

# Summer IN THE Psalms



*But the meek  
the land  
great*  *will inherit  
and enjoy  
peace*

Psalm 37:11

# Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

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For almost 110 years...

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## Welcome! Pentecost 14 – August 29, 2021

### Grace ~ “I am not ashamed of the gospel...”



When it comes to the truth of Scripture, there is no room for compromise. The Bible is the book we live by... for life now and for life forever. We accept the Bible as the pure Word of God. We believe that our only Savior is Jesus Christ, the sinless Son of God, who was crucified, died, and was buried but rose again to open the door to heaven for everyone who believes in him.

### Grace ~ “These are written that you may believe...”



Grace Lutheran Church has served the Portland area for over 100 years by faithfully preaching and teaching the timeless truth of God’s Word. We believe that God uses the timeless message of Word and Sacraments to bring souls into his care. This is a message that we share here and around the world through our affiliation with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS).

### Grace ~ “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations...”



Grace Lutheran Church exists to win souls by joyfully proclaiming the truth of God’s grace through Christ, to nurture believers in growing in faith and lives of Christian service, and to join together in worship and praise. **“But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and forever! Amen.” II Peter 3:1**

*I lay my sins on Jesus, The spotless Lamb of God;  
He bears them all and frees us, From the accursed load.  
I bring my guilt to Jesus, to wash my crimson stains  
White in his blood most precious, till not a spot remains.*

*I lay my wants on Jesus; All fullness dwells in him.  
He heals all my diseases; My soul he does redeem.  
I lay my griefs on Jesus, My burdens and my cares;  
He from them all releases; He all my sorrows shares.*

*I rest my soul on Jesus, This weary soul of mine.  
His right hand me embraces; I in his arms recline.  
I love the name of Jesus, Immanuel, Christ, the Lord;  
Like fragrance on the breezes His name abroad is poured.*

*I long to be like Jesus: Meek, loving, lowly, mild;  
I long to be like Jesus, The Father's holy child.  
I long to be with Jesus, Amid the heav'nly throng  
To sing with saints his praises, To learn the angels' song.*

The Invocation

*The name of the Triune God and the sign of the cross remind worshipers of their baptisms.*

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the Son **†** and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C:** **Amen.**

The Confession of Sins – Psalm 37:23-28

**M:** The LORD makes firm the steps of the one who delights in him.  
**C:** **Though we may stumble, we will not fall, for the LORD upholds us with his hand.**  
**M:** I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread.  
**C:** **They are always generous and lend freely; their children will be a blessing.**  
**M:** Turn from evil and do good; then you will dwell in the land forever.  
**C:** **For the LORD loves the just and will not forsake his faithful ones.**

## The Absolution – Psalm 37: 39-40

- M: The salvation of the righteous comes from the LORD; he is their stronghold in time of trouble.
- C: **The LORD helps them and delivers them; he delivers them from the wicked and saves them, because they take refuge in him.**
- M: Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: **Amen.**

## The Kyrie – Lord Have Mercy

*“Lord have mercy” is one of the oldest worship responses in the Christian Church. – Mark 10:47*

- M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.  
For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord
- C: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.
- C: **Christ, have mercy.**
- M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.
- C: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live in you:
- C: **Amen.**

## The Gloria in Excelsis – Glory Be To God

*Christians praise God by proclaiming the angel’s song of what he has done to accomplish our rescue from sin. “Glory to God in the Highest” has been a Christian song of worship since the 4<sup>th</sup> century– Luke 2:14*



**1. All glory be to God on high!  
Your name, O Lord, we glorify;  
We praise you for your peace and grace,  
Your favor toward our fallen race.**

**2. Our grateful thanks to you we bring,  
For your great glory, heav’nly King,  
For all, O Father, you have done  
Through Jesus Christ, your only Son.**

**3. O Lamb of God, to you we pray.  
You take all human sin away.  
Have mercy, Lord; receive our prayer;  
From God’s right hand, your mercy share.**

**4. You, Christ, are holy— Lord alone;  
The Father’s glory you made known.  
We by your Spirit sing again:  
“All glory be to God!” Amen.**

## The Salutation & Prayer of the Day

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

### THE WORD

#### THE FIRST LESSON

Micah 6:1-8

Listen to what the LORD says: “Stand up, plead my case before the mountains; let the hills hear what you have to say. 2 “Hear, you mountains, the LORD’s accusation; listen, you everlasting foundations of the earth. For the LORD has a case against his people; he is lodging a charge against Israel. 3 “My people, what have I done to you? How have I burdened you? Answer me. 4 I brought you up out of Egypt and redeemed you from the land of slavery. I sent Moses to lead you, also Aaron and Miriam.

5 My people, remember what Balak king of Moab plotted and what Balaam son of Beor answered. Remember your journey from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the righteous acts of the LORD.” 6 With what shall I come before the LORD and bow down before the exalted God? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? 7 Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of olive oil? Shall I offer my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? 8 He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

#### *Refrain*



We com - mit our - selves to you, O Lord.



Your faith - ful - ness en - dures for - ev - er.

