



## Grace Lutheran Church

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**Last Sunday of Church Year**

**November 21, 2021**

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**Welcome:** We are glad that you are here or are watching our worship service online. May you be blessed through this time of worship. We pray you find today's service a source of encouragement and strength. For those worshipping in person please take time to register your attendance using the slips in the pew rack. These can be placed in the offering plates by the door as you exit.

**Prayer Requests** are always welcome. To have someone included in our prayers during worship, please call the pastor or church office or write down the request and give it to the pastor.

**Lectionary Summary:** The signs of the end are all around us, constant reminders that *"heaven and earth will pass away."* But all of these signs are centered in the cross of Christ, whereby He has conquered sin and death, that we might be raised with Him in righteousness through His Word of the Gospel, which *"will not pass away"* (Mark 13:31). He is *"the firstborn of the dead,"* who in His great love *"has freed us from our sins by his blood"* (Rev. 1:5). His salvation is certain because *"his dominion is an everlasting dominion"* and His kingdom *"shall not be destroyed"* (Dan. 7:14). For this purpose He came into the world, to reign in love through His voice of the Gospel, which is the truth (John 18:37). So is the righteousness of Christ *"a light to the peoples,"* which *"will never be dismayed"* because it is the justice of His cross and resurrection (Is. 51:4–6). As He *"is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory,"* so wait upon *"the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life"* (Jude 20–24).

**Order of Worship**  
**Matins *LSB 219***

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Greeting**

**Ringing of the Bell**

♪ **Opening Hymn: “Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying”** *LSB 516*

**1** “Wake, awake, for night is flying,” The watchmen on the heights are crying;  
“Awake, Jerusalem, arise!”

**Midnight hears the welcome voices And at the thrilling cry rejoices:**

“Oh, where are ye, ye virgins wise?

**The Bridegroom comes, awake! Your lamps with gladness take!**

**Alleluia!**

**With bridal care Yourselves prepare To meet the Bridegroom, who is near.”**

**2** **Zion hears the watchmen singing, And all her heart with joy is springing;**  
**She wakes, she rises from her gloom.**  
**For her Lord comes down all-glorious, The strong in grace, in truth victorious;**  
**Her star is ris’n, her light is come.**

**Now come, Thou Blessèd One, Lord Jesus, God’s own Son,**

**Hail! Hosanna!**

**We enter all The wedding hall To eat the Supper at Thy call.**

**3** **Now let all the heav’ns adore Thee, Let saints and angels sing before Thee**  
**With harp and cymbals’ clearest tone.**  
**Of one pearl each shining portal, Where, joining with the choir immortal,**  
**We gather round Thy radiant throne.**

**No eye has seen the light, No ear has heard the might**

**Of Thy glory;**

**Therefore will we Eternally Sing hymns of praise and joy to Thee!**

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## Opening Versicles (Matins)

LSB 219

- ♪**P** O Lord, open my lips.  
♪**C** **And my mouth will declare Your praise.**  
♪**P** Make haste, O God, to deliver me;  
♪**C** **make haste to help me, O Lord.**  
♪**C** **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.**  
**Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia.**  
♪**P** Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
♪**C** **O come, let us worship Him.**

## ♪Venite

LSB 220

- ♪**C** **O come, let us sing |to the Lord,**  
**let us make a joyful noise to the rock of |our salvation.**  
**Let us come into His presence with thanks|giving,**  
**let us make a joyful noise to |Him with songs of praise.**  
**For the Lord is a |great God**  
**and a great |king above all gods.**  
**The deep places of the earth are |in His hand;**  
**the strength of the hills is |His also.**  
**The sea is His, for He |made it,**  
**and His hand |formed the dry land.**  
**O come, let us worship and |bow down,**  
**let us kneel before the |Lord, our maker.**  
**For He |is our God,**  
**and we are the people of His pasture and the |sheep of His hand.**  
**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 for|ever. Amen.**

- ♪**P** Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
♪**C** **O come, let us worship Him.**

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**Readings From Holy Scripture**  
**Old Testament Reading**

*Isaiah 51:4–6*

<sup>4</sup>“Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. <sup>5</sup>My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. <sup>6</sup>Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Handbell Anthem:** “Sing to the Lord of Harvest” 8:00 a.m.

