To the weak, I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people, so that by all possible means I might save some. 1 Cor 9:22





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The Fifth Sunday of Epiphany February 6, 2022

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

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

Opening HymnCW#234 (vs 1, 2, 4,): Praise to the Lord, the AlmightyPraise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!Let all who hear, now to his temple draw near, Joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining. Have you not seen, all that is needful has been, Sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you; Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you. Ponder anew, What the Almighty can do, as with his love he befriends you.

Invocation

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

C: Amen.

Confession of Sins

- M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- 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.

Lord, Have Mercy

C: Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.

- M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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.
- M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Opening Hymn#234 (vs 5): Praise to the Lord, the AlmightyPraise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!Let the Amen, Sound from his people again; Gladly forever adore him!

Prayer of the Day

- M: Let us pray.
- M: Almighty God, you sent your one and only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us to believe what the Scriptures proclaim about him and do the things that are pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

The Word

The First Lesson:

The Sovereign LORD has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed. 5 The Sovereign LORD has opened my ears; I have not been rebellious, I have not turned away. 6 I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting. 7 Because the Sovereign LORD helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame. 8 He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me! 9 It is the Sovereign LORD who helps me. Who will condemn me? They will all wear out like a garment; the moths will eat them up. 10 Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the word of his servant? Let the one who walks in the dark, who has no light, trust in the name of the LORD and rely on their God.

<u>Hymn</u>

CW#468 (vs 1-2): My God, My Father, Make Me Strong

Isaiah 50:4-10

My God, my Father, make me strong, When tasks of life seem hard and long, To greet them with this triumph song: Your will be done.

Draw from my timid eyes the veil To show, where earthly forces fail, Your pow'r and love must still prevail Your will be done.

The Second Lesson:

¹² So there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, because the same Lord is Lord of all, who gives generously to all who call on him. ¹³ Yes, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

¹⁴ So then, how can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one about whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without a preacher? ¹⁵ And how can they preach unless they are sent? Just as it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news of peace,^[b] who preach the gospel of good things!"

¹⁶ But not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who believed our message?" ¹⁷ So then, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message comes through the word of Christ.

<u>Hymn</u>

CW#468 (vs 3): My God, My Father, Make Me Strong

With confident and humble mind In service freedom I will find,

Praying through ev'ry toil assigned: Your will be done.

The Verse of the Day:

1 Corinthians 9:22-23

Luke 5:1-11

Alleluia. To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings. Alleluia.

<u>Hymn</u>

CW#468 (vs 4): My God, My Father, Make Me Strong

What seems impossible I dare;

Yours is the call and yours the care.

Your wisdom shall the way prepare Your will be done.

The Gospel Lesson:

One time, while the crowd was pressing in on Jesus and listening to the word of God, he was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret. ² He saw two boats there along the lakeshore. The fishermen had left them and were washing their nets. ³ Jesus got into one of the boats, which belonged to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from the shore. He sat down and began teaching the crowds from the boat. ⁴ When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water, and let down your nets for a catch."

⁵ Simon answered him, "Master, we worked hard all through the night and caught nothing. But at your word I will let down the nets." ⁶ When they had done this, they

Romans 10:12-17

caught a great number of fish, and their nets were about to tear apart. ⁷They signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. They came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸When Simon Peter saw this, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, because I am a sinful man, Lord." ⁹For Peter and all those with him were amazed at the number of fish they had caught, ¹⁰ and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Jesus said to Simon, "Have no fear. From now on you will be catching people."

HymnCW#468 (vs. 5): My God, My Father, Make Me Strong

Heav'n's music chimes the glad days in; Hope soars beyond death, pain, and sin; Faith shouts in triumph, Love must win Your will be done!

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen. Hymn of the Day

I Cannot Help but Tell

Tune CW #54 "Where Shepherds Lately Knelt"



1 Corinthians 9:22-23

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The Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Closing Hymn:

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.



CW #562 - I Love to Tell the Story