

A close-up, artistic photograph of a person's face, focusing on the right eye which is a striking, vibrant blue. The skin is textured and appears to have some redness or bruising, particularly around the eye and on the cheek. The lighting is dramatic, with deep shadows and bright highlights.

YOUR SINS HAVE  
BEEN **FORGIVEN.**

GO.  
AND SIN  
NO MORE.

He **REMEMBERS**  
your sin **NO MORE.**

# Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## Welcome!

## Lent 5, March 21st, 2021

### 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.” II Peter 3:1**

**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.**

**C:**  **Hymn:** CW#376 (1,3) “Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness”  
*Jesus, your blood and righteousness  
My beauty are, my glorious dress;  
Mid flaming worlds, in these arrayed,  
With joy shall I lift up my head.*


*Lord, I believe your precious blood,  
Which at the very throne of God  
Forever will for sinners plead,  
For me --e'en for my soul --was shed.*

**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.**

**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.**

C:  **Hymn:** CW#376 (2,4) “Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness”

**Bold shall I stand in that great day  
Who can a word against me say?  
Fully through you absolved I am  
From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.**

**Lord, I believe were sinners more  
Than sands upon the ocean shore,  
You have for all a ransom paid,  
For all a full atonement made.**

### **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.

*MaryJane Rose Hammond* 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 *MaryJane*. Through this water of Baptism, drown in *her* all sin inherited from Adam and any other evil *she* may do. Set *her* apart from the unbelieving world and hold *her* safe and secure in the holy ark of the Church. Keep *her* always fervent in spirit and joyful in hope so that *she* 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:** *MaryJane Rose Hammond* - 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 TO PARENTS, SPONSORS, AND 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 *MaryJane* in the way of the Lord and to instruct *her* in the truths of God’s saving Word so that *she* may grow in faith, serve God with a Christian life, and remain in *her* 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 these candles again and again in years to come on anniversaries of this day, and recall what God has done for *MaryJane* through the gift of his Son and through Baptism which unites *her* 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.

**C:**  **Hymn:** CW#376 (2,4) “Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness”

***When from the dust of death I rise  
To claim my mansion in the skies,  
E'en then this shall be all my plea:  
Jesus has lived and died for me.***

***Jesus, be worshiped endlessly!  
Your boundless mercy has for me,  
For me and all your hands have made,  
An everlasting ransom paid.***

## Prayer of the Day

M: Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation that through his anguish, pain, and death we may receive forgiveness of sins and inherit eternal life; through your Son, 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 31:31-34

<sup>31</sup>Yes, the days are coming, declares the LORD,  
when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel  
and with the house of Judah.

<sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers,  
when I took them by the hand  
and led them out of the land of Egypt.

They broke that covenant of mine,  
although I was a husband to them, declares the LORD.

<sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel  
after those days,  
declares the LORD.

I will put my law in their minds,  
and I will write it on their hearts.

I will be their God,  
and they will be my people.

<sup>34</sup>No longer will each one teach his neighbor,  
or each one teach his brother, saying, "Know the LORD,"  
because they will all know me,  
from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD,  
for I will forgive their guilt,  
and I will remember their sins no more.

### Verse of the Day

Hebrews 5:7-9

<sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, he offered prayers and pleas with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. <sup>8</sup>Although he was the Son, he learned obedience from the things he suffered. <sup>9</sup>After he was brought to his goal, he became the source of eternal salvation for everyone who obeys him.

## **The Gospel Lesson:**

John 8:1-11

But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. <sup>2</sup> Early in the morning, he came back into the temple courts. And all the people kept coming to him. He sat down and taught them. <sup>3</sup> Then the scribes and Pharisees brought a woman caught in adultery and had her stand in the center. <sup>4</sup> “Teacher,” they said to him, “this woman was caught in the act of committing adultery. <sup>5</sup> In the Law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?” <sup>6</sup> They asked this to test him, so that they might have evidence to accuse him.

Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. <sup>7</sup> But when they kept on asking him for an answer, he stood up and said to them, “Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.” <sup>8</sup> Then he stooped down again and wrote on the ground.

<sup>9</sup> When they heard this, they went away one by one, beginning with the older men. Jesus was left alone with the woman in the center. <sup>10</sup> Jesus stood up and said to her, “Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?”

<sup>11</sup> “No one, Lord,” she answered.

Then Jesus said, “Neither do I condemn you. Go, and sin no more.”

## **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

CW #372 I Lay My Sins on Jesus

*I lay my sins on Jesus, The spotless Lamb of God;  
He bears them all and frees us From the accursed load.  
I bring my guilt to Jesus To wash my crimson stains  
White in his blood most precious Till not a spot remains.*

*I lay my wants on Jesus; All fullness dwells in him.  
He heals all my diseases; My soul he does redeem.  
I lay my griefs on Jesus, My burdens and my cares;  
He from them all releases; He all my sorrows shares.*

*I rest my soul on Jesus, This weary soul of mine.  
His right hand me embraces; I in his arms recline.  
I love the name of Jesus, Immanuel, Christ, the Lord;  
Like fragrance on the breezes His name abroad is poured.*

*I long to be like Jesus: Meek, loving, lowly, mild;  
I long to be like Jesus, The Father's holy child.  
I long to be with Jesus, Amid the heav'nly throng  
To sing with saints his praises, To learn the angels' song.*

## Sermon

John 8:1-11

## THANKSGIVING

### **The Offering**

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## The Prayer of the Church / The Lord's Prayer

- M: O God, through Jesus' sacrifice and triumphant resurrection you have restored us as your forgiven children. In his name we pray:
- C: Our Father, who art in heaven,**
- M: Dear Lord, with these words you tenderly invite us to believe that you are our true Father and that we may pray to you boldly and confidently as dear children ask their dear father.
- C: Hallowed be thy name.**
- M: Help us to know you through your inspired Word and to live by it as children in your family.
- C: Thy kingdom come.**
- M: Give us your Holy Spirit to rule in our hearts, and use us to extend your kingdom of grace to others.
- C: Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**
- M: Make us zealous to carry out your will as gladly as the angels do, and to conform our will to yours.
- C: Give us this day our daily bread.**
- M: Merciful Lord, since you are the provider of all things necessary for our bodies; fill us with trust.
- C: And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.**
- M: Continue to erase our sins, and help us gladly to forgive and to do good to those who wrong us.
- C: And lead us not into temptation.**
- M: We know the devil seeks to destroy our souls and the world lures us to ruin by appealing to the desires of our flesh. Guard us from the poison of misbelief and the trap of unrepented sin.
- C: But deliver us from evil.**
- M: *(Include any special prayer requests)* Keep safe our bodies and souls, our property and honor, and above all send the Holy Spirit to preserve our faith in Christ which leads to life everlasting.
- C: For thine is the kingdom,**
- M: For all these petitions we look to you as King of Kings and Lord of your church.
- C: and the power,**
- M: You alone hold the power to grant our requests.
- C: and the glory forever and ever.**
- M: We worship you from whom all blessings flow and relying on Jesus, who paid for all our sins and made us acceptable in your sight, we pray with confidence:
- C: Amen. It shall be so.**

## Closing Hymn

CW #760 It Is Well with My Soul

*When peace like a river attendeth my way,  
When sorrows like sea billows roll  
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well with my soul.  
It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul).  
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

*My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought,  
My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more:  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul).  
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

*And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
The trump shall re sound, and the Lord shall descend;  
Even so, it is well with my soul.  
It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul).  
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

# Worship Notes

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## for kids

### Songs We Sang



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The Scripture Text Was: \_\_\_\_\_

What was the sermon about?

Draw a picture from the lesson.



Words I Don't Know:

