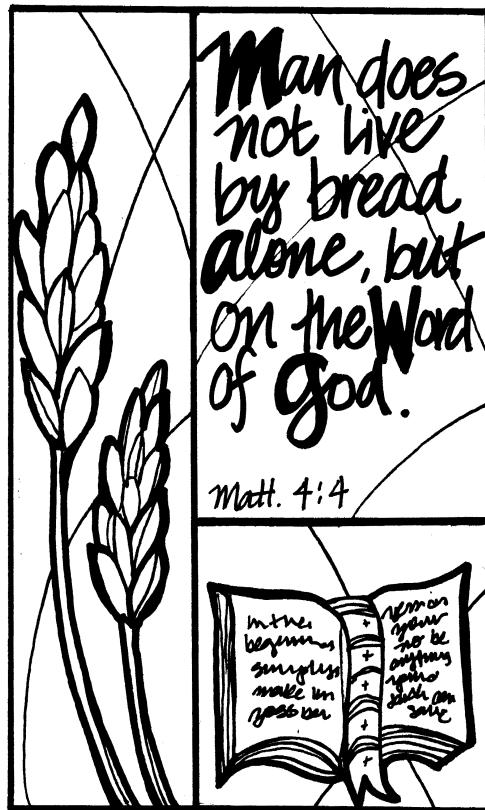


**March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017**  
**The First Sunday in Lent**



GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
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Divine Service 10 AM

**Pastor Timothy Appel**



Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church! We give thanks that our gracious Lord Jesus Christ has gathered us together here for his Divine Service. Today again our Lord comes to serve us and lavish us with his gifts of life, forgiveness, and salvation. Rejoicing in those wonderful gifts, we sing with David in Psalm 84: "How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts! A day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere."

**In our readings today**, Following His Baptism, Jesus is "*led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil*" (Matt. 4:1). As He takes upon Himself the curse of our sin and sets Himself against our enemy, He trusts His Father's voice and waits upon His Father's hand for all things. The devil questions His sonship, but the beloved and well-pleasing Son remains faithful and lives "*by every word that comes from the mouth of God*" (Matt. 4:4). Jesus patiently suffers hunger in His mortal flesh and returns to the dust whence man was taken, and by His pain He brings forth food for all the children of men (Gen. 3:18–19). By the sweat of His brow, we eat the fruit of His cross, even as our nakedness is covered by His righteousness. Although all people live in bondage to death through the trespass of the first man, Adam, all the more "*have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many*" (Rom. 5:15). His righteous obedience "*leads to justification and life for all men*" (Rom. 5:18).

**Requests**, please give written requests to be included during our "Prayers of the Church" to an usher or an elder before worship service.

**Hearing**, Ask an usher for one of the wireless hearing assistance units.

**Holy Communion** is a sacred gift from Christ to His Church. In this meal, He gives His true body and blood under bread and wine into our mouths in order to forgive our sins and strengthen our union with Him and with one another (Matthew 26:26–28; 1 Corinthians 10:16–17). Christians receive this Sacrament trusting Jesus' own words, repenting of all their sin, and confessing the faith taught in Holy Scripture together in unity (Matthew 5:23–24; Acts 2:42; 1 Corinthians 11:17–26). For this reason, and because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm (1 Corinthians 11:27–34), we ask that those who have not yet been instructed and those who are not members of a congregation in fellowship with the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod to speak with the pastor before receiving Holy Communion.

**Attendance Registration** cards are located in the Hymnal racks of each pew. We ask all members and our guests to complete one and pass it to the center aisles. An usher will collect them after the offering is taken to the altar. The cards are important as they enable our secretary to track members' attendance as well as guests interested in joining our church. Thank you for your help.

### **A Prayer Before Worship**

*O Lord, our creator, redeemer, and comforter, as we come together to worship You in spirit and in truth, we humbly pray that You would open our hearts to the preaching of Your Word so that we may repent of our sins, believe in Jesus Christ as our only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear us for His sake. Amen*

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP BELL**

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**WELCOME**

## O Christ, You Walked the Road

LSB 424



1 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan - d'ring feet must go.  
2 No bread of earth a - lone Can fill our hun - g'ring hearts.  
3 No blind - ing sign we ask, No won - der from a - bove.  
4 When lures of eas - y gain With prom - ise bright - ly shine,  
5 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan - d'ring feet must go.



You faced with us temp - ta - tion's pow'r And fought our an - cient foe.  
Lord, help us seek Your liv - ing Word, The food Your grace im - parts.  
Lord, help us place our trust a - lone In Your un - swerv-ing love.  
Lord, help us seek Your king - dom first; Our wills with Yours a - lign.  
Stay with us through temp - ta - tion's hour To fight our an - cient foe.

*Stand*

**Invocation** (*God has given us our beginning in Baptism, so the Divine Service begins in His Name.*)

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

**Confession:** (*We cannot come into the presence of our holy God on our own. We recognize our sinfulness and plead for mercy on account of Christ.*)

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**Absolution:** (*God speaks His words of forgiveness to us through His servant, the pastor.*)

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Service of the Word

**Introit:** (*Forgiven by God, He invites us into his presence as we speak words from the Psalms.*)

*Ps. 91:9-13; antiphon: Ps. 91:15-16*

When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;  
I will rescue him and honor him.

**With long life I will satisfy him  
and show him my salvation.**

Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—  
the Most High, who is my refuge—  
**no evil shall be allowed to befall you,**  
**no plague come near your tent.**

For he will command his angels concerning you  
to guard you in all your ways.

**On their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you strike your foot against a stone.**

You will tread on the lion and the adder;  
the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

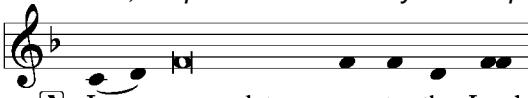
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;  
I will rescue him and honor him.

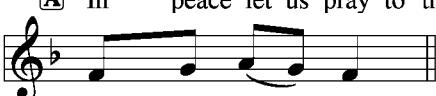
**With long life I will satisfy him  
and show him my salvation.**

**Kyrie:** (*Shortened form of the Greek “Kyrie eleison,” meaning “Lord, have mercy.” In the presence of Jesus, we plead for His mercy and help in our time of need.)*

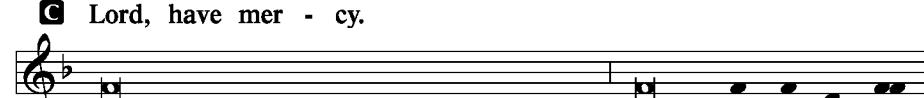
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**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



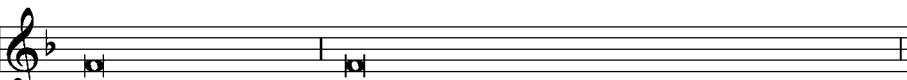
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



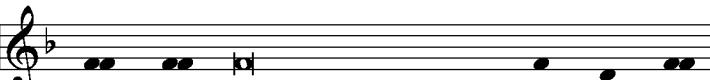
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



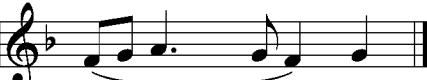
let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

**Salutation:** (*The pastor and congregation greet each other in the Lord's presence.*)



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**Collect:** (*Many of these prayers have been used in the church for over 1,500 years. They "collect" the Gospel theme for the day.*)

**P** Let us pray.

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Sit*

### Children's Message

**Scripture Readings:** (*Jesus speaks to us in His Word as our crucified and risen Savior.*)

### Old Testament Reading

*Genesis 3:1-21*

**A** Today's Old Testament reading is from Genesis, the third chapter

<sup>1</sup>Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God actually say, ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?’” <sup>2</sup>And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup>but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.’” <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. <sup>5</sup>For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths. <sup>8</sup>And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” <sup>10</sup>And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.” <sup>11</sup>He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” <sup>12</sup>The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.” <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.” <sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. <sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.” <sup>16</sup>To the woman he said, “I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you.” <sup>17</sup>And to Adam he said, “Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, ‘You shall not eat of it,’ cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life; <sup>18</sup>thorns and thistles it

shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. <sup>19</sup>By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return.” <sup>20</sup>The man called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. <sup>21</sup>And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual:** (*The Gradual is a portion of a psalm or other Scripture passage that responds to the Old Testament reading and transitions us toward the words of Jesus in the Gospel.*)

*Heb. 12:2*

O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,  
**the founder and perfecter of our faith,**  
who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,  
**and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**

## Epistle

*Romans 5:12-19*

- A** Today's Epistle reading is from Romans, the fifth chapter.

<sup>12</sup>Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— <sup>13</sup>for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. <sup>14</sup>Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

<sup>15</sup>But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. <sup>16</sup>And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. <sup>17</sup>If, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

<sup>18</sup>Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. <sup>19</sup>For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 4:1-11*

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.  
<sup>2</sup>And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup>And the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” <sup>4</sup>But he answered, “It is written, “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.”” <sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple <sup>6</sup>and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, “He will command his angels concerning you,’ and “On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.”” <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’” <sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. <sup>9</sup>And he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” <sup>10</sup>Then Jesus said to him, “Be gone, Satan! For it is written, “You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.””

<sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

**Creed:** (God works faith in us by His Word that we hear in Scripture. We confess that faith using one of three creeds that the church has used throughout the years and across the world.)

### Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  of the world to come. Amen.**

*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day:** (*This hymn especially relates to the Gospel theme for the day. Each hymn provides a way for us to hear God's Word set to music.*)



# A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

LSB 656

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G clef, common time, with lyrics in both German and English. The lyrics are arranged in four-line stanzas.

**Staff 1:**

1 A might - y for - tress is our God,  
2 With might of ours can naught be done,  
3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill,  
4 The Word they still shall let main

**Staff 2:**

A trust - y shield and weap - on;  
Soon were our loss ef - effect ed;  
All ea - ger to de - vour us,  
Nor an - y thanks have for it;

**Staff 3:**

He helps us free from ev - ry need  
But for us fights the val iant One,  
We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;  
He's by our side up - on the plain

**Staff 4:**

That hath us now o'er - tak en.  
Whom God Him self e - lect ed.  
They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.  
With His good gifts and Spir it.

**Staff 5:**

The old e vil foe Now means  
Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus  
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce  
And take they our life, Goods, fame,

**Staff 6:**

dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might  
Christ it is, Of Sab - a oth Lord,  
as he will, He can harm us none.  
child, and wife, Though these all be gone,

Are his dread arms in fight;  
And there's none other God;  
He's judged; the deed is done;  
Our victory has been won;  
  
is not his even equal.  
the field for ever.  
tle word can fell him.  
dom ours remain eth.

### Sermon "A Sure Victory"

*Matthew 4:10*

(Based on one of the Scripture readings, the pastor proclaims God's Word of Law and Gospel for our lives today.)

### Votum

**P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

**C** Amen.

Stand

**Offertory:** (*The congregation responds to God's forgiveness with a sacrifice of praise.*)

### Create in Me

*LSB 956*

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 Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;

and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

### **Sharing of the Peace**

*The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, “Peace be with you,” as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3).*

*Sit*

**Offering:** (*The congregation responds to God’s forgiveness by bringing Him the first fruits of what He has given.*)

*Stand*

**Prayer of the Church:** (*The congregation joins together to pray for ourselves, for the Church, and for people throughout the world.*)

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

### *Close of the Prayers*

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**C** Amen.

### Service of the Sacrament

**Preface:** (*The Service of the Sacrament begins with praise and thanksgiving for what God has done and is about to do for us in the Lord’s Supper.*) LSB 160

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And al - so with you.  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them to the Lord.  
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus:** (*Latin for “holy.” The division between heaven and earth is gone, and we cry out to God with the heavenly host, “Holy, Holy, Holy!” to welcome our Savior Jesus (Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9.)*)

LSB 161

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

**Lord's Prayer:** (*We pray the words that Jesus gave us to pray, trusting that our Father will hear and answer us.*)

LSB 162

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** 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.

**Words of Our Lord:** (*We hear Jesus' words that in the Sacrament He gives us His very body and blood in, with, and under the bread and the wine.*)

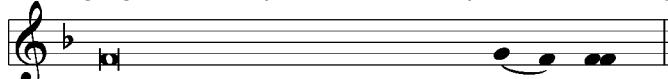
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**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My <sup>†</sup> body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My <sup>†</sup> blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

**Pax Domini:** (*Latin for "The peace of the Lord." The pastor holds the body and blood of Jesus before the congregation and speaks the Lord's peace as the very Gospel.*)

LSB 163



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

**Agnus Dei:** (*Latin for "Lamb of God." As John the Baptist cried (John 1:29), so we sing to Christ, our Lamb who was sacrificed for our sins.*)

LSB 163



**C** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Sit*

**Distribution**

## O Lord, We Praise Thee

LSB 617



1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a - dore Thee,  
 2 Thy ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en,  
 3 May God be - stow on us His grace and fa - vor



In thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore Thee. Thou with Thy  
 Life to win for us in heav - en. No great - er  
 That we fol - low Christ our Sav - ior And live to -



bod - y and Thy blood didst nour - ish Our weak souls that  
 love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast there -  
 geth - er here in love and u - nion Nor de - spise this



they may flour - ish: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 of re - mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 blest Com - mu - nion! O Lord, have mer - cy!



May Thy bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, That our  
 Lord, Thy kind - ness did so con - strain Thee That Thy  
 Let not Thy good Spir - it for - sake us; Grant that



sins and sor - rows did car - ry, And Thy blood for us plead  
 blood should bless and sus - tain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;  
 heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see



In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 Days of peace and u - ni - ty: O Lord, have mer - cy!

## Just as I Am, without One Plea

LSB 570

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea But that Thy  
 2 Just as I am and wait - ing not To rid my  
 3 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout With man - y a  
 4 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; Sight, rich - es,

blood was shed for me And that Thou bidd'st me come to  
 soul of one dark blot, To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each  
 con - flict, man - y a doubt, Fight - ings and fears with - in, with -  
 heal - ing of the mind, Yea, all I need, in Thee to

Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,  
 Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
 Because Thy promise I believe,  
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown  
 Has broken ev'ry barrier down;  
 Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,  
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

*Stand*

*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:*

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.
- C** Amen.

**Post-Communion Collect:** (*We thank God for all He has done in the Sacrament and ask that it would show forth in our lives.*)

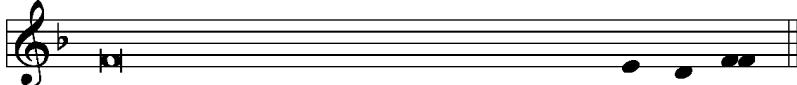
- P** Let us pray.  
 Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

**Benediction:** (Just as the Divine Service began, so it ends. We go forth with our Lord's blessing and His name upon us (Numbers 6:22-27).)

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**P** 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 **T** give you peace.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

### Jesus, Lead Thou On

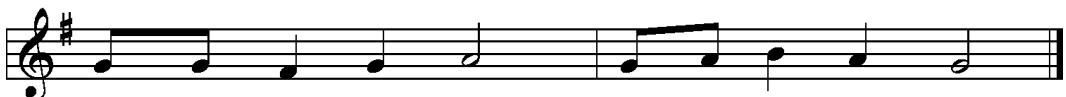
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1 Je - sus, lead Thou on Till our rest is won; And al - though the  
2 If the way be drear, If the foe be near, Let not faith - less  
3 When we seek re - lief From a long-felt grief, When temp - ta - tions  
4 Je - sus, lead Thou on Till our rest is won. Heav'n - ly lead - er,



way be cheer - less, We will fol - low calm and fear - less.  
fears o'er - take us; Let not faith and hope for - sake us;  
come al - lur - ing, Make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing.  
still di - rect us, Still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us,



Guide us by Thy hand To our fa - ther - land.  
For through man - y a woe To our home we go.  
Show us that bright shore Where we weep no more.  
Till we safe - ly stand In our fa - ther - land.

### Silent Prayer After Worship

Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS  
DISMISSAL  
POSTLUDE**

**Bazaar Committee meeting today!**

**March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

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**Serving the Lord During Today's Worship Service**

<b>Mar. Elders</b>	<b>Jim Duty</b>	<b>Organist(s):</b>
	<b>M. W. Kasper</b>	<b>June Parker</b>

<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>Bert Bunte</b>	<b>Esther Wolff (Sub)</b>
	<b>Ed Randle</b>	<b>Kim Appel (Sub)</b>

<b>Mar. Trustees:</b>	<b>Allan Hancock</b>	<b>Mar. Altar Guild</b>
	<b>Tommy Oates</b>	<b>Helen Fleck</b>
		<b>Rebecca Watson</b>

<b>Readers:</b>	<b>Acolytes:</b>
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<b>Mar. 5</b>	<b>Nancy Fritsche</b>	<b>Mar. 5</b>	<b>Gene Brown &amp; Brenden Kadlecek</b>
<b>Mar. 12</b>	<b>Bernie Satterwhite</b>	<b>Mar. 8</b>	<b>Thomas Brown &amp; Ramon Wolff</b>
<b>Mar. 19</b>	<b>Chad Catron</b>	<b>Mar. 12</b>	<b>Barrett Watson &amp; Juniper Smith</b>
<b>Mar. 26</b>	<b>Rose Caldwell</b>	<b>Mar. 15</b>	<b>Sterling Brown &amp; Baylor Watson</b>
		<b>Mar. 19</b>	<b>David Wolff &amp; Brenden Kadlecek</b>
		<b>Mar. 22</b>	<b>Gene Brown &amp; Alex Caldwell</b>
		<b>Mar. 26</b>	<b>Ramon Wolff &amp; Barrett Watson</b>
		<b>Mar. 29</b>	<b>Thomas Brown &amp; Juniper Smith</b>

**VISIT WITH PASTOR**

If you need to contact Pastor Appel, his home phone is: 512-237-9664, his email address is: [timothyappel@gmail.com](mailto:timothyappel@gmail.com), or contact the Office at 512-237-2108. Pastor Appel is normally in the office between 9:00am and 12:00 noon, Mon thru Thurs. He will be available in the afternoons as well, but often uses that time to make nursing home, hospital or home visits. If unable to reach Pastor, please contact your Elder (Elders list on bulletin board outside of Office).

**SERMONS ONLINE**

Grace Lutheran Church records our worship services through our audio system. Each week's sermon is placed online; go to [www.glbs.org](http://www.glbs.org) and follow the link on the front page to listen to Pastor Appel's sermons. This is a great resource if you miss a service, want to hear a sermon again, or help witness to a friend. If you would like a CD copy of the sermon for yourself or to give to someone else, please let the church office know.

## NEWSLETTER/BULLETINS

The newsletters as well as our bulletins are online in PDF format for your viewing. Go to [www.gcls.org](http://www.gcls.org) and click on "Newsletter/bulletins" and then click on the PDF file to access.



Please contact Barb Johannessen at 512-284-0199 if you are interested in this position

### AT GRACE THIS WEEK

<u>Sun. Mar. 5</u>	<u>Mon. Mar. 6</u>	<u>Tues. Mar. 7</u>	<u>Wed. Mar. 8</u>
8:45a Bible Class 10a Worship/Communion	7P Elders	6p Community Bunco 7p Adult Confirmation Class	10a GLLC Chapel 5:30p LENTEN SCHEDULE Soup: Fr – P Host: (see schedule below)
<u>Thurs. Mar. 9</u>	<u>Fri. Mar. 10</u>	<u>Sat. Mar. 11</u>	<u>Sun. Mar. 12</u>
	Pastor Away-Family Day		SET CLOCKS AHEAD 8:45a Bible Class 10a Worship/Communion 6:30p Youth Group



5:30-6:15p Bible Class  
6:00-6:45p Soup Supper  
7:00p Worship



### *Lenten Midweek Offerings*

Our Lenten midweek offerings this year will go to support three important missions: Grace Lutheran Learning Center, Faith Lutheran High School in Central Texas, and Pastor Askins in Hong Kong. Please give generously to support the work of spreading the good news of Jesus Christ through these ministries!

Mar. 8	Lent Midweek 2	Soup: Fr – P Host:	Bread from Heaven
Mar. 15	Lent Midweek 3	Soup: R – Z Host: <b>LWML</b>	Healing Medicine
Mar. 22	Lent Midweek 4	Soup: A - Fo Host: <b>Elders</b>	Blest Communion
Mar. 29	Lent Midweek 5	Soup: Fr – P Host: <b>Brd. of Ed.</b>	Rest for the Weary
Apr. 5	Lent Midweek 5	Soup: R-Z Host:	Wedding Feast
Apr. 9	Palm Sunday	10:00 am	Procession of Palms
Apr. 13	Maundy Thursday	7:00 pm	Divine Service with Holy Communion
Apr. 14	Good Friday	7:00 pm	Tenebrae Vespers
Apr. 16	Easter Sunday	8:00 am	Easter egg hunt & breakfast following the Service

### FINANCIALS – as of Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016

	Feb. 5	Feb. 12	Feb. 19	Feb. 26	Y-T-D
General Offering	5,755.00	3,740.00	3,722.90	3,554.00	34,769.90
2016 Weekly goal	3,954.04	3,954.04	3,954.04	3,954.04	35,586.36
Difference	<b>1800.96</b>	<b>-214.04</b>	<b>-231.14</b>	<b>-400.04</b>	<b>-816.46</b>
SS Offering	53.00	35.00	41.00	40.00	
GLLC Donations	50.00	1,045.00		10.00	

Sunday Worship (2/26) 110 Sunday School (2/26) 54

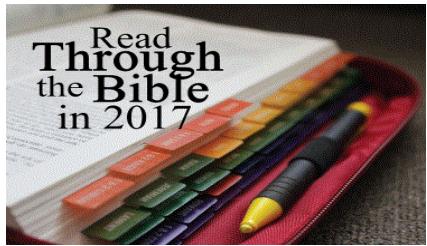
### GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH PRAYER LIST



If you are missed in our prayer list, or if there are changes (addition, deletions or corrections) to our prayer list, please let us know. **On the first of the month we will be updating names**, so if you wish to add names, or continue to leave names on the list, please call the church office (237-2108) or write a note on the back of the attendance card.

In the Nursing Home:	Mildred Karcher, Lorine Vogel, Charlotte Metzler, Lucy & Alvie Tinberg, Annie Mae Rohde, Eleanore Brantley, Evelyn Tietjen (Helen Fleck's mother), Teresa Slusher, Milly Fritz
Long Term Health Concerns:	Blackie Wallace, Kenny Wood (Sandy Kadlecik's father)
Battling Cancer:	Esther Hoskins, Billy Duty (Marilyn Randle & Jim Duty's brother), Brian Fowler, Rosemary Weston (friend of the Langers), Bill Haley (friend of the Rohde's), Bill Castleberry (friend of Steve Pauley), Jim Caldwell & Rob Scoggins (friends of the Rohde's), Gloria Neveraz (Bianca Kasper's friend), Charlene Frerich (the Johannessen's daughter), Randy Psencik (friend of Patsy Wiggins), Regina Reeves, Coey Zapalac (friend of Kim Kunz), Rick

