

Seventh Sunday of Pentecost + July 11, 2010
Grace Lutheran Church

Prelude *“Jesu Joy of Man’s Desiring”* - JS Bach

Welcome and Announcements

* Confession and Forgiveness

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen**

L: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen**

L: Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one another...

[period of silence for personal confession]

L: Most merciful God,

C: **We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

L: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As one who has been redeemed by Christ and by his authority, I declare the entire forgiveness of all our sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

* Hymn # 522

“As We Gather At Your Table”

* Prayer of the Day

L: Almighty God,

C: **we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Reading, Deuteronomy 30:9–14

⁹...and the LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, ¹⁰when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. ¹¹Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. ¹²It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹³Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will cross to the other side of

the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹⁴No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

Lesson, Colossians 1:1–14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, ²To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. ³In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel ⁶that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. ⁷This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, ⁸and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. ⁹For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. ¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Anthem

"Suo Gan" -Welsh Lullaby

* Gospel Reading, Luke 10:25–37

²⁵Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." ²⁹But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Deut. 30:9-14; Luke 24:25

* Hymn of the Day # 712, v1-3

“Lord Whose Love In Humble Service”

The Sacrament of Baptism for Joseph Lionel Baumann, Jr.

* Statement of Faith, The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father and he will come 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.

* Prayer of the Church [Petitions end, Lord in your mercy; **C: Hear our prayer.**]

Offering and Offertory

“Jerico” - arr Paul Yoder

* The Thanksgiving *Friend or stranger, all are welcome at Christ’s table.*

Words of Institution

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.

Distribution of Elements

Communion Hymn #542

“O Living Bread from Heaven”

* Post-Communion Prayer

* Benediction and Dismissal

L: The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another and in accordance with Jesus Christ.

C: Amen

L: The God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God.

* Hymn # 661

“I Love to Tell the Story”

Postlude

“Prelude and Fugue #2” - JS Bach

*=Stand as you are able

Thank you to those leading us this morning

Presiding Minister..... Rev. Pat Ondarko
 Preacher.....Rev. Paul Hesterberg
 Organist..... Kathleen Hollar
 Quartet Dick Brundage, Amy Steingas, Pete Wickert, Peter Zitzewitz
 Acolyte..... Joe Gonzalez
 Communion..... Ed and Barb Holton, Dick Gunderson
 Greeters..... Wayne and Catherine Erickson
 Lay ReaderChar House
 Offering Counters Team B—Colleen Gillis
 Nursery..... open
 Ushers Team F—Norm Walby, Mark Pearson

Leaders for next Sunday, July 18, 2010

Acolyte Rhianna Peterson
 Communion..... Bill and Barb Kinney, John Klein
 Greeters..... Larry and Linda Denson
 Liturgist Jonathan Rose
 Offering Counters Team C - Char House
 Nursery..... open
 Ushers Team G - Ken Jackson

Announcements

WELCOME to Grace Lutheran Church! Please sign the welcome pad located at the end of your pew and pass it to others. Large print bulletins and hymnals are available in the narthex. Individual Hearing Aids are available; speak to an usher for assistance. The Nursery is downstairs. Children’s bulletins and activity bags are located in the narthex for their use.

We welcome into the fellowship of Christ and His Church, through the sacrament of Holy Baptism Joseph Lionel Baumann, Jr. son of Joseph Baumann and Amber Gibson. Joseph is being baptized during today’s service.

A Blood Drive will be at St. Pascal’s on July 12 from 1-6 pm. For an appointment call Marlene at 651-738-3807.

Grace at Night Worship with us Monday evenings at 7:00 pm in the North Tower Room.

The Eternal Candle this month is from Dick and Betty Dege.

Next Sunday-July 18-is the deadline for the Sierra Leone Scholarships 2010-2011. Send a child in Sierra Leone to school for a year for just \$60! Sponsor as many children as you’d like or donate a partial scholarship at any amount that fits into your budget. Mark envelopes “Sierra Leone Scholarships” noting the number of students you’d like to sponsor and your envelope number.

PROJECT HOME Please consider giving the most generous gift of all - your time. Sign up to volunteer to host one of the shifts, to bring a healthful snack, or to read to the children.

Undy-Sundays in July! New underwear was much appreciated by our Project Home guests in past years and we will again be collecting undies on Sundays in July. Look for the undies box as you come for Sunday worship. Most needed: underwear for women and children, but also boxer shorts for men and boys.

T-Time in July Toilet paper is one of the hidden expenses when Grace hosts Project Home in August. Your donation of toilet paper will help. Leave it by the sign-up board in the Good Shepherd lounge.

VBS!! Vacation Bible School August 1st to August 5 from 6:00-7:30pm for kids ages 3 through 10 years. Children and other family members are invited to join us Sunday as we kick off our Vacation Bible School week, “Rainforest Adventure!” We’ll start with a meal, do some fun activities, and get ready for a fun-filled week. Monday through Thursday the children will learn lessons, sing songs, make craft/art projects, participate in a community service project, and enjoy a light snack. The children who participate will then be performing the songs they have learned at the Sunday, August 8th church service at Grace, at 9:30 a.m. Registration forms are available on the table near the entry doors or www.gracelutheranstpaul.org/vbs.htm

WELCA News Women of Grace, plan now to attend a Bible study on Thursday, Aug. 12 at 6:30pm in the South Tower room. Bella Hanson will lead the discussion on “Pray Always” to be found in the June and July/August issues of Lutheran Woman Today.

Mission of the Month for July is Medicins Sans Frontieres (MSF) or Doctors Without Borders, a group of physicians and support staff who can respond to humanitarian crisis in many parts of the world. MSF maintains a practice of responding to epidemics and armed conflicts independently of political, economic or religious interests. Your support will help MSF respond to over 4,700 field assignments a year. Checks can be made out to Grace Lutheran Church.

Miles of Pennies The collection jar on the library table takes pennies and coins for LSS Safe Homes for vulnerable, homeless youth in St. Paul.

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