



“Life in the Midst of Death”

Pentecost 13

August 19, 2018

KING OF GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH | *Golden Valley, Minnesota*

VISIT

Welcome to God's divine service among his saints in his house this morning. If you experience any kind of barrier to worship, please speak with an usher. There is a hearing assistance system available, there are activity bags for children, and the service is streamed live in the Fireside Room down the hall.

Please fill out one of the worship participation cards in the pew racks and place it into the offering plate during the service. The pastors at King of Grace will be happy to contact you with more information about the church or school if you request contact on the card.

WORSHIP

This week at King of Grace we are continuing our study of the book of Jonah. In chapter 1 we saw Jonah asleep at the wheel, headed down, down, down in his flight from God. But we also saw God's merciful pursuit of Jonah, trying to wake him up. In chapter 2 we find out that it worked! Finally Jonah is awake and praying to his God. This chapter is an invitation to the reader to participate in Jonah's experience of prayer in the midst of suffering. Jonah didn't know it, but God was already bringing him back to life in the midst of his death.

THE DIVINE SERVICE

HYMN

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee" | #184

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins.

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto you that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you by thought, word and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, you have given your only-begotten Son to die for us: have mercy upon us, and for his sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by your Holy Spirit increase in us a true knowledge of you, and of your will, and true obedience to your Word, to the end that by your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: Lift up your hearts unto God!

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us, and has given his only Son to die for us, and for his sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on his name he gives power to become the children of God, and has promised them his Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized will be saved.

Grant this, Lord, unto us all. Amen.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN

"Out of the Deep I Call" | #453

BIBLE STUDY

Jonah, chapter 2

¹⁷But the LORD provided a great fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was inside the fish three days and three nights. ²¹From inside the fish Jonah prayed to the LORD his God. ²He said:

"In my distress I called to the LORD, and he answered me.

From the depths of the grave I called for help, and you listened to my cry.

³*You hurled me into the deep,
into the very heart of the seas;
and the currents swirled about me,*

all your waves and breakers swept over me.

⁴I said, 'I have been banished from your sight;
yet I will look again towards your holy temple.'

⁵The engulfing waters threatened me,
the deep surrounded me;
seaweed was wrapped around my head.

⁶To the roots of the mountains I sank down;
the earth beneath barred me in forever.

But you brought my life up from the pit, O LORD my God.

⁷When my life was ebbing away, I remembered you, LORD,
and my prayer rose to you, to your holy temple.

⁸Those who cling to worthless idols forfeit the grace that could be theirs.

⁹But I, with a song of thanksgiving, will sacrifice to you.

What I have vowed I will make good.

Salvation comes from the LORD."

¹⁰And the LORD commanded the fish, and it vomited Jonah onto dry land.

OFFERING

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Like the Golden Sun Ascending" | #354

"O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee" | #325

ENCOURAGE

PRAYER REQUESTS? Please contact Wanda Warnke at 612-529-1497.

GOLF SCRAMBLE

All are invited to a Golf Scramble at Pheasant Acres on **Saturday, September 8 at 10:00 AM**. If you are interested, please contact Chuck Thomforde at **763-545-0309** or **pcthomforde@comcast.net**.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

We will have ONE worship service on Sunday, September 9 at 10:00 AM. Following the worship service, all are invited to stay for our all-congregational potluck in the gym. More details to come!

SERVE

SAY CHEESE! – PHOTO SESSIONS CONTINUE TODAY

EVERYONE please step into the **Fellowship Hall today between services** for a quick head-shot photo for the church membership database (“Church 360”), and also for the upcoming new full congregation KOG Picture Directory. We want new, fresh and current pictures of all members. If you would like to have a **COUPLE** or **FAMILY** group photo taken by our photographers, you may also do that today. **Photos will be taken each Sunday morning in August from 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Photo sessions will also be offered 20 minutes before and after Monday night service on August 20.** The final opportunity for individual and/or family photos will be on Rally Sunday, September 9.

GIRL PIONEERS LEADERS' PLANNING MEETING ON MONDAY, AUGUST 20

All women or high school aged girls who would like to assist with our Girl Pioneers program during the upcoming school year are invited to join us at our planning meeting on **Monday, August 20, at 6:00 PM** in the **Fireside Room**. We have several returning leaders and some new leaders joining us this year but we'd always welcome more helpers and new ideas! If you like cooking, crafts, outdoor activities, or working with children, this is the place for you to volunteer within the church! Your time commitment can be as little as one or two evenings a month. Please contact Benda Nord with questions at **brnord@earthlink.net** or just show up on August 20 and join us!

ONGOING HELP NEEDED

We still have not moved back into our spaces being remodeled and as a result have not rescheduled a school cleaning night. I do have list of areas that could be given some attention. If you want to be involved getting our school ready, please let me know when you can come in and I will be sure to have a project for you along with the needed supplies. If we can cover our cleaning needs through individualized efforts, we may forego this year's cleaning night. The teachers, staff and I are in most days if you need to know what needs to get done.

The same will be true for painting. If you are willing to come in to paint, let me know and I can help you tackle an area.

There remain playground spaces that could use some weeding if that is more to your liking. Again, just call or e-mail me and I can direct you to an area that needs some TLC.

