

September 22, 2024

How Does God's Grace Affect You?



Dietrich Bonhoeffer
(1906-1945)

CHEAP GRACE

"Cheap grace is the preaching of forgiveness without repentance, baptism without church discipline, communion without confession, absolution without personal confession. Cheap grace is grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ living and incarnate."

*Preaching and teaching the truth
to His expanding kingdom,
reaching
out to all!*

The Lutheran Church & School of Messiah

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The 18th Sunday After Pentecost (September 22, 2024)

The Lord's Supper: If you are visiting with us or have not been instructed in the unique Lutheran teaching regarding the Lord's Supper, we kindly ask you to speak to the Pastor before communing. If you would like to come up for a blessing, feel free to do so. Simply cross your arms over your chest to let the Pastor know you would like a blessing. Thank you.

Divine Service 4

Sharing of Christ's Peace (Shalom)

904 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

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Confession and Absolution

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
(*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*)

C **Amen.**

Exhortation

203

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth. *Psalm 124:8***

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**
Psalm 130:3-4

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner. (*Luke 18:13*)

Kneel/Stand

Confession of Sins

LSB 203

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Absolution

203

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit. (*John 20:19-23*)

C **Amen.**

Stand

Service of the Word

Psalm

Psalm 54

¹O God, save me, by your name,
and vindicate me by your might.

²O God, hear my prayer;
give ear to the words of my mouth.

³**For strangers have risen against me;
ruthless men seek my life;
they do not set God before themselves.**

⁴Behold, God is my helper;
the Lord is the upholder of my life.

⁵**He will return the evil to my enemies;
in your faithfulness put an end to them.**

⁶With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you;
I will give thanks to your name, O LORD, for it is good.
⁷**For he has delivered me from every trouble,
and my eye has looked in triumph on my enemies.**

Kyrie

204

**C Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy. *Mark 10:47***

Gloria in Excelsis Luke 2:14; John 1:29

204

**C 1 To God on high be glory
And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father;
Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory,
Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**2 To You, O sole-begotten,
The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior,
You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus;
Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated
At God's right hand on high—**

**3 For You alone are holy;
You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever,
Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit
Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory.
"Amen!" our glad reply.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 11:18–20

¹⁸The LORD made it known to me and I knew;
then you showed me their deeds.

¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb
led to the slaughter.

I did not know it was against me
they devised schemes, saying,

“Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,
let us cut him off from the land of the living,
that his name be remembered no more.”

²⁰But, O LORD of hosts, who judges righteously,
who tests the heart and the mind,
let me see your vengeance upon them,
for to you have I committed my cause.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

James 3:13—4:10

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth.

¹⁵This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there

will be disorder and every vile practice. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

¹What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ²You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. ⁴You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. ⁵Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? ⁶But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Adult Choir: Follow by Ed Harris

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

Alleluia

LSB 205

C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Verse

205

C **These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. *John 20:31***

Alleluia

LSB 205

C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³⁰[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, ³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise.” ³²But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

³³And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” ³⁴But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. ³⁵And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.” ³⁶And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷“Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Creed [“Creed” comes from the Latin credo, which means “I believe.” From the time of Pentecost, the Ancient Christian Church has confessed a creed. The Early Christian Church has always believed, taught, and confessed these Scriptural teachings. This is why we are called a Creedal Church.] (Us men means all people)

Apostles’ Creed

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life T everlasting. Amen.**

Sit

Kids' Time

Sermon Hymn

851 Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

Text: Eliza S. Alderson, 1818–89, alt.

Sermon *How Does God's Grace Affect You?* **Jeremiah 11:18-20 & Psalm 54:6-7**

Offering

Stand



Offering Option: Scan

783 Take My Life and Let It Be

- 1 Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 5 Take my will and make it Thine,
It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own,
It shall be Thy royal throne.

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Service of the Sacrament

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Stand

Preface **2Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136**

LSB 208

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus **Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9**

LSB 208

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9-13

**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 Conclusion for the Lord's Prayer is not in Matthew or Luke. The Conclusion is from 1Chronicles 29:10-11, King David's prayer in the assembly.]

The Words of Our Lord

Words of Institution: Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1Corinthians 11:23-25

Pax Domini John 20:19

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei John 1:29

LSB 210

**C 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 You take the sin of the world away;
 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 You take the sin of the world away;
 Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Sit

Distribution

547 The Lamb

631 Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808–89, alt.

