

The church is meant for all people

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WELCOME...

- *May the Word of God bring you comfort in Christ alone.*
- *Check our website at www.graceglendale.org for more information.*
- *Please reserve **the BACK PEWS for parents with SMALL CHILDREN.***
- *Ask an usher to receive a **RECEIVER** if you need hearing assistance.*

THE SERVICE: p. 188, Setting 3

HYMN: 914 CHRIST IS OUR CORNERSTONE

Christ is our cornerstone,
on him alone we build;
with his true saints alone
the courts of heav'n are filled.
On his great love
our hopes we place
of present grace
and joys above.

Here may we gain from heav'n
the grace which we implore,
and may that grace, once giv'n,
be with us evermore
until that day
when all the blest
to endless rest
are called away.

Oh, then, with hymns of praise
these hallowed courts shall ring;
our voices we will raise
the Three in One to sing
and thus proclaim
in joyful song,
both loud and long,
that glorious name.

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(Stand)

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

Holy Baptism: 10:30

Eli Joseph Paul

CONFESSION

CW 188

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

(Silence for meditation and reflection)

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

CW 190

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let
us pray to the Lord.

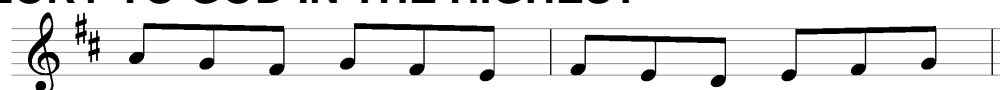
Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

CW 191



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to



God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,



and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - migh - t - y God and
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly
Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the
Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the
Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus

Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.
 Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to
 God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,
 and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

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The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

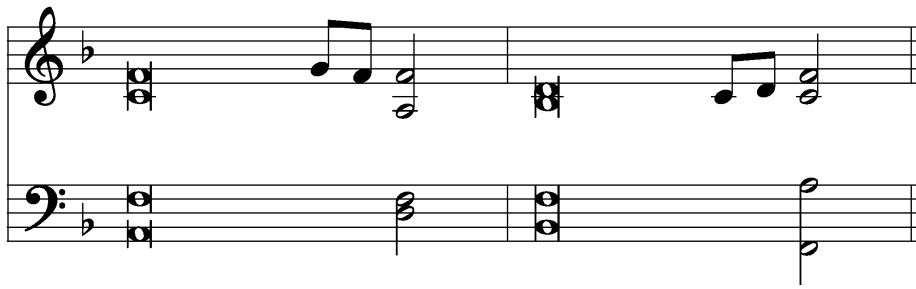
PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Gracious God, in Christ you bring people from near and far into the fellowship of your church. Open our eyes to your saving plan, and move us to embrace all who seek your salvation so that we may rejoice together at the banquet of your love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Tone



May God be gracious to us and / bless us
and make his face / shine on us—
so that your ways may be / known on earth,
your salvation among all / nations.
May the peoples / praise you, God;
may all the peoples / praise you.
May the nations be glad and / sing for joy,
for you rule the peoples with equity and guide the nations / of the
earth. *Refrain*

The land yields its / harvest;
God, our God, / blesses us.
May God / bless us still,
so that all the ends of the earth will / fear him.
**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 2:13–22

Ephesians 2:13–22

Different people find harmony in Jesus' cross.

¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, ¹⁵by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands

and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. ¹⁷He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit. ¹⁹Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, ²⁰built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. ²²And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: GOSPEL ACCLAMATION - SETTING 3

Ephesians 2:13



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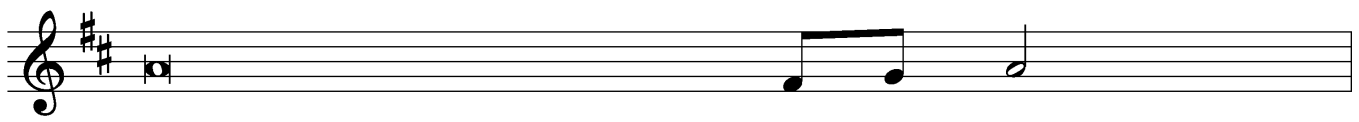


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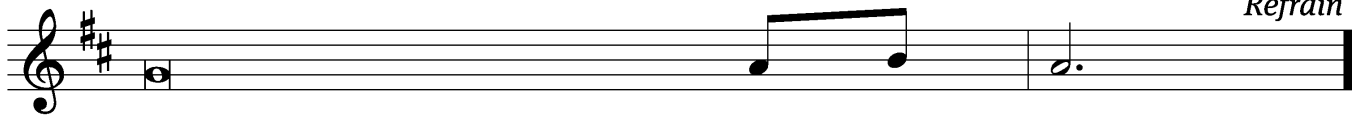


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Tone



But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far a - way



have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

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GOSPEL: MATTHEW 15:21–28

Matthew 15:21–28

In the company of the apostles, a Canaanite woman is praised.

²¹Leaving that place, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. ²²A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him, crying out, “Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is demon-possessed and suffering terribly.” ²³Jesus did not answer a word. So his disciples came to him and urged him, “Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us.” ²⁴He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel.” ²⁵The woman came and knelt before him. “Lord, help me!” she said. ²⁶He replied, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and toss it to the dogs.” ²⁷“Yes it is, Lord,” she said. “Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master’s table.” ²⁸Then Jesus said to her, “Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted.” And her daughter was healed at that moment.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

(Be seated)

HYMN OF THE DAY: 855 THE CHURCH’S ONE FOUNDATION *sts. 1–5*

The Church’s one foundation
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation
by water and the Word.
From heav’n he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;

with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation,
yet one o'er all the earth;
her charter of salvation:
one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with ev'ry grace endued.

The Church shall never perish.
Her dear Lord, to defend,
to guide, sustain, and cherish,
is with her to the end.
Tho' there be those that hate her
and strive to see her fail,
against both foe and traitor
she ever shall prevail.

Tho' with a scornful wonder
the world sees her oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping;
their cry goes up, "How long?"
and soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.

Mid toil and tribulation
and tumult of her war
she waits the consummation
of peace forevermore
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great Church victorious
shall be the Church at rest.

SERMON

Matthew 15:21-28

SO...YOU'RE TELLING ME THERE'S A CRUMB!

(Stand)

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(Be seated)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.

Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.

Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.

The signs of the times warn us that the end of time is near. Protect us from scoffers who sneer at your truth. Spare us and Christians around the world from all forms of hate and persecution.

Give us courage to carry the cross with patience and joy.

Instill in the hearts of our children a desire to follow you as they prepare for future days. Help them distinguish between what is passing and what is eternal, between instant thrills and lasting joy. Encourage more young people to prepare for service in the public ministry of the gospel.

Mold us and move us to be good examples for our youth.

Hold in your care, Lord, those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death.

[Especially bless . . . *here name the person and the cause of the petition.*] Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they loved.

Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help when we can.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever.

Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.

OFFERING

(Stand)

PREFACE

CW 199

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

CW 200





Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Blessed are you, Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin.

We remember and give you thanks that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us, that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law, that he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death on a cross, that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive
those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver
us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

CW 202



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, grant us peace.

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(Be seated)

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 768 LORD OF ALL NATIONS, GRANT ME GRACE

Lord of all nations, grant me grace
to love all people, ev'ry race;
and in each person help me view
my kindred, loved, redeemed by you.

Break down the wall that would divide
your children, Lord, on ev'ry side.
My neighbors' good let me pursue;
bind them to me and all to you.

Forgive me, Lord, where I have erred
by loveless act and thoughtless word.
Make me to see the wrong I do
will hurt my neighbor, Lord, and you.

Give me your courage, Lord, to speak
whenever strong oppress the weak;
and should I be a victim, too,
help me forgive, rememb'ring you.

With your own love may I be filled
and by your Holy Spirit willed,
that all I touch, whate'er I do,
may be divinely touched by you.

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(Stand)

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving-kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

Amen.

HYMN: 860 IN CHRIST THERE IS NO EAST OR WEST

In Christ there is no east or west,
in him no south or north,
but one great fellowship of love
throughout the whole wide earth.

With God there is no tribe or race;
in him we all are one.
He loves us as his children through
our faith in his dear Son.

