

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH & EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

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Today

Service Elder - Joe Deane
Scripture Reader - Joe Deane
Acolyte -
Greeters - B. Dupre & C. Shroyer
Offering Stewards - B. & M. Beach
Altar Guild - R. DaSilva & J. Burke
Ushers - G. Bauman, K. Boger,
& R. Reaves, Jr.

Next Sunday

Dale Boger
Mona LaCour
Adeline Perryman
D. & D. Boger
A. & J. Kraus
M. Beach & P. Cuneo
D. Armstrong, J. Kohls,
& G. Meyer

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 21, 2009

Welcome to God's house! Please allow us to keep in touch with you by signing the register in the foyer/narthex. Thank you!

Altar Flowers are placed today to the glory of God by Burt & Marilyn Beach in celebration of their fifty-second wedding anniversary June 29th and in honor of Father's Day.

As We Gather

Today's Scripture readings and psalm provide a nautical theme for our worship. God asks Job rhetorically where he was when the sea was put in its place. Jesus, in a boat with the disciples, stills the storm on the Sea of Galilee. And the psalm talks about our enemies as if they were a flood ready to sweep us away. Rejoice! Our gracious God provides calming peace over all His creation--- including us!



The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated each week. Those Christians who truly believe that they receive the true body and blood of Christ Jesus or Savior, in, with and under the bread and wine are invited to partake in the Lord's Supper.

The Apostle Paul's words in Corinthians 11:27-29 set forth, *"Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself."*

If you are concerned about having a proper understanding of the Lord's Supper, we urge you to speak with pastor. Questions and answers that may aid your understanding of and preparation for Holy Communion are on pages 329-330 in the pew hymnal.

Non-alcoholic wine is white and located in the center of the individual cup trays for those who cannot tolerate alcohol.



This Week at Grace

Today	9:00 a.m. Worship Coffee & cake follow in fellowship hall	Saturday	9:00 a.m. "Join Hands Day" Lunch will follow
Monday	10:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages PIPELINER ARICLES DUE	Sunday	9:00 a.m. Worship Coffee & Fall Fest muffins follow LWML/MG meeting
Wednesday	6:00 p.m. Potluck fellowship 6:45 p.m. Prayer & Praise		10:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

For the week of June 21 - 27, 2009

Birthdays		Baptismal Anniversaries	
June 23	Joe Deane Michael Thalheim	June 22	Gail Akins
24	Angela Hall	24	Kyle Jakob
26	Ray Cinnater	27	Hannah Smedstad

In the palm of God's Hands...

HEALTH CONCERNS: Al Kornacki, Sr., Amber Runco, Audrey Buquet, Betsy Michel, Byron Caro, Connie Oswalt, Constance Blanchard, David Braden, David Mack, Denise Reaves, Gary Baker, Genevieve Brunette, Geraldine Lewis, Gladys Dupre, Glen Carpenter, Helen Comeaux, Henrietta Runco, Henry & Marilyn Pepper, Iva Kohls, Jack Hansen, James Henley, Jean Frey, John Brock, John Schlichting, Joy Kraus, Joy Rodrigue, Joy Stegall, Kelly Falgout, Kristen Brandtly, Rev. Kurtis Schulze, Lloyd Chiasson, Lonnie Meyer, Mary Boger, Mary Ann Wagner, Matthew Taylor, Mitch Basco, Nelda Comeaux, Norman Johansen, Pat Rabun, Paul Gerlach, Payden Kohls, Percy Songe, Randy Smedstad, Robert Veatch, Todd Mueller, Wanda Williams & Winfred Powell

PRAISE & THANKSGIVING: Peggy Adams & Jack Hansen (home safe)

NEW MOTHERS & BABIES: Stephanie & Archie Benton, Jennifer & Zayli Poche

EXPECTANT MOTHERS & BABIES: Laura Schmitt

ELDERLY: Elaine Cofield

MOURNING A LOSS: the families of Helen Moreau, Mary Louise Schmidt, Ken Porche

SERVING IN OUR ARMED FORCES: Matt Babin, Brandon Darce, Stephen Darce, Caleb Dufrene, Jack Hansen, Todd Mueller & Matthew Spolarich

MISSIONARY FAMILY IN VIETNAM: J.P., Aimee & Celeste Cima



Happy Father's Day!

