

# Grace Lutheran Church

July 25, 2010

## Prayer Sunday



**Thank you to those leading us this morning:**

Preaching Minister ..... Rev. Pat Ondarko  
 Assisting Minister ..... Rev. Paul Hesterberg  
 Organist ..... Kathleen Hollar  
 Soloist ..... Jan Steingas  
 Vocals ..... The Grace Tenors  
 Acolyte ..... Sam Hopp  
 Communion ..... Lydia Rose, Violet Rose, Carol Golder  
 Greeter ..... Gina Gilgenbach  
 Lay Reader ..... Ron House  
 Offering Counters ..... Team D - Knute Nelson  
 Ushers ..... Team H - Jessica McCoy, Arfield Oie

**Leaders for next Sunday, August 1, 2010**

Acolyte ..... Cassandra Pray  
 Communion ..... Sue Brown, Barb Greaves, Geraldine Lindquist  
 Greeter ..... Jean Ekstrand  
 Liturgist ..... Kris Mohwinkel  
 Offering Counters ..... Team E - Maxine Keller  
 Ushers ..... Team A - Larry Redeker

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<p><b>Administrative Staff:</b>          Kerry Reif, <i>Administrative Assistant</i>          Edward Shaffer, <i>Financial Manager</i></p> <p><b>Custodial Staff:</b>          Elbert Simmons, <i>Custodian</i></p>	<p><b>Music Staff:</b>          Kathleen Hollar, <i>Organist</i>          Olaf Malmin, <i>Sanctuary Choir Director</i>          Connie Smeby, <i>Joyous Juniors Director</i>          Jan Steingas, <i>Triple Gs Choir Director</i>          Pete Zitzewitz, <i>Bells of Grace Director</i></p>
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**Welcome All! If you are a visitor and would like to know more about Grace, ask any member or Pastor. We love to talk about our church!**

9th Sunday of Pentecost † July 25, 2010  
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Prelude *Variations on "Our Father Who Art in Heaven"* Mendelssohn

Welcome and Announcements

\*Hymn (insert) ..... *"In The Garden"*

\*Greeting

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

C: **And also with you.**

\*Kyrie, p 203

\*Hymn of Praise, p 204

\*Prayer of the Day

L: Almighty and ever-living God,

C: **you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Genesis 18:20–32**

<sup>20</sup>Then the LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! <sup>21</sup>I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know." <sup>22</sup>So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. <sup>23</sup>Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked?" <sup>24</sup>Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be

**Pastor Pat's new book** (which is getting great reviews) is on sale in the Narthex for \$15.95. 10% of each sale goes to the Library fund.

**Notes about PROJECT HOME**  
**Welcome Project Home!!!** Beginning August 1st, you will notice a different look in the lower level entryway to Grace. We are hosting Project Home for the month of August and we will be doing the same as last year and transforming the entryway into a family room/community area. There will be couches, toys, t.v. etc. If you are at church anytime that our guests are present, please make them feel welcome. There are still many opportunities to sign up and help to act as hosts and hostesses or set-up and clean-up. This is a marvelous opportunity to reach out and share our church home with those who need a safe place to sleep. Remember we are all God's people and reach out in Christian love. Thank you.

- *The Church Council*

**Project Home** will be using Grace's facility during the month of August. Guests arrive at 6:00pm and leave for the day at 6:30am weekdays and 8:30am weekends. Please consider volunteering your time and prayers for these families. Shifts are available for sign up.

**Remember to check the church's website** ([www.gracelutheranstpaul.org](http://www.gracelutheranstpaul.org)) for the most current information. Among other things, worship assistant schedules are listed there.

