

# Sunday Service

August 28, 2022 - 8:30 AM & 10:15 AM

Live Broadcast at 10:15 AM



## The Reset

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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 worshipping at home, whether near or far, we are so happy that you are sharing this worship with us from your homes.

To Everyone: Please check Grace Lutheran's website daily! [www.GraceLutheranPSL.com](http://www.GraceLutheranPSL.com)

## 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 Cris will pronounce the sending and then for 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 Cris 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.

## Missio Dei - The Heart of God

From the beginning God has been sending his spirit out to bring life and beauty in the universe. It's a great sending. In this sending we can see the heart of God as we join in with God's Mission.

## Today: The Reset

The head Pharisee yelled at the guard for not capturing Jesus, "Has the whole world gone after Him?" Frustrated, this head Pharisee desperately needed a win, but not just a win; winning was his entire goal, and that goal blinded him to the heart of God in the world. We are no different. We need a reset.

## ---- THE OPENING HYMN

### "This Is the Day the Lord Has Made" (LW 200 Vs 1-3)

1. This is the day the Lord has made;  
He calls the hours his own.  
Let heav'n rejoice, let earth be glad,  
Let praise surround the throne.
2. Today Christ rose and left the dead,  
And Satan's empire fell.  
Today the saints his triumph spread,  
They all his wonders tell
3. Hosanna to the King of Kings,  
To David's holy son!  
He helps us, He descends and brings  
Salvation from the throne.

## --- Opening

*Jesus said, "Whenever the day comes and you lift up the Son of Man,  
then you will know that I am He. And I am with the Father who sent me." - John 8:28*

## --- 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.**

*Pastor: 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

*Pastor: Let us pray.*

*Lord God, your Son humbled himself in obedience to your will and gave up his life for us. Transform and renew us within. Help us not to be conformed to this world, but to dedicate ourselves to you, and do what pleases 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

### “Jesus, Name Above All Names” (TCH 86) (ccli 21291)

1. *Jesus, name above all names,  
Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.  
Emmanuel, God is with us,  
Blessed Redeemer, Living Word.*
2. *Jesus, loving Shepherd,  
Vine of the branches, Son of God.  
Prince of Peace, wonderful Counselor,  
Lord of the universe, Light of the world.*
3. *Jesus, Way of salvation,  
King of kings, Lord of lords,  
The way the truth, and the Life,  
Mighty creator, my Savior and friend.*

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## THE FIRST LESSON Isaiah 53:4-12

It is hard to understand why God would crush His innocent Servant. But it is in His suffering for sin that God deals decisively with sin and its harmful effects.

Surely he has borne our griefs  
and carried our sorrows;  
yet we esteemed him stricken,  
smitten by God, and afflicted.  
But he was pierced for our transgressions;  
he was crushed for our iniquities;  
upon him was the chastisement that  
brought us peace,  
and with his wounds we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray;  
we have turned—every one—to his own  
way;  
and the Lord has laid on him  
the iniquity of us all.  
He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,  
yet he opened not his mouth;  
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,  
and like a sheep that before its shearers is  
silent,  
so he opened not his mouth.  
By oppression and judgment he was taken  
away;  
and as for his generation, who considered  
that he was cut off out of the land of the  
living,  
stricken for the transgression of my  
people?

And they made his grave with the wicked  
and with a rich man in his death,  
although he had done no violence,  
and there was no deceit in his mouth.  
Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him;  
he has put him to grief;  
when his soul makes an offering for guilt,  
he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong  
his days;  
the will of the Lord shall prosper in his hand.  
Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see  
and be satisfied;  
by his knowledge shall the righteous one,  
my servant,  
make many to be accounted righteous,  
and he shall bear their iniquities.

Therefore I will divide him a portion with  
the many,  
and he shall divide the spoil with the  
strong,  
because he poured out his soul to death  
and was numbered with the  
transgressors;  
yet he bore the sin of many,  
and makes intercession for the  
transgressors.

*Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.*

**PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD**

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## THE SECOND LESSON

### 1 John 4:9-16

It's easy to say "I love God," but genuine love reflects God's love. If we belong to God, then we will love each other regardless of how hard it is to love.

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

*Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.*

**PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD**

# THE HOLY GOSPEL

## John 8:21-30

Even though many believe, they cannot imagine what He means about the lifting up of the Son of Man.

So he said to them again, "I am going away, and you will seek me, and you will die in your sin. Where I am going, you cannot come." So the Jews said, "Will he kill himself, since he says, 'Where I am going, you cannot come'?" He said to them, "You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world. I told you that you would die in your sins, for unless you believe that I am he you will die in your sins." So they said to him, "Who are you?" Jesus said to them, "Just what I have been

telling you from the beginning. I have much to say about you and much to judge, but he who sent me is true, and I declare to the world what I have heard from him." They did not understand that he had been speaking to them about the Father. So Jesus said to them, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am he, and that I do nothing on my own authority, but speak just as the Father taught me. And he who sent me is with me. He has not left me alone, for I always do the things that are pleasing to him." As he was saying these things, many believed in him.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.  
PEOPLE: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST

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--- PROFESSION

THE APOSTLES CREED

--- HYMN OF DAY

**"How Great Thou Art"** (LW 519 Vs. 1-4)

1. O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,  
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,  
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

### REFRAIN

THEN SINGS MY SOUL, MY SAVIOR GOD, TO THEE,  
HOW GREAT THOU ART! HOW GREAT THOU ART!  
THEN SINGS MY SOUL, MY SAVIOR GOD, TO THEE,  
HOW GREAT THOU ART! HOW GREAT THOU ART!

2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; (REFRAIN)

3. But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
He bled and died to take away my sin; (REFRAIN)
4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim; "My God, how great Thou art!" (REFRAIN)

--- THE SERMON  
Missio Dei: The Reset

--THE OFFERTORY

"Create in me a clean heart" (LW pg 143)

*Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit with-in me.  
Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your free Spirit.*

--- PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH  
(after each petition)

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

--- THE LORD'S PRAYER

----- THE BLESSING

*Pastor: 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

### “This Is the Day the Lord Has Made” (LW 200 Vs 4-5)

4. **Blest be the Lord, who comes to us  
With messages of grace;  
Who comes in God his Father’s name  
To save our sinful race.**

5. **Hosanna in the highest strains  
The church on earth can raise.  
The highest heavens, where he reigns,  
Will give him nobler praise.**

## ----- SENDING

*Pastor: Have peace knowing we are all with you.*

*Serve others knowing God walks before you.*

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

## --- 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.

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

### “Drawn to the Cross”

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### “Joyful, Joyful”

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### “From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

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## ---- THIS WEEK AT GRACE

### Today

**August 28, 2022**

Worship Services

8:30 AM & 10:15 AM

Live-streamed on [www.gracelutheranpsl.com](http://www.gracelutheranpsl.com)

10:15 AM

Korean Church Worship

1:00 PM

### Rest of the Week

**August 29 - September 3, 2022**

Olivet School

Tuesday, 8:30 - 3:30 PM

Small Group Communion (Church)

Wednesday, 11:00 AM

TCFGC (ACC/Grace Hall)

Wednesday, 6:30 PM

Bible Study (ACC/Grace Hall)

Thursday, 11:00 AM

Korean Church Prayer Gathering

Saturday, 6:00 AM

Labor Day

Monday, September 5th.

For complete calendar information, go to [www.gracelutheranpsl.com/calendar](http://www.gracelutheranpsl.com/calendar)

**BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK:** Kyle Kneifel, Susan Becker & Taytum Tucholski - 8/28  
Charles Strickler - 8/31, Joelle Swanson - 9/1

**THE FLOWERS ADORNING THE ALTAR:** are given to the glory of God by Laura Peeler in celebration of the birthdays in her family.

