



Pastor Steve Roth

Sunday, May 21, 2023

9:30 AM Worship Service

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

Welcome and Invocation

Gathering Song: Crown Him with Many Crowns

LSB #525
vs. 1-4

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.

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.

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.

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.

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Confession and Absolution

P: Gracious God, we come to You confessing we have failed at many relationships.

C: We have let our pride get in the way of asking for forgiveness. We have put our own interests ahead of our family and friends. We have failed to take responsibility when we have hurt others. We have failed to show respect for those in authority over us. We have tried to control broken relationships rather than trusting You to help us mend them. We confess we have failed to live as people of grace, truth, and love. May we follow Your example by living at peace with one another, and loving others as You have loved us. In the Name of Jesus we pray.

P: "As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us." (*Psalms 103:12*). Through Jesus Christ, you are forgiven and cleansed.

Share Grace

First Reading

Psalms 68:1-10

- 1 May God arise, may his enemies be scattered; may his foes flee before him.
- 2 As smoke is blown away by the wind, may you blow them away; as wax melts before the fire, may the wicked perish before God.
- 3 But may the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; may they be happy and joyful.
- 4 Sing to God, sing praise to his name, extol him who rides on the clouds - his name is the Lord - and rejoice before him.
- 5 A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling.
- 6 God sets the lonely in families, he leads forth the prisoners with singing; but the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land.
- 7 When you went out before your people, O God, when you marched through the wasteland, Selah
- 8 the earth shook, the heavens poured down rain, before God, the One of Sinai, before God, the God of Israel.
- 9 You gave abundant showers, O God; you refreshed your weary inheritance.
- 10 Your people settled in it, and from your bounty, O God, you provided for the poor.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

John 17:1-11

- 1 After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed:
- 2 "Father, the time has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him.
- 3 Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.
- 4 I have brought you glory on earth by completing the work you gave me to do.
- 5 And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.
- 6 "I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word.
- 7 Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you.
- 8 For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me.
- 9 I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours.
- 10 All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them.
- 11 I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name--the name you gave me--so that they may be one as we are one.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Message Song: Jesus at the Center / All Hail King Jesus

Jesus at the center of it all
Jesus at the center of it all
From beginning to the end
It will always be, it's always been You
Jesus, Jesus
(Repeat)

Nothing else matters
Nothing in this world will do
'Cause Jesus You're the center
And everything revolves around You
Jesus, You

Jesus, be the center of my life
Jesus, be the center of my life
From beginning to the end
It will always be, it's always been You
Jesus, Jesus

Nothing else matters
Nothing in this world will do
Jesus You're the center
And everything revolves around You
Jesus, oh nothing else
(Repeat)

From my heart to the heavens, Jesus, be the center
It's all about You, yes it's all about You
From my heart to the heavens, Jesus, be the center
It's all about You, yes it's all about You
(Repeat)

All hail King Jesus
All hail the Lord of Heaven and earth
All hail King Jesus
All hail the Savior of the world
(Repeat)

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Message: "Jesus, Teach Us to Pray" - Pastor Steve Roth

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

Offering Song: Good Good Father

Verse 1: I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper
Of love in the dead of night
You tell me that You're pleased
And that I'm never alone

Chorus: You're a Good Good Father
It's who You are
It's who You are
It's who You are
And I'm loved by You
It's who I am
It's who I am
It's who I am

Verse 2: I've seen many searching for answers
Far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers
Only You provide
Because You know just what we need
Before we say a word

CHORUS

Bridge: You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Verse 3: Love so undeniable I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
Into love love love

CHORUS

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Communion

Communion Songs: Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray

LSB #623
vs. 1-5

Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray
That we may feast on You today;
Beneath these forms of bread and wine
Enrich us with Your grace divine.

Give us, who share this wondrous food,
Your body broken and Your blood,
The grateful peace of sins forgiv'n,
The certain joys of heirs of heav'n.

By faith Your Word has made us bold
To seize the gift of love retold;
All that You are we here receive,
And all we are to You we give.

One bread, one cup, one body, we,
Rejoicing in our unity,
Proclaim Your love until You come
To bring Your scattered loved ones home.

Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray:
O keep us steadfast till that day
When each will be Your welcomed guest
In heaven's high and holy feast.

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At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

LSB #633
vs. 1-8

At the Lamb's high feast we sing
Praise to our victorious King,
Who has washed us in the tide
Flowing from His pierced side.
Alleluia!

Praise we Him, whose love divine
Gives His sacred blood for wine,
Gives His body for the feast—
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.
Alleluia!

Where the paschal blood is poured,
Death's dread angel sheathes the sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Alleluia!

Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
Paschal victim, paschal bread;
With sincerity and love
Eat we manna from above.
Alleluia!

Mighty Victim from the sky,
Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
You have conquered in the fight,
You have brought us life and light.
Alleluia!

Now no more can death appall,
Now no more the grave enthrall;
You have opened paradise,
And Your saints in You shall rise.
Alleluia!

Easter triumph, Easter joy!
This alone can sin destroy;
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
Newborn souls in You to be.
Alleluia!

Father, who the crown shall give,
Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days:
Three in One, Your name we praise.
Alleluia!

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Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

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

Benediction

"May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ." - *Romans 15:5-6*

Now all the vault of heav'n resounds
In praise of love that still abounds:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!
Repeat their song of glory here:
"Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Eternal is the gift He brings,
Therefore our heart with rapture sings:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Now still He comes to give us life
And by His presence stills all strife.
Christ has triumphed! He is living!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;
Set heart and will on things above
That we conquer through Your triumph;
Grant grace sufficient for life's day
That by our lives we truly say:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Adoring praises now we bring
And with the heavn'ly blessèd sing:
"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"
Be to the Father and our Lord,
To Spirit blest, most holy God,
All the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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COMMUNION NOTES

At this time the common cup will not be used. A traveling tray will be available for those who desire it.

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.

The Topel family would like to thank all of our friends at Grace Lutheran Church for the beautiful flowers you sent for Mark's service.

We are thankful for all of the prayers, love and support you have given us during this devastating time in our lives. We are also grateful for the love and friendship we have shared with you throughout our lives for decades. We have been blessed over and over by our church family. God is good.

Sincerely,

Trish, Jet, Gracie and Hayden





**Sundays @
10:45 a.m.**

- ♦ Jim Runzheimer's Bible Class - *Fireside Room*
- ♦ Pastor Doug Widger's Class - *Meeting Room 2*
- ♦ Biblical Parenting - *Library*
- ♦ Grace Youth (Grades 7 - 12) - *Youth Shed*
- ♦ Grace Kids (preschool - grade 6) - *GLEE Hallway*
- ♦ Babies & Toddlers - *Nursery*

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 21, 2023

- 9:30 AM Worship Service - *Sanctuary*
- 10:45 AM Bible Studies
- 12:00 PM New Member Lunch & Orientation - *Fireside Room*

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

- 7:30 PM Community Basketball - *Gym*

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

- * Newsletter Deadline - Please submit your newsletter articles to Jenna Del Cristo (jdelcristo@grace.lc) Grace's newsletter editor.
- 9:30 AM Braille (Cross of Christ) - *Braille Room: MR1*
- 6:30 PM Music Ministry Party - *Mary Thiede's home*
- 6:30 PM ESL Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
- *Beto's Mexican Restaurant: 2530 I-20 Frontage Rd., Grand Prairie*

Saturday, May 27, 2023

- 9:00 AM Altar Guild - *Sanctuary*

Pentecost Sunday, May 28, 2023

- 9:30 AM Worship Service - *Sanctuary*
- 10:45 AM Bible Studies

Monday, May 29, 2023 - MEMORIAL DAY - church office closed

CELEBRATING FATHER'S DAY

The Holy Smokers are Smoking Again

The Holy Smokers are taking orders for Father's Day ribs, pork loins, and sausage.

The Holy Smokers are smoking



St. Louis Style Spareribs, pork loins, and sausage (mild 14 oz. or spicy 12 oz.) on Saturday, June 17.

Signup sheet is in the Narthex or call Brian Rukavina 817-229-9703 or Ernie Owens 817-247-0747.

Orders need to be pre-paid; ribs are \$35.00 per slab, whole pork loin is \$40 (half loin is \$20), and sausage (mild or spicy) is \$8.00 per ring or 2 for \$15.00. Make checks out to **Grace Lutheran Church** - [memo to Holy Smokers](#).

Deadline to place your order will be NOON, Sunday, June 11.

Pickup time is around 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 17. We will call when ready.



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**NOW
RECRUITING!**

Grace Kids Summer Sunday School
Teachers for Preschool - Kindergarten
and Grades 1-6.

Summer Sunday School begins June 4.
Have questions? Speak with Serena

YOUTH MISSION

Bayou La Batre, Alabama

July 8-16, 2023; \$450 total

\$450 due 6/11/23

For current Grades 6—12.



Teens will serve through home improvement projects, elder care, and kids camp. In the evenings, youth will experience Dauphin Island, camp time, praise time, and a tour of Bayou La Batre. [Contact Serena](#) if you would like to be a prayer warrior for a teen!



Vacation Bible School
June 26 - 29
Registration is OPEN to
Volunteer & Participate
at vbs.grace.lc