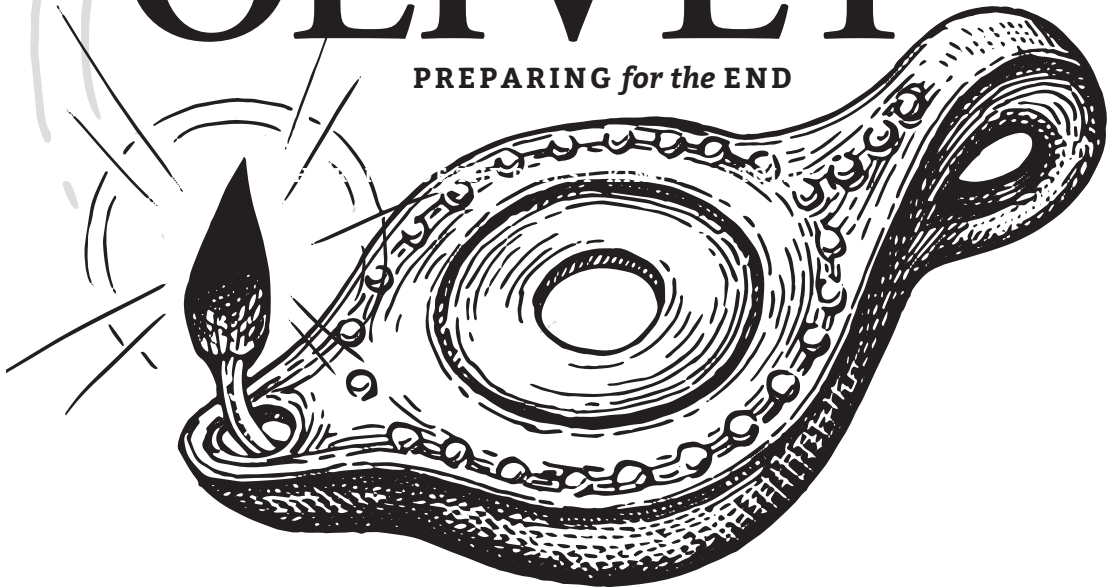


GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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PREPARING *for the END*



MATTHEW 24-25

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



THE

HOPE

of Glory

IS NOT MEANT MERELY FOR
THE CHURCH'S "INTERNAL USE";
IT IS NOT JUST HUMAN HOPE.

IT IS THE HOPE OF ALL

CREATION



— JAN MILLIC LOCHMAN



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 28, 2024

Grace is a church where people seeking more grace, more depth, and more community can start finding their way and sharing their gifts with the world.

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PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

We love having young children in worship. We want them to feel at home in the presence of God, and to learn how to worship by emulating you. Sit where you can easily hear and see, and if children have questions, you can quietly explain what is happening. Above all, relax. If your children wiggle or make noise, don't feel self-conscious. We understand, and we are delighted to have your whole family here to worship with us.

Check the inside back cover of this Order of Worship for Scripture memory schedule, financial reports, Mission of the Month, and podcast info.

Minister

Rev. J. Mark Bertrand

Sermon

Dale Reed

Elder

Lyle Schaap

Deacon

Jeff Smith

Music

Cameron Brooks, Nick Engbers,
Emma Minderhoud

Reader

David Jones

Sound Technicians

Peter & Robyn Wimmer

Hospitality

Barb Schaap

Welcomers

Merrill & Jennipher Friesen,
Ilene Zuiderhof, Marjie Heier

Nursery - During Worship

Ann Smith, Carrie Zachariahs,
Simeon Kroesche

Nursery - During Sunday School

Katie Brown

Prayer After Service

Jeff & Ann Smith

Transformers

Merrill Friesen, Caleb Friesen,
Noah Van Raalte



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

A season of grace following the joy of resurrection.

The season of Easter continues until Pentecost on May 19. During this time, we celebrate the grace that is ours in Christ Jesus. Let our worship be joyous as we contemplate the forgiveness of sin and the restoration of the relationship between ourselves and the God who made us.

† We long for more grace.

INTROIT: PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

As the musicians play, use this time for prayer and contemplation, preparing your heart to worship the Triune God, your creator and redeemer.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Worship is a back-and-forth dialogue between God and us, beginning when God calls us into his presence.

Minister: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**All: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

Minister: Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

**All: For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.**

Psalm 95.1-2, 6-7

SALUTATION

We are welcomed into God's presence for the sake of Christ.

Minister: Grace and peace to you in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!

All: Amen!

