



# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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(CLC)

## Trinity 2

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### Word of Truth

*"By grace you have been saved through faith,  
and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works,  
lest anyone should boast."* Ephesians 2:8-9

Musicians: Carol Ahrens, Jeanie Hoffman, Anna Maas, Louise Mayhew

Church Elders: Burnell Nieuwenhuis, Craig Ohlmann, Dale Bernthal

Congregation Chairman: Jacob Ohlmann

Ushers Team A: Jacob Ohlmann; Jack Mayhew; Jerry Knuth; Bradley Michalek;  
Larry Rahn

**VIDEO FEED:** For overflow or other reasons the church service may be viewed in the basement.



### **WELCOME visitors and members!**

It is our prayer that God's Word will bring peace, joy, and renewal of faith in each of our hearts. Feel free to speak with the Pastor after the service. Visitors: Please sign the guest book in the entryway.

**Pre-Service Meditation:** Psalm 18 (p. 125, *The Lutheran Hymnal*)

### **Pre-Service Prayer:**

O LORD God, as I contemplate Your grace and mercy, my heart overflows with joy and gratitude. I do not deserve Your love and am unworthy of Your kindness, yet by Your grace You have saved me, and through Your mercies You sustain me. Be with me and bless me this day as I worship in Your presence. Amen.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

[Worship Supplement 2000, pp. 12ff]

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

**WELCOME IN THE NAME OF OUR SAVIOR GOD—THE LORD!**

### OPENING PRAYER

**ENTRANCE HYMN:** “How Great Thou Art” (Worship Supplement 744)

**INVOCATION** (Pastor): In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation:**



### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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**Pastor:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

**Congregation:** Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

**Pastor:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

**Congregation:**



## THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie*



C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy



on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

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## GLORY TO GOD, WE GIVE YOU THANKS



C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,  
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.  
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.  
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,  
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,  
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shipped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.  
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.  
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray . . .

. . . through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Congregation:**



**FIRST LESSON: 2 Peter 3:1-9**

Our God is a just God. Jesus will return on the Last Day to judge both the living and the dead. Most people in our world today ignore those facts, forgetting that God once brought judgment down in Noah’s day upon the entire world. May we not try God’s patience, but rather reach out to others with the gospel of salvation.

**SECOND LESSON: Matthew 24:36-44**

No one knows the day or the hour of our Lord’s return. Most people, like those living at the time of Noah, take no heed to that return and will be caught unawares. Let us strive always to be ready for the time Jesus will come back, so that we might rejoice with Him throughout eternity!

Pastor: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it. (Lk.11:28)

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God,

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows a four-line musical score in treble clef with a key signature of one flat and common time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first line is a chorus of 'Al - le - lu - ia!'. The second line is the beginning of the reading: 'These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that'. The third line continues the reading: 'Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God,'. The fourth line is another chorus of 'Al - le - lu - ia!'.

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**CHILDREN’S HYMN: “I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus”**

*(The Lutheran Hymnal 428:1-2)*

**BAPTISM:** daughter of Jake and Dani Ohlmann; God-Parents: Jack & Joey Mielke, Jeff Ohlmann

**APOSTOLIC 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.

**CHILDREN’S HYMN: “I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus”**

*(The Lutheran Hymnal 428:4,6)*

**CHILDREN’S SERMON:**

*Children (pre-school-5th grade) are invited to come forward and gather around the pastor in the front of the church.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY: “By Grace I’m Saved, Grace Free and Boundless”**  
*(The Lutheran Hymnal 373:1-4)*

**SERMON:** Text - Genesis 6:8

<sup>8</sup> But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord.

**GRACE—ONE GREAT IDEA!**

- I. Grace implies a problem!
- II. Grace provides a solution!
- III. Grace evokes a response!

OFFERTORY

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me  
 not a - way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly  
 Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of  
 Your sal - va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir - it free.

OFFERINGS OF THANKSGIVING

Sing to the *Lord who* blesses; sing songs of love and praise.  
 With joyful *hearts and* voices your alleluias raise.  
 By Him the rolling seasons in fruitful *or - der* move;  
 Sing to the *Lord who* blesses a joyous song of love.

Bring to this *sa - cred* altar the gifts His goodness gave,  
 The golden *sheaves of* harvest, the souls Christ died to save.  
 Your hearts lay down *before* Him when at His *feet* you fall,  
 And with your *lives a - dore* Him Who gave His life for all.

(italicized words are sung on 2 notes; WS 793)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION (Num.6:24-26)

Congregation:

A men. A men. A - men.

**HYMN: "By Grace I'm Saved, Grace Free and Boundless"**  
(*The Lutheran Hymnal 373:5-7*)

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**HOLY COMMUNION** will be celebrated in next Sunday's worship service.

**Vacation Bible School:** The LORD provided seven young women from sister congregations in Mankato and White River to be volunteer staff for this year's VBS. He then led eighteen children to attend (7 members; 11 non-members). We spent four mornings studying Genesis 1-9 under the theme of "Ocean Commotion," as we considered how God dealt graciously with Noah and his family amid the flood's general destruction. We **THANK** everyone who assisted with housing, meals, activities, and treats throughout the week. We praise the LORD for His presence and blessing!

**CLC Convention:** The 33<sup>rd</sup> CLC Convention will be held in Eau Claire, WI from June 21-24. The *Prospectus* for the convention is posted on the web at [clclutheran.org](http://clclutheran.org). Simply left-click on "2018 CLC Convention Prospectus" which is found in the right-hand column of the web-site. The sessions and convention communion service will be streamed live for viewing. Information on that will be provided in next week's bulletin.

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**CLC News:** Mr. Gus Falkenberg, Eau Claire WI, will be replacing Teacher Brian Fox, who accepted the call to Clarkston WA, as ILC boys’ dorm supervisor, beginning this fall. < > Pastor Mark Tiefel, Redemption Lutheran, Lynnwood WA, has returned the call to Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac WI. < > Teacher Ann Sprengeler, Faith Lutheran, Markesan WI, has returned the call to Redeemer Lutheran School, Cheyenne WY.

**Weekly Calendar**

- Thursday: 7:00 p.m. Church Council @ Grace
- 8:00 p.m. Elders Meeting @ Grace
- June 14-17: Arise and Shine 20s- 30s Retreat**
- Friday: 6:30 a.m. Men’s Breakfast/Bible Study @ Grace
- 10:30 a.m. White River Nursing Home Devotion
- Saturday **7:00 p.m.** Bible Study at St. Paul’s in White River
- Sun. June 17 8:05 a.m. 940 AM Radio Devotion
- 8:00 a.m. Peace & St. Paul’s **WORSHIP with Holy Communion** in Mission
- 9:30 a.m. Grace **WORSHIP with Holy Communion** in Valentine

**Fruits of Faith—June 2/3**

**Peace / St. Paul’s:**

- Bible Study in WR: 6
- Worship:16
- Offerings: \$910.00
- WR Nursing Home: 11

**Grace:**

- Worship: 61
- Offerings: General: \$2,033.00
- Debt Retirement: \$300.00
- Spokesman: \$10.00