**This Week at Grace**  
*Summer office hours: 8:30am-3:00pm.*

**Sunday, July 25**

9:00-2:00 Everything Sale  
9:30am Worship,  
10:30am Coffee Hour  
10:30am Transition Team meeting

**Monday, July 26**

2:15-8:15 Violin lessons—MacPhail  
7:00pm Grace at Night

**Tuesday, July 27**

9:30am Organ lessons  
11:00am Staff meeting

**Wednesday, July 28**

10:00am Coffee with the Pastor

**Thursday, July 29**

2:30-9:00 Violin lessons—MacPhail

**Friday, July 30**

6:30pm AA meeting

**Saturday, July 31**

4:00pm Lancrain/Nordsven Wedding

**Sunday, August 1**

**PROJECT HOME**  
9:30am Worship  
10:30am Coffee Hour  
6:00-7:30 VBS

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<b>July 18</b>	Attendance	150
	Total offering	\$4,448.40

### **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.

**Eternal Candle** is from Dick and Betty Dege in memory of loved ones.

**Grace at Night** worship Mondays at 7:00 in the North Tower Room for a refreshing look at scripture.

**Our sympathies to Stanley Bialek** and family on the death of his former brother-in-law John Carr. May our risen Savior comfort you during this especially difficult time.

**Please remember in your prayers** those who serve our country; those who are in need of God's healing grace; for those who seek comfort and answers; for the VBS kids and leaders; and for our new pastor whom God is now preparing.

**Sierra Leone** The Mission Committee is still taking checks for scholarships if you haven't turned yours in yet. \$60 per scholarship, or whatever you can give will help immensely.

**Vacation Bible School** August 1-5 from 6:00p-7:30p here at Grace. To be a helper for children ages 3-10 or if you are interested in donating snacks and/or craft items call Karin Nikula at 651-735-6689.

**Cawfee Tawk** Each Wednesday at 10:00am the pastors will be available for those who wants to come in and have a cup of coffee with them. No agenda; simply social. Meet in Shepherd's Lounge.

**Food for the Food Shelf** will be collected next Sunday. Place your donation of food in the narthex.

**Mission of the Month for July** is Medecins 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. More information at [www.gracelutheranstpaul.org/mission.htm](http://www.gracelutheranstpaul.org/mission.htm) Make your checks payable to Grace Lutheran Church.

**WELCA News Bible Study and Ice Cream Social!** Women of Grace, plan to attend Thursday, August 12 at 6:30pm in the South Tower room. Bella Hanson will lead the discussion on "Pray Always."

**Kerry Reif will be on out of the office** beginning July 22, returning on Wednesday, July 28.

that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" <sup>26</sup>And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." <sup>27</sup>Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the LORD, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup>Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." <sup>29</sup>Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." <sup>30</sup>Then he said, "Oh do not let the LORD be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." <sup>31</sup>He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the LORD. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." <sup>32</sup>Then he said, "Oh do not let the LORD be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

### **Psalm 138**

L: I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

C: **I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.**

L: When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.

C: **All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD, when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

L: They will sing of the ways of the LORD, that great is the glory of the LORD.

C: **The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.**

L: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

C: **You will make good your purpose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.**

Anthem *"The Lord's Prayer"* Mallote

\*Gospel acclamation, p 205

\*Gospel Reading **Luke 11:1–13**

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."  
<sup>2</sup>He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. <sup>3</sup>Give us each day our daily bread. <sup>4</sup>And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial." <sup>5</sup>And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' <sup>7</sup>And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' <sup>8</sup>I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

<sup>9</sup>So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. <sup>11</sup>Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? <sup>12</sup>Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? <sup>13</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

L: The Word of the Lord.  
C: **Thanks be to God.**

Word for the Day If I'm Praying, Who's Listening? Rev. Pat Ondarko  
*The Lord's Prayer Play*, starring Olaf and Pete

\*Hymn of the Day #818 ..... *"O Master Let Me Walk with You"*

\*Prayer of the Church

L: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation . . .

L: Lord in your mercy  
C: **Hear our prayer.**

L: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
C: **Amen**

Offering and Offertory ..... *"This Land is Your Land"*

*To friend and stranger alike – ALL are welcome to our Lord's table.*

\*The Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you.  
C: **And also with you.**  
L: Lift up your hearts.  
C: **We lift them to the Lord.**  
L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

\*Holy, Holy, Holy, p 207

\*Words of Institution

\*Lord's Prayer

**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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Distribution of Elements

*Lamb of God*, p 208

Communion Hymn *"The Lord's Prayer"* Michael Head

\*Blessing and Dismissal

L: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
C: **Amen**  
L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord  
C: **Thanks be to God.**

\*Closing Hymn #638 ..... *"Blessed Assurance"*

Postlude *Fantasia on "Our Father Who Art in Heaven"* Krapf

\*=Stand as you are able