



Grace Lutheran Church Providence Valley Lutheran Church

8:30am on KLQP Q92.1FM

September 27th, 2020

(Recorded 9-20-2020)

Kendall L. Stelter, Pastor ~Stephanie Gossett, Intern Pastor
Emily Stelter, Membership Care Director ~Tammy Wager, Youth Director

*Indicates where those who are able are invited to stand.

If standing seems long at times or is difficult for you, we invite you to remain seated.

The Gathering

THE CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another... Faithful God, We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgement on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

P: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

"HALLELUJAH, EVEN HERE"

KELSEY COLLINS

*THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

C: And also with you.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray... Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual loving kindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

The Word

The Psalm

Psalm 103: [1-7] 8-13

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. ²Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits— ³who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, ⁴ who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, ⁵who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. ⁶The Lord works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed. ⁷He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel. ⁸The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. ⁹He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger forever. ¹⁰He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. ¹¹For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love towards those who fear him; ¹² as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. ¹³As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.

Response

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Second Reading

Romans 14: 1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions.

²Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. ⁵Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. ⁶Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. ⁷We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. ¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. ¹¹For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' ¹²So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Response

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 18:15-22

Response P: The holy gospel according to Matthew **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶ But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷ If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸ Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" ²² Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

Response P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE MESSAGE

“Fashioned for Forgiveness”

“Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. - *Matthew 18:22*

The Offering

*Baskets are placed in the entryways for your offering to be placed.
Thank you for your shared support of our ministry.*

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Merciful God, everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. **C: Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition, please respond with... C: Lord, hear our prayer.

INTERN CONGREGATIONAL WELCOME

Chair: We are a people of diverse gifts come to worship the Living God.

Congregation: We stand as witnesses to a loving God who has blessed us richly and called us to service. *Pastor:* We have different gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them. There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same God whose purposes are achieved through them all. *Congregation:* We are a diverse community, blessed by God and touched by God's grace and mercy. So in that grace, we welcome you as our intern. May God strengthen you and sustain you in our ministries. We pray God give you patience, courage, and wisdom so that together, we may follow Jesus Christ, living together in love and offering our gifts and talents for God's service as we confess together...

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

C: 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.

The Sending

*THE BLESSING

*THE SENDING SONG

“Speak, O Lord”

*(Solo) Speak, O Lord, as we come to You; To receive the food of Your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today; In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us; All Your purposes for Your glory.*

*(Congregation sings) Teach us Lord, full of obedience; Holy reverence true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes; In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see. Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail; Let their truth prevail over unbelief.*

*Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds. Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time; That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises; And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built; And the earth is filled with Your glory.*

THE POSTLUDE

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✠ The families of Arlyn Lopau, Audrey Bengtson, Doug Pearson, and Kari Pearson

This Week at Grace
September 27th –October 4th

Sunday, September 27th

8:45am K-6 Sunday School

8:45am YAP meeting – only 7th grade

9:30am Grace Worship Service

- 3 year old Bible Presentation
- Kohen Knutson Baptism

10:45am Providence Valley Worship

10:45am Waylon Reel Baptism

- Grace Hall Reserved

Monday, September 28th

7:00pm Ruth Circle in Grace Hall

Wednesday, September 29rd

2:00pm Ch. 8 TV Broadcast

3:30pm 7th & 8th grade confirmation class

7:00pm 10th grade confirmation in Grace Hall (Record Faith Statements)

7:00pm Providence Valley Church Council Mtg

Saturday, October 3rd

3:00pm Eric Windingstad & Amanda Werner Wedding @ PVLC

Sunday, October 4th

8:45am K-6 Sunday School

9:30am Grace Worship Service

10:45am Providence Valley Worship

Face masks are required at all indoor events.

Please practice social distancing guidelines

Online services are available to view on Grace's Youtube channel,
pvchurch.org, gracedawson.org, and our Facebook pages

Announcements

Join us in celebrating our newest members in the body of Christ.

Layton Chad Listul, son of Andrea Johnson & Chad Listul, was baptized during a private service on September 25th. Layton's sponsors are Joe & Gina Wilhelm and Emma Johnson.

Max William Wollschlager, son of Jared & Jessica Wollschlager, was baptized during a private service on September 26th. Max's sponsors are Tom & Ashley Stark.

Kohen Thomas Knutson, son of Keith & Andrea Knutson, will be baptized today during our worship service. Kohen's sponsors are Derek & Hailey Gritmacker.

Waylon James Reel, son of David & Kelsey Reel, will be baptized in a private service following worship today. Waylon's sponsors are Phillip & Nicole Peters and Johnnie & Regan Reel.

Please keep these boys and their families in your prayers as we celebrate God's gift of grace in Holy Baptism for them.

Fall Worship Schedule and Sunday School at Grace Lutheran

Our Current Fall Schedule beginning 9-27-20:

8:30am 92.1FM Radio Broadcast (This will be a recording of the previous week's service with updated announcements)

8:45am-9:20am: Sunday School at Grace Lutheran: Students can be dropped off at the courtyard (parking lot area) and will go with their teachers to their classrooms. We will not be gathering for snack/music time but will have pre-packaged snacks in their classroom. Pre-K will not be required to wear masks ; K-6 please wear your masks in the building. (**Preschool Classes will being on October 11th**)

8:45am-9:20am: Coffee Fellowship Time in Grace Hall The LYO will provide coffee and individually wrapped snacks during fellowship time.

9:30am: Worship at Grace Lutheran Church

10:45am: Worship at Providence Valley Lutheran Church

September Circle Schedule:

Lydia Circle will not be meeting

Ruth Circle: Monday, September 28th at 7:00pm in Grace Hall. Coffee will be provided.

We're Still Collecting!

We're collecting Donations for Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits and School Kits

Items Needed for School Kit: 70 Sheet Notebooks (Wide and College Ruled), 30 Centimeter Rulers, Personal Pencil Sharpeners, Child Safety Scissors, Unsharpened Pencils, Black or Blue Ballpoint Pens, Box of 16 or 24 Crayons, 2 ½" Erasers

Items Needed for Personal Care Kits: Light-weight bath-size towel (Between 20"x40" and 52"x27" – Dark Colors Recommended), 8-9 oz. Bar Soaps, Adult Size Tooth Brushes (one in original packaging preferred), Sturdy Combs, Metal Nail Clippers

Small Group Gathering

Circle groups, bible studies, and board meetings can resume as desired by the group while staying within the recommended guidelines. For a copy of the guidelines please contact the church office. Please notify staff of any gatherings within the church building so we can prepare adequately.

Tithes & Offerings

Baskets are placed in the entryways for today's offering to be placed.

We have options to give online! On our website, gracedawson.org, simply click on the "Give Online" tab at the top of the homepage. Or even easier, download our offering app on your phone! Simply search for "Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement" in your App Store and set up your account! And Grace Lutheran now has TEXT OFFERING! Simply text your offering amount to 800-675-7430!

Offering can also be mailed to: Grace Lutheran Church – PO Box 549 - Dawson, Mn 56232

Thank you for your shared support of our ministry.

INTERN WELCOME LITANY

Chair of Internship Committee

SHARON VICK

Today we celebrate a new blessing as we welcome, Stephanie Gossett our Intern Pastor to work and live among us. We have been called as a congregation to be a teaching and learning community for Intern Pastor Stephanie.

Congregation: We welcome you into our community, as God's Representative. Our homes, our hospitals and nursing homes, our classrooms and programs, our sanctuary, our lives, are all open to you.

Pastor: With God's help do you seek to learn about ministry within this congregation, to earn our trust, and to be a fellow laborer in Jesus Christ with us?

Will you receive and seek out our support as you prepare to serve the church in the future as an ordained minister?

Intern: I will

Are you willing to assume your partnership in ministry here, and will you seek to engage in that ministry to God's glory? If so, answer, "I am ready, and I ask God to guide and help me."

Intern: I am ready, and I ask God to guide and help me.

Pastor: Let us pray, Almighty God, by whose call we are at work, bless us in our labors together. Amen.

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