"How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you?" 1 Thessalonians 3:9

Installation Anniversary Celebration

The congregation invites everyone to join us in the fellowship hall following worship for cake and punch. We are celebrating the second anniversary of Pastor Rich's installation at Grace (June 24, 2007). We look forward to serving the LORD with Pastor Rich at Grace for many more years.

“Join Hands Day”

Thrivent is sponsoring a Join Hands Day activity to benefit Grace's Early Childhood Center **this Saturday, June 27th at 9 a.m.** Thrivent has purchased a new storage shed for the ECC to replace the one destroyed by Hurricane Gustav. Volunteers are needed to help assemble the shed and do a number of cleaning and repair jobs around the ECC. We should be done by noon. Lunch will be provided and a Thrivent chapter leadership meeting will take place while we eat. Thrivent members are encouraged to sign up on the list on the Thrivent bulletin board near the bathrooms in the church. Non-Thrivent members are encouraged to sign up and then see Richard Reaves about becoming a member of Thrivent.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



**SUNDAY, JULY 12 -
THURSDAY, JULY 16**

6 - 8:45 PM

3 YR OLDS - 5TH GRADERS
Registration forms in narthex

+ PREPARATION +

Pre-Service Music

Stand

OPENING HYMN “Come, Now is the Time to Worship”

Come, now is the time to worship
Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship
Come, just as you are before your God, come
One day every tongue will confess You are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains for those who gladly seek You now

Come, now is the time to worship
Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship
Come, just as you are before your God, come

One day every tongue will confess You are God
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Come, just as you are to worship
Come, just as you are before your God, come
Come, Come, Come

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Almighty God has created all things; nothing happens without His consent. We alone in this physical creation are able to decide not to do as He commands, and we alone sin daily and deserve nothing but punishment. But God has promised grace and mercy to all who repent and seek His forgiveness for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Let us therefore examine ourselves and confess our sins.

(Kneel in silent reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

Pastor: Heavenly Father,

People: we confess that we have let the problems of this life loom larger than the trust we have in You. We have allowed the storms of conflict and chaos around us to terrify us so that we have questioned Your care and rescue in time and eternity. We have sinned against You and against our neighbor. For Jesus' sake forgive us for the weakness of our faith; strengthen us through Your powerful Word; and renew in us the resolve to trust You in every circumstance. Amen.

Pastor: Our gracious God sent His Son into the world as one of us, yet as King of all creation. He refused to use His power to save Himself, but became the sacrifice for all sin. The Father accepted His payment in our place and raised Him on the third day. Now the Holy Spirit has worked faith in our hearts so that we may believe and be saved. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Stand

KYRIE

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above to give us calm in the midst of trial, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of all who are with Jesus in the ship of the Church, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house, and for all who seek refuge from the storms of life, all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

People: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" *Rick Founds*

Lord I lift your name on high, Lord I love to sing your praises
I am so glad you're in my life, I'm so glad you came to save us

(Chorus)

You came from heaven to the earth to show the way

From the earth to the cross my debt to pay

From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky

Lord I lift your name on high

Lord I lift your name on high, Lord I love to sing your praises
I am so glad you're in my life, I'm so glad you came to save us

(Sing chorus twice)

Third Sunday after Pentecost

2 Corinthians 6: 1-13

Only the Holy Spirit could renew the Corinthian Christians to be useful stewards in the kingdom of God. This same Holy Spirit renews us to be faithful stewards of that which God has entrusted to us - including the wise stewardship of the Gospel of Jesus and doing all we can to get that good news out to a fallen world.

"Dad's don't realize they are heroes because this concept has either never been passed on to them by their own father, or they have ignored or forgotten God's Word that mightily reminds them of their powerful role. Either way, they are left ill - equipped to battle the culture that beats up on them and tries to destroy their confidence. There is a Man, however, who forgives and then faithfully encourages every human father to try - over and over again, to be the man God designed him to be. That man is Jesus Christ." *Linda D. Bartlett, former president of Lutherans for Life* **This "Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life - www.lutheransforlife.org**

Today's Sunday School lesson, "David, the Shepherd Boy" continues our study of vacation. While David tended his flock, the Lord was David's shepherd - protecting him, leading him, and providing for him. Consider asking students, "*How did God provide for young David? Whom does God give us to provide for our needs today?*"

ECC News

We are looking for someone who is interested in a teacher's aide position for the fall school year. Please email Sofie at glcecc@bellsouth.net if you know someone who would be interested in this position.

If you would like to donate paper products for our Summer Fun Program, we are in need of paper towels and 5 oz. paper cups. You may leave these in the blue box in the narthex. We appreciate your generosity!

Christian Music

The Bible Tones Quartet out of Gulfport, MS will be at the Bayou Blue United Methodist Church Saturday, June 27th at 7pm.

Music With A Message scheduled for Friday, June 26th has been cancelled. Our next MWAM will be Friday, August 28th. Make plans now to join us!

Interested in Membership at Grace Lutheran Church?

A six-week membership class will be held Tuesdays from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. July 21 through August 25. This class is designed to familiarize people with the basic beliefs of the Lutheran faith with a focus on those points where we differ from other mainline Christian denominations. Those who complete the class and wish to join will then be accepted into official membership at Sunday worship. Those who are already members of GLC are encouraged to attend if they so desire. Please contact Pastor Rich at richrudnik@hotmail.com or call the church office at (985) 879-1865 if you are interested in attending.

We need you! Through the dedication of our members and friends who volunteer at VBS, we minister to 50 children each year with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. If you aren't part of VBS yet, why not sign up today? If you can help some evenings, just one evening, every evening, or in advance, we have many levels of involvement to suit your schedule and interests. There is a sign up sheet on the Christian Ed bulletin board by the fellowship hall.

Pastor: Lord Jesus Christ, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember all You have done to secure for us eternal life. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9-11*

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord + be with you always. *John 20:19*

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI *is sung acappella as per page 163 in LSB.*

People: Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS *(printed on colored insert)*

Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS *is spoken*

**All: Lord, we Your servants now go in peace;
Your loving Word has been fulfilled;
For our eyes have seen Your salvation
that You have prepared in the presence of all peoples,
a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and for the glory of Your people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen**

THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;

People: for His steadfast love endures forever. *Psalms 118:1*

Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that in this Sacrament You have provided us refreshment for our continuing pilgrimage. Strengthen us to trust You in all things and to love one another in all circumstances; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless you and keep you, now and forever.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "Sanctuary" *Randy Scruggs & John W. Thompson (printed on colored Insert)*

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

People: Almighty God, in Your mercy guide the course of this world so that Your Church may joyfully serve You in godly peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sit

FIRST READING *Job 38:1-11*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *2 Corinthians 6:1-13*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA and VERSE *Mark 4:41*

Pastor: Alleluia.

People: Who then is this, that even wind and sea obey Him? Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Mark 4:35-41*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 4th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN "Blessed Be Your Name" *Beth Redman & Matt Redman*

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful

Where Your streams of abundance flow

Blessed be Your name

And blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place

Though I walk through the wilderness

Blessed be Your name

Lord my life to You I bring
May each song I have to sing
Be to You a lovely thing in Your time

Lord my life to You I bring. May each song I have to sing.
Be to You a lovely thing in Your time

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CLOSING HYMN

Sanctuary

Randy Scruggs & John W. Thompson

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for You

It is you, Lord who came to save
The heart and soul of every man
It is you Lord who knows my weakness,
Who gives me strength, with Thine own hand

Lead me on Lord from temptation
Purify me from within
Fill my heart with Your Holy Spirit
Take away all my sin

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for You

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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Open The Eyes Of My Heart

Paul Baloche

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart,
I want to see You, I want to see You.
Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart,
I want to see You, I want to see You.

*To see You high and lifted up,
Shining in the light of Your glory;
Pour out Your power and love,
As we sing holy, holy, holy.*

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart,
I want to see You, I want to see You.
Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart,
I want to see You, I want to see You.

*To see You high and lifted up,
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*To see You high and lifted up,
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Pour out Your power and love,
As we sing holy, holy, holy.*

Holy, holy, holy...

Holy, holy, holy...

Holy, holy, holy...

I want to see You.

(repeat X 4, louder each time)

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Jesus, Thank You

Pat Sczebel

The mystery of the cross I cannot comprehend
The agonies of Calvary
You the perfect Holy One, crushed Your Son
Drank the bitter cup reserved for me

Your blood has washed away my sin

Jesus, thank You

The Father's wrath completely satisfied

Jesus, thank You

Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table

Jesus, thank You

By Your perfect sacrifice I've been brought near
Your enemy You've made Your friend
Pouring out the riches of Your glorious grace
Your mercy and Your kindness know no end

Your blood has washed away my sin

Jesus, thank You

The Father's wrath completely satisfied

Jesus, thank You

Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table

Jesus, thank You

Lover of my soul I want to live for You
Lover of my soul I want to live for You
Lover of my soul I want to live for You
Lover of my soul I want to live for You

Your blood has washed away my sin

Jesus, thank You

The Father's wrath completely satisfied

Jesus, thank You

Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table

Jesus, thank You

Your blood has washed away my sin

Jesus, thank You

The Father's wrath completely satisfied

Jesus, thank You

Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table

Jesus, thank You

Your Love Oh Lord

Brad Avery, David Carr, Mark Lee & Mac Powell

Your love, oh Lord, reaches to the heavens,
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky;
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountain,
And Your justice flows like the ocean's tides

*And I will lift my voice to worship You my King;
And I will find my strength in the shadow of Your wings*

Your love, oh Lord, reaches to the heavens,
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky;
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountain,
And Your justice flows like the ocean's tides

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In His Time

Diana Ball

In His time... In His time
He makes all things beautiful, In His time
Lord please show me every day as You're teaching me Your way
That You do just what you say in Your time

(interlude)

In your time... In Your time
You make all things beautiful, in Your time

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise
And when the darkness closes in Lord, Still I will say

(Chorus)

Blessed be the name of the Lord

Blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord

Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be Your name

And blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise
And when the darkness closes in Lord, Still I will say

(Sing chorus)

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart wants to say
Lord, blessed be Your name.

(Sing chorus twice)

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SERMON

MEDITATION *by Mike Cape*

Stand

NICENE CREED *(as found on back page of pew hymnal)*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Sit

OFFERING

Stand

OFFERTORY "We Are An Offering"

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to You, we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands,
Lord, use our lives, they are Yours,
We are an offering.**

**All that we have, all that we are,
All that we hope to be,
We give to You, we give to You.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to You,
We are an offering, we are an offering.**

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+ SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

SANCTUS *is sung acappella as per page 161 in LSB*

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have not left Your good creation unattended, but entered it in the person of Your Son, who became one of us to die for us. We pray that through this Sacrament of His body and blood we may be filled with heavenly peace even as we live in this world of strife and danger. Gather us together as we join the hosts of heaven who already sit with You at the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom. To You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all praise and glory in Your kingdom on earth and in heaven.

People: Amen.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. *Revelation 22:20*