



March 2, 2025 9:30 AM Worship Service

- Pastor Doug Widger

## Welcome and Opening Prayer: Pastor Steve Roth (Pastor Juan Zamora)

## Opening Song: Holy, Holy, Holy

LSB #507 vs. 1e, 1s, 4e, 4s

1e Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!

- 1s ¡Santo! ¡Santo! ¡Santo! Señor omnipotente, siempre el labio mío loores te dará; ¡Santo! ¡Santo! ¡Santo! Te adoro reverente, Dios en tres personas, bendita Trinidad.
- 4e Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!

4s ¡Santo! ¡Santo! ¡Santo! La gloria de tu nombre vemos en tus obras, en cielo, tierra y mar. ¡Santo! ¡Santo! ¡Santo! Te adorará todo hombre, Dios en tres personas, bendita Trinidad.

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## **Confession and Absolution**

- P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

- P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C: Amen.

## Share Grace

## Installation of Roberto & Lucia Espitia

as Vicar and Deaconess Intern: Pastor Doug Widger (Pastor Juan Zamora)

## Please welcome the following to our Family of Faith...

## Vicar Roberto Espitia will introduce:

Yhoana Tovar & Ricaurte Antonio Villanero

• Valentina Villanero

Patricia Torres Rodríguez

- Eidan Loyola
- Alex Loyola

Maria Verónica Garcia Córdova

- Elian Victoria
- Saulo

Edwin Moreno & Hilda L. Gaytan

- Dilan
- Leonardo

Sergio Flores & Reyna Catalina Andrade

Axel Andrade

Pastor Doug Widger will introduce:

Stacey & Joel Hakomaki Mary Ann Jackson Jessica & Jerahmey Krueger, Athena (3) and Melanie (1)

## Old Testament Reading: Psalm 23:1-6

## Vicar Roberto Espitia

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- 4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.
- P: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

## Within the paths of righteousness, e'en for His own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I fear no ill; For Thou art with me, and Thy rod and staff me comfort still.

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie

My table Thou hast furnished in presence of my foes; My head Thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me; And in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be.

## **Epistle Reading:** Philippians 4:11-13

- 11 Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content.
- 12 I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need.
- 13 I can do all things through him who strengthens me.
- P: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

## Gospel Reading: Luke 12:13-21

- 13 Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."
- 14 But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?"
- 15 And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions."
- 16 And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully,
- 17 and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?'
- 18 And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.
- 19 And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." '
- 20 But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?'
- 21 So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

In pastures green; He leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again and me to walk doth make

- P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to You, O Christ!

## **Message Song:** The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

# LSB #710

vs. 1-5

#### Pastor Steve Roth

## Message: "Tender Contentment" - Pastor Doug Widger

## **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.

Connection Points: Pastor Steve Roth (Pastor Juan Zamora)

## Offering

I Am

I have everything I need I have everything I need I have everything I need The Great I am provides for me The Great I am provides for me

You are my strength when I am weak You are my strength when I am weak You are my strength when I am wea The Great I am provides for me The Great I am provides for me

You're whoever I need You to be You're the I am You are You're whoever I need You to be You're the I am You are

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## Communion

### Great Is Thy Faithfulness

#### LSB #809, vs. 1-3

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with Thee. Thou changest not: Thy compassions, they fail not; As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

**Refrain:** Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed Thy hand hath provided; Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Refrain* 

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain* 

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#### How Great Thou Art

#### LSB #801, vs. 1e, 1s, 2e, 3e, 4e

1e O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed; *Refrain.*

**Refrain:** Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

> 1s Señor mi Dios, al contemplar los cielos, el firmamento y las estrellas mil; al oír tu voz en los potentes truenos Y ver brillar el sol en su cenit.

#### (Coro):

Mi corazón entona la canción, ¡Cuán grande es él! ¡Cuán grande es él! Mi corazón entona la canción, ¡Cuán grande es él! ¡Cuán grande es él!

2e When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
 I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
 When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
 And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; *Refrain.*

**3e** But when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain.* 

4e When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration And there proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!" *Refrain.* 

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#### Your Table I Approach

LSB #628, vs. 1-4

Your table I approach; Dear Savior, hear my prayer. Let not an unrepentant heart Prove hurtful to me there.

Lord, I confess my sins And mourn their wretched bands; A contrite heart is sure to find Forgiveness at Your hands.

Your body and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me, Are taken at Your table, Lord, In blest reality.

Search not how this takes place, This wondrous mystery; God can accomplish vastly more Than what we think could be.

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## Prayers of the Church: Pastor Steve Roth

#### Lord's Prayer: Pastor Juan Zamora

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.

Ways to Follow Jesus: Pastor Doug Widger (Pastor Juan Zamora)

## Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26

## Vicar Roberto Espitia

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord make his countenance to shine upon you and give you peace.

C: Amen.

## Sending Song: Almighty Father, Bless the Word

LSB #923, vs. 1-3

Almighty Father, bless the Word Which through Your grace we now have heard. Oh, may the precious seed take root, Spring up, and bear abundant fruit!

We praise You for the means of grace As homeward now our steps we trace. Grant, Lord, that we who worshiped here May all at last in heav'n appear.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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## **COMMUNION NOTES**

A traveling tray will be available for those who desire it. Gluten-free wafers are available. Grape juice is provided on the inner ring of the communion tray.

#### We ask ourselves questions of examination:

- Do I believe that I am a sinner and am I sorry for my sins?
- Do I believe that Jesus is my Savior and that through faith in Him my sins are forgiven?
- Do I believe that in this meal I receive the true Body and Blood of Jesus, for the forgiveness of my sins, not just a symbol of it?
- Do I intend, with the help of God, to live a Christian life?

#### We welcome to the altar all who answer yes to these questions and believe as we do.

Those who have never communed with us before are asked to speak to the Pastor or Elder before the service. If you're not ready to participate in the Lord's Supper with us, please feel free to come forward. Folding of your arms will indicate to the Pastors your desire to receive a blessing.



Ash Wednesday is March 5<sup>th</sup>. Services will be held at 4:30 pm and 6:30 pm, with a Chili Supper at 5:30 pm in the Gym. (*Please contact Chris Owens if you can bring a crockpot of your favorite chili recipe.*)

During Lent (Wednesday nights through April 9<sup>th</sup>) we'll focus on each one of the Seven Penitential Psalms:

6, 32, 38, 51, 102, 130, 143. They have provided Christians with a powerful source of prayer and reflection during Lent for centuries. Together, they invite us to recognize our sins, express our sorrow to God and ask His forgiveness, and experience the healing touch of His merciful grace.



CHILI SUPPER on MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup> @ 5:30 PM in the Gym. Contact Chris Owens if you can bring chili!



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#### ~ Sundays @ 10:45 a.m. ~

- Grace Youth (Grades 9-12) Youth Shed
- Grace Youth (Grades 7-8) Meeting Room 4
- Grace Kids (Preschool 4's/Kinder, Grades 1-6) - Preschool Wing Classrooms
- Babies 3 year olds Nursery

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

#### Sunday, March 2, 2025

9:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary 11:00 AM New Member/ Congregation Potluck Lunch - Gym

#### Monday, March 3, 2025

7:00 PM JOY: Philippians Book Study - Zoom

Tuesday, March 4, 2025 7:30 PM Community Basketball - Gym

#### Wednesday, March 5, 2025

10:30 AM JOY: Philippians Book Study - Library 4:30 PM LENT EARLY SERVICE - Fireside Room 5:30 PM Lenten Meal: Chili Supper - Gym

Please contact Chris Owens if you can bring a crockpot of your favorite chili recipe.

- 6:30 PM LENT LATE SERVICE Fireside Room 6:30 PM Embrace Grace - Meeting Room 2
- 6:30 PM ESL Classes 6:30 PM Youth Leadership Class (ages 9 - 14) - MR 4 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal - Music Room
- 8:00 PM LENT LATE SERVICE: SPANISH Fireside Room

#### Thursday, March 6, 2024

9:00 AM Braille (Moretz Group) - Braille Room: MR1 6:30 PM Braille (Charity Group) - Braille Room: MR1

#### Friday, March 7, 2024

9:00 a.M. 6:00 PM Easter Preparation Workshop -Taller de preparación para la Pascua - Meeting Room 2

#### Saturday, March 8, 2025

9:00 AM Altar Guild 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Bible Journaling - Meeting Room 2



#### Sunday, March 9, 2025

9:00 AM Handbells Rehearsal - Sanctuary 9:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary 10:45 AM Bible Classes for all ages 12:00 PM Spanish Worship Service - Fireside Room



#### **ELDERS AND** THEIR ASSIGNED **MEMBERS**

Joe Masterson A-B Hank Jacobs C-E Keith Mangels F-H Mike Kennedy I-L Mike Curtis M-O Ernie Owens P-R Brian Bassett S Jim Schmidt T-Z Head Elder: Joe Masterson



Pastor Doug Widger, Lead Shepherd Pastor Steve Roth, Community Care Dr. Serena Pace, DCE, Director of Ministries Mrs. Laura Scott, Director of Early Education



MARCH 13, 12PM, Fireside (FLC)

**BRING WHITE ELEPHANT PRIZES!** 

RSVP to Serena by March 9. space@grace.lc; 817-274-1626



# BIBLE JOURNALING Join us for a morning of learning, art and joy. No experience or artistic talent needed!

In person at Grace Lutheran Church and on Zoom!

10:00AM

12:00PM

Saturday March 8, 2025

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Handbells Rehearsal, DURING THE season of LENT, WILL BE MOVED TO SUNDAY MORNINGS AT