696 O God, My Faithful God

Text: Johann Heermann, 1585–1647; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Stand

Nunc Dimittis Luke 2:29-32

LSB 211

**C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant
 Depart in heav’nly peace,
 For I have seen the glory
 Of Your redeeming grace:
 A light to lead the Gentiles
 Unto Your holy hill,
 The glory of Your people,
 Your chosen Israel.**

2 All glory to the Father,

**All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.**

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

...

C **Amen.**

Benedicamus (Psalm 103:1)

LSB 212

A Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction Numbers 6:24-26

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

921 On What Has Now Been Sown

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt.

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God gives *every Christian* at least 2 gifts: 1, the gift of faith and 2, _____ fill in the blank.

As Messiah Lutheran Church with School moves forward, we will need to know what your interests and gifts are that God has given you. There are opportunities available to serve the Lord *without* having to commit long-term.

Please scan the QR code and fill out the *very short survey*. We are looking for a **100% Participation Rate** (Hard copies are available as well)

Talents & Interests



Survey

Preacher: Rev. Mike Redeker
DCE: Jonathan Peterson
Organist: Marilyn Smith
Acolytes: Tucker Klein, Oliver Messenger

Elders: John O'Connor, Don Olbert
Ushers: Josh Ammon, Scott Mauser
Wade Schultz, Bill Buxman
Greeters: **NEED VOLUNTEERS**

PRAYER REQUESTS— *“But when you pray, go into your room, close the door, and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.”*

Prayer requests for you, family with permission, or by a pastor, may be sent to

admin@mlgj.org & **sec@mlgj.org**

Messiah's Prayer List

Continued health and healing: Chris Ballard, Ralph Bickel, Mary Ann Bradshaw, Peter Chaney, Darlene & Darrel Clark, Lucy Clemmer, *John Feliciano, Carol Haller*, Stephen Hildebrand, Doug Johnson, Jimmie Kenner and family, Emogene Kukuk, Carrie Lamgo, *Tom Moore*, Illona Rennels, Bob Rennick, Dorothy Roberts, Esther Schlauger, Karen Skoog, *Karen Stoll*, Shane Walz, Romaine Webb, Jeff Vagneur, *Gary*.

Fighting serious diseases: Sharon Breshears, Bill Brodak, Denise Currie, Courtney Grieger, Misty Hannah, Steve Kaskus, Shane Larsen, Anna Marie Mautz, Barb Moore, John Moseman Sr., Melani Perschbacher, Debra Proctor, Shirley Robinson, Diana Walcher.

Continue to fight cancer: Ralph Bickel, Karen Caldwell, Tyler, Rhonda Covington, James Hamleton, Les Hawkins, Leslie Hendricks, Barbara Huff, Mike Jerome, *Arthur Kluegel*, Chuck Magner, Marshall Mead, Walter Netzke, Lela Ottman, Amy Poulin, *Rick Reimers*, Loretta Siilata, Skogen, *Nickie Wilke*.

Home Hospice Care: Arlene Ottman

Called Home:

Serving in the military: Jake Bradshaw, Jack Eberhard, Jessie Mello, Karen and James Moore, Caleb Schmidt, Brandon & Kayt Soine, Eric Stahly.

Messiah Lutheran members

Messiah Lutheran faculty & staff

Messiah Lutheran Church/School

Mavericks of Messiah: *Continue to pray for the college students.*

Missionaries: Rev. Tim Norton to the Navajo Nation and **Rev Dr. Karl Heimer**, Ysleta, El Paso Texas.

Celebrating Birthdays:

22nd - Julia Goebel, Jory Goetz, Ashley Wilke

24th - Jackie Gallik, Cal Diedrich

26th - Wesley Gilleece

27th - Carol Nerverve, Elle Diedrich, Richie Ashcraft

Wedding Anniversaries:

Brian & Shauna Hartbauer (6)

Garrett & Torrey Anderson (14)

CALENDAR FOR THE Week of **September 22, 2024**

Sunday 9:00am **Worship, Communion, Facebook Live**
 10:30am **Fellowship, Coffee, Bible Study**
 10:30am **Young Adult Bible Study- MPR**
 12:30pm **Church Council- FH**
 6:00pm **Sipping/Searching- 2478 Patterson Rd #14**

Monday

Tuesday 7:00am **Men's Bible Study- FH**
9:00am **Quilt ladies- FH**
4:00pm **V-Ball Game- Home**

Wednesday 8:30am **Chapel**
 8:30am **See You at the Pole**
6:00pm **Church, Communion**

