

WELCOME TO GRACE: We rejoice over your presence this day as we gather in the Name and in the worship of our Lord. If you are a GUEST with us today, we hope you feel welcome in our church family and invite you to worship with us again. If you are interested in membership at Grace or want to know more about our church and our faith, please indicate your interest on the ATTENDANCE FORM in the pew.

Grace's Mission

✝ Sharing God's Grace

✝ Living His Word

✝ Making Disciples

Grace Lutheran Church is one of more than six thousand congregations of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

We Believe the Bible is the inspired Word of God and the sole source for all Christian teaching and practice. *II Timothy 3:16*

We Believe "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." *John 3:16*

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

We Believe our relationship with everyone is based upon Jesus' words: "Love one another as I have loved you." *John 15:12*

Child Care We care about your children. We encourage parents with small children to help them participate in our worship. We ask you to have your children go to the restroom and get a drink before the service, and refrain from leaving during worship, unless there is an emergency. We have available a cry room equipped with sound located at the back of the sanctuary. Children's bulletins with activities are available. A nursery is available for children age 3 and under. Ask an usher for directions.

Hearing Impaired For those who need assistance, please ask an usher for a wireless hearing aid. They are easy to use.

 **WORSHIP FOLDER** 
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 24, 2021
“SEEING DISCIPLESHIP”

AS WE GATHER

In the first stanza of the hymn “Amazing Grace” we confess, “I once was lost but now am found, Was blind but now I see!” (*LSB* 744). When we say we were lost, we may think of the parable of the prodigal son. We mean that apart from God, like the rest of the world, we do not truly know our real spiritual need. Likewise, the blindness we confess is our condition apart from the enlightenment of God’s word and deliverance. Blind Bartimaeus in today’s Gospel, by the enlightenment of God’s Word, believed that Jesus as the “son of David” is the divine agent, the Son of God come to save. He had heard through Isaiah the prophet that one of the first things the Messiah will do would be to open blind eyes (Isaiah 35:5). With this blind man, we come today with the heartfelt prayer “have mercy on me” and discover more. Our eyes are enlightened to see God’s mercy as we join this man and Jesus’ disciples following Him in the way, on the road to Jerusalem. There we discover the mercy and gracious reign and rule of God in the mighty suffering, death, and resurrection of our Lord of life.

[If your health limits you, please don’t feel required to stand during the worship service.]



*In the Name of the
Father, Son, and
Holy Spirit*



✠ SERVICE OF PREPARATION ✠

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

CHIMES CALL TO WORSHIP

WELCOME

ENTRANCE HYMN

(please stand for last stanza)

LSB 915

"Today Your Mercy Calls Us"



1 To - day Your mer - cy calls us To wash a - way our sin.
2 To - day Your gate is o - pen, And all who en - ter in
3 To - day our Fa - ther calls us; His Ho - ly Spir - it waits;
4 O all - em - brac - ing Mer - cy, O ev - er - o - pen Door,



How - ev - er great our tres - pass, What - ev - er we have been,
Shall find a Fa - ther's wel - come And par - don for their sin.
His bless - ed an - gels gath - er A - round the heav'n - ly gates.
What should we do with - out You When heart and eye run o'er?



How - ev - er long from mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way,
The past shall be for - got - ten, A pres - ent joy be giv'n,
No ques - tion will be asked us How of - ten we have come;
When all things seem a - gainst us, To drive us to de - spair,



Your pre - cious blood can wash us And make us clean to - day.
A fu - ture grace be prom - ised, A glo - rious crown in heav'n.
Al - though we oft have wan - dered, It is our Fa - ther's home.
We know one gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Mark 10:48, 52

P Our help is in the name of the LORD.

C Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!

P Let us confess our greatest need to God, our merciful Father.

C Merciful God, we confess that we are in the darkness of the fallen world by our own sin, our failure to keep Your holy Commandments in our thoughts, words, and deeds, as well as the good we have failed to do.

Deliver us from the darkness of death by the light of Your Son's saving death on the cross and the power of His resurrection. Speak now Your divine Word of forgiveness, life, and salvation. Amen.

