# Sunday Service

November 3, 2024 - 8:30 AM & 10:15 AM Livestream at 10:15 AM

# **ALL SAINTS' DAY**



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## Welcome...

We are so happy that you are here with us today. Our desire is to be like another home for you. If you are new to Grace or to the area and are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider joining our family here at Grace. A Fellowship Time is held after each Worship Service, and we invite you to stay for a few minutes so we can get acquainted.

To our many members and friends worshiping at home, whether near or far, we are so happy that you are sharing this worship with us from your homes. <a href="https://www.GraceLutheranPSL.com">www.GraceLutheranPSL.com</a>

#### Kids at Grace

By the entrance into the sanctuary, busy bags are available for children to use. During the 10:15 service, before the sermon, Ms. Coli will take children (3 and older) to the other building for an engaging lesson about our hope in Jesus. Children are returned to their families right after the prayers. There is also a quiet room outside the sanctuary with toys and the live stream, if families need a place for younger children throughout the service.

## Holy Communion

This meal is weird and wonderful: weird because we actually believe that the bread and wine are the Body and Blood of Jesus the Christ; wonderful because Jesus is with us. We take this meal very seriously here at Grace. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out and allow us to answer your questions. *Children* who have not been instructed in the meaning of the Sacrament may come to the Lord's Table with their parents for a blessing but are asked to fold their arms across their chests to indicate they are to receive a blessing.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMMUNION: After the closing hymn, Pastor Scott will lead us in our communion service. Those who wish to share in the celebration of communion shall remain. For those who have an intolerance to wine, grape juice is lighter colored on the tray, center. Those who find it difficult to walk to the altar can be communed at your seat. Please inform the usher of your need. After Pastor Scott has given your group the blessing at the altar, you may place your cup in the basket and depart from the Sanctuary down the center aisle, and enjoy fellowship in the hall.

#### KEEP IT SIMPLE

We often get in our own way, making salvation, giving, and all the ways God is involved in our lives more complicated than they need to be. Keep it simple; Jesus has saved you.

## Keep it Simple in your Stewardship

Stewardship can be something that we overcomplicate. Keep it Simple; Jesus has saved you.

### ---- THE OPENING HYMN

## "For All the Saints" (LSB 677 Vs. 1, 2 & 4)

- For all the saints who from their labors rest,
   Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
   Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
   Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 2. Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 4. Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; Yet all are one within your great design. Alleluia! Alleluia!

## --- Opening

Leader: Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. - Matthew 6

## --- THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

(Take a moment of silent reflection upon our need for God's forgiveness)

Pastor: O Almighty God,

PEOPLE: GOD, OUR LOVING FATHER,

WE CONFESS THAT WE ARE OFTEN IMPATIENT AND RUSH TO CRITICIZE.

WE TAKE OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS FOR GRANTED.

WE ARE OFTEN UNGRATEFUL AND NOT GRACIOUS.

WE OFTEN EXPECT CHURCH TO MIRROR OUR OWN BIASES.

WE FORGET TO ASK FOR OUR CHURCH TO MIRROR YOU.

WE OFTEN USE YOUR SCRIPTURES TO SUPPORT OUR OPINIONS.

WE FORGET THAT THEY ARE A LAMP TO OUR FEET AND A LIGHT TO OUR PATH.

OUR HOPE IS CENTERED ON OURSELVES AND NOT ON YOU.

RENEW US, LORD, THAT WE MAY DELIGHT IN YOUR WILL

AND WALK IN YOUR WAYS, TO THE GLORY OF YOUR HOLY NAME. AMEN.

Leader: The story of Jesus is about life and forgiveness.... You are God's beloved; you are a child of the resurrection. Live in the hope of new life. God loves you, and God is the restorer of hope. Your sins are forgiven, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN** 

## --THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Let us pray.

Lord, you are the crown and reward of all your saints. Lead us to follow their steps and live as your people, and bring us to eternal joy with you. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### --THE HYMN OF PRAISE

## "This is the Feast" (LW P9 161)

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, Whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and Honor, blessing, and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, And join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, al-le-lu-ia.

