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## 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." 2 Pt. 3:18

#### THE HYMN

#### **CW-BLUE 676 (1-3) "TAKE AND EAT"**

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Solo: I am the Word that spoke and light was made;

I am the seed that died to be reborn;

I am the bread that comes from heav'n above;

I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.

**Congregation:** Take and eat; take and eat:

this is my body given up for you. Take and drink; take and drink: this is my blood given up for you.

Solo: I am the way that leads the exile home;

I am the truth that sets the captive free; I am the life that raises up the dead;

I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.

**Congregation:** Take and eat; take and eat:

this is my body given up for you. Take and drink; take and drink: this is my blood given up for you.

Solo: I am the Lamb that takes away your sin;

I am the gate that guards you night and day;

You are my flock: you know the shepherd's voice;

You are my own: your ransom is my blood.

Congregation: Take and eat; take and eat:

this is my body given up for you. Take and drink; take and drink: this is my blood given up for you.

#### **INVOCATION**

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

C: Amen.

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**M:** Let us confess our sins to God and ask for his forgiveness.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father,

I confess to you that I have not loved you with all my heart.

In what I have done and left undone,

I have pursued my ways instead of your ways.

I have not loved my brothers and sisters as myself.

For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity.

I am truly sorry for my sins.

I repent of them.

I beg for your mercy, O Lord.

#### THE KYRIE

**M:** Throughout the Old Testament times and still in the New, for that matter, one cry has dominated the family of believers: That is the Kyrie, Eleison: "O Lord, have mercy."

SONG: TRISAGION

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Holy God Holy and Mighty Holy Immortal One Have mercy, have mercy on us. (Chorus of voices) Holy God

Holy and mighty,

Holy Immortal One

Have mercy, have mercy on us.

(Chorus of voices with descant voices)

**Holy God** 

Holy and mighty

Holy Immortal One

Have mercy, have mercy, have mercy,

Have mercy, have mercy on us.

#### THE ABSOLUTION

M: God's answer to that cry for mercy is tucked away in a beautiful story in His Word which takes us to a stable in a little Palestinian village. At least His answer begins there, for it is in the person of the baby born at Bethlehem that the Son of God was made man; born in human flesh to reconcile God's wayward creatures to Himself. Angels announced the birth and hosts of angels sang the *praises of God* as His great plan for our salvation unfolded. The almighty God has been merciful to us and has sent his Son to die for all. For his sake, God forgives our sins and calls us from darkness to his marvelous light. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit. And to that we must say:

C: Hallelujah!

#### THE GLORIA: CW-RED #222 (1-2,5) SONGS OF PRAISE THE ANGELS SANG

Songs of praise the angels sang, Heav'n with alleluias rang, When creation was begun, When God spoke and it was done.

Songs of praise awoke the morn, When the Prince of Peace was born. Songs of praise arose when he Captive led captivity.

Saints below, with heart and voice, Still in songs of praise rejoice, Learning here, by faith and love, Songs of praise to sing above.

#### THE WORD

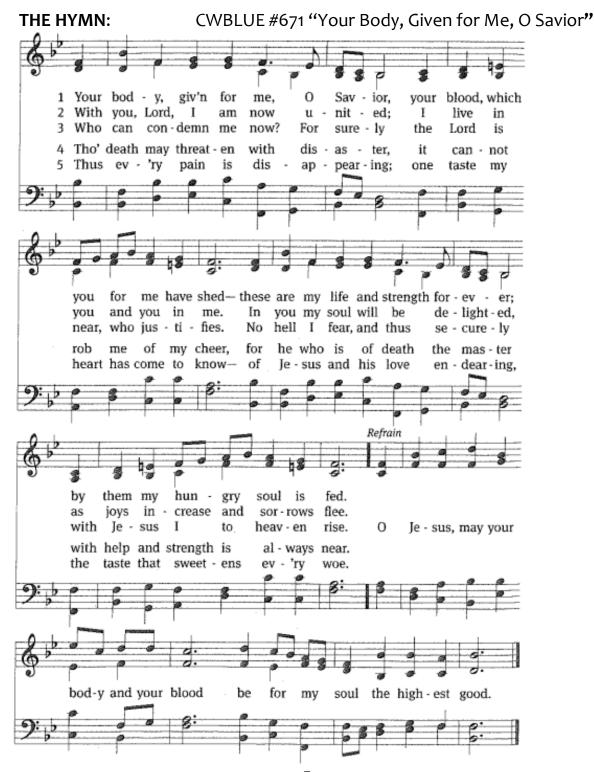
THE LESSON EXODUS 12:1-14

**M:** For a thousand years, in keeping with the Lord's command, the Hebrew people celebrated the Passover. This ceremony called for bitter herbs and unleavened bread. The herbs recalled their bitter suffering under Egyptian

