



“My grace
is sufficient
for you, for my
power is made
perfect in weakness.”

2 Corinthians 12:9, NIV

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As We Gather

God's power, grace, and mercy stands in contrast to our weakness. The psalmist urges us to lift up our eyes to God, especially in times of distress. In the Old Testament Reading, Ezekiel is sent to rebellious Israel to speak the Word of the Lord. Likewise, in the Gospel, Jesus comes to His hometown to teach, but He is rejected. And in the Epistle, we find the theme in its clearest depiction as Paul boasts and rejoices in his weakness, because when he is weak, then he is strong, and God most clearly showcases His power, grace, and mercy.

✠ Preparation for Worship ✠

Hymn

541 – O Blessed Holy Trinity

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Opening Sentences

- P** Lift up your eyes to the Lord!
- C** For He is filled with mercy.
- P** Plead with Him for what you need.
- C** For He is filled with power.
- P** Be content with His ways.
- C** For His grace is sufficient.

Confession and Absolution

- P** Beloved in the Lord, each of us has rebelled against God and rejected His will, His ways, and His commands. We were born in sin and weakness. We cannot escape our rebellious condition on our own. Let us then confess our sins to God, our heavenly Father.
- P** Heavenly Father,
- C** we confess that we have rejected Your ways and sought our own. We have rebelled against Your almighty rule, trying to be the masters of our own lives. We have failed to love You with all our heart. We have failed to love our neighbors as ourselves. We have failed to love our enemies as You commanded. Forgive us by Your power, mercy, and grace.

P In the power, mercy, and grace of almighty God, Jesus Christ died and was raised for you. On account of Christ and His all-sufficient grace, God forgives you. As a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen. His grace is sufficient for us. His power is made perfect in weakness.**

✠ The Service of the Word ✠

Introit

Psalm 34:8; 132:13-16

P Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

C **Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!**

P For the LORD has chosen Zion;

C **he has desired it for his dwelling place:**

P “This is my resting place forever;

C **here I will dwell, for I have desired it.**

P I will abundantly bless her provisions;

C **I will satisfy her poor with bread.**

P Her priests I will clothe with salvation,

C **and her saints will shout for joy.**

P Glory be to the Father and to the Son

C **And to the Holy Spirit**

P As it was in the beginning

C **Is now and will be forever. Amen.**

Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie

Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy
on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in treble clef. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text: "Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy". The second staff contains the melody for the second line of text: "on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us.". The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes.

Glory to God in the Highest

Gloria in Excelsis



Glo - ry to God, we give you thanks and praise; Of
Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son, You
A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord, At



heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing. We wor - ship
bore for us the load of this world's sin. O Lamb of
God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high: Who, with the



You, to You our hearts we raise, Lord God, al -
God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won, Re - ceive our
Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored, With all the



might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray...

... who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 2:1-5

¹ And he said to me, "Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak with you." ² And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. ³ And he said to me, "Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to nations of rebels, who have rebelled

against me. They and their fathers have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴ The descendants also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them, and you shall say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD.’ ⁵ And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that a prophet has been among them.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 123

P To you I lift up my eyes,

C **O you who are enthroned in the heavens!**

P Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maidservant to the hand of her mistress,

C **so our eyes look to the LORD our God, till he has mercy upon us.**

P Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us,

C **for we have had more than enough of contempt.**

P Our soul has had more than enough of the scorn of those who are at ease,

C **of the contempt of the proud.**

Gospel Reading

Mark 6:1-13

¹ [Jesus] went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ² And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, saying, “Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his hands?” ³ Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. ⁴ And Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household.” ⁵ And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. ⁶ And he marveled because of their unbelief. And he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷ And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸ He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts—⁹ but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. ¹⁰ And he said to them, “Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. ¹¹ And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” ¹² So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. ¹³ And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.

Alleluia

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia! These words are
writ - ten that we may believe that Je-sus is the Christ, the
Son of God. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia!

Confession of Faith

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 sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will 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 in 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.

