



# MEANINGFUL MINISTRY

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BUT REJECTION AND RESENTMENT**



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# WELCOME TO GRACE!

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We're glad you're here! May the Word of God bring you comfort in Christ alone. You can follow along with the service using this worship folder or using the screens above the chancel. If you're new here, below is some helpful information about our sanctuary and our worship...

- Please reserve the **BACK PEWS** for parents with **SMALL CHILDREN**.
- A **PARENT'S ROOM** with private changing area and restroom is available through the door at the back of the middle aisle. Windows from the room allow you to still watch the service and speakers allow you to hear as well. A volume control is available on the wall by the door.
- Ask an usher to receive an **AUDIO RECEIVER** and **HEADSET** if you need hearing assistance in the sanctuary or Fellowship Hall.
- **RESTROOMS** are available in the Narthex. Exit out of the north doors from the Sanctuary and go to the left. They are located in the alcove behind Luther's Seal.
- **LARGE PRINT** bulletins are available. See an usher to receive one.
- Visit our **WEBSITE** at <http://www.graceglendale.org> for additional information about our ministries and upcoming events.

## CONTACT US...

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Feel free to reach out directly to our office staff via email or telephone. Call 623-937-2010 and use the extension to the right.

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## AT TODAY'S SERVICE...

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**Presiding Minister:** Pastor Sellnow

**Senior ushers:** 8:00 AM – Jon Floerke / Bruce Rademacher

10:30 AM – Dean Rovey / Alan Borchardt / Drew Oliphant

**Organist:** Jeff Wegner

**A/V Team:** 8:00 AM – Christian Ryan / Jon Scheel

10:30 AM – Paul Sullivan

# ORDER OF SERVICE

*Setting 1 (CW 154)*

## HYMN: PREACH YOU THE WORD

CW 895

*Please stand*

## INVOCATION

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

**Amen.**

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

CW 154

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

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 BE TO GOD ON HIGH

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



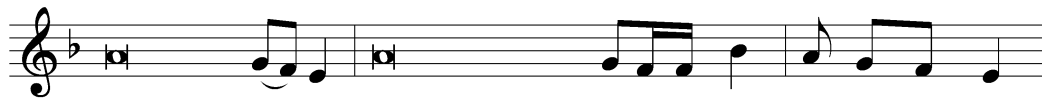
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



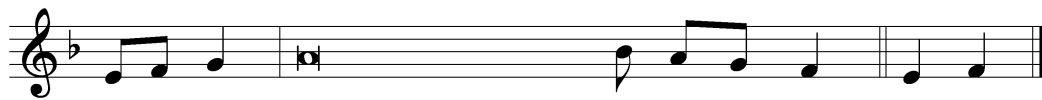
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## SALUTATION

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty, eternal and righteous God, you revealed your divine Word to teach us what we should do and what we should avoid. Strengthen and lead us by your Holy Spirit that we serve you in new obedience here until we come to complete holiness before you in that life to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## FIRST READING

*Ezekiel 2:1–7*

***Ezekiel's call as prophet is a reminder that the LORD desires his Word to be proclaimed faithfully no matter if it is received well or rejected.***

<sup>1</sup>He said to me, "Son of man, stand up on your feet and I will speak to you."

<sup>2</sup>As he spoke, the Spirit came into me and raised me to my feet, and I heard him speaking to me.

<sup>3</sup>He said: "Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to a rebellious nation that has rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup>The people to whom I am sending you are obstinate and stubborn. Say to them, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says.'

<sup>5</sup>And whether they listen or fail to listen—for they are a rebellious people—they will know that a prophet has been among them. <sup>6</sup>And you, son of man, do not be afraid of them or their words. Do not be afraid, though briars and thorns are all around you and you live among scorpions. Do not be afraid of what they say or be terrified by them, though they are a rebellious people. <sup>7</sup>You must speak my words to them, whether they listen or fail to listen, for they are rebellious.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM OF THE DAY: THE LORD IS MY LIGHT AND MY SALVATION

Psalm 27C

Refrain



The LORD is my light and my sal - va - tion— of



whom shall I be a - fraid, of whom shall I be a - fraid?

Tone



Hear my voice when I / call, LORD;  
be merciful to me and / answer me.

Do not hide your / face from me,  
do not turn your servant away in anger; you have been my / helper.

Do not reject me or for- / sake me,  
God my / Savior. *Refrain*

Though my father and mother for- / sake me,  
the LORD will re- / ceive me.

I remain confi- / dent of this:

I will see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the / living.

Wait / for the LORD;

be strong and take heart and wait / for the LORD.

**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

2 Timothy 2:1–13

**St. Paul suffered proclaiming God's Word. He was willing to endure it for the sake of the souls he served and for the glory of God who called him.**

<sup>1</sup>You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others. <sup>3</sup>Join with me in suffering, like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. <sup>4</sup>No one serving as a soldier gets entangled in civilian affairs, but rather tries to please his commanding officer. <sup>5</sup>Similarly, anyone who competes as an athlete does not receive the victor's crown except by competing according to the rules. <sup>6</sup>The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops. <sup>7</sup>Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this.

<sup>8</sup>Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, <sup>9</sup>for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

<sup>11</sup>Here is a trustworthy saying:

If we died with him,  
we will also live with him;  
<sup>12</sup>if we endure,  
we will also reign with him.  
If we disown him,  
he will also disown us;  
<sup>13</sup>if we are faithless,  
he remains faithful,  
for he cannot disown himself.

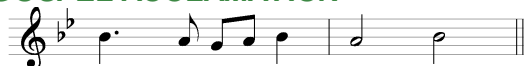
The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

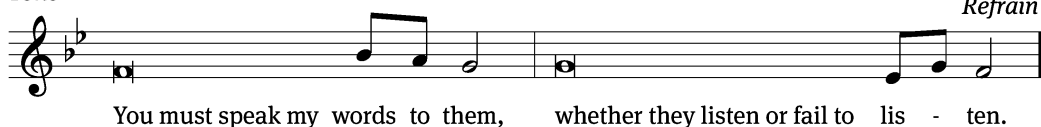
Ezekiel 2:7



### Refrain



### Tone



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## GOSPEL

Mark 6:1–6

**Many in Jesus' hometown rejected his ministry. It did not deter him from continuing to speak God's Word.**

<sup>1</sup>Jesus left there and went to his hometown, accompanied by his disciples.

<sup>2</sup>When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were amazed.

“Where did this man get these things?” they asked. “What’s this wisdom that has been given him? What are these remarkable miracles he is performing?”

<sup>3</sup>Isn’t this the carpenter? Isn’t this Mary’s son and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas and Simon? Aren’t his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him.

<sup>4</sup>Jesus said to them, “**A prophet is not without honor except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home.**” <sup>5</sup>He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. <sup>6</sup>He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated*

## HYMN OF THE DAY: GOD HAS SPOKEN BY HIS PROPHETS

CW 639

## SERMON

Ezekiel 2:1-7

## **WHY WON'T THEY JUST LISTEN!?**



*Please 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.**

*Please be seated*

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH for the Nation**

Almighty God, we acknowledge with thanks that all we have and enjoy is a gift from your gracious hand. We come before you today in heartfelt appreciation for our nation and its people.

**We thank you for enabling us to worship you in freedom and to serve you without fear.**

You have enriched us with the bounties of farm and factory, the beauty of forest and mountain, and the marvels of medicine and science.

**For all these blessings, we praise and glorify you.**

Look with favor upon our nation and preserve our cherished liberties. Enable our leaders to govern with wisdom, honesty, courage, and justice. Protect those

who serve in the armed forces and those who maintain peace and safety in our communities.

**Give us willingness to obey our nation's laws and to work for the common good.**

Keep our financial institutions secure and our economy strong. Bless our fields that they may produce abundant harvests. Guard us from calamities of nature and accident and spare our land from the ravages of disease and epidemic.

**Teach us not to worry but to cast all our cares on you.**

Strengthen the homes of our nation. By your Spirit lead husbands and wives to love each other, parents to nurture their children, young adults to assume responsibility, and children to show respect.

**Lead the citizens of our land to honor the useful foundations of society.**

Care for those who are sick or have been injured. Calm those who are disappointed and depressed. Provide guidance to those who care for people in trouble or in need.

**Lead us to provide help when we can and to pray at all times.**

### *Special Intercessions*

To you, O Lord, we bring our thanks and our requests.

**Hear our prayers for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

### **OFFERINGS OF LOVE TO OUR LORD**

Please fill out the "Welcome to Grace" register in your pew at this time!  
Remember to mark if you are communing.

*Please stand*

### **PREFACE**

CW 165

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.**

## PROPER PREFACE

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 167



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:  
heav'n 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,  
bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit,

unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with 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.**

### O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

CW 169

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace. A - men.

*Please be seated*

## DISTRIBUTION

*In **Holy Communion** we receive the assurance of forgiveness through the body and blood of our Savior. By sharing in this Sacrament, we also express our complete agreement with one another according to the teachings of the Bible. If you have not joined our fellowship (**Wisconsin Synod**), please permit us to tell you about our Lutheran Christian faith before you partake of this Holy Supper so that you can judge for yourself whether there is complete agreement between us.*

## DISTRIBUTION HYMN: LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

CW 900

*Please stand*

## THANKSGIVING & PROCLAMATION

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.**

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of 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.**

*Please be seated*

## HYMN: GOD BLESS OUR NATIVE LAND

CW 774

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### **ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:**

Worship: 8:00 AM – 112 – 10:30 AM – 140  
Sunday School: Adults: 84 – Children: 25

### **HOSPITALIZED OR RECUPERATING AT HOME:**

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**THANK YOU...** to the people from Grace who sent prayers my way. They surely worked! I can see the Lord's hand all over everything that happened to me and feel like I'm getting a bit better each day. I really appreciate the prayers!

*-Everett Quamme*

### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. The July issue of *Forward in Christ* and Bible-reading and activity calendars are in the Narthex and south entrance to the church.
2. There was no cleaning crew scheduled yesterday. The cleaning crew for July 13<sup>th</sup> is captained by Heidi Pedersen with Don & Laurel Bollmeier; Pastor, Amy, Eli, Sam, Owen & Ryan Jacobson; Glen, Hailey & Kyla Pedersen; and Kevin & Diana Roever.

**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.

**SCRIPTURAL 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.

**LOOKING FOR A NEW WAY TO SERVE THE LORD?...** Grace's adult choir will resume rehearsals on August 5th at 7 pm. We look forward to welcoming new and returning members alike and will hold rehearsals in the sanctuary. No experience is necessary and all are welcome to attend. See any choir member for more information.

## **THIS WEEK AT GRACE:**

**TODAY : WORSHIP, 8:00 & 10:30 AM**

Bible Class & Sunday School, 9:30 AM

TUE - All Meeting Night

**SUN - WORSHIP, 8:00 & 10:30 AM**

Bible Class & Sunday School, 9:30 AM

## **FINANCIAL UPDATE:**

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

**Week ending 6/30/2024:**

Weekly Need:	15,000.00
Weekly Actual:	21,542.44
Weekly +/-:	+6,542.44

**YTD 7/1/2023 through 6/30/2024:**

YTD Need:	947,436.00
YTD Actual:	876,375.20
YTD +/-:	-71,060.80

### **DONATE FROM YOUR SMARTPHONE...**

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### **SCHOOL ART DONATIONS NEEDED...**

The art department of Grace Lutheran School is asking for donations for the upcoming school year. Please place all donations in the fellowship hall. Please direct all questions to Mrs. Amber Bode at 480-694-4698. Thank you for making our art program a success!

*small plastic bottle caps (all colors)*

*popsicle sticks*

*plastic table clothes*

*cotton swabs (Q-tips)*

*cotton balls*

*comic strips from newspaper*

*cleaned plastic yogurt containers*

*cardboard squares or scraps*

*new acrylic (interior) paints*

*old magazines*

## COMING THIS FALL – GRACE GROUPS!

Grace Groups are small group gatherings (around 6-12 people) meeting once a week to discuss sermon content and build relationships with each other. Each group will have a facilitator to guide the discussion.

*Who makes a good facilitator?*

Someone with a friendly smile and warm, welcoming personality.

*Aren't they supposed to be Bible experts or some kind of "top-tier" Christian?*

Not at all! Grace Groups gather around thought-provoking study questions provided by our Pastors. Grace Groups spend about 90 minutes a week over friendship, refreshments, fellowship and God's word.

*Want to take part?*

Sign-ups coming in August.

*Want to find out more about facilitating a Grace Group?*

Speak with one of the Pastors or ask Don Petersen, Quisha Breiling, or Dale & Beth Marquardt.

**Grace Groups: Gathered at the Cross; Growing in the Word!**

## BE A PART OF OUR GRACE GREETERS!

Over the years, many faithful members have served, by standing at the doors of the church "welcoming" regular members and newcomers alike. We want to say a hearty "thank you," your service has been noticed by all who enter our doors.

To get more people involved in service at Grace, we are asking you to consider being a Grace greeter.

Here is a way to help at church without spending another night away from home. Being a Grace greeter is one of the simplest yet most important positions in the church. The goal is to lend a helping hand to people as they enter the church.

Being a Grace greeter is a way to make everyone feel welcome, possibly answer a question, and put the newcomer at ease. All it takes is a simple smile, a handshake, and a "good morning" greeting.

If you are interested in being a Grace greeter, contact Melina Thiesfeldt or Jeff Wegner. Our goal is to begin this program by the middle of August.

