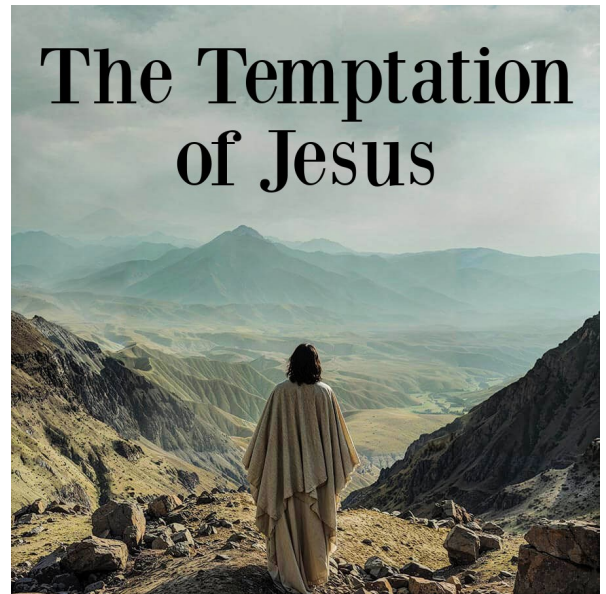




March 9, 2025
9:30 AM Worship Service



Welcome and Opening Prayer

Opening Song: Every Praise

- Pastor Doug Widger

Chorus: Every praise is to our God
Every word of worship with one accord
Every praise every praise is to our God
(repeat)

Bridge: God my Savior
God my Healer
God my Deliverer
Yes He is yes He is

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Confession and Absolution

Psalms 91:9

Pastor: Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith and confess our sins unto God our Father, that we may receive His forgiveness.

People: O God, we believe Your Word is true for it reveals our sin for which we deserve Your rebuke and judgment. Yet even more, we believe in Your promise of mercy and forgiveness for the sake of Christ. We therefore confess to You all our sins. We plead the suffering and sacrifice of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, as the all-sufficient price of our redemption, and beg Your grace and forgiveness for the sake of faith in our Savior alone. Hear us in Your mercy and according to Your promise in Christ, our Lord.

Pastor: "Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—the Most High, who is my refuge," upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I remind you that you are forgiven of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Share Grace

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

- 1 "When you come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it,
- 2 you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the LORD your God will choose, to make his name to dwell there.
- 3 And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, 'I declare today to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our fathers to give us.'
- 4 Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the LORD your God.
- 5 "And you shall make response before the LORD your God, 'A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous.
- 6 And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor.
- 7 Then we cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression.
- 8 And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders.
- 9 And he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey.
- 10 And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O LORD, have given me.' And you shall set it down before the LORD your God and worship before the LORD your God.
- 11 And you shall rejoice in all the good that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Romans 10:8b-13

- 8 "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim);
- 9 because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.
- 10 For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.
- 11 For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."
- 12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him.
- 13 For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 4:1-15

- 1 And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness
- 2 for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry.
- 3 The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread."
- 4 And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.' "
- 5 And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time,
- 6 and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will.
- 7 If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours."
- 8 And Jesus answered him, "It is written, " 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve.' "
- 9 And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here,
- 10 for it is written, " 'He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,'
- 11 and " 'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.' "
- 12 And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.' "
- 13 And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.
- 14 And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country.
- 15 And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

Message Song: O Lord, throughout These Forty Days

LSB #418

vs. 1-4

O Lord, throughout these forty days
You prayed and kept the fast;
Inspire repentance for our sin,
And free us from our past.

You strove with Satan, and You won;
Your faithfulness endured;
Lend us Your nerve, Your skill and trust
In God's eternal Word.

Though parched and hungry, yet You prayed
And fixed Your mind above;
So teach us to deny ourselves,
Since we have known God's love.

Be with us through this season, Lord,
And all our earthly days,
That when the final Easter dawns,
We join in heaven's praise.

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Message: "The Temptation of Jesus" - 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

Offering

Chief of Sinners Though I Be

LSB #611
vs. 1-5

Chief of sinners though I be,
Jesus shed His blood for me,
Died that I might live on high,
Lives that I might never die.
As the branch is to the vine,
I am His, and He is mine.

Oh, the height of Jesus' love,
Higher than the heav'ns above,
Deeper than the depths of sea,
Lasting as eternity!
Love that found me—wondrous thought!
Found me when I sought Him not.

Only Jesus can impart
Balm to heal the wounded heart,
Peace that flows from sin forgiv'n,
Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,
Faith and hope to walk with God
In the way that Enoch trod.

Chief of sinners though I be,
Christ is all in all to me;
All my wants to Him are known,
All my sorrows are His own.
He sustains the hidden life
Safe with Him from earthly strife.

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Prayers of the Church / Lord's Prayer

Ways to Follow Jesus

Benediction: *Numbers 6:24–26*

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: On What Has Now Been Sown

LSB #921
vs. 1-3

On what has now been sown
Thy blessing, Lord, bestow;
The pow'r is Thine alone
To make it sprout and grow.
Do Thou in grace the harvest raise,
And Thou alone shalt have the praise!

