

Grace Lutheran Church

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September 15, 2024

Prelude & Welcome

Hymn 456 "Baptized in Water"

Sacrament of Baptism

Hymn 793 "Be Thou My Vision"

Noisy Offering – "God's Work, Our Hands"

Scripture (insert)

Message

Hymn 546 "To Be Your Presence"

Offering

Prayer, Lord's Prayer & Benediction

Hymn 574 "Here I Am, Lord"

Postlude

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Verse for the Week

"Who do you say I am"

~ Jesus, Mark 8:29

Prayer Requests:

Sue Johanson

Nancy Shores

Bob Hefti

Sharon Denardo

Tom Dingwall

Kay Stanford

Sandy Reddick

Brad Lund

Ron Johnson

Serving our Country:

Quynn Behrens, Army National Guard

Hayden Bradley, National Guard

Alex Dyrhaug, Air Force

Payton Gasser, Navy

Paige Klimek, Navy

Thank You Worship Assistants:

Ushers: Pikkaraine Family

Acolyte: Paige Schaffran

Reader: Pat Freese

Coffee/Fellowship: Pikkaraine Family

Musician: Joyce Engel

Song Leader: Kathy Fynboh

Baptized today: Wesley James Lund, son of Cody and Whitney Lund. Wesley's Godparents are Joel & Tiffany Hokanson.

From last Sunday: Two sisters, Martha and Mary, highlighted our on-going struggle to find balance in our lives. Hiding behind excuses, we ignore the "Balance Maker's" invitation: "Come to Me, all you who are weary and heavy burdened, and I will give you rest".

Dates and Happenings:

Monday, September 16

4 pm Piano Lessons
6 pm 9th Grade Confirmation - Faith
7 pm Bible Study - Faith

Tuesday, September 17

10:30 am Pastor at Evansville Care Campus
1 pm Pastor at Evansville Assisted Living

Wednesday, September 18

6 pm Confirmation (Gr. 5 & 6) – Grace
7 pm Confirmation (Gr. 7 & 8) – Grace

Thursday, September 19

9 am Lefse Workday
9:30 am Pastor at Prayer & Share – Faith
1 pm Pastor at Brandon Assisted Living
3:30 pm Piano Lessons

Saturday, September 21

9 am Lefse Workday

Sunday, September 22

9 am Worship – Lord's Supper
10 am Sunday School
11 am Worship -Faith

Prayer Challenge

Pastor Brad challenged us to pray for the United States through November. We're not to pray for or against a particular candidate, political party or issue. We're to ask God for clarity and discernment. It's about God – not us or our opinions. We need to become better listeners ... what is God saying to us personally?

Prayer prompt: "Teach me to do Your Will, for You are my God; may Your good Spirit lead me on level ground". (Psalm 143:10)

Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. We're reading the Gospel of Mark, led by Pastor Brad. Everyone welcome!

20 days until our Fall Bazaar Signup sheets for donations, pies and workers are in the entry and available online. Please continue to sell your Raffle tickets as we have a quilt, themed baskets and gift cards. Lefsa days are this week – September 19 and 21. Donut making is October 4. We're serving a soup and sandwich lunch, so many hands are needed to prepare and serve! Thank You!

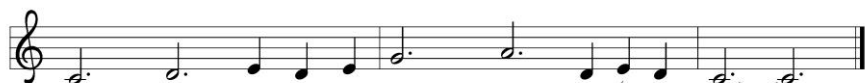
Baptized in Water



1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his
 tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
 sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

Text: Michael Seward, b. 1932

Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune

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Be Thou My Vision



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860-1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880-1931

Music: SLANE, Irish traditional

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To Be Your Presence



1 To be your pres-ence is our mis-sion here, to show com-
 2 To be your pres-ence is our mis-sion bold, to feed the
 3 To be your pres-ence is our mis-sion blest, to speak for
 4 We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your



pas-sion's face and lis-t'ning ear, to be your heart of mer-cy
 poor and shel-ter home-less cold, to be your hands of jus-tice,
 all the bro-ken and op-pressed, to be your voice of hope, your
 peo-ple is our call and choice, and in this mis-sion we, the



ev-er near,
 right up-hold, al-le-lu-ia!
 love ex-pressed,
 church, re-joice,

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 Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V, Stanford, 1852-1924
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Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo-ple cry.
 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo-ple's pain.
 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a-way.
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a-lone.
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat-is-fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"



Refrain
 Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo-ple in my heart.

Text: Daniel L. Schutte, b. 1946
 Music: HERE I AM, LORD, Daniel L. Schutte
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