	Fowler (friend of the Langer's), <b>George</b> Neave (friend of GLLC), <b>Bob</b> Packard (friend of the Kadlecok's), <b>Christopher</b> Krueger (cousin of Bianca Kasper), <b>Jo Ann</b> Copeland, <b>Marvin</b> "Butch" Schroeder (brother of Johnny Schroeder), <b>Leslie</b> Davis (friend of Kellye Bonorden), <b>Jamie</b> Evans (friend of GLLC), <b>Kelsey</b> Cantrell (relative of Kathy Kasper), <b>Melissa</b> Wellman (friend of the Langer's), <b>Pete</b> Luna
Recent Health Concerns:	<b>Margaret</b> Butcher, <b>Stefanie</b> Monecke, <b>Karina</b> Coups, <b>Elizabeth</b> Magers (friend of the Rohde's), <b>Katherine</b> Benedix, <b>Elizabeth</b> Penn, <b>Kathleen</b> Brohlin, <b>Melissa</b> Brown, <b>Sandra</b> Senn (Gene Brown's teacher), <b>Linda</b> Hanna (Stefanie Monecke's mother), <b>Jensen</b> Vellier (infant friend of Rose Pietsch), <b>Eleanor</b> Muttschink, <b>Barbara &amp; Charlie</b> Johannessen, <b>Aaron</b> Atsy (friend of the Deapens), <b>Johnnie</b> Kalina, <b>Lee</b> Hampton, <b>Johnny</b> Schroeder, <b>Glenn</b> Dyess (son-in-law of the Wallace's), <b>Shirley</b> Thornton (Bianca Kasper's mother), <b>Mildred</b> Buscha, <b>Johnny</b> Webber (nephew of Darlene Becker), <b>David</b> Rohde, <b>Robert</b> Miller, <b>LaVerne</b> Wallace, <b>Patsy</b> Wiggins, <b>Janelle &amp; Rowe</b> Caldwell (friends of the Duty's), <b>Zachary</b> Montgomery (great grandson of the Schroeder's), <b>Sharee</b> Villa (friend of Patsy Wiggins), <b>Courtney</b> Glenn (friend of Kellye Geigenmiller), <b>Marybeth</b> Claiborne, <b>Lula</b> Jones (friend of Rose Pietsch), <b>Loretta &amp; Mike</b> Grassmuck (friends of Wendy Rohde), <b>Sammie</b> Hodges (friend of the Kadlecok's), <b>Carolyn</b> Foytik (Sharon Hancock's sister), <b>Shannon</b> Synatschk (cousin of Ann Schroeder), <b>Willie</b> Smith (Ryan Smith's father), <b>Becky</b> Robison (friend of Millie Fritz), <b>Donna, Holly &amp; Carl</b> Barrera, (friends of Patsy Wiggins), <b>Tom</b> Brown (son of Kathleen Brohlin), <b>Scott</b> Kubsch (nephew of Johnnie Schroeder), <b>Edna</b> Mayfield (daughter of Kikue & Clarence Hannusch), <b>Samuel</b> Engman, <b>George</b> Haydon (friend of Charlie Johannessen), <b>Kikue</b> Hannusch, <b>Mary Jo</b> Grassmuck (friend of Wendy Rohde), <b>Jayden</b> Anderson (3 yr. old- friend of Sandy Kadlecok), <b>Jordon</b> Nitsche (friend of Frances Pool), <b>Clarence</b> Cossey (friend of Ed Randle), <b>Jordan</b> Burleson, <b>Garrette</b> Hoffman, <b>Evelyn</b> Tinberg (Alvie's sister-in-law), <b>Floyd</b> Meeks, <b>Christopher</b> Harms (friend of the Metzler's).
In the Military:	<b>Justin</b> Teague, <b>Giancarlo</b> Calderoni (son of Catherine & Gary Smith), <b>Aiden</b> Hunter Haught (grandson of Eugene Randle), <b>Madison</b> Martin, <b>Kenneth</b> Hancock (brother of Tracy Hancock), <b>Beck</b> Williams Helmcamp (George Helmcamp's grandson).
Other Prayer Requests:	<b>Wesley</b> Tucker (son of Teresa Slusher), <b>Kevin</b> O'Dwyer, <b>Karen &amp; Phil</b> Duhert (friends of Frances Pool & Juanita Bertsch), <b>Teresa</b> Juarez (sister of Christina Juarez), <b>Joshua</b> Zimmerhanzel, <b>Albert</b> Sellers (uncle of Bianca Kasper), <b>Jeff</b> Dunn (friend of the Langer's), <b>Gabriel</b> Bullara (Melissa Brown's grandson), <b>Sloan</b> Davidson (friend of the Flora's), <b>Jessica</b> Rogoway (Brooke Deapen's grandmother)