**GIVING:** 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.

**BULLETIN AND PRINTED PRAYER REQUESTS:** All information for the Sunday bulletin must be submitted by 10:00 AM Thursday to be printed. Prayer requests received after 10:00 AM on Thursday will be updated on the website ASAP and printed in the following Sunday’s bulletin.

**SOCK CHALLENGE:** Grace LWML is promoting a “Sock Challenge.” We are challenging members of Grace, along with our sister Treasure Coast Zone LCMS churches, to collect socks for Brother’s Keeper which will provide them to our local homeless people through Sara’s Kitchen.

**COMMUNION ON WEDNESDAY:** 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 has set aside Wednesdays to celebrate the meal in small groups. Please come by on Wednesday at 11:00 AM and partake of this wonderful meal, or 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.

**PLEASE SEND CARDS TO PEOPLE** We have several members who are immunocompromised and unable to participate with groups of other people. If you have not seen them in a service lately, please consider calling them or sending a card or letter. Isolation is a lonely situation!

**THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY:** Come and join us as we begin a study on the book of Galatians. Join us either here at the church or on Zoom at 11 AM on Thursday. (also recorded)

**OFFICE HOURS:** The “Church Office” is open in the ACC Complex from 9:00 AM through 12:00 (Noon) daily, Monday - Friday. The office is overseen on Monday by Diane Heinz, Tuesday - Thursday, Kevin Garbers and on Fridays, Pam White. Please feel free to stop by or call anytime during those hours. Office phone is 772 - 871 - 6599 After hours you can contact Kevin at 772-971-9200 or Pastor Cris at 770 - 328 - 5078.



*Prayer Requests*

**REMEMBER THOSE ON THE PRAYER LIST** In an effort to keep our prayer list up to date and be sure everyone is listed, please make your requests in writing or email.

- **place the** pink completed prayer form into the offering plate or on the office desk.

- **or by email** to: [www.GraceLutheranPSL.com/pray](http://www.GraceLutheranPSL.com/pray)

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.

**\*PINK PRAYER REQUEST FORMS CAN BE FOUND ON THE COUNTER IN THE NARTHEX.**

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**8/28**    ***Worship assistants:*** 8:30 - Bob Fox & 10:15 - Dave V.

***Scripture Readers:*** 8:30 - Bob F. & 10:15 - Jan L.

**9/4**    ***Worship assistants:*** 8:30 - Bob Fox & 10:15 - Dave V.

***Scripture Readers:*** 8:30 - Piper N. & 10:15 - Harry D.

***Readings:*** Psalm 103:8-19, 2 Corinthians 5:11-21, John 14:1-6 (ESV)

**QUESTIONS FOR THE WEEK:** *Missio Dei: The Reset*

1. Think of a time when you took wanting to win too far. How did that affect you and the relationships around you?
  2. Read John 8:21-20. Jesus speaks of “being lifted up.” What does this mean? Why would that be divisive?
  3. As you read through the gospel of John, how does Nicodemus understand what it means that Jesus is lifted up?
  4. How has Jesus reset and restored you?
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**Habitat For Children Ministries**

Below are the current building needs for their medical office complex in Haiti:

Items Needed	Cost Per Item	Total
Truck Load of Sand (7 needed)	\$150/ load	\$1050
Concrete Blocks (2000 needed)	\$3/ each	\$6000
Rebar 3/8, 1/2 & 1/4 (5 tons needed)	\$1000/each ton	\$5000
Cement (500 bags needed)	\$10/ bag	\$5000
2×4 Wood (20 pieces needed)	\$4/ each	\$80
Plywood (30 pieces)	\$55/each	\$1,650
2 Rebar Tie Wire Steel	\$100/each	\$200
12 Dozen Metal Poles	\$35/each	\$5040
2 cases of nails	\$100/each	\$200

You can make any donation amount to either of the following:

**Grace Lutheran Church, mark the donation as “Habitat for Children”**

Visit our website: [www.hfcm.info](http://www.hfcm.info)

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