# THE FIRST LESSON Isaiah 49:8-16

God tells of hope, emphasizing His unwavering love, protection, and commitment to His people, even in times of despair.

This is what the Lord says:

"In the time of my favor I will answer you, and in the day of salvation I will help you; I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people, to restore the land and to reassign its desolate inheritances, to say to the captives, 'Come out,' and to those in darkness, 'Be free!'

"They will feed beside the roads and find pasture on every barren hill.

They will neither hunger nor thirst, nor will the desert heat or the sun beat down on them.

He who has compassion on them will guide them and lead them beside springs of water.

I will turn all my mountains into roads, and my highways will be raised up.

See, they will come from afar— some from the north, some from the west,

some from the region of Aswan."

Shout for joy, you heavens;

rejoice, you earth; burst into song, you mountains!

For the Lord comforts his people and will have compassion on his afflicted ones.

But Zion said, "The Lord has forsaken me, the Lord has forgotten me."

"Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne?

Though she may forget, I will not forget you!

See, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands; your walls are ever before me.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD

# THE SECOND LESSON 1 Corinthians 4:1-5

See the importance of faithfulness and reserving judgment for God alone.

This, then, is how you ought to regard us: as servants of Christ and as those entrusted with the mysteries God has revealed. Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful. I care very little if I am judged by you or by any human court; indeed, I do

not even judge myself. My conscience is clear, but that does not make me innocent. It is the Lord who judges me. Therefore judge nothing before the appointed time; wait until the Lord comes. He will bring to light what is hidden in darkness and will expose the motives of the heart. At that time each will receive their praise from God.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD

# THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 6:24-34

Seek God's kingdom and righteousness, trusting that our material needs will be provided.

"No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?

"And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you

that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father

knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

PEOPLE: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST

#### --- PROFESSION

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--THE OFFERTORY

"Take My Life and Let It Be" (LSB 783/LW 404, Vs. 1 & 5, tune: Patmos)

1 Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee; Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine; Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne.

--- THE SERMON

KEEP IT SIMPLE: Stewardship

--- HYMN OF DAY

"We Give You But Your Own" (LW 405 vs 1,2,6)

We give you but your own,
In any gifts we bring;
All that we have is yours alone,
A trust from you our King.

- May we your bounties thus
   As stewards true receive,
   And gladly, Lord as you bless us,
   To you our first-fruits give.
- 6. And we believe Your Word,
  Though dim our faith, it's true;
  What we do for your people, Lord,
  We do it all for you.

## --- PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(after each petition)

Leader: Lord, in your mercy, **PEOPLE: HEAR OUR PRAYER.** 

(Traditionally on All Saints Day we remember those who have died during the last twelve months. Today we remember: Louise Mendez, Melville Mills, Norm Neuberger, Al Vollmann & Doris Vollmann.)

## --- THE LORD'S PRAYER

### ---- THE BLESSING

Leader: May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord look upon you with grace and redemption. May the Lord always walk before you and give you peace

#### PEOPLE: AMEN

## ----THE CLOSING HYMN

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- For all the saints who from their labors rest,
   Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
   Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
   Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 7. But lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day; The saints triumphant rise in bright array; The King of glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 8. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
  Alleluia! Alleluia!

### ---- SENDING

Leader: Have peace knowing we are all with you.

Serve others knowing God walks before you.

#### Those who wish to share in the celebration of Holy Communion may be seated.

(Please remember that as you are leaving the sanctuary, others are still communing, please refrain from talking to others until you are in the Fellowship Hall, Thank You.)

### --- THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor: May the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: WE LIFT THEM UP TO THE LORD.

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

PEOPLE: IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE OUR THANKS AND PRAISE.

