



March 29, 2026

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Dose of Grace #43

Today's Dose of Grace is from <https://mlc-wels.edu/publications/2026-holy-week/> It's Palm Sunday's devotion by Rev. Luke Thompson from Martin Luther College. He serves as a professor of theology, history, and philosophy.

Please consider reading (or listening to) the rest of the devotions during Holy Week at the link above.

What We Receive, What We Pass On

1 Corinthians 15: 3-11 For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas (Peter), and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born. For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

Imagine you have been trusted with something precious, perhaps a family heirloom. You didn't create it. You received it And now you have the responsibility of passing it on.

To be a Christian is to be creedal. Let me explain. We do not believe our faith is personal, untethered to reality and history, just opinion. We believe our faith is founded on facts, on real historical events that happened and that have real

eternal significance. Paul once wrote, “If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile, and you are still in your sins.” Creeds are ways the church has summarized those beautiful facts on which our salvation rests.

Did you know that the Bible includes creeds? In fact, 1 Corinthians 15:3-8 is especially dear to us because it’s one of the church’s first creeds.

And when did Christians first start sharing these truths? Verse 3 gives us a hint. Paul writes “what I received I passed on to you.” Note the tenses of those verbs. Paul had already passed it on, so this is not the first time the Corinthians are hearing this creed. And Paul himself had received this creed, so the creed had to have been around even earlier. So how early? Most historians think Christians were confessing this creed within just a few years of Jesus’ crucifixion, maybe even within the first year. Think of what that means. Our faith has not evolved over long periods of time based on stories, myths, and private ideas. Right away it was based on the very words of those who saw and met the risen Jesus.

This Lent let’s walk through those truths “of first importance.” Why? Because everything depends on the death and resurrection of Jesus. Have you ever struggled to explain your faith? Start here—with what was received and passed on. The gospel is not something you invented. It is a gift delivered *through* you.

Lord Jesus, thank you for those who passed your saving truth down through the centuries until it reached me. Give me the courage to continue this legacy, to pass it on to others. Amen.

Sunday, March 29, 2026 – Palm Sunday

Flowers: Faye Rutstein
Ushers: Gillespie
Williams
Acosta-Ware
Luplow, J.



9:30 AM Worship Service
11:00AM New Member Welcome

Monday March 30, 2026

Tuesday March 31, 2026

Wednesday April 1, 2026 -- Girls of Grace with Mrs. A

Thursday April 2, 2026 -- Maundy Thursday Service – 6:30PM – With Holy Communion – Prep: Hehr

Friday April 3, 2026
-- No School
-- Good Friday Service – 6:30PM

Saturday April 4, 2026

Sunday April 5, 2026 -- Easter Sunday

Comm. Prep: Baer

Comm. Help: Henning
Glasheen

Flowers: Thank you all who donated!

Ushers: Paschke
Meyer
Stadler
Delgado

7:00 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

8:00AM Breakfast

9:30AM Worship Service

11:00 AM Egg Hunt

Prayer Cards

If you are looking for the prayer cards, they are on the table when you come into the Narthex.

Christian Growth

Sunday School Lesson Plan

March 29th -- No Bible Study – Palm Sunday & New Member Welcome

April 5th – No Bible Study – Easter Sunday

April 12th – No Bible Study

April 19th – No Bible Study

Adult Bible Study

I encourage everyone to participate in bible studies and bible discussions at Grace. Come and listen to grow in your knowledge and wisdom of God's Word with us. Come and share your experiences as a Christian to be a blessing to your fellow Christian families at Grace. We have two opportunities currently for you to talk with the pastor and your fellow Christians every Sunday:

A. 8:15-9:15 before worship: To be announced at a later date

B. 10:50-11:45 after worship: To be announced at a later date

What's Happening @ Grace



Mowing & Church Grounds

Please consider signing up and helping with lawn care to make the Lord's house grounds look the best possible.

Contact Juan Garcia to coordinate and for instructions.

Church Weekly Cleaning!

The church building needs to be cleaned each week and we could use your help! THANK YOU to those who have been so faithful in cleaning the Lord's house and making it ready for worship! You are doing a wonderful job!

Contact Susan Garcia to coordinate and for instructions.



