

*This Week at Grace*  
*Sunday, June 10, 2007*  
*The Second Sunday after Pentecost*

**INTRODUCTION**

*From all appearances the young man from Nain was dead. The funeral procession moves along until Jesus stops it with a word—"Do not weep"—and a touch. Another word, "I say to you, rise!" and the dead man is restored to life; another touch and he is restored to his community. Jesus' powerful word and healing touch are for us, too, for God has looked favorably on we who are God's people.*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Compassionate God,  
you have assured the human family of eternal life through Jesus Christ.  
Deliver us from the death of sin,  
and raise us to new life in your Son,  
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**FIRST READING** *1 Kings 17:17-24*

<sup>17</sup> After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill; his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. <sup>18</sup> She then said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance, and to cause the death of my son!" <sup>19</sup> But he said to her, "Give me your son." He took him from her bosom, carried him up into the upper chamber where he was lodging, and laid him on his own bed. <sup>20</sup> He cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I am staying, by killing her son?" <sup>21</sup> Then he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again." <sup>22</sup> The LORD listened to the voice of Elijah; the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. <sup>23</sup> Elijah took the child, brought him down from the upper chamber into the house, and gave him to his mother; then Elijah said, "See, your son is alive." <sup>24</sup> So the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

**PSALM** *Psalms 30*

*My God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health. (Ps. 30:2)*

<sup>1</sup>I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lift-<sup>1</sup>ed me up

and have not let my enemies triumph<sup>1</sup> over me.  
<sup>2</sup>**O LORD my God, I cried<sup>1</sup> out to you,  
and you restored<sup>1</sup> me to health.**  
<sup>3</sup>You brought me up, O LORD,<sup>1</sup> from the dead;  
you restored my life as I was going down<sup>1</sup> to the grave.  
<sup>4</sup>**Sing praise to the LORD,<sup>1</sup> all you faithful;  
give thanks in ho-<sup>1</sup>ly remembrance. R**  
<sup>5</sup>God's wrath is short; God's favor<sup>1</sup> lasts a lifetime.  
Weeping spends the night, but joy comes<sup>1</sup> in the morning.  
<sup>6</sup>**While I felt se-<sup>1</sup>cure, I said,  
"I shall never<sup>1</sup> be disturbed.**  
<sup>7</sup>You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong<sup>1</sup> as the mountains."  
Then you hid your face, and I was<sup>1</sup> filled with fear.  
<sup>8</sup>**I cried to<sup>1</sup> you, O LORD;  
I pleaded with<sup>1</sup> my Lord, saying,**  
<sup>9</sup>"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down<sup>1</sup> to the pit?  
Will the dust praise you or de-<sup>1</sup>clare your faithfulness?  
<sup>10</sup>**Hear, O LORD, and have mer-<sup>1</sup>cy upon me;  
O LORD,<sup>1</sup> be my helper." R**  
<sup>11</sup>You have turned my wailing<sup>1</sup> into dancing;  
you have put off my sackcloth and clothed<sup>1</sup> me with joy.  
<sup>12</sup>**Therefore my heart sings to you<sup>1</sup> without ceasing;  
O LORD my God, I will give you<sup>1</sup> thanks forever. R**

**SECOND READING**      *Galatians 1:11–24*

<sup>11</sup> For I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; <sup>12</sup> for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

<sup>13</sup> You have heard, no doubt, of my earlier life in Judaism. I was violently persecuting the church of God and was trying to destroy it. <sup>14</sup> I advanced in Judaism beyond many among my people of the same age, for I was far more zealous for the traditions of my ancestors. <sup>15</sup> But when God, who had set me apart before I was born and called me through his grace, was pleased <sup>16</sup> to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with any human being, <sup>17</sup> nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were already apostles before me, but I went away at once into Arabia, and afterwards I returned to Damascus.

<sup>18</sup> Then after three years I did go up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days; <sup>19</sup> but I did not see any other apostle except James the Lord's brother. <sup>20</sup> In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie! <sup>21</sup> Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia, <sup>22</sup> and I was still unknown by sight to the churches of Judea that are in Christ; <sup>23</sup> they only heard it said, "The one who formerly was persecuting us is now proclaiming the faith he once tried to destroy." <sup>24</sup> And they glorified God because of me.

**GOSPEL**     *Luke 7:11–17*

<sup>11</sup> Soon afterwards he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. <sup>12</sup> As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town. <sup>13</sup> When the Lord saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, "Do not weep." <sup>14</sup> Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, rise!" <sup>15</sup> The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. <sup>16</sup> Fear seized all of them; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us!" and "God has looked favorably on his people!" <sup>17</sup> This word about him spread throughout Judea and all the surrounding country.

