

THE STORY

READ THE STORY. EXPERIENCE THE BIBLE.

CHAPTER 16: The Beginning of the End



THE STORY

FINDING YOUR STORY IN GOD'S STORY.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

7 May 2023, 10:13am

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC and CANDLE LIGHTING

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

OPENING SONGS

Hosanna

Carl Tuttle

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Forever

Chris Tomlin

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INVOCATION and OPENING PRAYER

Please be seated.

CHAPTER 16: Introduction

"No King Like King God"

Rene' Shanle-Hutzell

THE CHAPTER VIDEO: *"The Beginning of the End"*

SONG OF THE DAY

To God Be the Glory

Fanny J Crosby and William H Doane

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CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Jane Goss

(Kindergarten through third grade are excused to attend "The Story For Kids" in the Annex)

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 53:6-11

David Cink

John 1:29-34

Grace Perry

THE STORY CONTINUES . . .

The Upper Story (God's Story) *"When God's Message Falls On Deaf Ears"*

The Lower Story (Our Story) *"Put God On the Throne of Your Life"*

THANKFUL GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support of Grace Ministries.

Our ability to continue to serve you, the Church, and our community is greatly dependent upon the willingness of God's people to give of their time, talents and treasures. Please remember to support the LORD'S Church by regularly sending in your tithes and offerings; by mail, online at www.GraceLutheranCC.com/Giving, or download the GivePlus Mobile App. As the Apostle Paul writes, "Each one must give as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7). If you brought your tithe or offering with you today, you may place them in the box marked "I Bring An Offering To The Lord" sitting on the table next to the usher's station at the entrance to the sanctuary.

Please stand.

OFFERTORY SONG

We Will Glorify the King of Kings

Twila Paris

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WHAT WE BELIEVE ~ Apostles' Creed (*see inside hymnal back cover*)

REPENTANCE and RENEWAL

Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver me!

O Lord, make haste to help me!

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

Let us now confess our sins to God our Father.

Lord, we make our confession to You. We are by nature sinful and unclean. We deserve Your wrath and eternal punishment. We have sinned in our thoughts, through our words, and by our deeds. We have not loved You with our whole heart and have neglected the needs of our neighbors. With humble and repentant hearts, we come to You for forgiveness. Your Son, Jesus Christ, has suffered and died for us and has given Himself to rescue us and to reconcile us to You. For His sake, forgive and restore us. Renew us by Your Holy Spirit that we may leave behind our sinful ways and live to Your glory as Your renewed children. Amen.

The eternal and gracious God has promised forgiveness of sins to those who repent and turn to Him. 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.

Amen.

Please be seated.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Please stand.

SERVICE OF THE HOLY SUPPER

HOLY COMMUNION is a confession of the faith whereby we profess at this altar that our Lord Jesus Christ gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Therefore, any who are not yet instructed, or who are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, are respectfully asked to refrain from partaking in the meal and instead may come to the altar and receive a blessing, or remain in your pew during distribution, and afterwards speak with the pastor.

The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Colossians 3:1

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

Psalms 136

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and proper that . . . evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB p. 208

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sa-ba-oth adored;

Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.

Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;

Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

*abaoth (SAH-bay-oath) is Hebrew for "heavenly hosts."
Hosanna is a Hebrew word of praise meaning "save us now."*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Mathew 6:9-13

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

**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.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24;
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

John 20:19

Amen.

Please be seated.

MY CONFESSIONAL PRAYER

- I REJOICE in Jesus as my personal Lord and Savior.
- I REPENT of all my sins in thought, word, and deed.
- I RECEIVE Christ's real body and blood, as well as the bread and wine in this Sacrament.
- I RELY on our Savior's promise of forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation given to me through this Holy Supper.
- I REAFFIRM my oneness with fellow communicants in accepting all of Christ's teaching.
- I RESOLVE to live a sanctified life by the power of the Holy Spirit.