To Thee our wants are known,
From Thee are all our pow'rs;
Accept what is Thine own
And pardon what is ours.
Our praises, Lord, and prayers receive,
And to Thy Word a blessing give.

O grant that each of us,
Now met before Thee here,
May meet together thus
When Thou and Thine appear
And follow Thee to heav'n, our home.
E'en so, amen, Lord Jesus, come!

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Lent Services

Wednesdays • Mar. 5th - Apr. 9th
4:30 pm & 6:30 pm • Sanctuary
Meals between services • Gym • 5:30 pm

PLEASE CHECK IN!



go.grace.lc/links
Scan the QR code or type the link above to check in, submit prayer requests, and more!

During Lent (Wednesday nights through April 9th) 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.

FIESTA & FUN

Family Fellowship & Game Night

gracekids **graceYouth**

Sat., March 29, 5-7PM
Family Life Center

Bring a Tex-Mex themed main or side dish, or dessert to share. All ages welcome!
Contact Serena for info: space@grace.lc
817-274-1626, x 1002

BIBLE CLASS

The Gospel of John

Pastor Widger's Bible Class on the Gospel of John will resume this Sunday in Meeting Room 2. Please join us as we journey with Jesus through this unique Gospel account.

Puzzle Exchange

Bring a puzzle and exchange it for another! If you don't have a puzzle, just take one and return when completed. **Located in the NARTHEX.**

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Grace Lutheran Early Education

Fall 2025 Enrollment

NOW OPEN

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1. Use your cell phone text messaging feature.
1. Type **(833) 630-9900** in the send to line.
2. Type **GRACELC** in the message line.
3. Press to send message. Almost immediately you will receive a message back thanking you for your generosity.
5. Click the link shown in the message.
6. This takes you to the page where you will see our church logo.
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~ **Sundays @ 10:45 a.m.** ~

- ♦ Jim Runzheimer's Bible Class - *Fireside Room*
- ♦ Pastor Doug Widger's Class: Book of John - *MR 2*

SPRING BREAK 3/16 these Classes on hold:

- ♦ Biblical Parenting Group - *Library*
- ♦ 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 9, 2025

- 8:40 - 9:20 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*

Monday, March 10, 2025

- 7:00 PM JOY: Philippians Book Study - *Zoom*

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

- 9:30 AM Braille (Smiths' Group) - *Braille Room: MR1*
- 7:00 PM Board of Elders Meeting - *Meeting Room 2*
- 7:30 PM Community Basketball - *Gym*

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

- 10:30 AM JOY: Philippians Book Study - *Library*
- 1:00 PM Braille (Holy Cross Group) - *Braille: MR1*
- 4:30 PM LENT EARLY SERVICE - *Sanctuary*
- 5:30 PM Lenten Meal - *Gym*
- 6:30 PM LENT LATE SERVICE - *Sanctuary*
- 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*

Thursday, March 13, 2024

- 12:00 PM Grace Seniors Fellowship Lunch - *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	



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

SAVE THE DATE!
Grace Young
Adults
3.23.25

MEET AT PANERA (4000 S. COOPER ST.) AT 12:15 FOR LUNCH, FOLLOWED BY PUTT-PUTT AT ALLEY CATS (2008 W. PLEASANT RIDGE RD.). BRING \$ FOR LUNCH AND INVITE A FRIEND. MINI GOLF IS COVERED!

RSVP to Keith & Lyn or Serena

BINGO

TETRAZZINI LUNCH

MARCH 13, 12PM, Fireside (FLC)

BRING WHITE ELEPHANT PRIZES!

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



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- 6:00 PM Braille (Sandra's Braille Buddies) - *MR1*

Friday, March 14, 2024

- 6:00 PM Spanish Bible Study - *Fireside Room*

Saturday, March 15, 2025

- 9:00 AM Altar Guild

Sunday, March 16, 2025

- 8:40 - 9:20 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*

HANDBELLS REHEARSAL, DURING THE SEASON OF LENT, WILL BE MOVED TO SUNDAYS AT 8:40 A.M.

CELEBRATING EASTER

THE HOLY SMOKERS ARE READY TO TAKE ORDERS FOR EASTER HAMS, SAUSAGE AND PORK LOINS.

The average weight of a whole loin is between 8-10 pounds uncooked. If a whole loin is too large for you, you can order a half loin for half price.

Orders must be PRE-PAID.

ORDER DEADLINE: Sunday, April 13 at 12PM

Make checks out to **Grace Lutheran Church: (memo to) Holy Smokers.**

Place all checks in the envelope or cash can be given to Cynthia

HAMS & PORK LOINS \$40

SAUSAGE (mild or spicy):

\$8 per ring

\$15 for 2 rings

HOW TO PLACE YOUR ORDER:

- Sign-up sheet in the Narthex (starting March 23rd)
- Call *Brian Rukavina* (817-229-9703)
- Call *Ernie Owens* (817-247-0747)

ANYONE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE HOLY SMOKERS PLEASE JOIN US SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 19 AROUND 7:00AM.