## **READ THROUGH THE BIBLE IN 2017**

We pray that your reading through the Bible in 2017 had a blessed beginning this last week. If you didn't start or missed a few days, don't be afraid to start anew this week! *The plan for the whole month of March is in your newsletter, and these same readings are included for you in the daily devotions on the back of your bulletin each week as well.* God's richest blessings as you dig into His Word this year!



appointment only. If you are interested in speaking with Mr. Kueck concerning FLHS while he is here, please contact us at [\(979\) 540-8510](tel:(979)540-8510). Please keep Mr. Kueck in your prayers as he travels!



### **Volunteer at GLLC**

Grace Lutheran Learning Center is an important ministry of our congregation, and you can be a part of it! GLLC is looking for volunteers to provide helping hands in the afternoons from 2:30-4:30 PM. Volunteers should be able to have a regular schedule and must submit to a background check. If you love working with kids and sharing the love of Jesus, this opportunity is for you! Please speak with our director, **Angel Hurst**, for more information!



During the season of Lent during this 500th Anniversary of the Reformation, our hymn of the "month" will be *LSB 617, "O Lord, We Praise Thee,"* written by Martin Luther. This hymn praises the Lord for His precious gift in the Sacrament of the Altar, fitting well with our midweek Lenten theme. We pray that this hymn is a blessing to you during this penitential season.

**March 8, 2017**  
**Lenten Midweek 2**

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 16:1-15  
New Testament Reading: John 6:27-35, 48-51  
Passion Reading: Matthew 26:1-29

**March 12, 2017**  
**Second Sunday in Lent**

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 12:1-9  
Epistle Reading: Romans 4:1-8, 13-17  
Gospel Reading: John 3:1-17

# The Congregation in the Word and at Prayer Order for Family Devotions for March 5-11, 2017

## Invocation

¶ In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

¶ Amen.

## Introit (Bulletin, p. 3)

### Learn by Heart: *The Sacrament of the Altar, Where is this written?*

## Daily Readings

*Sunday:* Galatians 3:1-4:7; Exodus 23-24

*Monday:* Galatians 4:8-31; Exodus 25-26

*Tuesday:* Galatians 5-6; Exodus 27-28

*Wednesday:* Ephesians 1; Exodus 29-31

*Thursday:* Ephesians 2-3; Exodus 32-33

*Friday:* Proverbs 5; Psalms 34-36

*Saturday:* Day off, or make up a reading you missed earlier in the week

## Hymn of the Week: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" (LSB 656, Bulletin, p. 9-10)

## Meditation: *Portals of Prayer* or other devotion

## Prayers (along with your own prayers, consider including prayers and petitions from below and from the following resources: Bulletin, p. 19-20; *Lutheran Book of Prayer*; LSB pp.305-318)

*Sunday:* Thanksgiving for God's Word

*Monday:* For peace and good government

*Tuesday:* For the addicted and despairing

*Wednesday:* For those who mourn

*Thursday:* For fruitful use of the Sacrament

*Friday:* For the preaching of the cross

*Saturday:* For our visitors to the Divine Service

## Collect (Bulletin, p. 5)

## Apostles' Creed

## Lord's Prayer

## Luther's Morning or Evening Prayer

## Benediction

¶ The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

¶ Amen.