

SON OF MAN,
I have made you

A
WATCHMAN

A man in a blue shirt is sitting at the foot of a bed, looking down at a sleeping child. The scene is set in a room with a window in the background, framed by white curtains. The lighting is soft and blue-toned, creating a calm and protective atmosphere. The man's hands are resting on the bed near the child, suggesting a watchful presence.

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Serving the Portland Area
With the Means of Grace
As a family of believers
For almost 110 years...

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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 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.

HYMN

#30 (1,3) “Rise, Arise”

Rise, arise! Rise, arise!

Christians, rise to greet your King.

Open wide the gates before him;

Let the glad hosannas ring;

Haste to worship and adore him.

Hark! The watchman on the mountain cries:

Rise, arise! Rise, arise!

Crown him King! Crown him King!

His exalted name confess.

From his heav'nly throne descending,

Jesus, Lord our righteousness,

Brings us joy and peace unending.

Oh, let heart and tongue his praises sing!

Crown him King! Crown him King!

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

HYMN:

“His Mercy Is More”

Together For The Gospel Live

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Lyrics Displayed On Screen

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 33:1-11

The word of the LORD came to me. ²Son of man, speak to your countrymen and say this to them. When I bring a sword against a land, and the people of the land appoint one man from their midst as their watchman, ³and that man sees the sword coming upon the land and blows the ram’s horn to warn the people, ⁴then if anyone who hears the sound of the ram’s horn does not heed the warning, and as a result the sword comes and takes him away, his blood will be on his own head. ⁵He heard the sound of the ram’s horn, but he did not take warning, so his own blood is on him. If he had heeded the warning, he would have saved his life.

⁶But if the watchman sees the sword coming but does not blow the ram’s horn, and as a result the people are not warned, then if the sword comes and takes one of them away, that man has been taken away because of his own guilt, but I will also hold the watchman responsible for his blood.

⁷ But I have appointed you, son of man, to be a watchman for the house of Israel. So whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you are to warn them from me. ⁸ When I say to a wicked man, “Wicked man, you shall surely die,” if you do not speak to warn the wicked man against his way, that wicked man will die because of his guilt, but I will also hold you responsible for his blood. ⁹ But if you do warn the wicked man to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, he will die because of his guilt, but you will have saved your life. ¹⁰ So you, son of man, say the following to the house of Israel. This is what you people are saying: “Certainly our rebellion and our sins weigh us down, and because of them we are rotting away. How then can we live?” ¹¹ Say to them, “As I live, declares the LORD God, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that the wicked turn from their way and live. Turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why should you die, O house of Israel?”

HYMN

CW #573 (1,3): Hark! The Voice of Jesus Crying

*Hark! the voice of Jesus crying,
"Who will go and work today?
Fields are ripe and harvests waiting;
Who will bear the sheaves away?"
Loud and long the Master calleth;
Rich reward he offers thee.
Who will answer, gladly saying,
"Here am I --send me, send me?"*

*If you cannot be a watchman,
Standing high on Zion's wall,
Pointing out the path to heaven,
Off'ring life and peace to all,
With your prayers and with your off'rings
You can do what God demands;
You can be like faithful Aaron,
Holding up the prophet's hands.*

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 18:15-20

¹⁵ “If your brother sins against you, go and show him his sin just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have regained your brother. ¹⁶ But if he will not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that ‘every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.’^[b] ¹⁷ If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And, if he refuses to listen even to the church, then treat him as an unbeliever or a tax collector. ¹⁸ Amen I tell you: Whatever you bind on earth will

be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ Amen I tell you again: If two of you on earth agree to ask for anything, it will be done for them by my Father who is in heaven. ²⁰ In fact where two or three have gathered together in my name, there I am among them.”

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:

CW #562: “I Love To Tell The Story”

I love to tell the story Of unseen things above,

Of Jesus and his glory, Of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story Because I know it's true;

It satisfies my longings As nothing else can do.

I love to tell the story; 'Twill be my theme in glory

To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story, For those who know it best

Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest.

And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song,

'Twill be the old, old story That I have loved so long.

I love to tell the story; 'Twill be my theme in glory

To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and his love.

SERMON

Ezekiel 33:1-11

THANKSGIVING

THE OFFERING

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INSTALLATION:

Today we install Justin Eternick as our new 7-8 Grade Teacher and Principal at Grace School along with our teaching staff for the 2019-2020 school year.

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.

CLOSING HYMN:

“Make Me A Servant”

LAPPY #202

Make me a ser - vant, hum - ble and meek;
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the prayer of my heart al - ways be:
Make me a ser - vant, make me a ser - vant,
Make me a ser - vant to - day.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Make Me A Servant". It consists of five staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the first line of the hymn. The second staff contains the second line. The third staff contains the third line. The fourth staff contains the fourth line. The fifth staff contains the fifth line. The music is written in a simple, accessible style suitable for a church service.

Worship Notes

for kids

Name _____

Date _____



Songs We Sang

The Scripture Text Was: _____

What was the sermon about?

Draw a picture from the lesson.



Words I Don't Know:

