

# ***The Christian Life Values Godly Government***



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### **WELCOME...**

- *May the Word of God bring you comfort in Christ alone.*
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  - *Please reserve **the BACK PEWS for parents with SMALL CHILDREN.***
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### **THE SERVICE:**

Service of Word and Prayer, CW 266

### **HYMN: 768 LORD OF ALL NATIONS, GRANT ME GRACE**

### **BAPTISM (10:30)**

CW 151

Everly Nicole Jaramillo

### **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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***(Please stand)***

## **Responses**

I rejoiced with those who said to me,  
**“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”**

How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord Almighty!  
**Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you.**

The Lord is near to all who call on him,  
**to all who call on him in truth.**

## **Time of the Church**

Teach me, Lord, the way of your decrees,  
**that I may follow it to the end.**

Your word is a lamp for my feet,  
**a light on my path.**

Faith comes from hearing the message,  
**and the message is heard through the word about Christ.**

Prayer  
Amen.

*(Please be seated)*

### First Reading

*Daniel 1:3–21*

#### ***The Prophet Daniel was a public servant in Babylon.***

<sup>3</sup>Then the king ordered Ashpenaz, chief of his court officials, to bring into the king's service some of the Israelites from the royal family and the nobility— <sup>4</sup>young men without any physical defect, handsome, showing aptitude for every kind of learning, well informed, quick to understand, and qualified to serve in the king's palace. He was to teach them the language and literature of the Babylonians. <sup>5</sup>The king assigned them a daily amount of food and wine from the king's table. They were to be trained for three years, and after that they were to enter the king's service.

<sup>6</sup>Among those who were chosen were some from Judah: Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. <sup>7</sup>The chief official gave them new names: to Daniel, the name Belteshazzar; to Hananiah, Shadrach; to Mishael, Meshach; and to Azariah, Abednego.

<sup>8</sup>But Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine, and he asked the chief official for permission not to defile himself this way. <sup>9</sup>Now God had caused the official to show favor and compassion to Daniel, <sup>10</sup>but the official told Daniel, "I am afraid of my lord the king, who has assigned your food and drink. Why should he see you looking worse than the other young men your age? The king would then have my head because of you."

<sup>11</sup>Daniel then said to the guard whom the chief official had appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah, <sup>12</sup>"Please test your servants for ten days: Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink. <sup>13</sup>Then compare our appearance with that of the young men who eat the royal food, and treat your servants in accordance with what you see."  
<sup>14</sup>So he agreed to this and tested them for ten days.

<sup>15</sup>At the end of the ten days they looked healthier and better nourished than any of the young men who ate the royal food. <sup>16</sup>So the guard took

away their choice food and the wine they were to drink and gave them vegetables instead.

<sup>17</sup>To these four young men God gave knowledge and understanding of all kinds of literature and learning. And Daniel could understand visions and dreams of all kinds.

<sup>18</sup>At the end of the time set by the king to bring them into his service, the chief official presented them to Nebuchadnezzar. <sup>19</sup>The king talked with them, and he found none equal to Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah; so they entered the king's service. <sup>20</sup>In every matter of wisdom and understanding about which the king questioned them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and enchanters in his whole kingdom.

<sup>21</sup>And Daniel remained there until the first year of King Cyrus.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Men's Chorus**

*"O Lord Most Holy"*

**Second Reading**

*Romans 13:1–7*

***God established government as his servant.***

<sup>1</sup>Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. <sup>2</sup>Consequently, whoever rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves. <sup>3</sup>For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and you will be commended. <sup>4</sup>For the one in authority is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for rulers do not bear the sword for no reason. They are God's servants, agents of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer. <sup>5</sup>Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also as a matter of conscience.

<sup>6</sup>This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing. <sup>7</sup>Give to everyone what you owe them: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

***(Please stand)***

**Gospel**

*Matthew 22:15–22*

***Christians belong to two kingdoms.***

<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words.

<sup>16</sup>They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. <sup>17</sup>Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax to Caesar or not?"

<sup>18</sup>But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "**You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? <sup>19</sup>Show me the coin used for paying the tax.**" They brought him a denarius, <sup>20</sup>and he asked them, "**Whose image is this? And whose inscription?**"

<sup>21</sup>"Caesar's," they replied.

Then he said to them, "**So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's.**"

<sup>22</sup>When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

***(Please be seated)***

## **Hymn: 619 Praise the Almighty; My Soul, Adore Him**

Praise the Almighty; my soul, adore him!

Yes, I will laud him until death.

With songs and anthems I'll come before him

as long as he allows me breath.

From him my life and all things came;

bless, O my soul, his holy name.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Penitent sinners, for mercy crying,

pardon and peace from him obtain;

ever the wants of the poor supplying,

their faithful God he will remain.

He helps his children in distress,

the widows and the fatherless.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Trust not in princes, they are but mortal;

earthborn they are and soon decay.

Vain are their counsels at life's last portal

when the dark grave will claim its prey.

Since, then, no one can help afford,

trust only Christ, our God and Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise, all you people, the name so holy

of him who does such wondrous things!

All that has being, to praise him solely,

with happy heart its amen sings!

Children of God, with angel host

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Alleluia, alleluia!

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**“I LOVE MY GOVERNMENT!”**

1. These governing authorities are God’s servants.
2. God wants me to submit to these governing authorities.

***(Please stand)***

**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.**

***(Please be seated)***

**Prayer**

Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy;  
**in your faithfulness and righteousness, come to my relief.**

Spare us, Lord, from the lies of the devil and the attacks of our conscience. Comfort and save us in your patient compassion.  
**Have mercy on us, Jesus.**

Guide us, Lord, to the wisdom of your Word and the power of your promises. Take away our confusion and doubt.  
**Have mercy on us, Jesus.**

Hear us, Lord, when we come to you in prayer. Make us confident to take you at your word and to follow you in faith.

**Have mercy on us, Jesus.**

Empower us, Lord, to walk in your ways and live in your truth. Fill us with your love, that we may love you and one another.

**Have mercy on us, Jesus.**

### **Offerings Of Love to Our Lord**

Please fill out the “Welcome to Grace” register in your pew at this time!

### **Hymn: 637 The Law of God Is Good and Wise**

The law of God is good and wise  
and sets his will before our eyes,  
shows us the way of righteousness,  
and dooms to death when we transgress.

Its light of holiness imparts  
the knowledge of our sinful hearts  
that we may see our lost estate  
and turn from sin before too late.

To those who help in Christ have found  
and would in works of love abound  
it shows what deeds are his delight  
and should be done as good and right.

But those who scornfully disdain  
God’s law shall then in sin remain;  
its terror in their ear resounds  
and keeps their wickedness in bounds.

The law is good, but since the fall  
its holiness condemns us all;  
it dooms us for our sin to die  
and has no pow’r to justify.



To Jesus we for refuge flee,  
who from the curse has set us free,  
and humbly worship at his throne,  
saved by his grace through faith alone.

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***(Please stand)***

## **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

O Lord our God, so govern the nations on earth and direct the affairs of this world 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.

**Amen.**

## **Time of the Church**

Almighty God, by your Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified. Receive our prayers for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocations and ministries they may truly serve and honor you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**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.**

## **Blessing**

The almighty and merciful Lord—the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit—bless us and keep us.

**Amen.**

***(Please be seated)***

**Hymn: 774 God Bless Our Native Land**

God bless our native land;  
firm may she ever stand  
thro' 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!

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### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. *Forward in Christ* and February Bible-reading and 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 October 21 will be captained by Don and Eileen McDowell, Don and Frances Bottcher, Bob and Tess Franzmeier, Andrew Wells, and Jon and Rachel Kulhanek.

**VOTERS MEETING TODAY...** ALL Grace members are invited and encouraged to attend! Reports will be presented by officers of the congregation with an opportunity for all members to hear what is happening at YOUR church! We will also have the election of officers for the coming year. The slate of candidates is available for review on the back page of this bulletin. Lunch will be served immediately following the 10:30 service for anyone who plans to attend the meeting, which begins at noon. Voting is limited to male members aged 18 years and over.

### **THIS WEEK AT GRACE:**

**TODAY: Worship Service**, 8:00am & 10:30am; Bible Class & Sunday School, 9:30am,

**VOTERS MEETING**, 12:00pm

MON – Handbells, 6:15pm; Boy Pioneers, 6:30pm, Adult Choir, 7:00pm

TUE – Bible Class, 2:00pm

WED – Public School Confirmation, 6:30pm; Bible Class, 7:00pm

FRI – Bible Class, 10:00am

SAT – **FALL FEST**, 5:00pm

SUN – **REFORMATION Worship Service**, 8:00 & 10:30am, Bible Class & Sunday School, 9:30am, **Joint Reformation Worship Service**, 4:00pm

**JOINT REFORMATION SERVICE...** You are cordially invited to the West Valley Joint Reformation Service at 4:00 PM on October 29 here at Grace. Pastor Ross Else of Emmaus Lutheran Church in Phoenix will preach and

Pastor John Sprain of Shepherd of the Valley in Surprise will serve as the presiding minister. Holy Communion will be celebrated. The liturgical color for Reformation is RED.

**LES FALL FESTIVAL...** Fall Fest is this Saturday! Warriors invite you to join them for food, games, music, and a trunk or treat. Sign up for a spot to decorate your trunk and host a carnival game...

<https://signup.com/go/CThAOcy>

**ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT...** Christmas will be here before we know it! What better way is there to start the Advent season than preparing our hearts with Advent by Candlelight on Sunday, November 26 at 5:00 p.m. All women are invited to come! If you are willing to host a table, be a reader, share your musical talents, or plan to attend, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

**DIVINE CALL...** Grace has extended a Divine Call to Pastor John Raasch, who is currently serving at Bethel Lutheran Church in Menasha, WI. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

**2024 SCRIPTURAL WALL CALENDARS...** are available for purchase in the Fellowship Hall before Bible Class for \$9.00 each. The proceeds support the Grace Ladies' Aid.

**SCRIPTURAL THANKSGIVING CARDS, CHRISTMAS CARDS, AND GREETING CARDS...** are available for purchase before Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall. Cards are \$6.00 per box or \$1.00 per card. Proceeds support the ministry of Grace Ladies' Aid.

**ALTAR FLOWER SIGN-UP SHEETS...** Please sign up for altar flower donations by filling out the Altar Flower binder in the narthex. Altar bouquets cost \$35 each. Enclose payment in a pink envelope (checks payable to Grace Ladies Aid) and place it in the collection plate.

**DON'T FORGET TO  
WEAR RED  
FOR REFORMATION NEXT SUNDAY!**



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**FINANCIAL UPDATE:**

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

<b>Week ending 10/15/2023:</b>			<b>YTD 7/1/2023 through 10/15/2023:</b>	
Weekly Need:	17,000.00		YTD Need:	277,600.00
Weekly Actual:	12,345.40		YTD Actual:	281,457.14
Weekly +/-:	-4,654.60		YTD +/-:	+3,857.14



## 2023 Officer Election – Candidate Slate

(All Terms for 2 Years / i = incumbent / All positions have a term limit of 3, 2-year terms except Elders, who have no term limits.)

Office	Elect	Candidates
President	1	Jon Scheel
		Andrew McDunn
Treasurer	1	Mike Bales (i – 1 term)
Family Nurture Chairman	1	Chris Kallies
Outreach Chairman	1	Mark Breiling (i – 1 term)
Elder	3	Jerry Rovey (i)
		Keith Feldt (i)
		Larry White (i)
School Board	2	Scott Hill (i – 2 terms)
		AJ McDunn