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Grace ~ "? 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

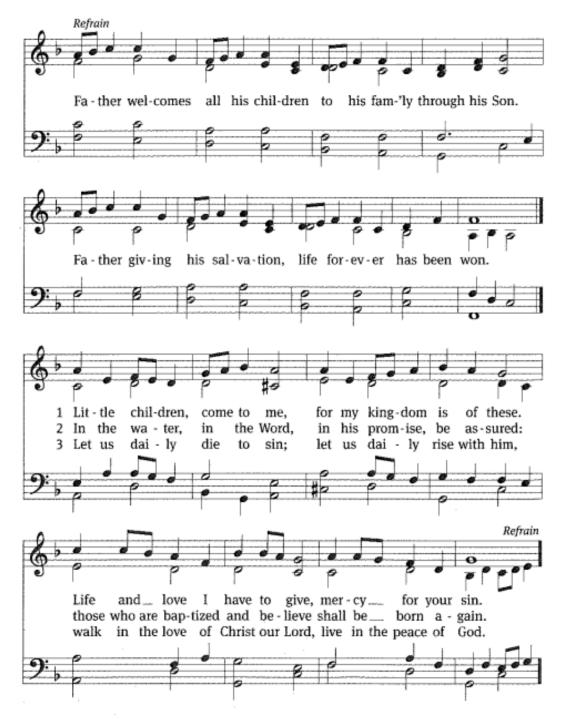
Lutheran Synod (WELS).

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

Hymn:



Invocation

- **M:** The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- **M:** I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit.
- C: Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.
- M: Surely we were sinful at birth, sinful from the time our mothers conceived us.
- C: But we were washed, we were sanctified, we were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

Confession

- **M:** As baptized children of God we confess our sins:
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Absolution

- M: Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. 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.
- C: Amen.

Hymn:

CW21 #814 (1-2): Just as I Am, without One Plea

Just as I am, without one plea But that thy blood was shed for me And that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am and waiting not To rid my soul of one dark blot, To thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

HOLY BAPTISM

Martin Luther said that confessing sins and receiving forgiveness is nothing else than a reliving of Baptism. Thus this order provides opportunity not only to baptize but also to recall the lasting blessings of Baptism... forgiveness of sins, new life and salvation

The Rite of Holy Baptism continues at the font.

M: In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought this child to be baptized. Jesus told us: "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." It is in Baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God's Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.

Jaremiah Carter Doyle receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart † to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

- M: Let us pray: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father, through your stern judgment the unbelieving world was destroyed by the flood, but according to your great mercy, you saved Noah and his family. You engulfed stubborn Pharaoh and his army in the waters of the Red Sea but led your people through those same waters to safety on dry land. In the waters of the Jordan your own Son was baptized and anointed with the Spirit. By these signs you foreshadowed the precious, cleansing bath which you give us in Holy Baptism. Clinging to your command and promise, we ask that you would look with favor on *Jaremiah* Through this water of Baptism, drown in *him* all sin inherited from Adam and any other evil *he* may do. Set *him* apart from the unbelieving world and hold *him* safe and secure in the holy ark of the Church. Keep *him* always fervent in spirit and joyful in hope so that *he* may honor your holy name and at last receive, together with all your people, the promised inheritance of eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- M: Jaremiah Carter Doyle I baptize you...

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

M: The Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

Exhortation – Parents, Sponsors, Congregation

- M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, in instituting Baptism, not only commanded that children should be baptized, but that they should be taught to obey everything he has commanded us and continue to grow in faith. I therefore ask you: Do you sincerely intend to continue to bring up *Jaremiah* in the way of the Lord and to instruct *himr* in the truths of God's saving Word so that *he* may grow in faith, serve God with a Christian life, and remain in *his* baptismal grace unto the end? If so, answer: Yes, and *we* ask God to help *us*.
- R/C: Yes, and we ask God to help us.

Baptismal Candle

- M: Jesus said: "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." Light this candle again and again in years to come on anniversaries of this day, and recall what God has done for Jaremiah through the gift of his Son and through Baptism which unites him with Jesus in his death to sin and resurrection to new life.
- **M:** Almighty God, the Father of our Lord † Jesus Christ, strengthen you by his Spirit, that Christ, dwelling in you by faith, may fill you with all spiritual blessings. Go in peace.

Hymn:

CW21 #814 (1-2): Just as I Am, without One Plea

Just as I am, thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; Because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am; thy love unknown Has broken ev'ry barrier down. Now to be thine, yea thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Prayer of the Day

- M: Almighty God, you see that we have no power to defend ourselves. Guard and keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

The Word

The First Lesson:

Jeremiah 26:8-15

⁸ When Jeremiah had finished saying everything the LORD had commanded him to say to all the people, then the priests, the prophets, and all the people seized him and said, "You must die! ⁹ Why do you prophesy in the name of the LORD that this house will be like Shiloh and that this city will be desolate with no one living here?" All the people crowded around Jeremiah in the House of the LORD.

¹⁰ When the officials of Judah heard about these things, they came up from the king's house to the House of the LORD and sat in the entrance of the New Gate of the LORD's house.

"Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, "This man deserves the sentence of death because he has been prophesying against this city, as you heard with your own ears."

¹² Then Jeremiah said to all the officials and to all the people, "The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and against this city all the things that you have heard. ¹³ Now reform your ways and your actions, and obey the LORD your God. Then the LORD will relent and not bring about the disaster he has pronounced against you. ¹⁴ But as for me, look, I am in your hands. Do with me whatever seems good and right in your eyes. ¹⁵ But you can be certain of this. If you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood on yourselves and on this city and on those who live here, for it is true that the LORD has sent me to you to speak all these words in your hearing."

Verse of the Day

So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath. Shall I not drink the cup my Father has given me? Then the company of soldiers, their commander, and the Jewish guards arrested Jesus and bound him.

The Gospel Lesson:

³¹ In that very hour, some Pharisees came to him and said, "Leave, and go away from here, because Herod wants to kill you."

³² He said to them, "Go tell that fox, 'Look, I am going to drive out demons and heal people today and tomorrow, and on the third day I will reach my

goal. ³³ Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the next day, because it cannot be that a prophet would be killed outside Jerusalem!'

³⁴ "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those sent to her! How often I have wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing! ³⁵ Look, your house is left to you desolate. I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you will say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'''

John 8:1-11

John 18:11-12

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

CW21 #396 (1-2,7): Christ, the Life of All the Living

Christ, the Life of all the living, Christ, the Death of death, our foe, Who, thyself for me once giving To the darkest depths of woe – Through thy suff'rings, death, and merit I eternal life inherit. Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto thee.

Thou, ah, thou hast taken on thee Bonds and stripes, a cruel rod; Pain and scorn were heaped upon thee, O thou sinless Son of God! Thus didst thou my soul deliver From the bonds of sin forever. Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto thee. Then, for all that wrought my pardon, For thy sorrows deep and sore, For thine anguish in the garden, I will thank thee evermore, Thank thee for thy groaning, sighing, For thy bleeding and thy dying, For that last triumphant cry And shall praise thee, Lord, on high.

<u>Sermon</u>

THANKSGIVING

The Offering

An opportunity to give online can also be used at Paypal.me/GracePortland or by utilizing this QR code:

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord who has called us to be his own that we may live under him in his kingdom and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness.

Hymn:

CW21 #663 (1): Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

Soul, adorn yourself with gladness; Leave behind all gloom and sadness. Come into the daylight's splendor; There with joy your praises render Unto him whose grace unbounded - Has this wondrous supper founded. Though he reigns above most holy, Deigns to dwell with you most lowly.



John 18:11-12

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

- M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.
- C: By his incarnation, he became one with us.By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.By his innocent death, he overcame hell.By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.
- M: Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting. Amen.

The Words of Institution

- M: 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, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, 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.

<u>Hymn:</u>

CW21 #663 (5): Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

Human reason, though it ponders, Cannot fathom these great wonders, That Christ's body must be boundless - Since the souls it feeds are countless, And that he his blood is giving,With the wine we are receiving. These great mysteries unsounded Are by God alone expounded.

The Distribution

Thank you for honoring our practice of "close" communion. The Bible teaches that participating in the Lord's Supper is an expression of complete unity of faith (1 Cor. 10:17). We lovingly ask, therefore, that before joining in this, the highest act of fellowship, a unity of faith based on the Bible be established through membership in this congregation or in a sister congregation of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). We are most eager for you to join us in the unity of faith and confession we enjoy. If you would like to discuss "close" communion or any other spiritual matter with the pastor, please indicate this on the Friendship Register.

The Distribution Hymns

"Calvary and Bethlehem" Grace Lutheran School "My Song Is Love Unknown" - Koine

The Blessing & 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 upon you with favor and give you peace.
- C: Amen

Closing Hymn

CW21 #699: Take the World, but Give Me Jesus

Take the world, but give me Jesus! All its joys are but a name. But his love abides forever, Through eternal years the same. Oh, the height and depth of mercy; Oh, the length and breadth of love! Oh, the fullness of redemption, Pledge of endless life above!

Take the world, but give me Jesus, Sweetest comfort of my soul. With the Savior watching o'er me, I can sing, though thunders roll. Oh, the height and depth of mercy; Oh, the length and breadth of love! Oh, the fullness of redemption, Pledge of endless life above!

Take the world, but give me Jesus! In his cross my trust shall be Till with clearer, brighter vision Face to face my Lord I see. Oh, the height and depth of mercy; Oh, the length and breadth of love! Oh, the fullness of redemption, Pledge of endless life above!