Hymn

410 – Jesus, Lead Thou On

¹ I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. ² I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. ³ And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— ⁴ and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. ⁵ On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses— ⁶ though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth; but I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. ⁷ So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. ⁸ Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. ⁹ But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ¹⁰ For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

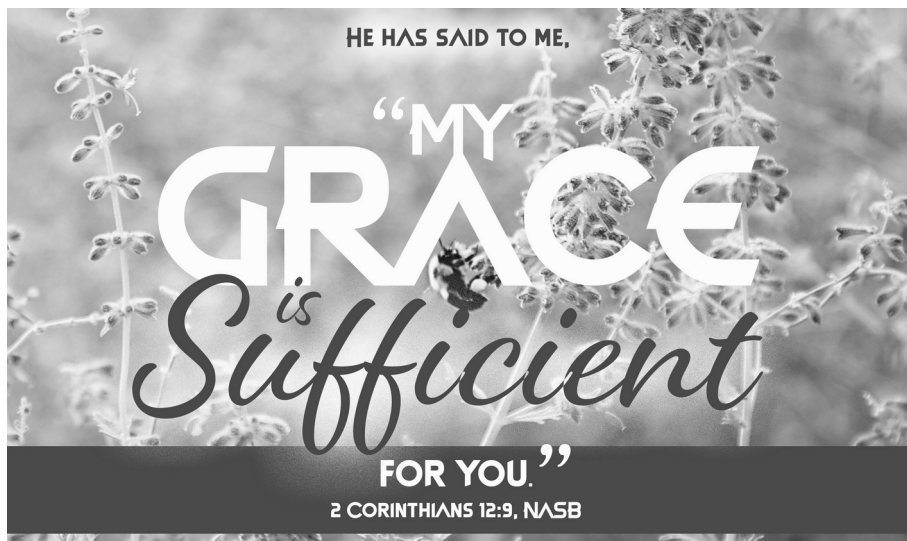


Sermon

You Can Rely on God's Grace

I. Because it is Sufficient

II. Because it is Powerful



Offertory



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
Spir-it from me. Re store to me the joy of Your sal -
va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir-it free.

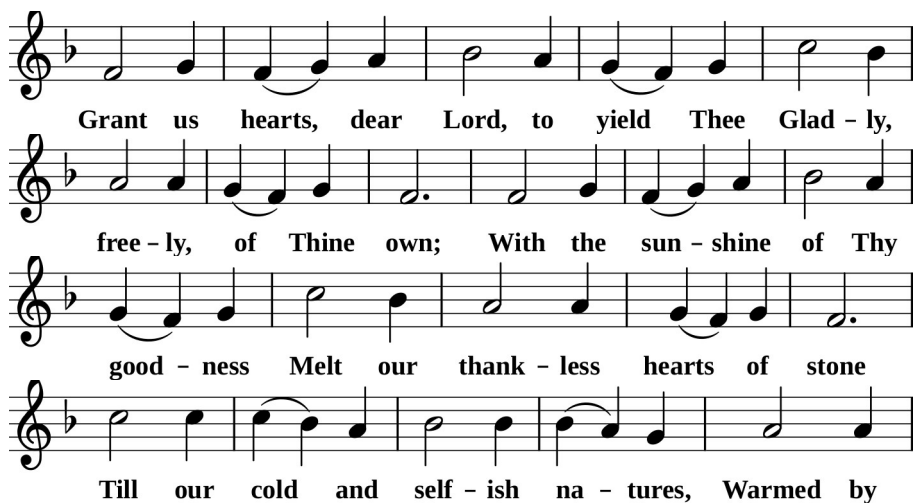
Hymn

777 - Amazing Grace - How Sweet the Sound

Offering

Offering Hymn

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Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee Glad - ly,
free - ly, of Thine own; With the sun - shine of Thy
good - ness Melt our thank - less hearts of stone
Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmed by

Thee at length be - lieve That more hap - py
and more bless - ed 'Tis to give than to re - ceive.

General Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

C 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.

✠ The Service of the Sacrament ✠

Preface

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** We lift them up to the Lord.
- P** It is right and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God...
...Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:



Holy, Holy, Holy

Sanctus

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of Sa-ba-oth, a-dored; Heav'n and
earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name. Sing ho -
san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san-na to the Lord; Tru-ly
blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Words of Institution

Peace of the Lord

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always!