**Epistle**

*Jude 20–25*

<sup>20</sup>But you, beloved, build yourselves up in your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit; <sup>21</sup>keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. <sup>22</sup>And have mercy on those who doubt; <sup>23</sup>save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh. <sup>24</sup>Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, <sup>25</sup>to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

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**Holy Gospel**

*Mark 13:24–37*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

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

<sup>24</sup>[Jesus said:] “But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, <sup>25</sup>and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. <sup>26</sup>And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. <sup>27</sup>And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. <sup>28</sup>“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer

is near. <sup>29</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. <sup>30</sup>Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. <sup>31</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. <sup>32</sup>“But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>33</sup>Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. <sup>34</sup>It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. <sup>35</sup>Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock crows, or in the morning—<sup>36</sup>lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. <sup>37</sup>And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

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### Children’s Message

#### ♪ Sermon Hymn: “The Clouds of Judgment Gather”

*LSB 513*

- 1    **The clouds of judgment gather, The time is growing late;  
Be sober and be watchful, Our judge is at the gate:  
The judge who comes in mercy, The judge who comes in might  
To put an end to evil And diadem the right.**
  
- 2    **Arise, O true disciples; Let wrong give way to right,  
And penitential shadow To Jesus’ blessed light:  
The light that has no evening, That knows no moon or sun,  
The light so new and golden, The light that is but one.**
  
- 3    **The home of fadeless splendor, Of blooms that bear no thorn,  
Where they shall dwell as children Who here as exiles mourn;  
The peace of all the faithful, The calm of all the blest,  
Inviolable, unfading, Divinest, sweetest, best.**
  
- 4    **Oh, happy, holy portion, Relief for all distressed,  
True vision of true beauty, Refreshment for the blest!  
Strive now to win that glory, Toil now to gain that light;  
Send hope ahead to grasp it Till hope be lost in sight.**

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♪ Hymn of Response: “Jesus Shall Reign”

LSB 832

- 1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun Does its successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore  
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
- 2 To Him shall endless prayer be made, And endless praises crown His head;  
His name like sweet perfume shall rise With ev'ry morning sacrifice.
- 3 People and realms of ev'ry tongue Dwell on His love with sweetest song;  
And infant voices shall proclaim Their early blessings on His name.
- 4 Blessings abound where'er He reigns: The pris'ners leap, unloose their chains,  
The weary find eternal rest, And all who suffer want are blest.
- 5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring Honors peculiar to our King;  
Angels descend with songs again, And earth repeat the loud amen.

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♪ Kyrie

LSB 227

**C** Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

**C** 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.

**P** O Lord, hear my prayer.

**C** And let my cry come to You.

Collect of the Day

**P** Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Additional Collects of Intercession and Thanksgiving

### Collect for Grace

**P** O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**MC** Amen.

### Benedicamus

*LSB 228*

**MP** Let us bless the Lord.

**MC** Thanks be to God.

### Benediction

*LSB 234*

**MP** The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**MC** Amen.

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### **MC**Closing Hymn: “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

*LSB 525*

1 Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne;  
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own.  
Awake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,  
And hail Him as thy matchless king Through all eternity.

2 Crown Him the virgin's Son, The God incarnate born,  
Whose arm those crimson trophies won Which now His brow adorn:  
Fruit of the mystic rose, Yet of that rose the stem,  
The root whence mercy ever flows, The babe of Bethlehem.

3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Behold His hands and side,  
Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified.

