

# Sunday, June 29, 2025 9:30 AM Worship Service

The Third Sunday after Pentecost



Altar Flowers given by: Brian Rukavina, in memory of Leah



## Welcome and Opening Prayer

## **Opening Song:** Blessed Assurance / Reckless Love

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine Heir of salvation, purchase of God Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood

*Chorus:* This is my story, this is my song Praising my Savior all the day long This is my story, this is my song Praising my Savior all the day long

> Perfect submission, perfect delight Visions of rapture now burst on my sight Angels, descending, bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love [Chorus]

Perfect submission, all is at rest I, in my Savior, am happy and blessed Watching and waiting, looking above Filled with God's goodness, lost in His love [Chorus]

Before I spoke a word You were singing over me You have been so so good to me Before I took a breath You breathed Your life in me You have been so so kind to me

Chorus: O the overwhelming never-ending reckless Love of God O it chases me down fights 'til I'm found Leaves the ninety-nine I couldn't earn it I don't deserve it Still You give Yourself away O the overwhelming never-ending reckless Love of God yeah When I was Your foe still Your love fought for me You have been so so good to me When I felt no worth You paid it all for me You have been so so kind to me

## CHORUS

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# **Confession and Absolution**

- P: Lord, forgive our sins.
- C: Forgive the sins that I remember, and the sins I have forgotten. Forgive my many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when I have been stubborn in the face of correction.
- P: Lord, forgive our pride.
- C: Forgive the times I have been proud of my own achievements and those when I have failed to boast in Your works.
- P: Lord, forgive us for being judgmental.
- C: Forgive the harsh judgments I have made of others, and the leniency I have shown myself. Forgive the lies I have told others, and the truths I have avoided.
- P: Lord, forgive us for hurting others.
- C: Forgive me the pain I have caused others and the indulgence I have shown myself. Jesus, have mercy on me and make me whole.
- P: God promises that if we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. Sing to the Lord a new song because He has forgiven you of your sins, in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

# Share Grace

# **Old Testament Reading**

- 13 I will come into your house with burnt offerings; I will perform my vows to you,
- 14 that which my lips uttered and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.
- 15 I will offer to you burnt offerings of fattened animals, with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams; I will make an offering of bulls and goats. *Selah*
- 16 Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for my soul.
- 17 I cried to him with my mouth, and high praise was on my tongue.
- 18 If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.

### Psalm 66:13-20

- 19 But truly God has listened; he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- 20 Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!
- P: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

# **Second Reading**

## Revelation 12:10-12

- 10 And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God.
- 11 And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death.
- 12 Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"
- P: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

# Gospel Reading: John 4:39-42

- 39 Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did."
- 40 So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days.
- 41 And many more believed because of his word.
- 42 They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world."
- P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.
- C: Praise to You, O Christ.

# Message Song: I Love to Tell the Story

I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love. I love to tell the story, because I know it's true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

*Refrain:* I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory, to tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story, 'tis pleasant to repeat, What seems each time I tell it more wonderfully sweet; I love to tell the story, for some have never heard The message of salvation from God's own holy Word. *Refrain*  I love to tell the story, for those who know it best Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest; And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song, 'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. *Refrain* 

Text: Kate Hankley Tune: William G. Fischer



## **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

Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart

LSB #806

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One, Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son. (2x)

And now let the weak say "I am strong," Let the poor say "I am rich," Because of what the Lord has done for us. (2x)

Give thanks, give thanks.

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# Communion

### This Is the Feast

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. [Refrain]

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His. *[Refrain]* 

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: [To next verse]

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. *[Refrain]* 

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. *[Final Refrain]* 

## Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

## LSB #636

vs. 1-8

Soul, adorn yourself with gladness, Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness, Come into the daylight's splendor, There with joy your praises render. Bless the One whose grace unbounded This amazing banquet founded; He, though heav'nly, high, and holy, Deigns to dwell with you most lowly.

Hasten as a bride to meet Him,
And with loving rev'rence greet Him.
For with words of life immortal
He is knocking at your portal.
Open wide the gates before Him,
Saying, as you there adore Him:
Grant, Lord, that I now receive You,
That I nevermore will leave You.

He who craves a precious treasure Neither cost nor pain will measure; But the priceless gifts of heaven God to us has freely given. Though the wealth of earth were proffered, None could buy the gifts here offered: Christ's true body, for you riven, And His blood, for you once given. Now in faith I humbly ponder Over this surpassing wonder

That the bread of life is boundless Though the souls it feeds are countless: With the choicest wine of heaven Christ's own blood to us is given.

Oh, most glorious consolation, Pledge and seal of my salvation!

Jesus, source of lasting pleasure, Truest friend, and dearest treasure, Peace beyond all understanding, Joy into all life expanding: Humbly now, I bow before You; Love incarnate, I adore You; Worthily let me receive You And, so favored, never leave You.

Jesus, sun of life, my splendor, Jesus, friend of friends, most tender, Jesus, joy of my desiring, Fount of life, my soul inspiring: At Your feet I cry, my maker, Let me be a fit partaker Of this blessèd food from heaven, For our good, Your glory, given.

Lord, by love and mercy driven, You once left Your throne in heaven On the cross for me to languish And to die in bitter anguish, To forego all joy and gladness And to shed Your blood in sadness. By this blood redeemed and living, Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.

Jesus, bread of life, I pray You, Let me gladly here obey You. By Your love I am invited, Be Your love with love requited; By this Supper let me measure, Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure. Through the gift of grace You give me As Your quest in heav'n receive me.

#### The Lamb

The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice? Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price!

**Refrain:** Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own! The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering. The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing. *Refrain* 

The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill So still, His will on our behalf the Law to fill. Refrain

He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness. He lives, forgives, He gives me His own righteousness. Refrain

He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows. His song prolong till ev'ry heart to Him belong. Refrain

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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: 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.

#### MEN'S MINISTRIES: Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 AM

Meet at Grace's Fireside Room for breakfast and a devotion. We will then proceed to the National Medal of Honor Museum. Sign up in the Narthex. The cost is \$20 per person. Make checks payable to: Grace Lutheran Church, with "Museum" in the memo.

# NATIONAL MEDAL of HONOR MUSEUM



Mark your calendars and join us for our Service of Blessing on Sunday, August 3, 2025.

Last year, approximately 200 kids from our community

received a special blessing and a bag filled with supplies to begin the new school year.

We encourage you to pray about how you can help us and support this year.

#### You can help by:

- Donating school supplies. A supplies list and place to drop off the supplies is in our Narthex/lobby.
- Donating money for this cause: CHECK MEMO (SCHOOL SUPPLIES 2025) or online giving.
- Bagging supplies (a sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex/lobby).
- Helping host at the reception after the back-toschool service.
- Praying for this event as we serve, care for, and share the Good News of Christ to our community.

To volunteer or any other questions, please contact Serena, Vicar Roberto or Deaconess Intern Lucy.



SUNDAY YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY, 11 AM STARTS 6/22 IN CONFERENCE ROOM

#### Lamentations 3:22-23

Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness





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

- Jim Runzheimer's Bible Class Fireside Room
- Pastor Doug Widger's Class: Book of John MR 2
- Biblical Parenting Group GLEE Wing
- Young Adult Bible Study Conference Room
- 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 (throughout the morning) Comfort & Nursing Rooms are available.

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

#### Sunday, June 29, 2025

9:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary 10:45 AM Bible Classes for all ages 12:00 PM Spanish Worship Service - Fireside Room 12:00 PM National Youth Gathering Meeting - Gym

#### Tuesday, July 1, 2025

7:30 PM Community Basketball - Gym

#### Wednesday, July 2, 2025

6:15 PM Women's Choir Rehearsal - Music Room 6:30 - 8:00 PM English Summer School

#### Thursday, July 3, 2025

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

#### Friday, July 4, 2025: Independence Day

- church office closed

#### Saturday, July 5, 2025

9:00 AM Altar Guild

#### Sunday, July 6, 2025

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 1-1 Mike Curtis M-O Ernie Owens P-R Brian Bassett S T-Z Jim Schmidt Head Elder:



Pastor Doug Widger, Lead Shepherd Pastor Steve Roth, Community Care Dr. Serena Pace, DCE, Director of Ministries Mr. William Land, Worship Director Mrs. Laura Scott, Director of Early Education Rev. Dr. Russell Hildebrandt, Pastor Emeritus

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## THEME: So Much More... Experiencing the Abundance of God

July 7—10, 9am—4 pm, \$60

#### **SIGN UP NOW!**

#### For Incoming GRADE 6 - Completed GRADE 12

A week of local service, mission, and fun! Includes: Large Group/Small Group, Daily Service and Mission Opportunity, Lunch (Pizza, Hot Dogs, Tacos, Chicken Strips) and Fun Activity Off Campus (Swim, Scavenger Hunt, Mini Golf, and more). Contact Serena to sign up, ask guestions, or to volunteer! space@grace.lc; 817-274-1626, x 1002





Scan the QR code or type the link above to check in, submit prayer requests, and more!

# 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.





WEDNESDAYS · 7 PM

**MEETING ROOM 2** 

JUNE & JULY

# SUMMER SCHOOL!

We need 6 volunteers each Wednesday night to help students with pronunciation and simple 🕺 activities. No experience

needed — just a heart to serve! Training provided! If you're interested in serving our community in a meaningful way, please contact Serena Pace (space@grace.lc or 817-274-1626).



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