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## Welcome! Pentecost 5, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**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 Pt. 3:1**

## Invocation

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

## HYMN:

**Trisagion**

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## Confession

M: You have searched me, Lord, and you know me. (*Psalm 139:1*)

**C: You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.**  
(*Psalm 139:2*)

M: You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. (*Psalm 139:3*)

**C: Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely.** (*Psalm 139:4*)

M: You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain. (*Psalm 139:5-6*)

**C: Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?**  
(*Psalm 139:7*)

M: If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. (*Psalm 139:8*)

**C: Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.**  
(*Psalm 139:24*)

M: See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.  
(*Psalm 139:24*)

## Absolution

M: **The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.** (*Psalm 103:8-12*)

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. Amen.

**HYMN:**

**I Will Sing Of My Redeemer**

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**Prayer Of The Day**

O Lord, our God, govern the nations on earth and direct the affairs of this world so that your Church may worship you in peace and joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**THE WORD**

**FIRST LESSON**

1 Chronicles 29:10-17

David praised the LORD in the presence of the whole assembly, saying, "Praise be to you, LORD, the God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. <sup>11</sup>Yours, LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, LORD, is the kingdom; are exalted as head over all. <sup>12</sup>Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all. <sup>13</sup>Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name. <sup>14</sup>"But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand. <sup>15</sup>We are foreigners and strangers in your sight, as were all our ancestors. Our days on earth are like a shadow, without hope. <sup>16</sup>LORD our God, all this abundance that we have provided for building you a temple for your Holy Name comes from your hand, and all of it belongs to you. <sup>17</sup>I know, my God, that you test the heart and are pleased with integrity. All these things I have given willingly and with honest intent. And now I have seen with joy how willingly your people who are here have given to you.

**HYMN::**

**Love Is the Gracious Gift**

CW#505 (1-2)

*Love is the gracious gift of your goodness;  
Love is the patient fruit of your care;  
Love is the gentle work of your Spirit,  
Who is the source of love ev'rywhere.*

***You loved me first, Lord, sending me Jesus.  
Then I responded, trusting your Son.  
Now you invite me to love my neighbor,  
Showing your true love to ev'ryone.***

## **SECOND LESSON**

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly. The one who sows generously will also reap generously. <sup>7</sup> Each one should give as he has determined in his heart, not reluctantly or under pressure, for God loves a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup> God is able to make all grace overflow to you, so that in all things, at all times, having all that you need, you will overflow in every good work. <sup>9</sup> As it is written: He scattered; he gave to the poor. His righteousness remains forever. <sup>10</sup> And he who provides seed to the sower and bread for food will provide and multiply your seed for sowing, and will increase the harvest of your righteousness. <sup>11</sup> You will be made rich in every way so that you may be generous in every way, which produces thanksgiving to God through us. <sup>12</sup> To be sure, the administration of this service is not only making up for what is lacking among the saints, but it is also overflowing in many prayers of thanksgiving to God. <sup>13</sup> By proving yourselves in this service, many people are glorifying God, as they see the obedience shown in your confession of the gospel of Christ, and the generosity shown in your sharing with them and all people. <sup>14</sup> At the same time as they pray for you, they also express their longing for you, because of the extraordinary measure of God's grace given to you. <sup>15</sup> Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

## **VERSE OF THE DAY**

Titus 3:4-7

Alleluia! <sup>4</sup> But when the kindness and love of God our Savior toward mankind appeared, <sup>5</sup> he saved us—not by righteous works that we did ourselves, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and the renewal by the Holy Spirit, <sup>6</sup> whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, <sup>7</sup> so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs in keeping with the hope of eternal life. Alleluia!

## **HYMN::**

**Love Is the Gracious Gift**  
CW#505 (3-5)

***Love means forgiveness, patience, and kindness;  
Love is not jealous, boastful, or rude.  
Love endures all things, bearing, believing;  
Love hopes forever, rejoices in truth.***

***Love in a marriage, love freely given,  
Love of a husband, love of a wife –  
Made to continue, blossom, and flourish,  
Grow ever deeper throughout this life.***

***Love among Christians, love in the fam'ly,  
Love for the Savior, whose blood was shed,  
Love and submission one to another  
As unto Christ, who reigns as our head.***

### **THE GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 12:13-21

<sup>13</sup> Someone from the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup> But Jesus said to him, “Man, who appointed me to be a judge or an arbitrator over you?”

<sup>15</sup> Then he said to them, “Watch out and be on guard against all greed, because a man’s life is not measured by how many possessions he has.”

<sup>16</sup> He told them a parable: “The land of a certain rich man produced very well. <sup>17</sup> He was thinking to himself, ‘What will I do, because I do not have anywhere to store my crops?’ <sup>18</sup> He said, ‘This is what I will do. I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store all my grain and goods. <sup>19</sup> And I will tell my soul, “Soul, you have many goods stored up for many years. Take it easy. Eat, drink, and be merry.”’

<sup>20</sup> “But God said to him, ‘You fool, this night your soul will be required (demanded) from you. Now who will get what you have prepared?’

<sup>21</sup> “That is how it will be for anyone who stores up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.”

### **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:**

**Oh, The Deep, Deep Love Of Jesus**

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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

*The blessing of Aaron has been spoken over god's people for over 3500 years. The Lord said, "So they will put my name on them, and I will bless them". – Numbers 6:24-26*

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::

CW#619 "God Bless Our Native Land"

**God bless our native land! Firm may she ever stand! - Through storm and night!  
When the wild tempests rave, Ruler of wind and wave,  
Do thou our country save! - By thy great might.**

**For her our prayers shall rise. To God above the skies; On him we wait.  
Thou who art ever nigh, Guarding with watchful eye,  
To thee aloud we cry, - God save the state!**