So, brothers, sisters, praise his name
who died to set us free
from sin, division, hate, and blame,
from spite and enmity!

Join hands, disciples of the faith,
whate'er your race may be;
who serves my Father as his child
is surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west;
in him meet south and north.

All Christian souls are one in him
throughout the whole wide earth.

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Worship attendance: 8:00 AM – 140; 10:30 AM – 145

Sunday School attendance: Adults – 92; Children – 20

Senior ushers – 8:00 AM: Chris Paul/Jon Floerke/Eoghan Hill

10:30 AM: Alan Borchardt/Todd Rovey

Organist: **Michael Wilde**

HOSPITALIZED OR RECUPERATING AT HOME:

Sandra Lederer – Goldwater Asst. Living, 24215 N 55th Ave, Glendale, AZ 85310

Vern Busby – St. Joseph’s Hospital, 350 W Thomas Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85013

THIS WEEK AT GRACE:

SUN- **Communion, 8:00 & 10:30 AM;** Bible Class & Sunday School, 9:30

MON - Choir Practice, 7:00 PM

WED - Pre-Call Meeting, 6:30 PM

SUN - **Worship, 8 & 10:30 AM;** Bible Class & Sunday School, 9:30 AM;

12 PM, Pastor Clark 40th Anniversary and farewell dinner

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. *Forward in Christ* and February Bible-reading & activity calendars are in the Narthex and south entrance to the church.

2. Thank you to the crew that cleaned the church last week. The cleaning crew for August 26 will be captained by Jody Biedenbender with Brett Biedenbender, Kari Biedenbender, Bruce and Jane Scott, Dave and Kathy Aufdemberge, Krista Aufdemberge, and Todd and Cindy Cordts

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Wally Wahlberg was called home to his eternal glory, on August 8. His memorial service will be held Saturday, August 26th at 11:00 am with lunch following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to Grace Lutheran School or Wisconsin Lutheran College (Attn: Betty Wahlberg Music Scholarship). Blessed are those who die in the Lord.

40th ANNIVERSARY IN MINISTRY... We will recognize a special milestone for Pastor Clark who has been blessed with 40 years in the public ministry, including 32 years served here at Grace. A special celebration will be held Sunday, August 27 with dinner at 12:00 pm and a program to follow. We will also say farewell, as he leaves for his next congregation in Tucson, with his final sermon at Grace preached at the 8:00 am and 10:30 am services. Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

GRACE TRIP TO ISRAEL 2023 PICTURES, August 27. Pastor Clark will be showing pictures of the trip he led to Israel and Jordan last April. The pictures will be shown during the Bible Class time in the church.

PRE-CALL SURVEY... You should have received an email with a link to a pre-call survey. Your feedback is required to help us call our next pastor. If you didn't receive the email, contact Debbie Petersen to make sure we have your updated email address. If you don't have a computer at home, see Jon Scheel between services in the back of the Fellowship Hall and he will help you out.

WELS YOUTH NIGHT is Saturday, August 26, 6-9p at Cross of Glory Lutheran Church. Our keynote speaker is Dr. Joel Hahnke. He will speak with the teens about gender identity and God's Word. Watch for more information to come!

CALLING ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS... Please make sure to register through WELS Campus Ministry before classes start. Doing so, allows the synod to serve you while you are gone and gives you access to free Meditations and Forward in Christ. Blessings on your year!

SCRIPTURAL CARDS are available for purchase in the fellowship hall after

the first service this morning. Greeting cards can be purchased individually and by the box.

2022 ALTAR FLOWER SIGN-UP SHEETS... You may sign up to donate altar bouquets for 2022 in the Altar Flower binder in the narthex. Altar bouquets cost \$35 each. Enclose payment in a pink envelope (make checks payable to Grace Ladies Aid) and drop in the collection plate.

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FINANCIAL UPDATE: Need amounts are based on a goal of **\$947,436.00** by **6/30/2024**.

Week ending 8/13/2023:

Weekly Need:	1,700.00		YTD Need:	121,200.00
Weekly Actual:	12,127.79		YTD Actual:	91,276.28
Weekly +/-:	-4,872.21		YTD +/-:	-29,923.72