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March 5, 2017 First Sunday in Lent-A

WELCOME to where we are not only told that we have no secrets, but that we have been clothed with perfection through the blood of Jesus Christ. Therefore, we can come before God with all boldness and confidence because of His Son, Jesus Christ. He gives us the strength not to return to our old way of life of shame, but to live the new life we have in Christ. If you are desiring to commune this week prepare by reviewing the Christian Questions with their Answers on page 329 in the hymnal. If you are a guest, kindly speak to the pastor before the service concerning your intentions to commune.

WORSHIP PRAYER O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 3:1-21 *The fall of humankind.*

EPISTLE: Romans 5:12-19 *One act of righteousness was justification that brings life for all.*

GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11 *Jesus is tempted by Satan in the desert.*

OPPORTUNITIES THRU CHURCH ACTIVITIES

(March 5-12)

Sun/March 5 **1st Sunday in Lent**

Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am

Donut Fellowship, 9-9:30am

SS/Bible Study, 9:30am

Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am

SS Teacher Meeting, Noon-12:45pm

Fellowship Hall Reserved

Mon/March 6 All Staff Meeting, 11:30am

Faith Foundations, 7pm

Tues/March 7

Wed/March 8 Book/Bible Study @ Deaneer's Diner, 6:30am

Lent Soup & Sandwich, 5:15-7pm

Parent/Student Session, 6:30pm

Jubilate Choir, 6:30pm

Lent Worship, 7:30

Thu/March 9 LWML Bible Study, 9:15am

Fri/March 10 Kids Night, Gr 3-5, 7-8:30pm

Sat/March 11 Kramer Baptism, Hall Reserved

Sun/March 12 **2nd Sunday in Lent**

Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am

Donut Fellowship, 9-9:30am

SS/Bible Study, 9:30am

Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am

SAMS Mission Trip 3/10-3/19

HELP YOUR ELDERS IMPROVE COMMUNICATION AND MEMBERSHIP

Your elders decided to help communication within the congregation and clarify our membership. A mailing will be going out asking to reaffirm or update your information and any other family information, such as phone numbers, email addresses, and changes in membership. It will be as simple as filling out a form either by paper or online. You can help the elders and the church office by going online at www.standrewlcms.org and click on update membership and fill out the information. Please include an email address and phone number to be used as a contact for the whole family as well as personal email addresses of all the family.

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First Sunday in Lent - A

Entrance Hymn #645

Confession and Absolution p.151

Introit *see insert*

Kyrie (*Omit Hymn of Praise*) p.152

Salutation-Collect p.156

Old Testament *see back*

Gradual *see insert*

Epistle *see back*

“Return to the Lord...” p. 157

Gospel *see back*

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn #672

Sermon: Ezra and Nehemiah
Jerusalem Protected!

Apostles Creed p. 159

Prayers & Offering & Preface p.160

“Holy, Holy, Holy” p. 161

Prayer of Thanksgiving p. 161

The Lord's Prayer (*right side*) p. 162

Words of Institution p. 162

“Lamb of God...” p. 163

Distribution & Hymns
#673, #561, #521

Nunc Dimittis p. 165

Prayer & Benediction p. 166

Closing Hymn #656

**-OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIS PEOPLE AND HIS WORLD-
USED OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP OUR LORD:**

Attendance for last week: 119 + 102 = 221

	<u>LAST YEAR</u>	<u>LAST SUNDAY</u>
General Fund Income Received:	\$ 8,760.96	\$4,571.34
Mortgage Fund Income Received:	\$ 960.08	\$430.26

<u>THROUGH JANUARY</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
General Fund Income:	\$ 28,025.06	\$ 28,025.06
General Fund Expenses:	\$ 28,081.71	\$ 28,081.71
Net	\$ -56.65	\$ -56.65
Mortgage Fund Income	\$ 4,199.70	\$ 4,199.70
Mortgage Fund Loan Payments	\$ 6,386.00	\$ 6,386.00
Net	\$-2,186.30	\$ -2,186.30

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE FOR NEXT WEEK: (Mar 8 & 12)

ELDERS: Wednesday: Joe Franklin
Sunday 8am: Emmett Wilson
Sunday 10:45am: Steven Lindquist

AV: Wednesday: Tony Borslien
Sunday 8am: Dan Klug
Sunday 10:45am: Emmet Wilson

USHERS: Wednesday: Larry & Diana Weil
Sunday 8am: Larry Phillips*, Steve Beltz
David & Karen Beck
Sunday 10:45am: Rodney Olson*, Dave Cook
Lenny Heupel, Jim Joyce

GREETERS: Sunday 8am: Ernie & Donna Feland
Sunday 10:45am: Arlin & Joan Prochnow

ACOLYTES: Wednesday: Jack Franklin
Sunday 8am: Thomas Doyel
Sunday 10:45am: Kaylee Neumiller

MUSICIANS: Wednesday: Jodi Pierce
Sunday 8am & 10:45am: Jodi Pierce

ALTAR: Rose Rios & Corrine Reber

COMMUNICATING CHRIST OVER THE AIR:
OUR WEB SITE: www.standrewlcms.org

"MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH" is a locally produced TV program that includes a 30 minute worship service by participating pastors of the ND and MN North Districts of our LCMS, along with a 30 minute children's program called "Kid's Crossing". Broadcast each Sunday at 10 AM Central time on KVRR Fargo-Moorhead Channel 15.1 and cable/satellite systems carrying these stations, and archived on www.mainstreetlivingnorth.com.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" Sundays on KFGO AM 790 at 7:30am. Upcoming topics are posted on the LLL bulletin board. www.lutheranhour.org

"CHRIST THE WAY" a radio program featuring ND District LCMS Pastors on KSJB 600AM at 7:30am on Sundays.