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

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As the Deer Panteth

Martin Nystrom

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As Bread That Is Broken

Paul Baloche and Claire Cloniger

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Come to Jesus

Chris Rice

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Please stand.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING TO DEPART

Please be seated.

THE STORY CHALLENGE

Abbie Crist

DEPARTING SONG

Soon and Very Soon

Andraé Crouch

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Thank you for worshiping with us today.

Please join us for refreshments and conversation in the Grace Fellowship Hall.

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May 7, 2023

WELCOME VISITORS AND GUESTS!

We're glad you're here and invite you to consider yourself part of our Grace family. We would love to connect with you. Please fill in the "Welcome Card" found in the pew rack and place it in the basket on the table at the entrance to the sanctuary. Thank You!

Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support of Grace Ministries. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the grey box sitting on the table next to the usher's station at the back of the sanctuary.

OUR STEWARDSHIP

General Giving Needed Monthly: \$17,917

April: month to date: \$18,990

Designated Giving: \$--

Building Fund: \$--

Sunday School Mission: \$7

Grace Food Pantry: \$--

Food Pantry: 21 Individuals/42 Bags

Worship Attendance: 58

Small Group Studies: 67



Altar Flowers

Provided by

Jack & Judy Brusnighan

Give God Praise

Flowers Needed for
June 4 & 11



Pastoral Home Visits (with Holy Communion, if requested) have begun! We will be working through our list of family members at Grace and setting appointments for Thursday and Friday afternoons starting at 1pm. If you would like a visit soon,

please call Karla at the church office (707) 464-4712 or see René Hutzell at church and we will arrange a visit!



Those traveling: Barbara **Those traveling:** Barbara and Mike Allen; Jayne Kettner and sister Mary. **Healing:** Chris Colacicco (Sue D'Errico's younger brother) has aggressive bladder cancer, and his doctor is not giving him a good outlook. He is scared and nervous waiting for test results and another surgery; Francisco Torres, waiting on tumor biopsy results; Pam Meirndorf who is recuperating from surgery and for her relative Julia Schafer who is in dialysis; Elaine Gardner (friend of Faye Mergups) who has bone cancer; Paul Sanders for loss of vision in right eye and medication side effects; Bryan Stanley (facing another surgery); Patricia Waggoner (friend of Erik Hauan) awaiting gastral-intestinal surgery; Robin Chase who has cancer; Sheila Shanle-awaiting medical test results; prayers for the aging in our congregation. **Encouragement:** Joan Butler who is caring for her mother; for a young man who is facing a potential 18-year prison sentence. **Mourning:** Cindy Shaw and grandson, Ricky, in the loss of Buck, Cindy's husband.

IN OUR CONTINUED PRAYERS

Those who are hospitalized, chronically ill, in nursing home/care facilities,
or otherwise in need of encouragement.

Cards and calls are always appreciated!

Bryan Stanley, Angela Stanley, Preston Reed (Janis Sad's brother, heart & lung issues), Jeannie Tardif, Sheila Shanle, Mary Jean Ames, Seth Bauer, Ruthe Mayer, Winnifred 'Wyn' Miller, Ashlie and Jared Newton, Ashlie Reed, Mary Rupprecht, Nancy and David Scott, Della Schmidt, the family of Tony Dantzman, and Ray Melvin's brother Gary.

Family and friends serving in the military: Chris Beeson, Sgt. Troy Clements, David Eninger, Gannon Machado, Collin Matz, Daniel Quick, Mark Tatara, Brent Thompson, Crawford Trask, Guy Walker, and Antonia Shanle.

**Please help us to stay up to date regarding those in need of our prayers
by calling the office at 707-464-4712. Please report back any updates.**

New Small Groups Being Offered

Sign-up sheets are in the Fellowship Hall for two new small groups which will begin soon. Invite someone to join you in one of these new studies.

COPING WITH GRIEF AND LOSS

We can grieve for any number of reasons. Loss of a loved one, a pet, friends, relationships, or a job all can lead to experiencing grief, whether it's a recent occurrence or happened years ago. Please join us and invite others who are also grieving.

***Sharing. Caring. Praying.
Together.***

RESURRECTION!

Young Couples Small Group

If you are a young couple wanting to learn about what happens AFTER the death of Jesus, join us May 7 to learn more. Contact Thom or René Hutzell.

The Food Pantry has been very active recently. Last Monday 21 people received a total of 42 bags of food. The Panty could use the following extra supplies:

- Soup
- Peanut Butter
- Cold Cereal
- Tomato Sauce or Spaghetti Sauce
- Canned Beans (Pinto, Black, Baked, Etc.)



**GRACE
FOOD
PANTRY**

Updates on Grace's Building Projects



FAMILY RESTROOM

The Women's Restroom is our interim Family Restroom. **If used as a Family Restroom, please LOCK the outer door for privacy, then UNLOCK when done.** The building of a Family Restroom is on our future project list.



HANDRAILS INSTALLED

Thank you to Layne Crist for installing the new handrails at the front doors.



REMODELING PROJECTS

The church offices have been updated and 190 E. Cooper has been converted back into a rental home. To date, \$27,150 has been received for the Remodeling Projects. We have \$44,850 to go. Please take an envelope from the Remodel Board in the Fellowship Hall to support the Remodeling Projects.



Grace Quilters could use your help to cut or tie quilts. No experience is necessary. The Quilters meet weekly on Thursdays at 10am in the Quilt Room. Contact Arlene Krogstad for more information.

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

OFFICE OPEN 10:00AM - 3:00PM | TUESDAY - FRIDAY

May 7-13, 2023

Sunday: 9:00am Nursery & Sunday School (K-6th Grade)
10:13am **Sunday Worship—The Story: Chapter 16**

Monday: OFFICE CLOSED
2pm-4pm Food Pantry

Tuesday: 11:00am LWML Bible Study

Wednesday: 11:00am The Story Bible Study
5:30pm Dinner
6:00pm The Story Bible Study

Thursday: 10:00am Quilters
10:30am Culture & Christianity Small Group
3:00pm Book Club
5:00pm Worship Team Practice

Saturday 9:00am Men's Small Group, The Story
10:00am Women's Small Group, The Story

*May 14 is Mite Box Sunday.
Please remember to return your boxes to church.
Thank you for your support of LWML Missions.*

For additional information about events and ministries, check the church calendar online at www.GraceLutheranCC.com.

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Small Group Bible Studies

HOW CAN YOU GET PLUGGED IN?

WEDNESDAY

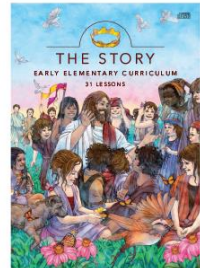
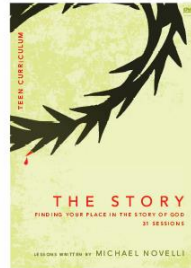
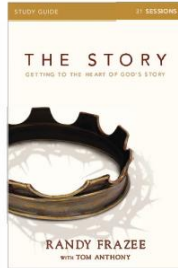
11:00 AM - Adult Study
5:30 PM - Light Supper
6:00 PM - Adult Study (Nursery Available)
6:00 PM - Kids & Youth Study

SATURDAY

9:00 AM - Men's Study
10:00 AM - Women's Study

SUNDAY

9:00 AM - All Ages (Nursery Available)



We have reached the mid-point in The Story. Perhaps you have not yet joined a small group. There's good news! You can catch up by listening to The Story chapters through the church's website. They are available at the link below.

<https://www.gracelutheranevangelical.com/the-story-audio-chapters>

Don't miss this opportunity to join a small group. Come and discover how our story is found in God's story!



PIES! PIES! PIES!

Pie season is coming soon for the Grace Cooper Pie Sale! Consider joining the ladies to slice, dice, make pie crust, or help by providing apples, peaches, or berries. See Patsy Nettleton for more details.