SING PRAISE TO GOD

We enter the presence of God singing songs of praise. He deserves our praise both because he made us and because, after we were broken by sin, he did not abandon us but re-made us by grace.

§ “Holy, Holy, Holy”

Reginald Heber, John Dykes

1. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - migh - ty!
 2. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,
 3. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide Thee,
 4. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - migh - ty!

5. Ear - ly in the morn - ing Our song shall rise to Thee;
 Cast - ing down their gol - den crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,
 All Thyworks shall praise Thy name In earth, and sky, and sea;

9. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and migh - ty!
 Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee
 On - ly Thou art ho - ly; There is none be - side Thee,
 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Merc - i - ful and migh - ty!

13. God in three per - sons, bless - ed Tri - ni - ty!
 Who wert, and in pow'r, and ev - er more shall be.
 Per - fect in three, Per - sons, love, and pur - i - ty.
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Tri - ni - ty.

§ “Who Is Like The Lord Our God? (Psalm 113)”

Wendell Kimbrough

Bruce Benedict

Bm D G

1. Our Fa - ther he lifts from the ash-es — He rais - es — the poor and the
 2. Though e - qual to God in — his glo - ry, — Christ Je - sus — be - came like a
 3. O Saints, fix — your eyes on — the Sav - ior And count all — your righ - teous-ness

Bm A G D/A G

4 lost. — He seats them to dine at — His ta - ble, to feast with - out mon - ey — or
 slave; — He hum - bled him - self in — o - be - dience to Death, and the Cross, and the
 lost. — Be found in — his love and his fa - vor, and share in — his death — on the

Bm A Bm F#m G

8 cost. — The lone - ly — he set - tles in fam - 'lies — The bar - ren, a mo - ther he
 Grave. — Vic - tor - ious, he rose — to the high - est; In glo - ry, — the Sav - ior — was
 cross. — That all of — His pow - er — in vic - 'try, — Im - par - ted — to you, may a -

A sus4 A G D/A G A

12 makes. — O hap - py — the heart of — the stran - ger who's wel - comed by this King of
 raised. — His name a - bove all names ex - al - ted; The heav - ens and earth sing His
 bound; — And shar - ing — the suff - 'rings of Je - sus, You share in — His glo - ry — and

D **REFRAIN** G A D G

16 Grace. Who is like the Lord our God? Who with glo - ry
 praise. crown.

A D G A F#maj Bm G A

20 fills the sky? But hum - bles him - self with the bro - ken to dwell who is like our

D D

24 God?

CONFESSION OF SIN

In God's presence, we have to be honest about who we are. No more excuses. We confess our sins together aloud, and then confess in silence individually.

All: Merciful Father, we are afflicted in body and mind, and in our affliction we have looked for comfort not in you, but in the arms of the world. We have cursed and blamed you. We have doubted. We have considered our suffering as a strike against you, ignoring this truth: that you have entered into our suffering and are here with us, and will be victorious over both sin and death. Forgive us, Lord, and renew our strength by the power of your Son Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SELF-EXAMINATION & SILENT CONFESSION

§ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We don't have to hide our faults because we take comfort in God's all-forgiving grace. As you hear the words from Scripture, be assured of God's pardon to all who believe.

The LORD is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.
He fulfills the desire of those who fear him;
he also hears their cry and saves them.

Psalm 145.18-19

GLORIA PATRI

We glorify the Triune God for the great salvation he has ordained, accomplished for us, and applied to our hearts.

§ "Gloria Patri"

*Lesser Doxology, 2nd Century
Nathan George*

♩ = 90 F C B \flat F B \flat C B \flat C F F C

Glor-y be -to the Fath-er, and to the Son and to the Ho ly Ghost; as it was in the be -

7 B \flat F B \flat C B \flat C D \flat D \flat /C B \flat C F C B \flat C F

gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A - men. A - men.

SING THANKS TO GOD

Now that God has assured us of pardon, we sing a song of gratitude to glorify him.

§ “Song Refrain: Psalm 124”

Music by Cameron Brooks

REFRAIN (x2 - join musicians on the second round)

♩ = 110

Dm Gm F

If it had not been the Lord who was on our side -

5 F/E Bb C Gm⁷

let Is ra el now say - if it had not been the

9 Bb C Dm

Lord who was on our side

Reader: If it had not been the LORD who was on our side—
 let Israel now say—
 if it had not been the LORD who was on our side
 when people rose up against us,
 then they would have swallowed us up alive,
 when their anger was kindled against us;
 then the flood would have swept us away,
 the torrent would have gone over us;
 then over us would have gone the raging waters.

