

Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 6, 2018
8:30 A.M.



WELCOME TO GRACE

Prelude

Word of Welcome

Stand as you are able

Gathering Hymn

'I Know That My Redeemer Lives!' vs 1-4

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Greeting

P Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

Please be seated

Kyrie

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Hymn of Praise 'This is the Feast' pp. 140-141

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray

O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns

with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

First Reading

Acts 10:44-48

⁴⁴While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷"Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" ⁴⁸So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

Second Reading

I John 5:1-6

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? ⁶This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand as you are able

Gospel Acclamation 'Be Not Afraid' 388

C Be not afraid, sing out for joy!
Christ is risen, alleluia! (*repeat*)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the
15th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Holy Gospel John 15:9-17

[Jesus said:] ⁹“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. ¹²“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

'We Know That Christ Is Raised'

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Nicene Creed

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Prayers of Intercession

Petitions end:

A Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P We entrust all our prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them by the power of the Holy Spirit and the love of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

Peace

The people greet one another saying: "Peace be with you".

Please be seated

Offering

Stand as you are able

Offertory 'This Joyful Eastertide' vs 1

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Offering Prayer

A Be known to us, O Lord,

C in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. Amen

Great Thanksgiving

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Please be seated

Distribution of Holy Communion

Communion, this morning, will be by intinction. The ushers will direct you to the front, first the pulpit side and then lectern side. Come up using the center aisle and return by the side aisle. Wine will be in the larger portion and grape juice in the smaller portion of the chalice. Gluten free wafers available by request. Children are invited for a blessing. All are welcome who believe Christ is present in this meal for the forgiveness of sins.

Hymns at the Distribution

'Lamb of God'	p. 146
'I Know That My Redeemer Lives!' vs 5-8	619
'Beautiful Savior'	838

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Table Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

A Life-giving God,
C in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen

Blessing

P May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen

Sending Hymn

'Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee'

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Dismissal

A Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

A Go in peace. Share the good news.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Prayer Huddle

*****IMMEDIATE NEED*****

There is an immediate need for a chairman of the Board of Property. This individual could be voted in at our Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting on June 10th following the 9:00 a.m. service. Pastor Dan is only part-time and is spending a lot of his time overseeing the property issues. The Property chairperson doesn't need to do the work. They need to co-ordinate the work that needs to be done. The individual should be accessible to make calls during the day and contacting volunteers. Please let Pastor Dan or any council member know if you are interested.

Worship Assistants: May 6

Greeters: Mason –Gerry & Ed Kerwell
East – Mandie Klauer

Assisting Minister: Mandie Klauer

Lector: Brian Klauer

Liturgist: Becky Luett

Communion 8:30: Dennis Pringnitz

Communion 10:30: Luann Seidl

Ushers: Robbie Johnson, David Lease, Aaron Seid,
Jon Seidl

Organist: Diane Bailey

Attendance 04/22/18: 8:30 - 69 & 10:30 - 11

H.S. Grilled Cheese Lunch: 4/26/18 147

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Welcome to Grace

*Whether you are a member or visiting for the first
time, may God's grace surround you today.
There is a guest book to sign in the gathering area.
If you are looking for a church home,
you are welcome here.*

In Prayer this Week

For members on the Care List especially Ellen Holz and Donny Kassube.

For Healing Tom Jensen; Mardie Paalman, Cookie Regal's sister; Winston Augustus Smith, Cheryl Muggenthaler's nephew; Mary Langdon, Cheryl Muggenthaler's sister-in-law; Rev. Jennie Johnson Wrege; Valerie Sieg; Marvin Wrege; Sharon Meier; Margaret Congdon; Jerry Wilharms; Mike VerKuilen; Rylene Houterman; Lloyd Learman; Ellen Hilger

For those with cancer especially Ellie; Mark Catlin; Marian Breitenfeldt; Drew Gilbert; Kenny Verdegan.

"Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer." Romans 12:12



If you have a Prayer Chain request, please contact Mary Hubers (731-1428) or Susan Pringnitz (733-7591). Call the church office with requests for prayer to be put in the bulletin and/or to ask for a prayer to be relayed to the Prayer Chain.

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Announcements

Please don't forget to **sign the cards** each week on the table in the Narthex that are mailed out to the homebound members.