**No angels in the sky Can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bend their wond'ring eyes At mysteries so bright.**

**4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er the grave  
And rose victorious in the strife For those He came to save.  
His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high,  
Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.**

**5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above,  
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love.  
Crown Him with many crowns As thrones before Him fall;  
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns, For He is king of all.**

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## **NEWS AND NOTES**

**WE REJOICE** with the following members of Grace who are celebrating this week.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Ryan Allemann, Brenda Pippitt, Mary Temme, Tanner Heithold, Derek Carroll, Aubree Hansen, Samantha Niemann, Kerry Tanfield, Keith Woodward, Terri Heggemeyer & Mike Victor.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Pastor & Kathryn Buchhorn, Marvin & Carlene Bodlak, Levi & Andrea Trautman, Kelly & Kimberly Hansen, and Vel & Sue Temme

**LAST WEEK** our offerings were \$5,789.

**ONLINE WORSHIP:** Livestream of our Sunday morning services is being offered each week. Check the church's website [www.gracewayne.com](http://www.gracewayne.com) or Facebook page for the link which should be available on Sunday morning. A recording of the service is still available to watch later in the day or week. May God bless your worship time.

**NURSERY:** A nursery room has been created to help parents with young children. The nursery is located in the first room west of the upstairs fellowship hall. Please feel welcome to use the room to quiet your child.

**PARENTS OF LITTLE CHILDREN:** Books which your children may enjoy are available in book bags located near the doors at the east end of the sanctuary. Please return the books after the worship service. Thank you.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** In today's lesson, "Mission Wonders," Jesus gathers seventy-two followers and sends them out to the surrounding towns and villages. Taking nothing with them, these disciples depend on the willing welcome of local residents. There they remain, healing and spreading God's Word. Returning from their mission, the seventy-two rejoice in the many miracles they witnessed. Jesus reminds them to rejoice in their salvation.

**LUTHERAN HOUR:** "A Response to the Problem of Evil" -- Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler -- Why does God let evil happen? Will that question take us down the path of doubt or lead us to trust God more deeply? Hear the "Lutheran Hour" message on KTCH AM next Sunday at 7:30 am.

**ADULT BIBLE CLASS:** We continue our overview of the Gospel of John. Today Jesus speaks of the hope of the resurrection and testimonies to the truthfulness of His Word. The class meets in the basement at 9:15 a.m.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS:** The Wednesday morning Bible Study of First Samuel will be breaking until January. We will resume our study on January 5.

**VOTERS' MEETING:** Today (11/21) is our annual Voters' meeting. Communicant members of Grace who have reached the age of 18 are eligible to vote and encouraged to attend. A catered meal will be served following the 10:30 a.m. service and the meeting should commence about noon. The major items of business include the election of officers and the adoption of the 2022 budget. Please join us.

**THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP SERVICE:** We will observe our nation's day of national thanksgiving with a Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service at **6:15** p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 24. Let us join our voices in praise of God from whom all blessings flow.

**THANKSGIVING DINNER** will be held at Grace on Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at noon. Call the church office to sign up. Don't spend thanksgiving alone join your Grace family.

**COLLEGE SUNDAY NIGHT DINNERS:** Open to ALL College Students, Young Adults, and anyone who is Young at Heart!!! Come join us for a free dinner, fellowship and an awesome Bible Study! If you are missing home cooked meals, and your mom's favorite recipes you can't get much better than the classic food options we provide! Hope you can join us every Sunday at 7:30PM! And be sure to invite your friends to come for the food, but to stay for the FUN! 😊

**WAYNE FOOD PANTRY DISPLAY:** During November the Altar Guild will be assembling a display in the sanctuary for donating non-perishable food items for the Wayne Food Pantry. Any healthy, filling, non-perishable foods are welcome. There is also a need for: brownie & cake mix, canned chicken, canned fruit, cereal, cooking oil, flour, gravy, instant potatoes, instant rise, juice, pancake mix, pancake syrup, pasta, saltine crackers, soup, stuffing, sugar and toilet paper. The display will be taken to the pantry on November 22, **the Monday before Thanksgiving.**

**HOLIDAY HAMS ARE BACK,** and you can order yours today from one of our amazing Youth or by calling the Church Office! Hams are all fully cooked and spiral cut. They weigh between 9 and 10 pounds each. We are selling these Holiday Hams for the low price of \$30! Orders will be taken until December 1<sup>st</sup> and hams will be ready to be picked up or delivered by December 15<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds go to helping us reach the National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX July 8<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, 2022! If you know of youth who will be entering High School in the 2022-2023 school year or are currently in High School, we would love to have them join us. They can speak with Pastor Erik about registering for this awesome experience! THANK YOU in advance for all the love and support!!!

**POINSETTIAS:** If you are interested in adorning the chancel for Advent and Christmas with a poinsettia, please complete an order form located by the doors, and return it with payment to the church office or place in the offering plate no later than November 28th.

**CHECK IT OUT:** New Christmas Books for you to enjoy

The “Christmas Joy Ride” by Melody Carlson—Miranda Fortner did not put adventure on her Christmas list, but thanks to her eighty-five-year-old neighbor Joy Jorgensen, that’s exactly what she’ll get. When Joy tells Miranda that she plans to drive an old RV decked out in Christmas decorations from their Chicago neighborhood to her new retirement digs in Phoenix—in the dead of winter, no less—the much younger Miranda’s insists that Joy cannot make the trip alone.

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“The Christmas Angel Project” by Melody Carlson—Abby Wentworth is the glue that holds her book club together. So, when she unexpectedly passes away on the cusp of the Christmas season, the rest of the women in the group are stunned, saddened and sure that without her the group can’t go on. They gather “one last time” to open gifts Abby left behind for each cherished friend. Little do they know these gifts will change their lived forever. FIC/CAR

The “Red Glove Series” by Karen Kingsbury includes “Hannah’s Hope”, “Sarah’s Song”, and “Gideon’s Gift”. The Church Library has these books in one bound volume, but these individual books are easier to hold while reading. These books have been in print for a while but will still warm the heart of the reader as these Christmas stories are cherished. The reader may even embrace the idea of purchasing one of these books as a Christmas gift to a friend and including a pair of red gloves. FIC/KIN

“Christmas Recollections at Grace Chapel Inn” consist of three stories reflecting memories from Alice, Louise, and Jane as they recall their most memorable guests at the Grace Chapel Inn. The recipe book is a separate book that gives the reader all the recipes mentioned in the stories. Find both of these books under FIC/TAL

“Christmas Miracles of Marble Cove” series consists of two books. Book one contains two stories entitled. “A Thrill of Hope” and “Heavenly Hope”. Book two consists of two stories entitled “The Sounding Joy” and “Love’s Pure Light”. It’s Christmastime in Marble Cove, Maine, and miracles abound for four friends and neighbors in this charming seaside village. When Diane, Shelley, Margaret and Beverly each receive a mysterious Christmas gift, it sets them on journeys of discovery as the holiday approaches. And when they set out to resurrect a forgotten town tradition, there’s no telling what might happen. You will enjoy these books best if you read the stories in order. FIC/CHR

Tracie Peterson is the author of the “Willamette Brides Series consisting of book 1-“Secrets of My Life”, book 2-“The Way of Love” and book 3-Forever By Your Side. These books are an excellent Christian read and will warm your heart as each story unfolds. FIC/PET

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**ACOLYTES:** Graycen Trautman & Taven Ocampo (8:00)

Drew Reinhardt & Brodrick Tiedtke (10:30)

**LAY READER:** Louise Green (8:00) Jennifer Kesting (10:30)

**GREETERS:** Louise Green & Chuck Potosnyak (8:00)

Jerry & Loree Echtenkamp (10:30)

**FISHERS OF KIDS PRESCHOOL:** Teacher – Keila Olson – 402.584.2257

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**LUTHERAN HOUR SPONSOR:** Ron & Rhonda Sebade in honor of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

## **THIS WEEK AT GRACE**

<b>TODAY</b>	8:00 am.	Worship/Communion
	9:15 am.	Sunday School
	9:15 am.	Bible Class
	10:30 am.	Worship/Communion
	11:30 am.	Voters'
	7:30 pm.	Sunday Night Dinner
<b>MONDAY</b>	6:00 pm.	Choir
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	6:15 pm.	Thanksgiving Eve Worship
<b>THURSDAY</b>	12:00 pm.	Thanksgiving Dinner
<b>SATURDAY</b>	4:00 pm.	Family Communion
<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	8:00 am.	Worship
	9:15 am.	Bible Study
	9:15 am.	Sunday School
	10:30 am.	Worship