

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Next Sunday

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Lisa Giroir
Jerrie & Stacie

Sixth Sunday of Easter	May 25, 2025
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Welcome to God's house! Please allow us to keep in touch with you by signing the register in the foyer/narthex. Thank you!

Please remain in the sanctuary following Worship Service, Mr. Gene Davis, from The Gideons, will be giving a presentation on the good work they do distributing bibles through out the world.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated each week. Those Christians who truly believe that they receive the true body and blood of Christ Jesus our Savior, in, with and under the bread and wine are invited to partake in the Lord's Supper.

The Apostle Paul's words in 1 Corinthians 11:27-29 set forth, *"Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself."*

If you are concerned about having a proper understanding of the Lord's Supper, we urge you to speak with pastor. Questions and answers that may aid your understanding of and preparation for Holy Communion are on pages 329-330 in the pew hymnal.

Non-alcoholic white wine is located in the center of the individual cup trays for those who cannot tolerate alcohol.

Introit

Psalm 55:4, 16–18; antiphon: v. 22

Pastor: Cast your burden on the Lord, and he will sustain you;

People: he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

Pastor: My heart is in anguish within me;

People: the terrors of death have fallen upon me.

Pastor: But I call to God,

People: and the Lord will save me.

Pastor: Evening and morning and at noon I utter my complaint and moan,

People: and he hears my voice.

Pastor: He redeems my soul in safety from the battle that I wage,

People: for many are arrayed against me.

Pastor: Glory be to the Father and to the Son

People: and to the Holy Spirit;

Pastor: as it was in the beginning,

People: is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Pastor: Cast your burden on the Lord, and he will sustain you;

People: he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

Collect of the Day

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!

GRACE'S MISSION

*BUILDING ONE BODY IN CHRIST THROUGH WORSHIP,
WITNESS, STEWARDSHIP, SERVICE, LOVE, TEACHING AND
FELLOWSHIP.*

Divine Service

Fourth Setting

Lutheran Service Book, Page 203

Pre-Service Music

1. Opening Hymn # 556 v.1-5
2. Confession and Absolution p. 203
3. Introit Bulletin
4. Kyrie p. 204
5. Hymn p. 556 v.6-10
6. Salutation p. 205
7. Collect of the Day Bulletin
8. First Reading Bulletin
9. Epistle Reading Bulletin
10. Alleluia and Verse p. 205
11. **Glory to You, O Lord.** p. 206
12. Holy Gospel Bulletin
13. **Praise to You, O Christ** p. 206
14. Apostles' Creed p. 207
15. The Word for Children
16. Sermon Hymn # 830
17. Sermon
18. Meditation
19. Prayer of the Church p. 207
Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy;
People: hear our prayer.
20. Preface p. 208
21. Sanctus p. 208
22. Prayer of Thanksgiving p. 209
23. The Lord's Prayer p. 209
24. The Words of Our Lord p. 209
25. Pax Domini p. 209
26. Agnus Dei p. 210
27. Communion
28. Distribution Hymn # 501
Guitar Hymn:
Your Grace is Enough Insert
Distribution Hymn # 769
29. Nunc Dimittis p. 211
30. Post Communion Collect p. 212
31. Benediction p. 212
32. Closing Hymn # 836

Postlude

Offering boxes are on each side of the doors exiting the sanctuary.

***This is the House of God.
Let us be thoughtful and reverent.
Before the Service, speak to the Lord.
During the Service, let the Lord speak to you.
After the Service, speak to one another.***

First Reading

Acts 16:9–15

⁹A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” ¹⁰And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

¹¹So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. ¹³And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. ¹⁴One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us.

Epistle

Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27

⁹Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” ¹⁰And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, ¹¹having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. ¹²It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— ¹³on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. ¹⁴And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. . . .

²¹And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass.

²²And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it

light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, ²⁵and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Gospel

John 16:23–33

²³[Jesus said:] “In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

²⁵“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. ²⁶In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; ²⁷for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. ²⁸I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

²⁹His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! ³⁰Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.” ³¹Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? ³²Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. ³³I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

"Your Grace Is Enough"

Matt Maher

**Great is Your faithfulness oh God
You wrestle with the sinners restless heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart
So remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise oh God**

Chorus:

**Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me**

**Great is Your love and justice God
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along
So remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise oh God**

Chorus:

**Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me**

**Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me**

**So remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise oh God**

Chorus:

Your grace is enough

**Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me**

**Your grace is enough
Heaven reaching down to us
Your grace is enough for me
God I sing! Your grace is enough
I'm covered in Your love
Your grace is enough for me, for me**

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This Week at Grace

Today **9:00 a.m. Worship**
 Gideons Presentation
 Coffee & LWML Baked Goods
 10:45 a.m. Sunday School

Monday ***Memorial Day Church Office Closed***
 6:00 p.m. Bible Study Cancelled

Tuesday **1:00 p.m. Bible Study**

Wednesday **4:30 p.m. Confirmation**
 6:00 p.m. Potluck Fellowship
 Prayer & Praise

For the week May 25—31, 2025

Birthday
05/29 John Wegner

Baptismal Anniversary
05/30 Jacob Cinnater

Wedding Anniversary
05/29 J.P. & Aimee Cima

In the palm of God's Hands...

PRESSING HEALTH CONCERNS: Carmen Cunningham, Cynthia Ratliff, Ethel Hamilton, Josephine Hebert and PC Cummins.

BATTLING CANCER: Beau Bourgeois, Helen Duplantis and Michael Hamilton.

RECOVERING FROM SURGERY/INJURY: Jacqui Kaplan, Joe Deane, Nileen Nemeth and Todd Cunningham.

CHRONIC CONDITIONS & ELDERLY: Connie Oswalt, DeAnn Barrios, Donna Von Burgsdorff, Eydie Richmond, Frank Alessio, James Hillman, Jaxon Greene, Jim Richmond, John Wegner, Kim Cape, Marilyn Beach, Mike Wallace, Richard LaCour and Toni St. Amant.

MOURNING A LOSS: The families of Ellen DeSoto and Les Nemeth.

NEW & EXPECTING MOTHERS: Hailey & baby Crawford, Karoline and baby Cormier and Lei'Lyn and baby Hebert.

SERVING IN OUR ARMED FORCES & THEIR FAMILY: Austin Lirette, Haize Shroyer, Jason Reid-O'Neill, Julia Shroyer, Kyle Turcott, Lei'Lyn Hebert and Noah Scheufens.

COLLEGE STUDENTS: Alyssah Kinsella, Jonathan Dahl, Nicholas Scott, Niyah Shroyer and Victoria Thalheim.



BUILDING SECURITY & STEWARDSHIP

If you're among the last to leave the church building at any time, please be sure *all* doors are locked *and* closed completely. Also, please make sure all thermostats are returned to vacant-building settings.