Thursday 6:15pm **Handbells**
6:30pm **Bible Study- Zoom**
 7:00pm **Adult Choir**

Friday 8:00am **Jog-A-Thon- Stoker Stadium**

Saturday 9:00am **Women's Bible Study- MPR**

Sunday 9:00am **Worship, Communion, Facebook Live**
 10:30am **Fellowship, Coffee, Bible Study**
 10:30am **Young Adult Bible Study- MPR**

10:30am **Battle Ready Modules-** Computer Lab
6:00pm **Sipping/Searching-** 2478 Patterson Rd #14

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF September 22, 2024

INCOME FOR THE PERIOD: Sept. 11th thru Sept. 17th

Weekly Donations \$17,513.40 Month to Date \$60,326.96

Weekly Need \$23,540.00 Monthly Need \$94,160.00

See You at the Pole- is a time of prayer on the fourth Wednesday of September when students **meet at their school flagpole**, before school, to lift up their friends, families, teachers, school, and nation to God. Please, feel free to join our students in prayer on Wednesday, **Sept. 25th @ 8:30am.**

The Jog-A-Thon- is Friday, **September 27th at 8am @ Stocker Stadium.** It is time for our annual Jog-a-Thon fundraiser!! Will you consider sponsoring a student for the event?? Students are encouraged to run, walk, jog, or skip laps around the track to raise funds for our school. **YOU, our supporters, and sponsors,** make it possible to keep our Students and Teaching staff equipped with the most relevant, up to date educational tools. **THANK YOU** for investing in our Students and Teachers. Let's LOVE GOD and LOVE PEOPLE together!!! All are welcome and encouraged to come cheer on the students as they tally up those laps!!

Life Chain Sunday- Join us for the annual Life Chain located **right here** in the **east parking lot.** Each year Life Chains form across the country to make a public, prayerful, peaceful stand for Life. The prayer will be **Oct. 6th along 12th St. & North Ave.** from **1pm-2pm.** This event is sponsored by Mesa County Right to Life. Contact **Letha Skoog** for more details or questions.

MCRLT Prolife Fall Banquet- Join us Friday, **Oct. 18th at 5:30pm** for our annual Fall Banquet Fundraiser hosted at **Victory Life Church.** This year's speaker is **Marcie Little** from Colorado for Life! Tickets are **\$30** each or **\$225** for a **table of 8.** Contact **Letha Skoog** to purchase tickets. Can't attend? You can be a Banquet Sponsor! Contact **Letha** or call **(970) 261-3017** for more information on sponsorship. Mesa County Right to Life is a **501(C)(3) Non-Profit organization.**

Missing some of your dishes or pans? Check downstairs in the kitchen. There are many unclaimed items waiting to go home!

Save The Date- The **Annual Christmas Craft Fair** will be on **Dec. 7th 9am-3pm**. If you have any questions, please contact **Lois MacDonald @ 970-201-7338**.

LCMS Foundation Gift Planning- The gift planning process of an estate plan requires multi-channel communication. Your estate plan requires someone to serve in an executor/trustee role, as well as carrying out the power of attorney responsibilities. It is a mistake to not share with them your plans now while you can discuss and clarify. Your Messiah Gift Planning Counselor can help to share copies of legal documents with your chosen people encouraging you to follow through with this step. Contact **Jason Jones** at **Jason.Jones@lfnd.org** or call him directly at **(970) 988-0305**.

Thrivent- We need **names of people** willing to use their **Thrivent accounts** to apply for start-up money for a variety of events at the **church and school**. The money we receive comes from Thrivent, not your account. The office will assist you with this process. Thank you.

Rib City BBQ & Ribs- Earn while you eat! Rib City **donates 5% of your food bill**, at all three locations, all year long! Ask your server about **Show Us Your Colors**. They will stamp your receipt. Bring that receipt to the **office**, & Messiah gets 5%!

Raise Right- Physical or digital gift cards that you may use or give to someone else. This is an **ongoing fundraiser that benefits the church and school**. The company donates a portion of the purchase. See the booth in the Narthex, speak with **Lisa Moore or DCE Jonathan** or visit **<https://www.raiseright.com/>**, click on sign up and enter code **59FDEBF565842**.

Messiah's Radio Ministry-Sunday mornings at **8:30am – 9:00am** on radio station **1100AM/KNZZ**. It is followed by The Lutheran Hour at **9:00am**