P In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." I 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 ✠

HYMN OF PRAISE

LSB 811

“Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices”



1 Oh, that I had a thou - sand voic - es To praise my
2 O all you pow'rs that He im - plant - ed, A - rise, keep
3 You for - est leaves so green and ten - der That dance for
4 All crea - tures that have breath and mo - tion, That thron'g the



God with thou - sand tongues! My heart, which in the Lord re -
si - lence now no more; Put forth the strength that God has
joy in sum - mer air, You mead - ow grass - es, bright and
earth, the sea, the sky, Come, share with me my heart's de -



joic - es, Would then pro - claim in grate - ful songs To all, wher -
grant - ed! Your no - blest work is to a - dore. O soul and
slen - der, You flow'rs so fra - grant and so fair, You live to
vo - tion, Help me to sing God's prais - es high. My ut - most



ev - er I might be, What great things God has done for me.
bod - y, join to raise With heart - felt joy our Mak - er's praise.
show God's praise a - lone. Join me to make His glo - ry known.
pow'rs can nev - er quite De - clare the won - ders of His might.

**5 Creator, humbly I implore You
To listen to my earthly song
Until that day when I adore You,
Together with the angel throng
And learn with choirs of heav'n to sing
Eternal anthems to my King.**

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. O God, the helper of all who call on You, have mercy on us and give us eyes of faith to see Your Son that we may follow Him on the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

JEREMIAH 31:7-9

(The Lord will turn mourning to joy.)

⁷ Thus says the LORD: “Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, ‘O LORD, save your people, the remnant of Israel.’ ⁸Behold, I will bring them from the north country and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, the pregnant woman and she who is in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. ⁹With weeping they shall come, and with pleas for mercy I will lead them back, I will make them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble, for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

PSALM

PSALM 126; ANTIPHON: V. 5

- P** Those who sow in tears shall reap with shouts of joy!
- P** When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
C **we were like those who dream.**
- P** Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
C **and our tongue with shouts of joy; then they said among the nations,**
P “The LORD has done great things for them.”
C **The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.**
- P** Restore our fortunes, O LORD,
C **like streams in the Negeb!**
- P** Those who sow in tears
C shall reap with shouts of joy!
- P** He who goes out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,
C **shall come home with shouts of joy, bringing his sheaves with him.**
- A** **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.**
- P** Those who sow in tears shall reap with shouts of joy!

EPISTLE

HEBREWS 7:23-28

(Jesus, our perfect High Priest forever.)

²³The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, ²⁴but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. ²⁶For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself. ²⁸For the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

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

(please stand)

(Tradition dictates that our eyes follow the cross. Please remain standing until the cross has been returned to its original position. The Gospel is read from the center of the church to symbolize the Gospel in our midst.)

VERSE AND ALLELUIA

P Alleluia. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith.

Alleluia. *Hebrews 12:2a*



HOLY GOSPEL

MARK 10:46-52

(Jesus heals Bartimaeus.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁴⁶And they came to Jericho. And as [Jesus] was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁸And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁹And Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart. Get up; he is calling you.” ⁵⁰And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹And Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” And the blind man said to him, “Rabbi, let me recover my sight.” ⁵²And Jesus said to him, “Go your way; your faith has made you well.” And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

(please be seated)

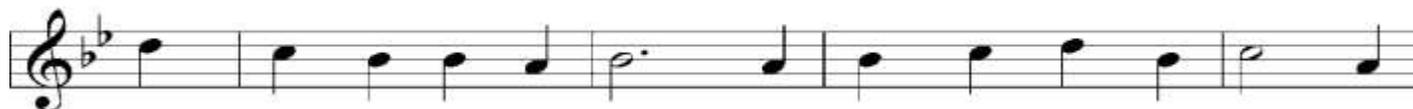
"From God Can Nothing Move Me"



1 From God can noth - ing move me; He will not step a - side
 2 When those whom I re - gard - ed As trust - wor - thy and sure
 3 The Lord my life ar - rang - es; Who can His work de - stroy?
 4 Each day at His good plea - sure God's gra - cious will is done.
 5 Praise God with ac - cla - ma - tion And in His gifts re - joice.



But gent - ly will re - prove me And be my con - stant guide.
 Have long from me de - part - ed, God's grace shall still en - dure.
 In His good time He chang - es All sor - row in - to joy.
 He sent His great - est trea - sure In Je - sus Christ, His Son.
 Each day finds its vo - ca - tion Re - spond - ing to His voice.



He stretch - es out His hand In eve - ning and in morn - ing,
 He res - cues me from sin And breaks the chains that bind me.
 So let me then be still; My bod - y, soul, and spir - it
 He ev - 'ry gift im - parts. The bread of earth and heav - en
 Soon years on earth are past; But time we spend ex - press - ing



My life with grace a - dorn - ing Wher - ev - er I may stand.
 I leave death's fear be - hind me; His peace I have with - in.
 His ten - der care in - her - it Ac - cord - ing to His will.
 Are by His kind - ness giv - en. Praise Him with thank - ful hearts!
 The love of God brings bless - ing That will for - ev - er last!