Altar Flowers

Please let me be your guide for all things



FLOWER CHART

Found in the fellowship hall, signing up for flowers not only decorates our altar, but also allows your fellow members to participate in the special occasions you are remembering. Potted tulips, mums, etc. can be used as well as cut flowers. Call, email, or catch me before Sunday school for a personal tour of the vases we make available in the church kitchen. If you would prefer, I would gladly arrange the flowers you bring. Or select your budget and flower preferences and let me do the shopping and arranging. Thank you for your participation! Susan Lewallen. 503-758-2685. susan@studiomcl.com

Usher Sign-Ups

Please consider signing up to be an Usher. Sign up sheets are located by the fellowship hall and entryway door. Currently we have availability through the rest of the year. If you have any questions please contact one of the Elders.



Fellowship Hosting Sign Up

Please sign up to bring goodies in for fellowship. The sign up sheet is in the Narthex.

Choir Practice

Enjoy singing? Come join the Grace Lutheran Church choir! We would love to have voices of all ranges join. We practice at 8:15AM in the balcony.

Lutheran Bible Camp

June 28-July 3. Mark your calendars today as you make your summer plans. Lutheran Bible Camp is a great opportunity for your child to turn off all screens to connect with other Christian children, enjoy many outdoor activities, and learn from God's Word. Camp is open to all children going into grades 4-12. Feel free to speak with Pastor Tembreull at pastor@corvallislutherans.org or 541-231-6189 with any questions.

Mainspring Food Donations

We are gathering food for Mainspring for Easter. Please bring your non-perishable items and place them in the baskets in the fellowship hall.

Upcoming Important Events

April 2 -- Maundy Thursday Service

April 3 -- Good Friday Service

April 5 -- Easter Services

April 17-19 -- Men's Retreat

Easter Sign Ups

Sign Up Sheets for Easter Breakfast and Easter Flowers are now in the Narthex.



Please consider signing up to enhance our church and fellowship

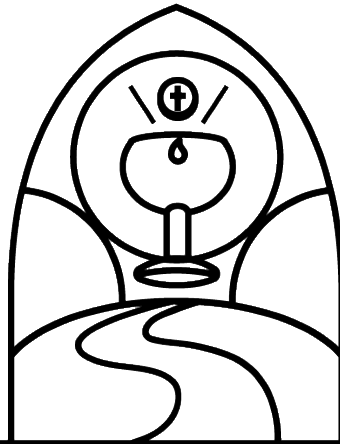
Please have flower donations to church by 10:00 AM on Saturday, April 4 so they can be arranged on the altar.

March 29



**PALM
SUNDAY**

April 2



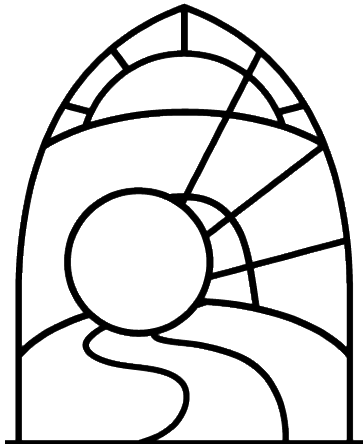
**HOLY
THURSDAY**

April 3



**GOOD
FRIDAY**

April 5



**EASTER
SUNDAY**

**930am
Worship
1030am
New
Member
Fellowship**

**630pm
Worship
Lord's
Supper**

**630pm
Tenebrae
Worship**

**7am
Worship
8am
Breakfast
930am
Worship
1030am
Egg Hunt**

HOLY WEEK

LOOK UP



To register, please visit:

<https://hopeintigard.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3386076>

Board of Education Updates

Our school secretary, Lynn Kraklow, has announced her intention to retire at the conclusion of the 2025-2026 school year. With considerable input from her and thoughtful discussion about the ministry's needs, Grace Lutheran Church and School leadership prepared a job description for the position. If you are interested in serving in this capacity please reach out to the Board of Education Chairman - Josh Luplow (boe@grace-wels.net) or our principal, John Henning (jhenning@grace-wels.net) for more information.

Important Dates Coming Up

• March

- **29:** Palm Sunday - Students Sing (plan being made)
- **30:** 4th Quarter Begins

• April

- **3:** Good Friday (No School)
- **5:** Easter Sunday
- **6:** Easter Monday (No School)
- **27- May 1:** MAP Testing

Women's Ministry - Under Construction

Women's Bible Study

Next meeting – April 18th at 9:30AM

Location - Grace Lutheran School

For more information contact: Penny Hung 971-272-1964 / penny.hung1@gmail.com

Women's Fellowship

Our next Women's Fellowship will be held on Sunday, April 12th at 1:30pm. Tammy Godish's home. Includes small devotion and please bring a plate or appetizer to share.