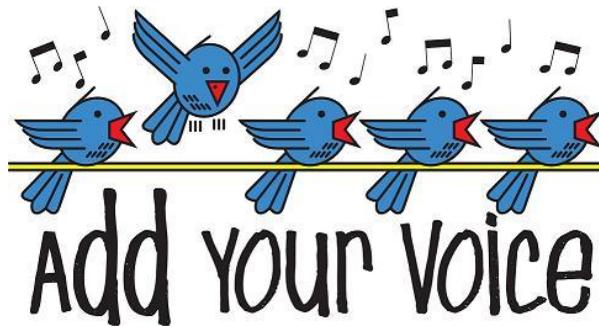
Finally, I could use people who are handy just to go through and check all the lockers and desks, tightening up loose screws and bolts and perhaps replacing any missing hardware. Soon I will have a couple "some assembly required" pieces of furniture being delivered. Let me know if you are able to take this on. *(Continues on next page.)*

Our school thrives and honestly depends on strong volunteer involvement. It is far more than I and the faculty can handle. We truly are appreciative of every person who can give a little of their time. All of this effort benefits our children and gives glory to our gracious God who has blessed us with our wonderful school. Thanks in advance for your service!

~Principal Labitzky

SENIOR CHOIR

The Senior Choir will begin its fall rehearsals on **Wednesday, August 29** and **Wednesday, September 5 at 7:00 PM**. We will NOT meet the week before. **See you for the first time on August 29 at 7:00 PM**. We would LOVE to see some new members! All members high school age and up are welcome. *Regular Thursday evening rehearsals begin on September 13.*



KING'S LITTLEST KIDS

Help needed! We are looking for one more helper for the kid's room. We meet from 9:45 AM - 11:30 AM on Thursdays. The fall session will meet from September 6 - November 15, with no session on October 18. If you are willing to help or have any questions, please contact Emily Bredeson at 612-703-7385 or ejshoop@hotmail.com. Hourly pay is available.

UPCOMING KING OF GRACE GALA

Dear Members, we have decided to move our Gala fundraiser to a **fall** slot this year to try and avoid the busy month of April. We are seeking donations of a wide variety. Whether you work for a company willing to donate auction items, or you personally would like to donate, please contact Heather Olmanson at olmansonheather@gmail.com or speak with Principal Labitzky. Thank you!

NEWS

PASTOR WIECHMANN ADDRESS CHANGE

Pastor Wiechmann and family recently moved to New Hope. Their new address is: 7640 48th Ave N, New Hope, MN 55428.

SECOND GRADE BIBLES

We will be distributing Bibles to our second graders at both our services on Sunday, August 26th. These Bibles are provided by our ladies' group, King's Daughters. We will ask for the 2nd graders to come forward for the children's message and distribute the Bibles at the end. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Pastor Wiechmann.

KING OF GRACE BUILDING DOORS REMAIN LOCKED DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR

A friendly reminder that King of Grace is a secure facility (and has been for several years). All entrances must be locked during the school year according to Minnesota guidelines. Please **ring the bell at the upper entrance**, wait a few moments, and you will be buzzed into the building. You will hear the door unlock, and then you may open the door to enter the building. During the school day you will need to sign in and sign out at the Receptionist's desk in the narthex. We thank you for reminding your friends and school families of this policy.

OPEN POSITION AT BETHANY LUTHERAN COLLEGE

Bethany Lutheran College welcomes applications for the Manager of Human Resources. This full time professional position will provide development and implementation of programs, policies, and procedures related to human resource issues. A complete position description and application instructions can be found at <https://www.blc.edu/employment>.

PROCLAIM THE WONDERS GOD HAS DONE: 1918–2018

A sermon preached at the 1918 reorganizing convention of the ELS reminded the faithful few that their purpose was to extend God's kingdom and they "should not weary in this work." Since its reorganization in 1918, the ELS has participated in foreign mission work in fifteen nations. Working through the synods of the Synodical Conference, early missionaries served in East Asia, India and Nigeria.



CALENDAR

August 19 – August 26

SUNDAY	8:15 AM	Communion Service
	10:00 AM	Communion Service
MONDAY	6:00 PM	Girl Pioneers Leaders' Planning Meeting
	6:30 PM	Communion Service
TUESDAY	9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Board of Youth
SATURDAY	8:30 AM	Men's Bible Study
SUNDAY	8:15 AM	Worship Service
	10:00 AM	Worship Service

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Preacher.....Rev. Aaron Ferkenstad | **Liturgist**.....Rev. Ben Wiechmann
Organist.....Amy Sehloff | **Pianist (Monday)**..... Amy Sehloff

SERVING IN SUPPORT

Counters Today David Stavig, Jennifer Stavig, Deb Anderson
Counters Next Sunday Deb Anderson, Beth Hoem, Jerry Hoem
Usher Captains Today Bruce Christensen, Brian Pederson
Usher Captains Next Sunday John Vomhof, Sr., John Woodington
Video Team Today Kirk Guillaume
Video Team Next Sunday Natalie Carr
August Altar Guild Alice Ringen, Barb Cummings

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 345 worshiped on Sunday and 38 worshiped on Monday.

OFFERING LAST WEEK

Average Needed Per Sunday: \$16,154
Received Last Week: \$13,946

Average Needed Year to Date: \$113,078
Received Year to Date: \$97,692

ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar flowers are placed in the sanctuary today in memory of Rachel Handberg by her loving family.