood.org and use our sponsor code: GraceLuthWesterville or call 1-800-Red Cross.

Questions? Vanessa Stewart

Spiritual Care Team of the NALC Disaster Response: Grace's Collection Drive, Help Us Bring Comfort and Hope



We are organizing a collection of quilts, blankets, and Bibles to support individuals

affected by recent disasters. Your generous donations will provide warmth, comfort, and encouragement to those in need.

What We Need:

- New or gently used quilts and blankets

- New or gently used Bibles (any translation)

Collection Dates: Please bring your donations during our collection drive, which will run throughout February.

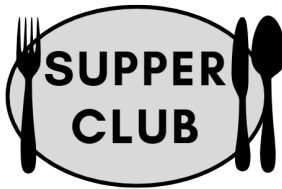
Drop-Off Location: Gathering Space

Contact: For questions or to arrange a donation pickup, please call 614-207-1061 or email jcfigge@gmail.com

Together, we can make a difference. Thank you for your support!



HOSPITALITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



SUPPER CLUB from Bev Grubb The Supper Club started the new year off at Lucky House in Westerville on January 15th. We had a great time and enjoyed each other's company. For February we will be meeting at BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse at 1414 Polaris Parkway in the Polaris mall Outer Drive. Supper Club starts at 6:15 p.m. on Thursday, February 19th. We're looking forward to seeing everyone there. Any questions, please see either Bev Grubb or Tami Stone.



The Grace Dartball team: All games are Thursday evenings beginning at 7:30. The team is looking forward to another fun season. If interested in joining the team, please contact Chris Banks -cbanks5@gmail.com / 614-203-8429.

Feb 5 - Bethel

Feb 12 - @ Reynoldsburg

Feb 19 - @ Grace of God 2

Feb 26 - Fishing Rd CC

Mar 5 - Playoff Round 1



The Euchre group will meet Monday, Feb. 23, 1pm– A sign-up sheet is at the welcome desk. If you sign-up and need to cancel close to the group's meeting, please reach out to Lois Rumph or Karen Bale.

AMAZING GRACE CONCERT SERIES

Soli Deo Gloria: The King of Instruments

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Sunday, February 15 • 4:00 PM



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“As for me, I have **set** my **King** on **Zion**, my **holy hill**.” I will **tell** of the **decree**: The **LORD** said to me, “You are my **Son**; **today** I have **begotten** you. **Ask** of me, and I will make the **nations** your **heritage**, and the **ends** of the **earth** your **possession**. You shall **break** them with a **rod** of **iron** and **dash** them in **pieces** like a **potter’s vessel**.” Now therefore, O kings, be **wise**; be **warned**, O rulers of the earth. **Serve** the **LORD** with **fear**, and **rejoice** with **trembling**. **Kiss** the **Son**, lest he be **angry**, and you **perish** in the **way**, for his **wrath** is **quickly kindled**. **Blessed** are all who take **refuge** in him.

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Living Out Our Mission,

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church offers:

**Two services of Word and Sacrament every Sunday
Traditional, Faithful, Biblical Worship
A Parish that is Committed to “Inreach” and “Outreach”
A Strong Sunday School Program
Children and Youth Ministry and Learning Opportunities
In-depth Adult Education/Adult Studies
Vacation Bible School in the summer
Adult Fellowship Activities
Congregational Fellowship Activities
Grace Care Team
Outstanding Music Program for Worship and Outreach,
including Grace Chancel Choir, Grace Youth Choir,
Grace Ringers
“Amazing Grace” Community Concert Series
Advent and Lenten Midweek Evening Prayer services
Outreach through Westerville Area Resource Ministry (WARM)
Founding Congregation of Habitat for Humanity Partnership
Alcoholics Anonymous meetings**

And more...

In the name of God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit!

Won’t you join us?

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How did you find us?

- Drove by the church, saw the sign**
- Met a member who invited me**
- Saw ad in the Columbus Dispatch (online or print?)**
- Received a mail invitation**
- Attended an Amazing Grace Concert**
- Attended an event (VBS, Youth, etc.)**
- Visited the Grace Lutheran booth at Farmer’s Market**
- Searched online**

Welcome to Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church!

If you are a visitor, thank you for coming! We are pleased to have you with us! We are a congregation which seeks to “Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness...” Psalm 96:9. Our style, our worship environment and especially our music is intended to heighten our glory and praise, in response to God’s gifts of grace in Word and Sacrament! If you have no church home, we invite you to become a member of Grace and to grow with us in faith!

**We would appreciate a record of your visit!
Completed forms can be placed in the offering or handed to an usher.**

Date _____
Name(s) _____
Address _____
Email _____
Phone _____

_____ I am a member of Grace Ev. Lutheran Church/will commune today.
_____ I Am a Visitor (_____ 1st Time _____ 2nd Time _____ Regular Visitor)
_____ I am a Regular Attendee.

I am a member of _____ Church
City/State _____

_____ I am visiting from out-of-town.
_____ I have recently moved to this area from _____
_____ **YES, I WANT TO BECOME A MEMBER OF GRACE CHURCH!**
_____ Please include me in e-mail communications. My e-mail address is:

_____ I would like to talk with the pastor.
_____ I would like information about children/youth ministries.

Today in worship, please pray for (Hand this request to usher before the service):

Other information you would like to share: _____

All who are baptized, have communed before, and believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine of the Lord's Supper, are welcome to commune with us today