

Grace Lutheran Church

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Prelude

Welcome & Invocation

Hymn 848 "Give to Our God Immortal Praise!"

WORD with the Children

Scripture (insert)

Message

Hymn 754 "Jesus, the Very Thought of You"

Offering

Prayer

Confession

We confess our sin to God, ask His mercy and commit ourselves to becoming more like Jesus:

**God,
I confess I am captive to sin and cannot free myself.**

I have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what I have done and left undone.

**I have not loved You with my whole heart;
I have not loved my neighbors as myself.**

I have marred Your image created within me and not lived with contentment or gratitude. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus, Crucified and Risen, have mercy on me.

**Forgive what I have been,
correct what I am,
direct what I will be;**

so I will delight in Your Word and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your saving Name.

In the Name of Jesus, I ask forgiveness for myself and my neighbors. Amen

The Lord's Supper

Words of Institution & Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God (on the screen)

Absolution & Benediction

Hymn 836 "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

Postlude

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Verse for the Week

Turn my eyes away from worthless things;
preserve my life according to Your Word.

~ Psalm 119:37

Thank You Worship Assistants:

Ushers: Tom & Judy Behlke

Acolyte: Carter Swiontek

Reader: Don Bakken

Communion Servers: Pat Freese,

Coffee/Fellowship: Pat Freese, Renee Thompson

Musician: Joyce Engel

Song Leader: Kathy Fynboh

Prayer Requests:

Nolan Morical	Susie Johnson	Butch Adams
Steve Junker	Fiona Ralston	Duaine Burros
Gerald Johnson	Laurie Johnson	Geri Burros
Mary Hefti	Dawn Gillespie	

From last Sunday: God, put Your arm around my shoulder and Your hand over my mouth – a good prayer when we're angry, frustrated or annoyed!

Thank You! To support local projects and opportunities, "Thank You!" everyone who helped with last Tuesday's "Backpack Attack" packing at Gardonville. We packed 400 meals for BE Schools!

Next week is Rally Sunday! Our regular worship time resumes – 9 am. In worship, we'll Bless the Backpacks and 3rd Graders will receive their Bibles. Following worship, we will fellowship with rolls, juice and coffee and enjoy games/activities together. Hope you will join us!

Introducing: Club Bible! Kids 3 years old through 6th Grade will meet twice a month, on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday, 5:15 to 6 pm. We have volunteers lined up to help; Pastor Brad will work with the 5th and 6th Graders. Our sister parish, Faith, is invited to participate and this will be open to the community. Questions or comments? Please talk with Tina Pikkariane or Pastor Brad.

Fall Bazaar is October 3. Think about workshops. Sign-up sheets for workdays and supply donations are on the table outside the office. Please help if you are able. Remember to sell your raffle tickets.

Puzzles (300 large piece) are needed for Evansville Assisted Living. If you have some to donate or, are willing to buy, please talk with Pastor Brad. Thank You!

Dates and Happenings:

Monday, September 7
Labor Day – Offices Closed

Tuesday, September 8
9:30 am Bible Study
1:30 pm Pastor at Evansville Assisted Living

Wednesday, September 9
6:30 pm Confirmation Orientation – Grades 7-8
7:15 pm Confirmation Orientation – Grade 9 (Confirmands)
8 pm Grace Council

Thursday, September 10
9 am Quilting
9:30 am Pastor at Prayer & Share - Faith
1 pm Pastor at Brandon Assisted Living

Saturday, September 12
9 am Piano Lessons

Sunday, September 13 – Rally Sunday
9 am Worship
10 am Fellowship, Games/Activities
10:30 am Worship – Faith

Give to Our God Immortal Praise!



1 Give to our God im - mor - tal praise! Mer - cy and
 2 He sent his Son with pow'r to save from guilt and
 3 Give to the Lord of lords re - nown; the King of

truth are all his ways. Won - ders of grace to
 dark - ness and the grave. Won - ders of grace to
 kings with glo - ry crown. His mer - cies ev - er

God be - long; re - peat his mer - cies in your song.
 God be - long; re - peat his mer - cies in your song.
 shall en - dure when lords and kings are known no more!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748
 Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

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Jesus, the Very Thought of You



1 Je - sus, the ver - y thought of you fills us with sweet de - light;
 2 No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind re - call
 3 O Hope of ev - 'ry con - trite soul, O Joy of all the meek,
 4 O Je - sus, be our joy to - day; help us to prize your love;

but sweet-er far your face to view and rest with - in your light.
 a sweet-er sound than your blest name, O Sav - ior of us all!
 how kind you are to those who fall! How good to those who seek!
 grant us at last to hear you say: “Come, share my home a - bove.”

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–1878
 Music: ST. AGNES, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852–1922
 Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.

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