**THIS WEEK AT GRACE**

<b>TODAY:</b>	8:00a	and 10:00a	Worship Services
	9:00a		Outdoor Coffee Fellowship
<b>MONDAY:</b>	7:00p		Musical Cast Party
	7:00p		MS Society Meeting
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	9:00a		Staff Meeting
	11:00a		Pastor's Text Study
	1:00p		Service at Shady Oaks
	6:30 or 7:00p		Ministry Team Meetings
	8:00p		Church Council Meeting
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	2:00p		Grace Seniors
	6:30p		Worship Telecast, Cable Ch. 6
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	6:00a		Early Morning Bible Study
	7:00p		Thursday Evening Worship Service
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	1:30p		ThorneCrest Bible Study
			Wedding Rehearsal
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	4:00p		Wedding of Jane Skrlin and Philip Jordan
<b>NEXT SUNDAY:</b>			<i>Father's Day</i>
	8:00a	and 10:00a	Worship Services
	9:00a		Outdoor Coffee Fellowship
	2:00p		Departure for Confirmation Camp

**MISSIONARY FOR A DAY:** [June 10: Given by Pastor Milt & Delores Ost.] [June 10: Sunday School] [June 11: In memory of mothers, Molly Wahlers and Edna Brandt on their birthday given by Babe & Lois Brandt.] [June 12: Given by Pastor Todd Walsh.] [June 13: GLCW] [June 14-16: Given by Hazel Spiering.].

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** our members and friends known to have been hospitalized this past week: Margaret Bergland, Mark Stevens, and Kristin Villarreal.

**PLEASE REMEMBER** those needing the continuing prayers of our congregation: Janice Anderson, Larry Bergo, Kathy Diaz, Theresa Gamble, Burnette Grunhovd, Jan Guse, Dan Hagen, Tara Hanson, April Hustoft, Marlys Jahnke, Norman Johnson, Glenn McDaniel, Ethel McGill, Gary Mesch (son-in-law of Dick & Arlyss Haug), Vern Nasby, DeAnna Nelson, LeMoyne Oakland, Marian Odson, Lissa Parrish, Bob Richerson (brother of Nancy Greiner), Mark Stevens, LaVon Stewart, James Vangen, Leland Wadding, Sally Witham (mother of Greg Witham), and Eleanor Wolfe.

**WE JOIN OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS in Christ** throughout the Southeast Minnesota Synod today in praying for St. Paul Lutheran Church in Pine Island, St. John Lutheran of Waseca, Highland Prairie Lutheran of Peterson, and Peace Lutheran Church in Eyota.

**GREETERS FOR OUR WORSHIP SERVICES** this morning are Stan & Sandy Fredrickson, and Bill & Gwen Groskurth at 8:00.

**ACOLYTES** today are Karizma Hamberg and Joe Henderson at 8:00; and Kayla Swee and Tyler Stadheim at 10:00.

**LESSON READERS** are Ginny Loberg at 8:00; and Truman Thronnd at 10:00.

**BAPTIZED INTO THE KINGDOM of God** at our 10:00 service are *Chloe Jean Hovland* and *Devin Dean Slater*, children of Candace Hovland and Dean Slater. Their sponsors are Heidi Hovland, Kevin & Kim Hovland, Jeff Draayer, and Kim Jansen. The roses in the chancel today are given in celebration of their baptisms.

**REFRESHMENTS BETWEEN SERVICES** are being served by Stephanie Ferguson and her parents, Tague & Dawn.

**SPECIAL THANKS** to Marsha Rafdal who is serving as van driver this morning. Our church van picks up riders every Sunday for the 10:00 worship service. If you or anyone you know is interested in riding the van, please call the church office to be added to the pick up schedule.



**GRADUATION OPEN HOUSE: Everyone is welcome to attend!**

Honoring *Alexandra Leland* will be held today, 11:00a-2:00p, at her home (205 Lee Pl.).

Honoring *Emma Dahl* will be held Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-7:00, at her home (216 E. Richway Dr.)

**GRACE SENIORS: Wednesday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2:00p**

Grace Seniors will meet that day in the Fireside Room. Featured speaker will be Tina Honsey from Wells Fargo making us aware of *Identity Theft* which could affect us all. Come, bring a friend with you, and gain some important information.

**TELECAST NEWS:** A reminder that our worship services are now telecast at 6:30 on Wednesday evening due to a change in equipment at the local Charter Communication site. Please help us get the word out.

**MUSICIANS NEEDED** during the summer months for sharing special music during our worship services. Please contact Robert Tewes (377-8364) so you can be scheduled.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!**

God be with you all the days of your life. Walk with God, whatever you do, that we may hear of your faithfulness and rejoice over you always!

