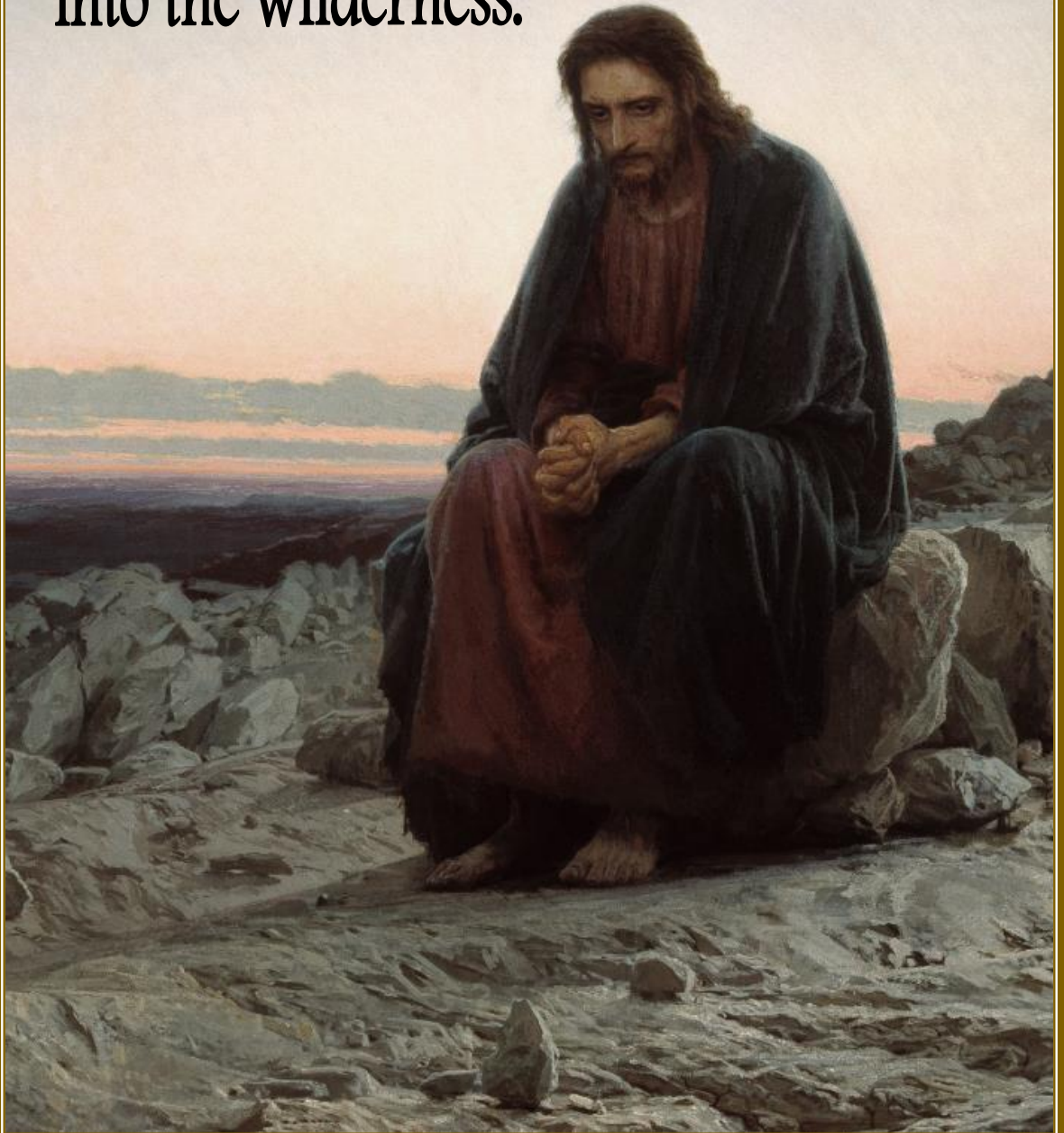


At once the Spirit
SENT HIM
into the wilderness.





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Lent 1 – February 29th, 2023

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...”

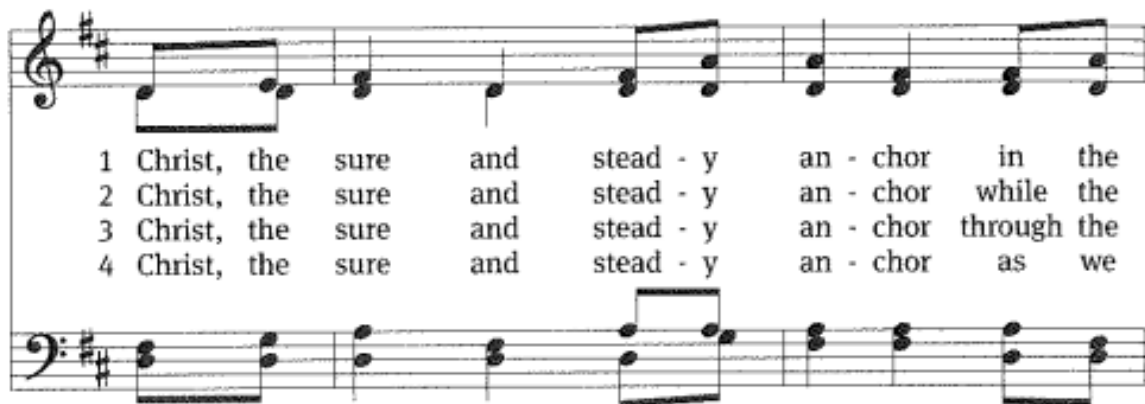


Grace Lutheran Church has served the Portland area for over 100 years by faithfully preaching and teaching the timeless truth of God’s Word. We believe that God uses the timeless message of Word and Sacraments to bring souls into his care. This is a message that we share here and around the world through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