Sunday 10% Giveback Program-Go to Texas Roadhouse in Appleton on any Sunday with your church's bulletin or newsletter and they will donate 10% of your food purchases back to the church.

HONEY DO LIST Larry Baumbach has placed a sign up on the table in the narthex for things that you see around the church that need attention. Please help keep up the church with your suggestions. Let Pastor Dan know if you are considering a project either now or in the future as he is keeping a master list of items being done.

Project List It is **VERY** important that if you are planning on working on a project that Pastor Dan and/or the office is aware of what is being worked on. Pastor Dan is keeping a list of things being worked on for planning purposes. If you can give him or the office, something in writing, it is easier to get it added to the list.

LID's for KID's: There will be a collection box in coat rack area for you to drop off plastic lids/caps. Only plastic nothing with metal on it. The money will be used to purchase wheelchairs for disabled children in our community. Some common examples are: milk jug caps, soda bottle caps, water bottle lids, peanut butter lids, detergent caps, ice cream pail lids, cool whip, cream cheese or cottage cheese lids. We will make sure they get to the right place.

If you shop at **Office Depot**, make sure you ask for the rewards to be given to Grace. The credit is given and we deduct that amount from our purchases like paper. Thank you.

Ruby's Pantry is a faith based organization that is for everyone who eats. It is not government funded. You can receive one portion (this equals 2 laundry baskets full of food) for every \$20.00 spent and you can get more than one portion, just bring extra baskets for your food. You normally get pizza, frozen food, canned goods, meats, bread and other assorted items (could be toilet paper or napkins, etc). In the Appleton area Ruby's is located at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church at N1615 Meadowview Drive in Greenville WI 54942. They distribute food the first Saturday of the month. There is some information available on the **table in the narthex**. Even if you don't need everything they offer, it can be shared with people who can use it like our Faith In Action bags.

When is Grace's **rummage sale**? Soon! The sale begins June 1, BUT you can start bringing things now. We need all donations by Tuesday, May 29 to sort and organize. Have you started rounding up your donations yet? We need your cast-offs to turn into someone else's treasures. Furniture, children's things, and knick knacks sell well, but not adult clothing. Do you know that Gunderson Cleaners accepts clothing and delivers it to the Community Clothes Closet? They will even give you a donation receipt. If you are bringing items in, please put them on the north (far wall) and not under the basketball hoop. We need to be considerate of the other uses of the PAC and keep the doorways clear.

Confirmation: On May 13 at our 10:30 service two of our young members will make an affirmation of their faith. We will use the service in the ELW called Affirmation of Baptism. We usually call this Confirmation Day. Please keep Ashlea Bird and Connor Nienhaus in your prayers as they prepare for their big Day! You are invited to join us at 10:30 am on May 13 to show your support.

Don't forget your items for **Faith in Action** the first Sunday of any given month. It is very much appreciated.

There are flyers on the desk in the narthex with information about the **summer outreach** with Trinity and Lincoln School (neighborhood) children. Check it out and see how you can help.

It is **graduation time** again. If you have a family member or know of a former member of Grace that is graduating, we want to know. Please notify the church office so we can include them in the next newsletter and future bulletin.

There is a flyer about a **Blessing Box** project that is being discussed. Watch for more information.

GRACE FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday, May 6**..... 8:30 a.m. Worship
9:25 a.m. Sunday School
9:40 a.m. Adult Forum
10:30 a.m. Worship
- Monday, May 7**..... 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting
- Tuesday, May 8** 8:30 a.m. Quilting
6:00 p.m. Confirmation
6:30 p.m. FV Chorus
- Wednesday, May 9**..... 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
5:15 pm Rooted
6:30 p.m. Worship
6:45 p.m. AA Meeting
- Thursday, May 10**..... 10 a.m. Grilled Cheese
10 am – 1 pm Salvation Army
- Friday, May 11**..... 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
- Saturday, May 12**..... 9:00 a.m. Hmong Service
- Sunday, May 13**..... 8:30 a.m. Worship
9:25 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship
with confirmation

**REMEMBER THAT SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS
SUNDAY MAY 27TH WITH ONE SERVICE AT 9:00 A.M**