C Amen.

Lamb of God

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, O Christ our Lord, whose
blood, once shed, true life re - stored, Im -
part Your joy, our faith in - crease. Sus -



tain with Your mer-cy and grant us Your peace.

Distribution

Holy Communion is rightly called a ‘Sacrament’ because it is a “Sacred act;” not in what WE do for Christ, but in what Christ does for US! Because God’s Word presents the reception of this Sacrament as a most intimate expression of spiritual and confessional unity (1 Corinthians 1:10; 10:16-17 Romans 16:17-18), we ask only those who have publicly professed such oneness of faith and belief with us by membership here or another CLC church come forward at this time. This is not a judgment of anyone’s faith, but rather an expression of ours. Please speak with pastor if you are seeking a church home or have any questions. We’d love to have you!

O Lord, Now Let Your Servant

Nunc Dimittis



O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De - part in heav'n-ly
All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All glo - ry to the



peace, For I have seen the glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing
Son, All glo - ry to the Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in -



grace: A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un - to Your ho - ly
One; For as in the be - gin - ning, Is now, shall ev - er



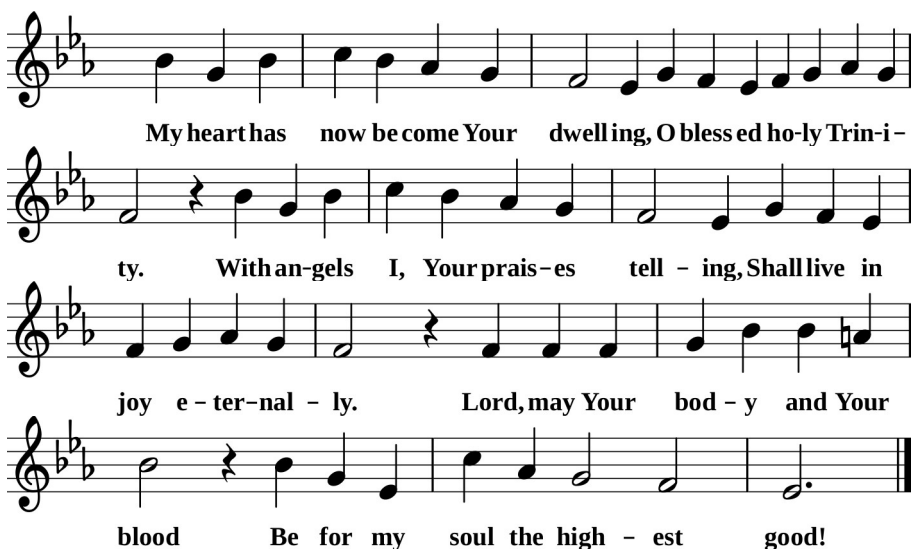
hill, The glo - ry of Your peo - ple, Your
be, God's tri - une name re - sound - ing Through



cho - sen Is - ra - el.
all e - ter - ni - ty.

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord with gladness.

Thanksgiving



My heart has now be come Your dwell ing, O bless ed ho-ly Trin-i-
ty. With an-gels I, Your prais-es tell - ing, Shall live in
joy e - ter-nal - ly. Lord, may Your bod - y and Your
blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C Amen.

Hymn 427 (1-4, 7) – How Firm a Foundation, Ye Saints of the Lord

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✝ Announcements ✝

Upcoming Schedule

July 7	9:15 am	Bible Class
	10:15 am	Divine Service w/ Holy Communion
	11:30 am	Quarterly Voters' Meeting
July 14	8:00 am	Divine Service (Orlando)
	10:15 am	Divine Service (Winter Haven)
July 15-19	9:00 am	Vacation Bible School
July 21	9:15 am	Bible Class
	10:15 am	Divine Service

Upcoming Meetings: Here is a schedule of our upcoming meetings:

- **July 7** – Quarterly Voters' Meeting
- **August 4** – Board of Education/Board of Trustees
- **September 1** – Board of Elders/Church Council

Vacation Bible School: Vacation Bible School is schedule for July 15-19 from 9:00am – 11:30am. Please speak with Pastor Sauers if you are able to help out this year.