OUR SYNOD'S RADIO STATION: www.kfuo.org

DAILY DEVOTIONS by Pastor Klaus at www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp

MEN NETWORK: www.lhmmen.com

ISSUES, ETC: Current events from a Lutheran view. www.issuesetc.org

CATECHETICAL LESSON The Sacrament of the Altar: *Who receives this sacrament worthily?* Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that a person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words "for you" require all hearts to believe.

SKYZONE High school youth group (LYF) is going to SkyZone on Sunday, March 19. We'll meet there at 4 to get checked in, jump from 4:30-5:30, and then have Bible study over pizza from 5:30-6:00pm. Invite your friends! Sign up on the youth bulletin board today. Cost: \$10

KIDS NIGHT Kids in grades 3-5 are invited to our "Friday Fun" night on March 10th from 7-8:30pm here at the church. We'll play games, eat pizza, and do a devotion/Bible verse together. Sign up today!

SHINGLES There are examples and information about the new shingles for the sanctuary roof on the table in the narthex area.

ANNUAL GRACE LUTHERAN AUCTION The auction is on March 25, 2017! Many items are already being lined up for this year's great event. Come and celebrate the richness, heritage and exciting future of Grace Lutheran School all in one night. This event is a great way to see some of the latest displays and happening at Grace Lutheran. Be sure to get your ticket for \$50.00 which includes your meal and a place at the auction and purchase great gifts for your family!

We still are in need of new donations!! Please consider donating something before March 20th, thank you!

SHORTFALL LOAN 2017 In August last year we were fortunate to have an anonymous donor offer to provide a matching gift to help us reduce the need for a shortfall loan this year. At that time we asked everyone to prayerfully consider any increased giving they could do to help us eliminate the need for a shortfall loan this year. Thank you to all who helped us utilize this generous gift! I am happy to report that we were able to apply \$15,300 to reduce this need!

In 2016, giving to the General Fund income was enough to cover expenses. The Mortgage Fund income remains low against expenses, however. We went a long way with the additional giving towards the shortfall reduction match, helping to reduce the shortfall loan amount. This year we only had to take out a Shortfall Loan for \$2,000.00 to cover the difference for the Mortgage Fund. As we enter March in 2017, we are asking all to consider again any additional giving they can contribute to eliminate the shortfall loan. In order to address this specific need, pink envelopes labeled Shortfall Loan can be found in the gathering area on the front table. Envelopes can be dropped in the Sunday offering plate or delivered to Mary at the office.

RALLY NIGHT AT GLS Please join us for our very first Rally Night March 9, 5:30pm to 7:00 pm! Rally Night will be a chance to hear about all the new & exciting things happening at Grace! You will hear from some of our Grace alumni & Graceworks President, Dan Krause as well as get a chance to tour the school & share an evening meal of pizza & lemonade. We will also get to see our Newest School videos, which our students made through our Music department. There will also be a special drawing for a chance to receive a half-year tuition (50% off your obligation) for the 2017-2018 school year! For each adult family member who attends (Mom, Dad, Grandma, & Grandpa etc) you will receive one chance in the drawing! This is a wonderful, fruitful time for Grace Lutheran, & we are thankful to God that we are able to offer the best character driven, Christian Education in the Fargo/ Moorhead area. Please call 701-232-7747 for more information.

ALL ASSOCIATION MEETING Thurs March 9 at 7:30 @ Grace Lutheran church, in the basement level. All pastors, church councils, Association boards of education, Key leaders and Grace School board members are strongly encouraged to attend this meeting about our School. The theme of the meeting is "The state of Lutheran and Christian schools in 2017" Mr. Dan Krause author and director, of Graceworks Ministries, will lead us in understanding the mission and ministry of Christian schools today. This will be a great way to know how you and your church can promote & support Christian education in our association school.

CAMP GRACE will once again open at the end of May. I am looking for young adults (college age students) to help with our Camp. We need approximately 5 new leaders to add to our staff. We will need leaders for centers and activities, not to mention recreation helpers. Mrs. Betty Haggge, Mrs. Cindy Noenning, and Kari Lugo will be heading up this year Camp Grace. Please call me if you are interested in being a leader for Camp Grace at 615-479-1438 Come and fill out an application Now!

GRACE LUTHERAN-SCHOOL ITEMS & SERVICES Grace Lutheran School is always accepting in-kind donations of items or services that will assist us in keeping our school facilities clean, safe, repaired and up to date. If you own a company or work for a company that you feel could offer us assistance, please contact the school. 701.232.7747