bondage and the unleavened bread symbolized their forefathers' hasty flight from Egypt. But above all, the Passover centered on an unblemished lamb. This Passover lamb reminded them of how a lamb's blood saved their fathers from the angel of death on the night of their deliverance from Egyptian slavery. In a mysterious way, God linked the past to the future. In a most special way God drew His covenant people to Himself with the Passover. He used the event as a picture of the salvation to come. The ten plagues of Egypt were designed to bring freedom to the slaves. When the doom of the last plague was announced, special instructions were also announced among the slaves. The celebration of the Passover each year looked back on the emotion-packed night and morning of their deliverance. Each year lambs were used in the Passover meal. It was a memorable feast to the love of the God of the Covenant for His deliverance. In the framework of God's plan, the lamb and the blood were signs which would be fulfilled in the New Testament. Jesus Christ would one day give up His life for the salvation of the world. As the true Passover Lamb, He would satisfy the ransom price with His blood which the Just Father demanded. Let us recount God's instructions to the Israelites as they are recorded in Exodus, chapter 12, the first fourteen verses.

- M: The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt,
- C: "This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year.
- M: Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household.
- C: If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat.
- M: The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats.
- C: Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the people of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight.
- M: Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs.
- C: That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast.

- M: Do not eat the meat raw or cooked in water, but roast it over the fire—head, legs and inner parts.
- C: Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it.
- M: This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the LORD's Passover.
- C: "On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn—both men and animals—and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD.
- M: The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt.
- C: This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD -a lasting ordinance."
- Every year the Passover was observed. Many traveled to Jerusalem to M: celebrate it there. The temple authorities and merchants imported lambs for the festive meals of the residents of Jerusalem and the many visitors. Each family selected its lamb on the 14th day of Nisan and kept it for the prescribed eight days of the festival. Everywhere in the city, one could hear the lambs bleating. We can imagine that in every lull in the "Hosannas" at the Palm Sunday procession, Jesus heard it. Every bleat of every lamb became a reminder to Jesus that He soon would be sacrificed as the Lamb of God for the sins of the world. The blood of the sacrificed animals flowed freely. But it was all routine, all superficial. The true Lamb stood in the midst of the bleating and slaughter and no one noticed Him. When the Father's appointed time came, Jesus set out for Jerusalem. Upon His arrival, He called for a donkey and rode into the city according to the Old Testament prophecy. The people lined the streets crying, "Hosanna, Hosanna to the Son of David. Hosanna in the highest!"
- C: "LORD, save us! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!"



SERMON: 1 Corinthians 10:16

<sup>16</sup> Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?

#### **THANKSGIVING**

#### THE OFFERING

Please be faithful in your gifts in proportion to the physical blessings the Lord has entrusted to you (1 Cor 16:2).

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#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, they 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.

#### **Preface**

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up unto the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: It is good and right so to do!

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

M: The Mount Sinai covenant was finished. Jesus, with the institution of the Holy Sacrament of His body and blood, established the new covenant of grace. His own body and blood were given as the sign and seal of this covenant, His payment for all sin. At last the cooking of the lamb was finished. Jesus and His guests gathered around the table. The Passover meal that He had desired to eat with them began. The cup of wine was passed around the table; the herbs and unleavened bread were eaten...

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take and eat. This is my body which is given f or you." Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, gave it to them and said: "Drink from it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**M:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

#### THE AGNUS DEI:

CW-BLUE #525 (2,4): "THE LAMB"

The Lamb, the Lamb,
One perfect final offering.
The Lamb, the Lamb,
Let earth join heav'n his praise to sing.
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me his own!
The Lamb is reigning on his throne.

He sighs, he dies,
He takes my sin and wretchedness.
He lives, forgives,
He gives me his own righteousness.
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me his own!
The Lamb is reigning on his throne.

#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

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Draw Near (Treasures for Worship II - CW-BLUE #662) Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent (Red Mountain Music – CW BLUE #672) Lord, Have Mercy (Matt Boswell, Matt Papa – CW BLUE #652)

#### THE BENEDICTION

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

### CW-BLUE #525 "THE LAMB"

#### THE HYMN:

He rose, he rose, My heart with thanks now overflows. His song prolong 'Til ev'ry heart to him belong. Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me his own! The Lamb is reigning on his throne.



# Worship Notes Name for kids Songs We Sang The Scripture Text Was: Draw a picture What was the

sermon about?

from the lesson.



Words I Don't Know: