

The Saints



“To the saints who are in Ephesus, who are believers in Christ Jesus: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ” (**Ephesians 1:1b-2 EHV**).

*A video feed of the service may also be viewed in the basement.
In the entryway quiet bags are available for children.*



Grace Lutheran Church and School

Trinity 22 • November 16, 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP:

Usher Team B: Dale Bernthal, David Maas, Jerry Knuth,
Micah & Jonah Maas (understudies)

OPENING HYMN463:1-4

INVOCATION:

We worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

THEMATIC INTRODUCTION

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

Heavenly Father, even in the womb we were sinners. For sinful parents have sinful children.

We have also sinned by our choices. Through careless words, and sarcastic comments. We have been selfish, and greedy. We have not shielded our hearts against evil. We have not taken care of our responsibilities the way you want us to. Forgive our sins Father, because of all that Jesus did in our place, and renew us by your Holy Spirit.

In his word, God inspired the Apostle Paul to write, “there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For in Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death” (Romans 8:1-2 EHV).

So, on the basis of your confession, and by the command and power of Jesus Christ, I forgive you your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen!

CONFESSION OF FAITHApostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there He will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

LETTER READING.....HEBREWS 13:1-9 (EHV)

¹Continue to show brotherly love. ²Do not fail to show love to strangers, for by doing this some have welcomed angels without realizing it. ³Remember those in prison, as if you were fellow prisoners, and those who are mistreated, as if you yourselves were also suffering bodily.

⁴Marriage is to be held in honor by all, and the marriage bed is to be kept undefiled, for God will judge sexually immoral people and adulterers. ⁵Keep your life free from the love of money, and be content with what you have. For God has said:

I will never leave you,
and I will never forsake you.

⁶So then we say with confidence:

The Lord is my helper, and I will not be afraid.
What will man do to me?

⁷Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Carefully consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ⁹Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings. For it is good for our hearts to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which are of no help to those who make them a way of life.

“The Love of the Saints”

Here God provides some tricks to help us love like he does: Love like he’s your brother. Host like these people are God’s messengers. Put yourself in their shoes. Think on the Christian mentors who have helped you—and imitate their lives.



HYMN.....767:1-3

GOSPEL READING Luke 9:57-62 (EHV)

⁵⁷As they went on the way, a man said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” ⁵⁸Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head.” ⁵⁹He said to another man, “Follow me!” But he said, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father.” ⁶⁰Jesus told him, “Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” ⁶¹Another man also said, “I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say good-bye to those at my home.” ⁶²Jesus told him, “No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

“Heavenly Priorities vs. Earthly Priorities”

To follow Jesus means letting go of earthly things. It means a sense of urgency to speak the Gospel. It means echoing his prayer, saying, “Not my will, Lord, but yours be done.”



HYMN.....407:1-3

OLD TESTAMENT READING..... Proverbs 24:13-20 (EHV)

¹³My son, eat honey, because it is good. Flowing honey is sweet on your palate. ¹⁴Know also that wisdom is sweet for your soul. If you find it, then there is a future for you, and your hope will never be cut off. ¹⁵Do not be like the wicked who attack the home of the righteous. Do not destroy his resting place, ¹⁶because a righteous person may fall seven times, but he will get up, while wicked people will stumble into misfortune. ¹⁷Do not be happy when your enemy falls. Do not let your heart celebrate when he stumbles. ¹⁸If you do, the LORD will see it and consider it evil, and he will turn his anger away from him. ¹⁹Do not fret about evildoers. Do not be jealous of wicked people, ²⁰because an evil person has no future. The lamp of the wicked will be put out.

“The Righteous and the Wicked”

Solomon contrasts believers and unbelievers.
Their behavior, and their future.



HYMN.....414

OFFERING

PRAYER

THE 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.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT



HYMN**164:1-3**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

HYMN**164:4-5**

THE DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMNS**148**

CLOSING WORDS

CLOSING HYMN**463:5-8**



Weekly Calendar: November 16-November 23, 2025

Today	<u>COMMUNION SUNDAY:</u>	
	8:00 am	Peace WORSHIP in Mission
	9:30 am	Grace SUNDAY SCHOOL/BIBLE CLASS in Valentine
	10:30 am	Grace WORSHIP in Valentine
	5:00 pm	Catechism Class in White River
	6:00 pm	St. Paul's BIBLE CLASS/SUN. SCHOOL in White River
Thursday	7:00 pm	Grace Ladies' Aid
Next Sun.	8:00 am	Peace WORSHIP in Mission
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Coming up...	No Grace School, Nov. 26-28 (Thanksgiving Break)	
	Thanksgiving Tri-Parish Worship in Valentine, Nov. 27, 10am	

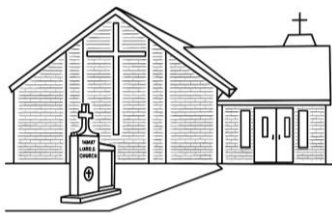
ADULT BIBLE CLASS happens every Sunday at 9:30 am. Today we're looking at the topic of "The Image of God" and the connected concept of "Free Will". These terms get used in Christian conversations, but what does the Bible actually say about them? Let's try to gain a deeper understanding. Come join us in God's Word!

2026 CLC MISSION HELPER TRIP: The CLC Mission Helper Program is making preparations for another Mission Trip to Africa for the summer of 2026. See the November 2nd bulletin for details, or for more information and to apply, visit www.mht.lutheranmissions.org.

PRAYERS FOR THE CLC-INDIA: Recently we prayed for our sister congregations in India (some 4,300 people) who are suffering the effects of Cyclone Montha, as religious persecution. See the November 9th bulletin for more details. You can see the devastation here: photos.app.goo.gl/pNzVTK3zCed8tMEp8. Please pray that the Lord will protect, provide, strengthen, and give hope to His children in India who are suffering. You can help with this and other humanitarian efforts by contributing to Kinship at: lutheranmissions.org/kinship/ or through your local congregation.

CLC CALL NEWS Pastor Matthew Ude of Faith Lutheran Church, Markesan, WI, has **returned** the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI. <> Pastor Johnathan Schnose of Bethel Ev. Lutheran Church, Morris, MN,

has **received** the call to Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI. <> Pastor Michael Gurath of Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ, has **accepted** the call to Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church, Middleton, WI. <> Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Rapid City, SD, has **returned** the call to Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA. <> Pastor Tom Schuetze of St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, Lakewood, CO, has **received** the call to Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA. <> Pastor Emeritus Norman Greve has **returned** the part-time call to Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church, Red Wing, MN.



MUSICIANS: Carol Ahrens, Jeanie Hoffman, Stephen Krause, Anna Maas, Louise Mayhew. **VIDEOGRAPHERS:** Dale Bernthal; David Maas.

LAST SUNDAY (11/9): 52 in attendance. **OFFERING:** \$2,432.95 (General) + \$1,190 (School Tuition) + \$175 (Debt Retirement) = \$3,797.95

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