REFRAIN

Reader: Blessed be the LORD,
 who has not given us as prey to their teeth!
 We have escaped like a bird
 from the snare of the fowlers;
 the snare is broken, and we have escaped!
 Our help is in the name of the LORD,
 who made heaven and earth.

REFRAIN (x2)

† We long for more depth.

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

All that we have has been provided by God, and he asks that we give a portion back as a form of worship. We do not pass a plate at Grace, but we pray to dedicate offerings. You can give in the black box at the rear of the sanctuary near the sound booth, via mail, or online at graceforsiouxfalls.org.

SCRIPTURE READING

If we long for more depth, that depth is found in the Bible, where God has revealed himself to us. Through the reading of the Bible, God speaks to us.

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is 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. By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. We love because he first loved us. If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

1 John 4.7–21

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Part of our worship is to make our needs known to God through prayer. An officer of the church offers prayer on behalf of the congregation, followed by the Lord's Prayer. If you would like to request prayer, please speak to one of the officers.

All: 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

§ "Trinity Song"

Sandra McCracken

B♭m B♭m/A♭ G♭ D♭ B♭m B♭m/A♭ G♭ D♭

Ho - ly — Fath - er, Son, and Spi - rit. Ho - ly Com - mu - nion, Three - in - One.

5 B♭m B♭m/A♭ G♭ D♭ B♭m B♭m/A♭ G♭ D♭

Come with Your peace, with Your in - vi - ta - tion. Bind us to - ge - ther in ho - ly — love.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

As the word of God is proclaimed, receive the message of grace and be transformed.

“THE HOUSE OF BREAD HAS NO BREAD”

Dale Reed

*Dale is a seminary student under care of our presbytery
and a ruling elder at Living Hope PCA in Tea, South Dakota.*

In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

Ruth 1.1-5

† We long for more community.

§ CONFSSION OF FAITH

Together we confess “the faith once delivered to the saints,” joining our voices to represent the unity of our hearts and minds, speaking the same words as countless believers who have gone before us.

Minister: Christian, how can you be sure of Christ’s love?

**All: Love never ends.
As for prophecies, they will pass away;
as for tongues, they will cease;
as for knowledge, it will pass away.
For we know in part and we prophesy in part,
but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away.
When I was a child, I spoke like a child,
I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child.
When I became a man, I gave up childish ways.
For now we see in a mirror dimly,
but then face to face.
Now I know in part;
then I shall know fully,
even as I have been fully known.
So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three;
but the greatest of these is love. *Amen.***

1 Corinthians 13.8-13

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Communion is an occasion for all baptized Christians to meet with their Savior by faith, to be strengthened and renewed by him, and celebrate him. All who trust alone in Christ as Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the Gospel, are at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully, are welcome to come forward.

IF YOU ARE NOT YET A BELIEVER, have not yet made a public profession of faith, or if you choose not to share in this meal, we invite you to spend this time in prayer.

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Minister: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

Minister: The gifts of God are for the people of God.

§ Please stand.

Come Forward to Partake of the Lord's Supper

Communion is a time of joy in which we feast with Christ. We eat and drink at Christ's table, symbolized by the serving table at the front of the sanctuary.

TO RECEIVE COMMUNION, come forward by rows. We move forward up the center aisles and return to our seats down the outer aisles. You will receive and eat the bread, then advance to receive the cup. After you drink, you may return to your seat. Children who have not yet made professions of faith and been admitted to the Table may accompany their parents forward. All the bread is gluten-free. The red cups contain wine, while the clear cups contain juice.

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO COME FORWARD, we invite you to join us by using the pre-packaged communion elements available in the reception area.

COMMUNION SONG

As we celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper together, we sing a song of joy in the salvation we have in Jesus Christ.

§ "We Will Feast In The House of Zion"

Sandra McCracken, Joshua Moore



We will feast in the house of Zi - on. We will sing with our



hearts re - stored. He has done great things. we will say to - ge - ther



We will feast and weep no more.