Pastor: The tree of life in the midst of the garden was the tree of our defeat. Christ was lifted up on the tree of victory; and where life was lost, there life has been restored. And so we praise you ..

PEOPLE: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD, GOD OF POWER AND MIGHT, HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR GLORY. HOSANNA, HOSANNA, HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST. BLESSED IS HE THAT COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD. HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST

#### ---- THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

After the pastor has consecrated the elements you are invited to come to the altar and receive communion. Please use the right or left aisle as you come forward to the altar. After the pastor has pronounced the blessing for your side, you may place your cup in the basket and depart the sanctuary down the center aisle. Go in peace, Serve the Lord.

(Please remember that as you are leaving the sanctuary, others are still communing, please refrain from talking to others until you are in the Fellowship Hall, Thank You.)

## --- ADDITIONAL HYMNS (On Projection Screens)

## "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

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## "How sweet the name of Jesus"

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"Holy, Holy, Holy"

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#### ---- THIS WEEK AT GRACE

<u>Today</u>	November 3, 2024
Services	8:30 & 10:15 AM
Live-streamed on <u>www.gracelutheranpsl.com</u>	10:15 AM
Korean Church Worship	1:00 PM

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Rest of the Week	<u> September 16 - 21</u>
LWML	Monday, 1:00 PM
12 Step AA Meeting (Church Hall)	Monday, 6:30 PM
General Election Day	Tuesday, 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Olivet School - All Buildings	Tuesday, 8:30 AM - 3.30 PM
Computer Gamers (Grace Hall/ACC)	Tuesday, 5:30 PM
Foster Grandparents (Church Hall)	Wednesday, 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM
Crafter Group (Grace Hall/ACC)	Wednesday 10:00 AM
Grace Bible Study	Thursday, 11:00 AM
Guys Night Out @ Lefty's	Thursday 5:45 PM
AA Meeting (Church Hall)	Thursday, 7:15 PM
Korean Church Prayer Gathering	Saturday, 6:00 AM
Shoebox Packing	Saturday, 9:30 AM

For complete calendar information, go to www.gracelutheranpsl.com/calendar

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK: Jennine VanDerlip - 11/03, Jim Neagles & Kaitlyn Arbuzow - 11/04, Joseph Weiler - 11/8 and Kevin Garbers - 11/09

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK: Bob & Sandy Zanzig - 11/04/1972 (52 Years)

THE FLOWERS ADORNING THE ALTAR are given to the glory of God by Bob & Vivian Barto



**LADIES:** LWML will have their meeting this Monday, **TOMORROW**, November 4, at 1:00 PM. All ladies are invited to attend for fellowship, fun, snacks and some Bible study.

<u>MEN OF GRACE:</u> Come on out for our monthly "Guys Night Out," **This Thursday!**<u>November 7th at 5:45</u> at Lefty's Wings & Grill - Located at Veterans and PSL BLVD behind McDonalds. If you are interested, talk with Pastor Cris or Jim Banie.

<u>GIVING:</u> We are here to provide "Grace and Peace in a Confusing and Trying Time" to those in our church and community. Thank you for your past and continual prayers and financial support to Grace and your community. Thanks for your Support: <u>GraceLutheranPSL.com/give</u>

<u>THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY:</u> Please join us in person at the church or online through Zoom. It's also recorded for you to view later at your convenience.



**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS:** ARE HERE! These coupon books are chalked full of various discount coupons. The books sell for \$35.00 each, and \$10.00 will go to the church. They are available in the fellowship hall, or you can stop by the office, 9:00-Noon, during the week!

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<u>"CHRIST FOR YOU"</u> this week on KFUO.org: We continue our study of Numbers on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 9:00 a.m.), and begin a new study of the Gospel of John on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at noon). Tune into the Coffee Hour (weekdays at 10:00 a.m.) to hear the November edition of Searching Scripture from the Lutheran Witness, and learn about how a registered service organization of the LCMS is serving indigenous communities.