6 Yet even though I suffer
The world's unpleasantness,
And though the days grow rougher
And bring me great distress,
That day of bliss divine,
Which knows no end or measure,
And Christ, who is my pleasure,
Forever shall be mine.

7 For thus the Father willed it,
Who fashioned us from clay;
And His own Son fulfilled it
And brought eternal day.
The Spirit now has come,
To us true faith has given;
He leads us home to heaven.
O praise the Three in One!

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(please be seated)

SERMON TEXT: *MARK 10:46-52*
SERMON TITLE: *“A CRY FROM THE HEART”*

(please stand)

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence 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)

VOLUNTARY

ORGAN

“Just As I Am”

(please stand)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Each petition ends with,

- P** Let us pray to the Lord,
- C** Lord have mercy.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

BENEDICTION

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 ✠ give you peace.

Numbers 6:24–26

C Amen.

(please be seated)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN TO DEPART

LSB 814

“Bless the Lord, My Soul”



1 O bless the Lord, my soul! Let all with - in me join
2 O bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let His mer - cies lie
3 'Tis He for - gives thy sins; 'Tis He re - lieves thy pain;
4 He crowns thy life with love When ran - somed from the grave;



And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose fa - vors are di - vine.
For - got - ten in un - thank - ful - ness And with - out prais - es die!
'Tis He that heals thy sick - ness - es And makes thee young a - gain.
He that re - deemed my soul from hell Hath sov - 'reign pow'r to save.

**5 He fills the poor with good;
He gives the suff'ers rest.
The Lord hath judgments for the proud
And justice for the oppressed.**

**6 His wondrous works and ways
He made by Moses known,
But sent the world His truth and grace
By His belovèd Son.**

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POSTLUDE

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 *To God Alone Be the Glory* 
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Acolyte..... Mia Shultz
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Ushers Jeff Turner
..... Bradley Bains
..... Jim Raven
..... Jerry Gilmore
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Altar Guild Pat Lufholm / Kelli Jones
Nursery

GRACE PRAYS

We continue to pray for the following:

- Protection for our armed forces and strength for their families and Lt. Aaron Bell and his family.
- Wisdom for our nation’s leaders.
- Continued guidance and blessing for Pastor Pase and his family.
- Strength and commitment in tending our baptismal journey.
- Our Stephen Ministers.
Our ECP.

ONGOING HEALTH PROBLEMS

- ❖ Charles Colgan, BJ Haley, Jim Hill, Mary Ann Johnston, Royce Parsley, Jane Pase, Melinda Richmond, Eleen Schulze, and David Stock.

ILL OR RECOVERING

- ❖ Holly Walker is back in the hospital with another infection. It's too dangerous to re-do surgery. A possible alternative is long-term antibiotics.
- ❖ Debra Amick (friend of Chan & Shana Price) was diagnosed with bile duct cancer and finished her 21-day treatments at Hope4Cancer center in Tijuana, Mexico on 10/18.
- ❖ Fran Witt had gallbladder surgery on 10/11 and is home recovering
- ❖ Paul Hayden is having eye pain and vision problems. A CT scan will be done to help with the diagnosis.
- ❖ Claudia Chaney's carpal tunnel surgery on 10/18 went well. She has a follow up appointment in 6 weeks.
- ❖ Karen (Kelli Jones' mom) had gallbladder surgeries on 10/15 & 10/16 in a Denison hospital. Everything went well and she was released to go home on 10/17.
- ❖ Connie & Larry Hawkins (Jason Hawkins' parents from Nebraska) have been diagnosed with COVID. They are headed to Scott's Bluff for further care.
- ❖ Weldon Menix (Fern's brother) had another knee surgery on 10/21. The previous surgery has become infected.
- ❖ Marty Inge (co-worker of Chan Price) had triple bypass surgery in Midland on 10/21 due to a 98% blockage.
- ❖ Chris (friend of Gina Zimmerman in New Bern, NC) had a mastectomy on 10/22.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

- ❖ Bethany Lara (friend of Larissa Keller) her scans show her cancer to be in remission.

PRAYERS OF MOURNING

- ❖ Sally Olivas (friend of Fern DeLaGarza) recently died after complications with COVID.



The flowers this morning have been provided to the glory of God by

Teresa Clingman-DeShaw

In loving memory of Michele Clingman, my sister-in-law

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**Please see Grace in Action for the week’s calendar and other
Important information regarding the ministry of our congregation!**