- 1. We will not be
- 2. In the dark of
- 3. Ev - ery vow we've



burned by the fire, He is the Lord our God we are not con -
 night be - fore the dawn my soul be not a - fraid for the pro - mised
 bro - ken and be - trayed You are the faith ful one and from the

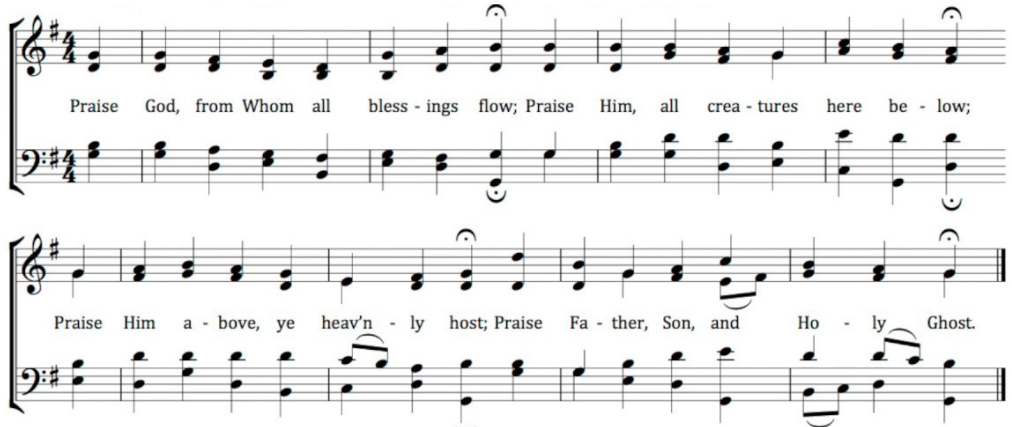


sumed by the flood Up - held, pro - tect - ed, ga - thered up
 mor - ning o how long O God of Ja - cob be — my strength.
 gar - den to the grave Bind us to - ge - ther bring — sha - lom

CLOSING WORDS

Encouragement to take the hope of the Gospel into the world to which Christ has called us as salt and light.

§ Doxology



Praise God, from Whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all crea - tures here be - low;
Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

BENEDICTION

As we depart, God's blessing rests upon us with this benediction.

Minsiter: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

People: *Amen.*

Romans 15.13



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PRAY WITH SOMEONE AFTER THE SERVICE, PLEASE MEET AT THE FRONT, RIGHT-HAND SIDE OF THE SANCTUARY.

Let's Memorize Scripture Together

This semester our churchwide Sunday School memorization passage is **EPHESIANS 2.1-10**. Here is the schedule for recitation:

January 21

vv. 8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

January 28

v. 10

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

February 4

Review vv. 8-10

February 11

vv. 1-2a

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked,

February 18 (Presidents' Day)

No Sunday School

February 25

v. 2b

following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—

March 3

v. 3

among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and

were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

March 10 (Daylight Savings)

No Sunday School

March 17

Review vv. 1-3, 8-10

March 24

v. 4

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us,

March 31 (Easter)

No Sunday School

April 7

v. 5

even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—

April 14

v. 6

and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

April 21

v. 7

so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

TODAY: April 28

Review vv. 4-10

May 5

Review vv. 1-10

Financial Reports

GIVING REPORT

LAST WEEK

<i>General Fund</i>	\$4,501
<i>Vision Fund</i>	\$0
<i>Benevolence Fund</i>	\$200
<i>Foreign Mission</i>	\$0

YEAR TO DATE

<i>General Fund</i>	\$90,975
<i>Vision Fund</i>	\$7,290
<i>Benevolence Fund</i>	\$1,135
<i>Foreign Mission</i>	\$245
Total	\$99,705

2024 BUDGETED

<i>Year to Date</i>	\$113,846 (-22,871)
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VISION FUND

IN ACCOUNT

<i>Investment</i>	\$233,381
<i>Returns</i>	\$11,386
<i>Bank Balance</i>	\$0
<i>Giving (Apr)</i>	\$550
TOTAL	\$245,316

GOAL

<i>Final Goal</i>	\$1,000,000
<i>Remaining to Fund</i>	\$754,684
<i>Percentage Funded</i>	24.5%

Mission of the Month: Worldview Academy

Worldview Academy applies the Bible's timeless wisdom to the complexities of modern life. Through summer leadership camps for teens, church conferences, and online resources, Worldview equips students for discipleship and service.

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TODAY: 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:00 am Sunday School
9:50 am Preparation for Worship
10:00 am Worship Service

MONDAY, APRIL 29

6:15 pm Women's Bible Study (Ann Hutchinson's)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

6:40 pm Youth Group (at Living Hope)
 Women's Bible Study

THURSDAY, MAY 2

6:30 am Men's Coffee (Coffea on Louise)

NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 5

11:30 am Potluck & Realm Training

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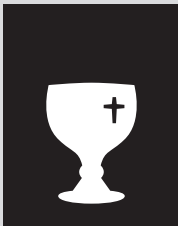
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