Mary and Martha

Tuesday, April 14 at 10 AM

Church Fellowship




For more information contact: Linda Bern 503-459-7630 / bernfamily@msn.com

We are so excited for the opportunities we already have to grow together in our faith in Jesus and in our friendships as Christian sisters here at Grace. Stay tuned as we work to grow and serve Jesus even better in the future.



Grace Lutheran School

April 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<i>1 Chapel Goelzer</i> <i>Piano Lessons</i> <i>Grace Girls</i>	2	<u>3 NO CLASSES</u> Good Friday <i>Jesus dies for our sins</i>	4
	<u>6 NO CLASSES</u> Easter Break	7	<i>8 Chapel Bourman</i> <i>Piano Lessons</i> <i>Grace Girls</i>	9	<u>10 Early Release</u> 11:45 dismissal <i>Staff Meeting 12:30</i>	11
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19	20	21	<i>22 Chapel Meus</i> <i>Piano Lessons</i>	23	<u>24 Early Release</u> 11:45 dismissal <i>Grace Girls</i> <i>Staff Meeting 12:30</i>	25 <i>Piano Recital</i> 3:00 at <i>Grace Church</i>
	27	28	<i>29 Chapel Goelzer</i> <i>Grace Girls</i>	30	May 1	May 2 Mini Olympics with Immanuel Lutheran School at GLS
<div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> 3rd through 8th grade testing </div>						

Dear Grace Families,

This year has brought many new faces and blessings to our classrooms. Thank you for the patience, support, and trust you continue to show our school — it means more than you know.

At Grace, our mission remains constant: to provide a quality education, to proclaim the good news of forgiveness through Jesus Christ, and to partner with you in the Christian training of your child. While our mission does not change, some of the ways we carry it out may look a little different next year.

Our 1st and 2nd Grade teacher, Miss Lillian Shambeau, has accepted a call to serve at Neenah Lutheran School in Neenah, Wisconsin beginning next school year. We are grateful for her faithful service and pray for God's blessings as she begins this new chapter.

Although we will not be bringing in a new teacher immediately, we are committed to ensuring that every classroom remains well-supported and that students continue to receive excellent instruction. Our faculty and staff, together with the Board of Education and the Church Council, are thoughtfully developing a plan to restructure responsibilities in a way that maintains stability, strengthens our program, and keeps our mission at the center of all we do.

We will keep you informed each step of the way. In the coming weeks, you will receive additional details as well as an invitation to a parent meeting where you will have the opportunity to hear more, ask questions, and share your thoughts. We value your partnership and want you to feel confident and supported throughout this transition.

In the meantime, please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns at jhenning@grace-wels.net.

God's blessings,

Grace Lutheran School



EVERGREEN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Wings & Wins - 2026 ELHS Annual Auction

An evening out can make a lasting impact. At our Wings & Wins Auction on April 18, your ticket helps fuel student programs and open doors through financial aid. This annual event is more than a fundraiser—it's a celebration of our students, supporters, and the future we're building together.

Early bird pricing available through March 31:

\$35 individual | \$245 table of 8

Join us for a night of purpose, generosity, and big wins for our students.

Can't Attend? Consider a Donation!

Donations to Wings & Wins support student programs and financial aid—helping students rise higher every day.

Your gift keeps their wings strong and their future bright.

Items Donation Ideas:

- Are you a season ticket holder?
- Do you own a boat and would enjoy taking a group out for fishing or tour?
- Do you have a rental/vacation home?
- Do you and your friends have a favorite local spot? Organize a group donation to purchase gift cards to popular restaurants or destinations around town.

Be creative! Your donation of an item, “experience,” or service would be a fantastic addition to our auction. Donate [Online](#), or through your church contact.



EVERGREEN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

ELHS Lent/Easter Concert -April 1st at 7PM

EVERGREEN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL 2026 LENT / EASTER CONCERT

Join us for an evening of reflection and hope at our Lent/Easter Concert on Tuesday, April 1st at 7:00 PM.

Featuring the ELHS Band, Freshman Choir, and Concert Choir, this special night of music will prepare our hearts for Easter and celebrate Christ's victory.

Come be blessed through song and fellowship!

the Via Dolorosa

T H E W A Y O F S U F F E R I N G

WED APR 1, 2026 AT 7PM

7306 WALLER RD E TACOMA
WWW.ELHS.ORG