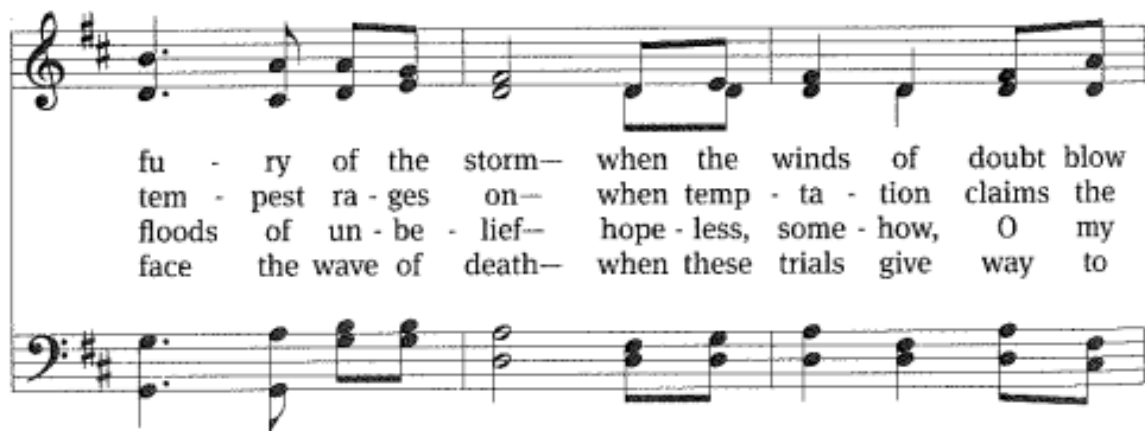
Grace ~ “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations...”



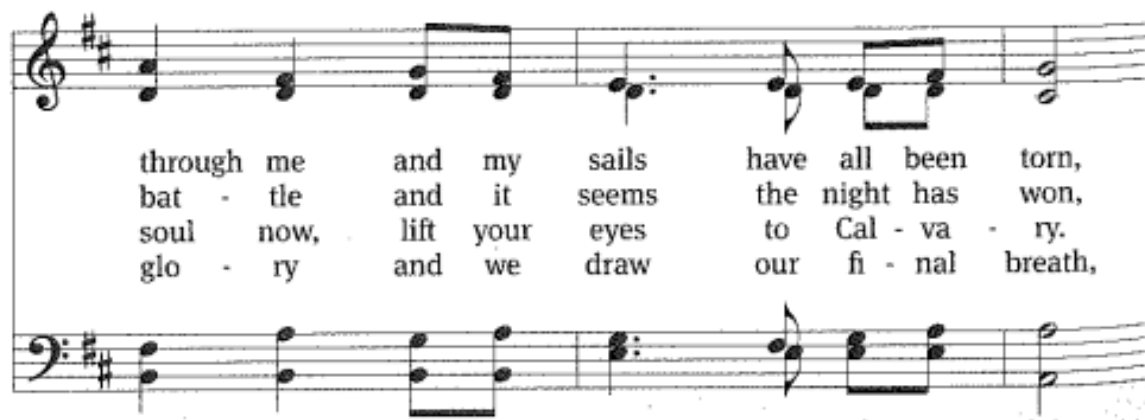
Grace Lutheran Church exists to win souls by joyfully proclaiming the truth of God’s grace through Christ, to nurture believers in growing in faith and lives of Christian service, and to join together in worship and praise. **“But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and forever! Amen.” 2 Pt. 3:18**



1 Christ, the sure and stead - y an - chor in the
2 Christ, the sure and stead - y an - chor while the
3 Christ, the sure and stead - y an - chor through the
4 Christ, the sure and stead - y an - chor as we



fu - ry of the storm— when the winds of doubt blow
tem - pest ra - ges on— when temp - ta - tion claims the
floods of un - be - lief— hope - less, some - how, O my
face the wave of death— when these trials give way to



through me and my sails have all been torn,
bat - tle and it seems the night has won,
soul now, lift your eyes to Cal - va - ry.
glo - ry and we draw our fi - nal breath,



in the suf - f'ring, in the sor - row, when my
 deep - er still then goes the an - chor, though I
 This my bal - last of as - sur - ance, see his
 we will cross that great ho - ri - zon, clouds be -
 Christ, the shore of our sal - va - tion, ev - er



sink - ing hopes are few, I will hold fast to the
 just - ly stand ac - cused; I will hold fast to the
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 hind and life se - cure, and the calm will be the
 faith - ful, ev - er true— we will hold fast to the



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an - chor; it shall nev - er be re - moved.
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 an - chor; it shall nev - er be re - moved.
 bet - ter, for the storms that we en - dure.
 an - chor; it shall nev - er be re - moved.



INVOCATION

- M:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- M:** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C: **Who made heaven and earth.**
M: Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

- M:** I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven,
And to you, my brothers and sisters,
That I have sinned in thought, word, and deed
By my fault, by my own fault, by my own grievous fault;
Wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me,
Forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.
- C:** **The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission
of all your sins.**
- M:** Amen.
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And to you, my brothers and sisters,
That I have sinned in thought, word, and deed
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Forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.**
- M:** The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission
of all your sins.
- C:** **Amen.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord our strength, the battle of good and evil rages within and around us, and our ancient foe tempts us with his deceits and empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your Word, and when we fall, raise us up again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 3:17-24

¹⁷To Adam he said, “Because you listened to your wife and ate fruit from the tree about which I commanded you, ‘You must not eat from it,’ “Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life. ¹⁸It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field. ¹⁹By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return.” ²⁰Adam named his wife Eve, because she would become the mother of all the living. ²¹The LORD God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them. ²²And the LORD God said, “The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever.” ²³So the LORD God banished him from the Garden of Eden to work the ground from which he had been taken. ²⁴After he drove the man out, he placed on the east side^[e] of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life.

HYMN

LAPPY #296 (1-2): “**There Is a Green Hill Far Away**”

*There is a green hill far away,
outside a city wall,
where our dear Lord was crucified
who died to save us all.*

*We may not know, we cannot tell,
what pains he had to bear,
but we believe it was for us
he hung and suffered there.*

THE SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 15:45-49

⁴⁵So it is written: “The first man Adam became a living being”; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit. ⁴⁶The spiritual did not come first, but the natural, and after that the spiritual. ⁴⁷The first man was of the dust of the earth; the second man is of heaven. ⁴⁸As was the earthly man, so are those who are of the earth; and as is the heavenly man, so also are those who are of heaven. ⁴⁹And just as we have borne the image of the earthly man, so shall we^[g] bear the image of the heavenly man.

HYMN

LAPPY #296 (3-4): "There Is a Green Hill Far Away"

*He died that we might be forgiven,
he died to make us good,
that we might go at last to heaven,
saved by his precious blood.*

*There was no other good enough
to pay the price of sin,
he only could unlock the gate
of heaven and let us in.*

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:12-15

¹² At once the Spirit sent him out into the wilderness, ¹³ and he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and angels attended him. ¹⁴ After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. ¹⁵ "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"

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. look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY

CW21 Blue #565: "In Adam We Have All Been One"

*In Adam we have all been one,
One huge rebellious man;
We all have fled that evening voice
That sought us as we ran.*

*We fled our God, and, losing him,
We lost our brother, too.
Each singly sought and claimed his own;
Each man his brother slew.*

*But your strong love, it sought us still
And sent your only Son
That we might hear his shepherd-voice
And, hearing him, be one.*

*O Savior, when we loved you not,
You loved and saved us all;
O great good Shepherd of mankind,
Oh, hear us when we call.*

*Send us your Spirit; teach us truth
To purge our vanity.
From fancied wisdom, self-sought ways,
O Savior, set us free.*

*Then shall our song united rise
To your eternal throne,
Where with the Father evermore
And Spirit you are one.*

SERMON

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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.

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 Blue #871 (1) **“Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You”**

***Rise! To arms! With prayer employ you,
O Christians, lest the foe destroy you,
For Satan has designed your fall.
Wield God's world, a weapon glorious;
Against each foe you'll be victorious;
Our God will set you o'er them all.
Fear not the prince of hell
Here is Immanuel! Sing hosanna!
The strong ones yield To Christ, our shield,
And we as conqu'rors hold the field.***

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.

HYMN: CW21 Blue #871 (3) **“Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You”**

***Jesus, all your children cherish,
And keep them that they never perish
Whom you have purchased with your blood.
Let new life - to us be given
That we may look to you in heaven
Whenever fearful is our mood.
Your Spirit on us pour
That we may love you more, Hearts o'erflowing;
All then shall we, From sin set free,
Sing praise through all eternity.***

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:

Imported music

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 upon you with favor and give you peace.
C: **Amen.**

HYMN: CW21 Blue #871 (2) **“Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You”**

***Cast afar this world's vain pleasure
and boldly strive for heav'nly treasure.
Be steadfast in the Savior's might.
Trust the Lord, who stands beside you,
for Jesus from all harm will hide you.
By faith you'll conquer in the fight.
Take courage, weary soul!
Look forward to the goal! Joy waits you.
The race, then, run; your battle done,
the crown of glory will be won.***

Worship Notes

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Date _____



for kids

Songs We Sang

The Scripture Text Was: _____

What was the sermon about?

Draw a picture from the lesson.



Words I Don't Know:

