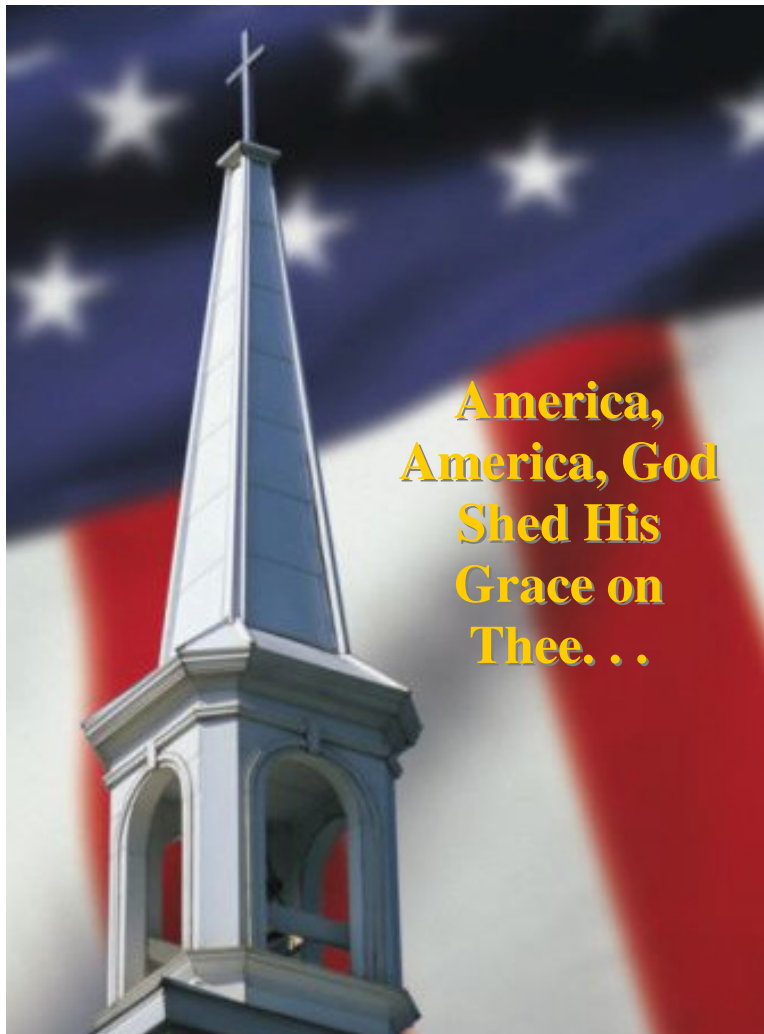


Third Sunday after Pentecost

July 3, 2011



10:00 AM Worship



From the fullness of his GRACE we have all received one blessing after another.

John 1:16

PRESERVICE MUSIC

The Star-Spangled Banner
Arr. by Melody Bober (played by Teri Guenther)

God of Our Fathers
Victor Labenske (played by Kathy Parra)

Let Freedom Ring
Gloria & William J. Gaither (sung by Grace Vocal Ensemble)

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Christian Worship

WELCOME

HYMN

Before the Lord We Bow
Christian Worship #618

REMAIN SEATED

MINISTER: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

CONGREGATION: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded baptism when he said: “Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” All of us are born into this world with a deep need for baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by giving his life on the cross. At our baptism he clothes us with the robe of righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer.

C: **Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.**

M: As baptized children of God we confess our sins:

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM



M: In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought Anna to be baptized. Jesus told us: “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God’s Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.

Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart (+) to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

Anna Kay Kassulke, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. The Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

STAND

EXHORTATION

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that she may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

C: **Yes, as God gives me strength.**

M: Let us pray: Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on Anna and grant her a rich measure of your Spirit that she may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

BE SEATED

VOICES OF GRACE

The Blessing Song

May blessings be upon you, precious baby. May favor rest upon your family. May your future be a holy legacy, May blessings be upon you, precious baby.

May He bless you in your coming; May He bless you in your going; May your heart be ever knowing the blessings of the Lord.

May blessings be upon your children's children. May favor rest upon your family. May your future be a holy legacy, May blessings be upon your children's children.

STAND

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise

O LORD, OUR LORD

The musical score is written for a single voice part on a treble clef staff. It begins with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing triplets. The lyrics are printed below the staff, aligned with the notes. The score includes various time signature changes: 3/4, 6/4, 4/4, 3/4, 7/4, 8/4, 4/4, 3/4, 2/4, 3/4, 2/4, and 9/4. The lyrics are: "O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in all the earth. Al-might y God, mer-ci-ful Fa-ther, you crown our life with your love. You take a-way our sin; you com-fort our spir-it; you make us pure and ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son, but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in all the earth. O Son of God, e-ter-nal Word of the Fa-ther, you came to live with us; you made your Father known; you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the King of glo-ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in all the earth."

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. O God, the strength of all who trust in you, mercifully hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us strength to keep your commandments in all we say and do; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 3:1-15

Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the desert and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. So Moses thought, “I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up.” When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, “Moses! Moses!” And Moses said, “Here I am.” “Do not come any closer,” God said. “Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground.” Then he said, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.” At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God. The LORD said, “I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk

and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt.” But Moses said to God, “Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” And God said, “I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain.” Moses said to God, “Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ Then what shall I tell them?” God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: ‘I AM has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, “Say to the Israelites, ‘The LORD, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you.’ This is my name forever, the name by which I am to be remembered from generation to generation.”

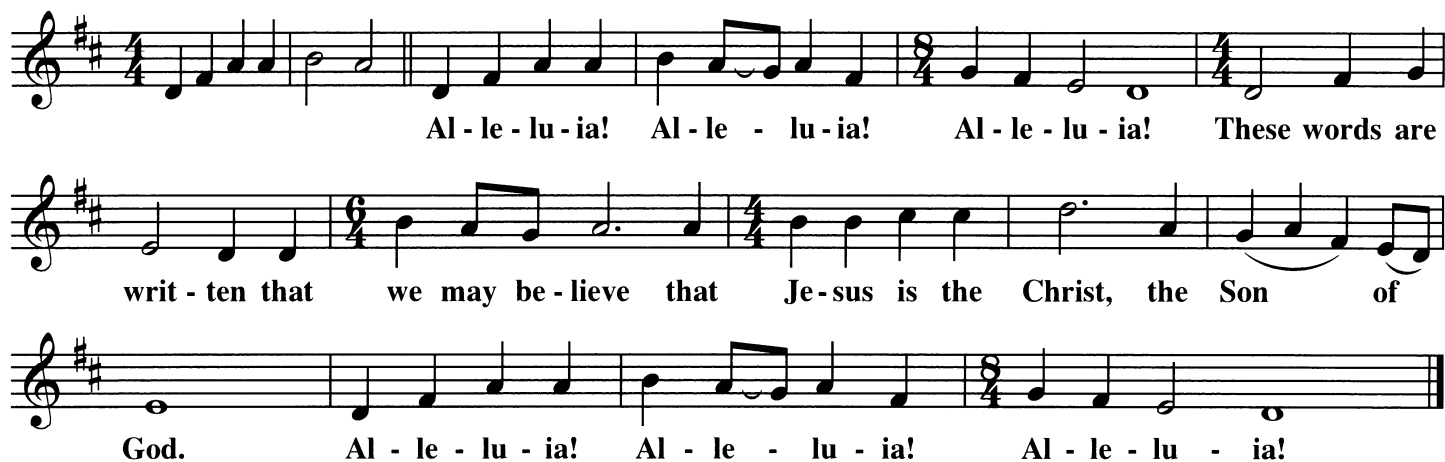
SECOND LESSON

1 Timothy 1:12-17

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that he considered me faithful, appointing me to his service. Even though I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man, I was shown mercy because I acted in ignorance and unbelief. The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Here is a trustworthy saying that

deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst. But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his unlimited patience as an example for those who would believe on him and receive eternal life. Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

VERSE OF THE DAY



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! These words are
writ - ten that we may be - lieve that Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of
God. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

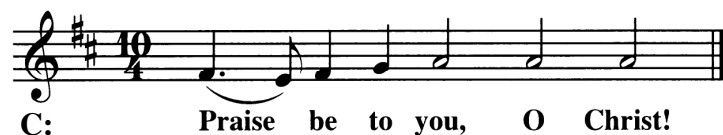
STAND

GOSPEL

Matthew 9:9-13

As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him. While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and "sinners" came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your

teacher eat with tax collectors and 'sinners'?" On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY

Christ, by Heavenly Hosts Adored
Christian Worship #617

SERMON

Is America Really One Nation 'Under God'? Acts 4:1-12

The priests and the captain of the temple guard and the Sadducees came up to Peter and John while they were speaking to the people. They were greatly disturbed because the apostles were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead. They seized Peter and John, and because it was evening, they put them in jail until the next day. But many who heard the message believed, and the number of men grew to about five thousand. The next day the rulers, elders and teachers of the law met in Jerusalem. Annas the high priest was there, and so were Caiaphas, John, Alexander and the other men of the high priest's family. They had Peter and John brought before them and began to question

them: "By what power or what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: "Rulers and elders of the people! If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a cripple and are asked how he was healed, then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. He is 'the stone you builders rejected, which has become the capstone.' Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved."

STAND

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

BE SEATED

OFFERING *Members of Grace respond to their Savior's love with offerings that are given joyfully, generously, regularly, and in a way that is proportionate to how the Lord has blessed them. Their cheerful gifts support the mission and ministry of our congregation. If you are a guest today, please know that we do not expect you to contribute to our congregation's work. However, if you would like to give an offering to the Lord in response to his love to you, we are happy to receive it and put it to work in God's kingdom.*

Please fill out the Friendship Register located in the red folder at the end of the pew and pass along. Thank You!

OFFERTORY MUSIC

America the Beautiful
Samuel Ward

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- M:** Almighty God, we acknowledge with thanks that all we have and enjoy is a gift from your gracious hand. We come before you today in heartfelt appreciation for our nation and its people.
- C:** **We thank you for enabling us to worship you in freedom and to serve you without fear.**
- M:** You have enriched us with the bounties of farm and factory, the beauty of forest and mountain, and the marvels of medicine and science.
- C:** **For all these blessings, we praise and glorify you.**
- M:** Look with favor upon our nation, and preserve our cherished liberties. Enable our leaders to govern with wisdom, honesty, courage, and justice. Protect those who serve in the armed forces and those who maintain peace and safety in our communities.
- C:** **Give us willingness to obey our nation's laws and to work for the common good.**
- M:** Keep our financial institutions secure and our economy strong. Bless our fields that they may produce abundant harvests. Guard us from calamities of nature and accident, and spare our land from the ravages of disease and epidemic.
- C:** **Teach us not to worry but to cast all our cares on you.**
- M:** Strengthen the homes of our nation. By your Spirit lead husbands and wives to love each other, parents to nurture their children, young adults to assume responsibility, and children to show respect.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: To you, O Lord, we bring our thanks and our requests.

C: Hear our prayers for Jesus' sake. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is
full of your glo-ry. You are my God, and I will ex-alt you.
I will give you thanks for you have be-come my sal-va-tion.
Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is
full of your glo-ry.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us your peace. A - - - men.

BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION

Our church practices "Member Communion." If you are a guest today and are a confirmed member of another WELS church, we invite you to the Lord's Table with us. If you are a guest today and are not a member of one of our Wisconsin Synod churches, we ask that you would speak to one of the pastors after church today or at some other time to discuss receiving the Lord's Supper with us in the future.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Beautiful Savior
Christian Worship #369

STAND

THANKSGIVING

THANK THE LORD

Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev - 'ry-one what he has done.

Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud - ly bear his name.

He re - news his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with

shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.



Welcome to Grace!

Our mission at Grace is to teach the inspired and inerrant Word of God, to proclaim that Jesus Christ is the crucified and risen Savior of the world and to nurture believers for lives of Christian service.

Altar flowers have been given by Michael & Janet Kania in celebration of their 30th wedding anniversary.

Baptism

Anna Kay, daughter of Nathan and Beth Kassulke, born on June 21, will be made a forgiven child of God through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism in worship this morning.

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Read Ahead for Next Sunday:

Numbers 27:15-23
2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5
Matthew 9:35-10:8

Next Sun. Sermon Text & Theme:

2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5
May the Lord Direct Your Hearts

You Are Invited

You are invited to a coffee fellowship following 10:00 AM worship today hosted by Sally Littau, Nancy Miles, Pat Rader, and Lois Thornton. Please join us in the courtyard.

Sunday School Today

Students in Sunday School are studying Nehemiah 12:27-43, "Journey on the Wall," today and learning how the people celebrated God's goodness and mercy. *Parents could ask their children, "What was the cause of the people's celebration? How do we respond to God's goodness and mercy toward us today?"*



Installation Service for Pastor Rieke

The Installation Service for Pastor Colin Rieke will be here at Grace next Sunday, July 10 at 4:00 PM with a catered meal by El Molinito to follow. There are sign-up sheets located in the Fellowship Hall if you plan on attending the meal. Please sign up today at the latest.

Council Meeting Reminder

The meeting of the council is rescheduled to July 12 at 6:15 PM instead of July 19.

To Aid You in Worship...

- LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX. ASK A GREETER OR USHER FOR A COPY.
- For those with young children: A private Mother's Room is located across the courtyard in the Ladies' Restroom. Parents of young children may also use the Child Care Room in the basement at any time to quiet and care for them (the service can be heard in both locations).
- Sermon copies & service CDs are available in the narthex.

This Week's Schedule (7/3/11 - 7/10/11)

Today

-Worship Services/Communion.....7:45 & 10a
-Children's Sunday School..... 8:45a
-Youth Confirmation Class..... 8:45a
-Adult Bible Class: *Theology of the Cross*.... 9:00a
-Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study*..... 9a
-Coffee Fellowship Following 10 AM Worship

Monday INDEPENDENCE DAY!

-Church Office Closed

Wednesday

-Midweek Bible Class: *Church History* ... 10:00a
-Grace Extension Meeting..... 11:00a
-Midweek Bible Class: *Church History* 6:45p

Thursday

-Women's Bible Class 9:00a

Sunday

-Worship Services..... 7:45 & 10:00a
-Children's Sunday School 8:45a
-Youth Confirmation Class 8:45a
-Adult Bible Class: *The Life of Christ* 9:00a
-Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study*..... 9a
-Coffee Fellowship Following 10 AM Worship
-Installation Service of Pastor Colin Rieke.... 4p

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