This year's graduates include:

<i>Brohdy Avery</i>	<i>Joslin Gillespie</i>	<i>Joshua O'Byrne</i>
<i>Ashley Brandt</i>	<i>Hannah Gjersvik</i>	<i>Kate Schreiber</i>
<i>Marisa Cottrell</i>	<i>Lucas Hanson</i>	<i>Lindsey Sherburne</i>
<i>Emma Dahl</i>	<i>Cody Johnson</i>	<i>Abraham Swee</i>
<i>Patricia Davila</i>	<i>Ryan Knudtson</i>	<i>Casey Tabor</i>
<i>Jenna Drescher</i>	<i>Tyler Kvenvold</i>	<i>Jesse Tuttle</i>
<i>Brittany Edwin</i>	<i>Jordan Laurie</i>	<i>Leah Walters</i>
<i>Jessica Feeney</i>	<i>Alexandra Leland</i>	<i>Mellisa Webb</i>
<i>Jared Gavle</i>	<i>Sabra Metcalfe</i>	<i>Steven Zuniga</i>
	<i>Kristopher Moen</i>	

**BOOK CLUB** will meet again on Monday evening, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:00p, at the home of Jill Hagen. The featured book is *Pieces of the Heart* by Karen White. Join us for great discussion and fellowship.

**KITCHEN CLEANING NOTEBOOK** is still located on the GLCW Information Table in the narthex. If you haven't already, please write in what you have done and/or volunteer for one of the last few things to do. Thank you for your help.

**WANTED: Youth and Adult Relay for Life Teams**

Help raise money for the American Cancer Society, be a part of a great team, and have a lot of fun doing it! Team members assist in fundraisers, sell luminaries, and participate in the Relay, Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. This community-wide event is a great mission to be a part of. Sign up sheets for **youth and adults** are in the back of the narthex. Contact Denae Juntunen, Pastor Todd, or Becky Tennis Hanson if you have any questions.

**NEEDED:** white t-shirts in sizes 4, 6, 8 (mixed boys and girls); 10-12, 14, 16 for boys; and 10-16 for girls. During VBS this summer we will be decorating new t-shirts for the Children's Orphanage in Bogota, Columbia, at the request of Jeanene Thicke. Please help us out with your donations. They can be dropped off at the Education Office.

**GRACIOUS CHRISTIANITY: Monday, June 18<sup>th</sup>**

*What do you think Jesus would have done had he been on Flight 93?*

*What does He do as you face your personal tragedies?*

Gracious Christianity Bible Study Group meets again on Monday evening, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:00p, at the home of David & Carol Larson (111 South Lane). Come join the discussion :-), as we continue to explore the amazing and stunning Jesus!

**ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS:** Remember that our summer picnic is coming up on Tuesday evening, June 19<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30p in the Fireside Room. Please bring a dish to pass and your own tableware. Dessert and beverages will be provided. Spouses or guests are welcome. Plan to attend.

**WANT TO KEEP UP** on our Missionary for a Day mission partners? Sign up to receive the e-mail updates that we receive periodically from our mission partners in Colombia, Latvia, Russia, and Tanzania. E-mail Pastor Todd ([twgrace@smig.net](mailto:twgrace@smig.net)) and you will get on the list. The e-mails will be generated here at Grace and filtered with our virus protection. Some will be short. Some will be long. Some will come regular. Some not so regular. It depends on what information we receive here at the church.

**THE ANNUAL VALLEYFAIR TRIP** for youth in grades 6-12 is set for Thursday, June 28<sup>th</sup>. We will leave the church at 8:00a and be home around 6:00 or 7:00p. Cost of the trip is \$25.00 which includes ticket and transportation. Sign up is on the bulletin board outside of Denae's office.

**GLCW NOTE:** Please save 8 oz. cool whip containers and their lids to keep in our church kitchen closet. Many times we need this size container to give leftover food from events to people to take home. Any donations can be left on the kitchen counter and we will stick them away to be used for that purpose. Thank you for your help.

**GIVING AT GRACE:**

The Property and Finance Ministry appreciates your generous support.  
Your faithful stewardship is essential for us to continue to support our ministries at Grace.

	<b>Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b><u>Year to Date</u></b>
General Fund Giving	\$ 11,501.00	\$ 236,953.00
Budgeted Need	\$ 10,096.00	\$ 222,112.00
Quarters for World Hunger	\$ 57.00	\$ 1,051.00
Stones, Rocks, Boulders Fund	\$ 382.00	

Attendance Last Sunday - 408; Last Year - 388

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