**FROM THE ALZHEIMER'S COMMUNITY CARE CENTER!** There is a wish list of needs to assist in the operation of this center to help provide care for our clients. If you could help, it would be greatly appreciated.

<u>These items are needed regularly:</u> Seasonal Crafts/Decorations, Balloons, Wild Bird Feed, Gift cards to Walmart for crafts, Assorted Bingo Prizes, Assorted Sugar Free Chocolate and Decaf Coffee. Thank you for your support!

<u>ARE YOU CRAFTY?</u>: This Wednesday those who enjoy crafting will meet to socialize, work together, be creative and have some fun while creating some items to share with others, like our ACC friends and shut-ins. Come and join us this Wednesday at 10:00 AM. For more information contact Kathy Whilden at: ms go gno@hotmail.com.

**SHOEBOXES FOR HABITAT FOR CHILDREN:** This year Grace is collecting gift and hygiene items for the children in Haiti. Empty shoe boxes and items will be collected these next few weeks. Then **Next Saturday, November 9th,** we will gather together to fill them starting at 9:30 AM. Your donations of items or cash donations would be greatly appreciated. Cash donations are also needed to help pay the shipping to Haiti. If you have any questions, please speak with Betsy Ablott.

**COMMUNION:** If you, or someone you know, would like to celebrate Holy Communion but prefer a small group or are unable to attend Sunday service, Pastor Cris is happy to celebrate the meal in a small group with you. **Please call the church at (772) 871-6599**, and Pastor Cris would be happy to set aside a time for you to come in and receive communion and partake of this wonderful meal.

<u>CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY!</u> Many people have come and gone since our last pictorial directory done in 2014. Now through Thanksgiving, we would like to take your picture and upload it into our computer and then produce an in-house directory which will be available to our members. We are NOT using an outside company and will not be selling anything; this is a Grace Lutheran project.

<u>THRIVENT FINANCIAL MEMBER?</u> THANK YOU! In November, we received an additional \$75 from Thrivent Choice. So far this year Grace Lutheran has received \$1,516 from Thrivent Choice! Thank You! All "Choice Dollars" that are received go to paying down our mortgage on the new building. Thank you! Thanks to: Judy, Phil, Karen, Carol, Peter, Ed, Vance, Kevin, Leona, Shirley, Cheryl, Bertha, Victoria, Ed, Betsy, Bernard, Robert and Heather for directing your dollars to Grace.

**11/03 Worship assistants:** 8:30 Bob F. / 10:15 Dave V.

**Leaders:** Kevin G. & Vance A. & Pastor Scott - Communion

Scripture Readers: 8:30 Betsy A. / 10:15 Coli E.

**Readings: 2 Samuel 7:4-17, Ephesians 2:1-10, John 10:22-33** (NIV)

11/10 Worship assistants: 8:30 Phil F. / 10:15 Frank M. Scripture Readers: 8:30 Piper N. / 10:15 Shirley M.

**Readings: Ezekiel 11:14-21, Acts 4:32-35, John 13:31-35** (NIV)



Debra Lemke (A Touch of Class Adult Care)
Susan Becker (Port St. Lucie Rehabilitation and Healthcare)
Gerald (Jerry) Davis (Harbor Place, Senior Living Community)
Diane Fox (Port St. Lucie Rehabilitation and Healthcare)

Marita Albano
Gene Liagre
Jo Anne Furniss
Helga Flelitz
Joe & Linda Gannon
John Linderman

Gertrude Behrens Jerry Freudenburg Jenny Brendlinger Claren Kerstner

**Thomas & Marilyn Piotrowicz** 

#### Friends and Family

Claudette Scott and her family at the loss of her mother Ary (surgery, Niece of Dayre Horton)

#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Wisdom and discernment as we cast our votes with a humble spirit, and let our voting be an act of prayer. May we be reminded that the candidates we vote for are not our savior, but you are the bringer of the heavenly kingdom, and our ultimate hope rests in you.

Those affected by Hurricane Helene and Milton.

For the people of Haiti and the safety of our Christian brothers and sisters there. Continue to watch over Meschac and the Habitat For Children's Ministries. Pray that the lost in Haiti will be brought to a knowledge of the truth of hope of Christ.

The men and women who are deployed. Pray for their safety, their health, and their spiritual care. Pray also for their families who live their lives without their loved ones with them.

The lost and lonely people in the world that the message of Christ's love and forgiveness will be shared with them and they are able to find peace and joy in the knowledge of His resurrection

Let us know how we can pray for you or someone in need.

Fill Out THE PINK FORMS ON THE COUNTER or at <a href="https://www.GraceLutheranPSL.com/pray">www.GraceLutheranPSL.com/pray</a> or LEAVE A MESSAGE ON THE CHURCH ANSWERING MACHINE (772) 871-6599

Please notify us of any change.

#### Your loved one/ones will remain on the list for three weeks.

If you wish someone to remain longer, you will need to make another request. By doing this, we will also ensure that Pastor Cris is aware of updates to the status of everyone's needs.

November 3, 2024

#### **October 27 INFORMATION**

# **BULLETIN NOTES // NOT TO BE PRINTED!!!**

Cris's weekly input: Sermon Summary: Main Idea, Key Points, and Questions:

#### **Summary:**

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# **Bulletin information**

- A. THEME: Keep It Simple Stewardship Follow Jesus -- birds of field, look away from own anxiety to God and serving
- В.
- C. BIBLE READINGS: Isaiah 49:8-161 Cor 4:1-5 Matthew 6:24-34
- D. MUSIC SELECTIONS
  - 1. OPENING HYMN:
  - 2. HYMN OF PRAISE:
  - 3. OFFERTARY:

<ul><li>4. HYMN OF DAY:</li><li>5. CLOSING HYMN:</li></ul>
D. ADDITIONAL HYMNS: HYMNAL PROJECT 1. 2. 3.
E. ADDITIONAL NOTES:
SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Common View:

Hymn Suggestions:

Possible music:

Past weeks "Keep it simple" Music:

**Past: HYMN OF PRAISE:** 

The Jesus Way" (CCLI 7217888) 9/15/2024 - 10/20/2024

"If God Had Not Been On Our Side" 08/11/2024 - 9/8/2024

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"6/30 -8/4/2024

Glory be to God the Father 5/26 - 6/16/2024

This is the feast 4/14 - 5/19 & 5/31/2024 // 4/9- 5/21/2023

Joyful, Joyful - 4/7 // 1/14 -2/11/2024

How deep is the Fathers Love 2/18 -3/24/2024

Angels from the realms 12/25/23 - 1/7/24/2024

Oh Come Oh Come Emmanuel 12/03 -12/17/2023

For the fruits of his Creation 10/22 - 11/26/2023 used as off 8/11/2024 -

Lord be Glorified 9/10 - 10/15/2023

Jesus, Name above all Names 8/26 - 9/3/2023

My Jesus I Love Thee 7/2 - 7/30/2023

the risen Christ 5/28 - 6/18/2023

Father I Adore You (MM 26) (ccli 26557)

Past: OFFERTARY:

Make me a servant" (MM Praise pg 135) 9/15/2024 - 10/20/2024

"For the Fruits of His Creation" (LSB 894 Vs 1&3) 08/11/2024 - 9/8/2024

"Let The Vineyards Be Fruitful" 6/30 -8/4 // 1/14 - 2/11/2024 // 8/06- 9/24/2023

We give thee but thine own 5/26-6/16/2024 // 4/29 - 7/30/2023

Create in Me 4/07 - 5/19/2024 // - 5/28/2023

Take My Life 2/18 -3/24/2024

O come let us adore Him 12/03/2023 - 1/7/2024

More precious than Silver 10/22 - 11/26/2023

Make me a servant 10/1 - 10/15/2023