## THE SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Because of these surpassingly great revelations. Therefore, in order to keep me from becoming conceited, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. <sup>8</sup> Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. <sup>9</sup> But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. <sup>10</sup> That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

### *Refrain*



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## THE VERSE OF THE DAY

Psalms 37:10-11

Alleluia. A little while, and the wicked will be no more; though you look for them, they will not be found. But the meek will inherit the land and enjoy peace and prosperity. Alleluia.



**C** Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Faith comes from hear - ing the mes - sage, and the



mes - sage is heard through the Word of Christ. Al - le -



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, <sup>2</sup> and he began to teach them.

He said:

<sup>3</sup> “Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup> Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup> Blessed are the meek,  
for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup> Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup> Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will be shown mercy.

<sup>8</sup> Blessed are the pure in heart,  
for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup> Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup> Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup> “Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

*Refrain*



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Your faith - ful - ness en - dures for - ev - er.

## APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

## HYMN OF THE DAY

CWS#763: Jesus Sat with His Disciples

*Sung to tune of CW #484 "Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly"*

Jesus sat with his disciples - On a mountainside one day;  
As the crowds of people gathered, He began to teach and say:  
"Blessed are the poor in spirit, Heaven's kingdom they will share.  
Blessed are the sad and mourning, Joy and comfort will be theirs."

"Blessed are the meek and humble, All the earth to them is willed.  
Those who hunger to be holy, They are bless'd and will be filled.  
Yes, the merciful are blessed, Mercy will to them be shown.  
And the pure in heart are blessed, They have eyes for God alone."

"Blessed are God's sons and daughters, Making peace where there is strife.  
Blessed are the persecuted, Who for righteousness lose life;  
Their reward is great in heaven, In the kingdom up above—  
So be glad to share my suff'ring, And rejoice to know my love."

## SERMON

Psalm 37: 5-11

<sup>5</sup> Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this: <sup>6</sup> He will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn, your vindication like the noonday sun.

<sup>7</sup> Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; do not fret when people succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes. <sup>8</sup> Refrain from anger and turn from wrath; do not fret—it leads only to evil. <sup>9</sup> For those who are evil will be destroyed, but those who hope in the LORD will inherit the land. <sup>10</sup> A little while, and the wicked will be no more; though you look for them, they will not be found. <sup>11</sup> But the meek will inherit the land, and enjoy peace and prosperity.



## THANKSGIVING

*Moved by God's love in Christ, we offer him our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to him.*

### THE OFFERING

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### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & THE LORD'S PRAYER

- M: I invite you to lift up your hearts to God and pray with me the Lord's Prayer as Christ our Lord taught us.
- C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.**
- M: Here we pray that God our Father in heaven would look with mercy on all his children on earth. We ask him to give us grace that we might proclaim his Word faithfully and live our lives according to his will, for then we show that his name is precious to us. We also pray that he would keep us from any teaching and living which would dishonor his name.
- C: Your kingdom come.**
- M: We pray that his kingdom and the rule of his grace might come to us and grow in us each day; that all who are still captives in Satan's kingdom might be brought to know Jesus Christ, his Son, so that the Christian Church might grow and prosper.
- C: Your will be done on earth as in heaven.**
- M: We pray that the Holy Spirit would strengthen us to do and accept God's will in life and death, in good times and in bad, and that we might have power to put down our own sinful will and its desires.
- C: Give us today our daily bread.**
- M: We pray that our Father would also give us our daily bread, preserve us from greed and selfish desires, and help us to trust that he will provide for all our needs.
- C: Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.**
- M: We ask that God would forgive our sins as we forgive those who sin against us so that our hearts may rest and rejoice in a good conscience before him, and that no sin may ever frighten or alarm us.

**C: Lead us not into temptation.**

M: We pray here that God would protect us from all temptations and help us by his Spirit to put down our sinful flesh, to despise the world and its vices, and to overcome the devil and all his trickery.

**C: But deliver us from evil.**

M: And finally we pray that God would deliver us from all evils of body and soul now and forever.

**C: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

M: All those who sincerely desire these things will say from their hearts "Amen," trusting without doubt that their prayers are answered in heaven, as Christ has promised: "Whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you will receive it, and it will be yours."

### **BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord makes his shine upon you and be gracious unto to.

The Lord look upon you with you favor, and give you peace.

### **CLOSING HYMN**

Hark! The Church Proclaims Her Honor

*Hark! The Church proclaims her honor,  
And her strength is only this:  
God has laid his choice upon her,  
And the work she does is his.*

*He his Church has firmly founded;  
He will guard what he began.  
We, by sin and foes surrounded,  
Build her walls as best we can.*

*Frail and fleeting are our powers,  
Short our days, our foresight dim.  
We confess a choice not ours:  
We were chosen first by him.*

*Though we here must strive in weakness,  
Though in tears we often bend,  
What his might began in meekness  
Shall achieve a glorious end.*

# Worship Notes

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## for kids

### Songs We Sang



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The Scripture Text Was: \_\_\_\_\_

What was the sermon about?

Draw a picture from the lesson.



Words I Don't Know:

