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Welcome! Easter 5, May 10, 2020

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 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 Peter 3:18

INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

CONFESSION

- **M:** Blessed is the one who transgressions are forgiven and whose sins are covered.
- C: Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

-- Psalm 32:1&2

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts. We have offended you and sinned against your holy law. We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done. Have mercy on us, Lord! Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

THE ABSOLUTION

- M: God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever!
- C: O Lord, my God, I called to you for help, and you answered me. I thank you for the love you have shown me in Jesus Christ, my Savior. Through him you have rescued me from the guilt of my sin and given me the peace of forgiveness. "Rejoice in the LORD and celebrate, all you righteous, and shout joyfully, all you upright in heart."

 Psalm 32:11

<u>HYMN</u>: "I Will Praise Him Still" Fernando Ortega

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THE WORD

THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 14:1-12

- "Do not let your heart be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father's house are many mansions. If it were not so, I would have told you. I am going to prepare a place for you. ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to be with me, so that you may also be where I am. ⁴ You know where I am going, and you know the way."
- ⁵ "Lord, we don't know where you are going," Thomas replied, "so how can we know the way?"
- ⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the Way and the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father, except through me. ⁷ If you know me, you would also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him."
- ⁸ "Lord," said Philip, "show us the Father, and that is enough for us."

 ⁹ "Have I been with you so long," Jesus answered, "and you still do not know me, Philip? The one who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I am telling you I am not speaking on my own, but the Father who remains in me is doing his works.
- ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father is in me. Or else believe^[d] because of the works themselves.
- ¹² "Amen, Amen, I tell you: The one who believes in me will do the works that I am doing. And he will do even greater works than these, because I am going to the Father.

HYMN:

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THE SERMON LESSON

Revelation 21: 1-4; 9-10; 12, 15, 21-22

"Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, because the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. And the sea no longer existed. And I saw the Holy City, the New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

³ And from the throne I heard a loud voice that said, "Look! God's dwelling is with people. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people. God himself will be with them, and he will be their God. ⁴ He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain, because the former things have passed away."

⁹One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls that were filled with the seven last plagues came and spoke with me. He said, "Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb."

¹⁰ He carried me away in spirit to a great and high mountain, and he showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God.

- 12 It has a large, high wall. It has twelve gates. Twelve angels are at the gates, and twelve names are engraved on the gates, the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel.
- 15 The one who spoke with me had a gold measuring rod so that he could measure the city, its gates, and its wall.
- 21 The twelve gates are twelve pearls. Each of the gates is made out of one pearl. And the street of the city is pure gold, like transparent glass.
 22 I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.

THE 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.

THANKSGIVING

THE OFFERING

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor, and give you peace.

<u>CLOSING HYMN</u> :	"Jerusalem the Golden"
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