



is a
SUBMITTED Faith

Grace Lutheran Church

October 3, 2021



GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Gathering around Grace in worship – Growing in Grace in study – Going with Grace in love
in Yorba Linda, California, the land of gracious living*

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Welcome

- † If you would like to know more about Grace, visit our **website** at gracelutheran.church. A **membership** class, a class that covers the basic teachings of the Bible and what it means to be a Christian is beginning soon. Contact Pastor Sievert for more information. We would also love to share information with you about our Sunday worship services, our weekly Bible Classes, and our youth programs.
- † Restrooms are across the breezeway, in our Grace Hall... a cry room is available in the back left corner of our church.
- † Coffee and treats are available after church. We would love to visit with you and answer your questions.





Worship

Pentecost 19
October 3, 2021

LIVING FAITH

The book of James says, "Faith without works is dead." (2:17) That means we are called to a living faith, an active faith, a loving faith. Today we continue our journey through the book of James and pray God's Spirit creates in us a LIVING FAITH:

- Week 1 – is a LISTENING faith
- Week 2 - is a FAVORING faith
- Week 3 - is a SPEAKING faith
- Week 4 - is a PEACEMAKING faith
- Week 5 - A living faith is a SUBMITTING faith**
- Week 6 - gets MONEY faith



SERVICE OF THE WORD

PSALM 19 (selected verses)

*Note the voices of
God in this Psalm.
First he speaks to
us in nature, but
more importantly
he gives us His
Word that we
might know his
love in Christ.*

The heavens declare the glory of God;*
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

Their voice goes out into all the earth,*
their words to the ends of the world.

The law of the LORD is perfect,*
giving joy to the heart.

The commands of the LORD are radiant,*
giving light to the eyes.

They are more precious than gold;*
they are sweeter than honey.

By them is your servant taught;*
in keeping them there is great reward.

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart*
be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Redeemer.

THE WORD

Let us pray.

Almighty God, in your bountiful goodness, keep us safe from every evil of body and soul. Make us ready, with cheerful hearts, to do whatever pleases you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING

Micah 6:1-8

Listen to what the LORD says:

¹“Stand up, plead my case before the mountains;
let the hills hear what you have to say.

²“Hear, you mountains, the LORD’s accusation;
listen, you everlasting foundations of the earth.
For the LORD has a case against his people;
he is lodging a charge against Israel.

³“My people, what have I done to you?
How have I burdened you? Answer me.

⁴I brought you up out of Egypt
and redeemed you from the land of slavery.

I sent Moses to lead you,
also Aaron and Miriam.

⁵My people, remember
what Balak king of Moab plotted
and what Balaam son of Beor answered.
Remember your journey from Shittim to Gilgal,
that you may know the righteous acts of the LORD.”

⁶With what shall I come before the LORD
and bow down before the exalted God?
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?



⁷Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousand rivers of olive oil?
Shall I offer my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?
⁸He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.
And what does the LORD require of you?
*To act justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly with your God.*

GOSPEL READING

Mark 9:38-50

³⁸“Teacher,” said John, “we saw someone driving out demons in your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us.”

³⁹“Do not stop him,” Jesus said. “For no one who does a miracle in my name can in the next moment say anything bad about me,⁴⁰for whoever is not against us is for us.⁴¹Truly I tell you, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to the Messiah will certainly not lose their reward.

⁴²“If anyone causes one of these little ones—those who believe in me—to stumble, it would be better for them if a large millstone were hung around their neck and they were thrown into the sea.⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed than with two hands to go into hell, where the fire never goes out.⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than to have two feet and be thrown into hell.⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell,⁴⁸where

“ ‘the worms that eat them do not die,
and the fire is not quenched.’

⁴⁹Everyone will be salted with fire.

⁵⁰“Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can you make it salty again? Have salt among yourselves, and be at peace with each other.”

After the Gospel, the congregation says:

C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

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- Pointed
fingers
removed
- Tips to love
given

SERMON READING

James 4:7-12

⁷Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.⁸Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.⁹Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom.¹⁰Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

¹¹Brothers and sisters, do not slander one another. Anyone who speaks against a brother or sister or judges them speaks against the law and judges it. When you judge the law, you are not keeping it, but sitting in judgment on it.¹²There is only one Lawgiver and Judge, the one who is able to save and destroy. But you—who are you to judge your neighbor?



OFFERING OF PRAYERS

- M:** Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.
- C:** **Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.**
- M:** Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the

benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

C: Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

M: Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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.

BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you ☩ and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: AMEN.

THANK YOU - Flowers and treats are from **Tom and Judy C. John M.** for accompanying today

CALENDAR

Monday – 9:30-11:00 AM - Little Lambs at Grace
7:00 PM - Grace Counsel meeting
Wednesday - 3:00 PM - Confirmation Class
Thursday - Zoom online Bible Study this week
Sunday - 8:30 AM – BIBLE STUDY – ONE ON ONE
9:30 AM – Worship

October 24th - Installation and meet and greet our Little Lambs director:
Becky Buth



October 9th – Lutheran Women Mission Society Fall Rally at
Shepherd of the Hills, Las Vegas -*Want to go? Talk to Pastor Sievert*

JOIN US FOR BIBLE STUDY AT 8:30 AM

PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

For the family of Nathan Seelow, pastor of our sister church in Overland Park, Kansas. He died of Covid complications and leaves behind his wife Megan and four little ones.



Check out both the new hymnal and the new psalter in the entry way. Also check out the ways you can help our church family “sing to the LORD a new song!” (Psalm 96:1) by looking at the donation sheet in the entryway. Purchase a hymnal or two or ??? in memory of a loved one or in thankfulness for a special occasion or simply to praise the Lord. Our goal is to purchase 75 -100 new hymnals, enough Psalters for the choir, along with accompaniment and leadership resources, to “encourage each other with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs to the Lord.” Col.2.