2024 CLC Mission Helpers to East Africa: Twelve CLC Mission Helpers (Elinor Gbedey, Catherine Gbedey, Lauren Gurgel, Nicole Hansen, Fletcher Hughes, Kaylee Koenig, Gary Peters, Sam Radermacher, Jeff Radichel, Ulrika Speckman, Noah Sydow, and Amy Tester) along with three team leaders (Pastors Mike Gurath and Tom Naumann and Missionary Ohlmann) will depart on an evening flight from Chicago on Monday, July 8th. The Mission Helpers will travel together as far as Doha, Qatar. From Doha, they will divide into three teams and fly to the East African nations of Kenya/Uganda, Tanzania, and Zambia. The Tanzania team will be welcomed and joined in their work by Missionary Bruce and Paula Naumann. The Mission Helpers will spend the next few weeks proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ to an estimated 6,000 children. They will focus their efforts in some of the towns and villages where the Kenya-CLC, Uganda-CLC, Tanzania-CLC, and Zambia-CLC have or are working to establish congregations and preaching stations. You can follow along with the Mission Helpers through the trip blog at 2024clcmhteastafrica.blogspot.com. Your prayers are requested and much appreciated.

CLC News: Pastor Luke Bernthal of St. Stephen West, Mountain View, CA and St. Stephen East, Hayward, CA is still considering a call to Messiah Lutheran, Hales Corners, WI following Pastor Michael Eichstadt's retirement in September. <> Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd in Rapid City, SD has received the call to Grace Lutheran, Sleepy Eye, MN.

Fruits of Faith		June 30, 2024		Attendance: WH – 15	
<u>Immanuel Lutheran Church</u>		<u>Church of the Lutheran Confession</u>			
<i>General Budget</i>		<i>General Budget</i>			
\$1,190.25	General Budget	\$50.00	CLC General Budget		
\$1,423.00	Weekly Need	\$57.69	Weekly Need		
-\$232.75	-Under / +Over	-\$7.69	-Under / +Over		
\$38,571.80	Year to Date Offerings	\$1,240.00	Year to Date Offerings		
\$36,998.00	Year to Date Need	\$1,499.94	Year to Date Need		
+\$1,573.80	Year to Date (+/-)	-\$259.94	Year to Date (+/-)		
<i>Non-Budgetary</i>		<i>Non-Budgetary</i>			
	Building Fund		ILC Student Aid Fund		
	Property Improvement		ILC Building Fund		
\$100.00	ILC Scholarship Fund		ILC Improvement Fund		
	Tuition Grant		Mission Development (MDF)		
	Benevolence Fund		Project Kinship		
	Sign Fund		ILC Tour Choir		
	School Fund		Spokesman/Daily Rest		

✠ Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions ✠

July 8--13

Monday: Matthew 19:16-26 – A young man who thinks that he is spiritually rich (kept all commandments) is taught by Jesus that he lacks even the very first commandment (love God above all things)! Truly it takes God to save us!

Tuesday: Acts 14:8-18 – Whatever we most love and trust is our god. When a man is healed, the people of Lystra give the credit to their gods. Thankfully, Paul and Barnabas have the truth about God to share with them.

Wednesday: Genesis 25:7-10 – How the Lord blessed Abraham! The “father of believers” (Romans 4:11-12) is buried in the cave where Sarah is buried. But Moses says that he is “gathered to his people,” suggesting to us that he remains among the faithful, and the Lord is still his God (cp Luke 20:37-38).

Thursday: Proverbs 11:23-31 – “Whoever trusts his wealth will fall” (verse 28), for it is not the purpose of wealth to uphold us, but God intends to bless others through us and to bring them to life (verse 30).

Friday: 1 Timothy 6:6-10 – The greatest gain is not earthly wealth, for it will never satisfy in the long run. But if we are blessed with contentment, then whatever wealth God may give us will serve to bless us and others.

Saturday: 1 Kings 3:5-14 – What if God told us, “Ask for whatever you want me to give you”? Young Solomon prayed for discernment to serve God’s people well. God was pleased with his petition and blessed him far beyond his request.

