

Gran-Park-Rollag Parish and Living Grace Lutheran Church

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Gran-Park-Rollag Parish

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To celebrate, share & show God's love
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Living Grace Lutheran Church

A worshipping community of the ELCA focused on making known God's love and grace by:
Welcoming Everyone, Sharing Jesus' story, Growing in faith and Serving beyond ourselves.
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Sunday, October 10, 2021

Holy Communion Worship Service

Led by Pr. Hope Deutscher and Pr. Jim Greene

Music Provided by: Pam Aakre, Piano; and Pr. Hope Deutscher, Flute

Welcome/Announcements

- Welcome to worship for the GPR Parish and Living Grace Lutheran.
- *A Large print bulletin is available on our websites for you to use during worship.*
- We invite you to subscribe to our YouTube channel – Rollag Lutheran Church.
- *During our service, we have the following supplies reading:*
 - *Bread/crackers and wine/juice available for partaking in Virtual Holy Communion. We have communion kits available if you would like them, they have been blessed by the pastors.*

Happening This Week:

Sunday, October 10: 7 AM Online Worship; 8 AM Gran; 9:30 AM Rollag; 9:30 AM Living Grace; 10:30 AM Sunday School; 11 AM Park

Monday, October 11: 10:30 AM Flu Shots at Rollag for Seniors; Noon Rollag Seniors

Wednesday, October 13: 10 AM Bible Study; 11 AM Staff Meeting; 6 PM Confirmation Dinner; 6:45 PM Confirmation

Thursday, October 14: 10:30 AM Hawley Ministerial; 7 PM Parish Council

Saturday, October 16: 3 PM Rollag Cleanup Day

Sunday, October 17: 8 AM Gran; 9:30 AM Rollag (New Member Sunday); 9:30 Living Grace; 10:30 Sunday School; 11 Park

Youth:

Sundays: 10:30 AM Parish Sunday School at Rollag

Wednesdays: 6 PM Confirmation Dinner; 6:45 PM Confirmation

If you are not feeling well or are quarantined, please stay home.

Pastoral Care: Pastor Jim Greene and Pastor Hope Deutscher are available for pastoral care. If you or a loved one are hospitalized or ill, we would love to be caring for you. Please call or email us at the numbers above.

Bible and Book Studies:

- *Wednesdays at 10 AM: Bible Study –Gospel of John (In-Person at Rollag with Zoom option upon request)*
- *7 PM Monday, October 11: Paul Tillich Bible Study*
- *7 PM Monday, October 18: Women’s Book Study – “The Rock, The Road, and the Rabbi” by Kathie Lee Gifford*

Prelude: *Take My Life and Let it Be* Pam Aakre, Piano

Confession and Forgiveness

God is not far from us. When trouble is near, we know we have a great high priest who can sympathize with our weakness: Jesus, God’s Son, our Savior. Therefore, with confidence, let us confess our sin. God is our help and our refuge. Let us confess our sins to God, that we might receive mercy.

We know the commandments: You shall not murder; you shall not commit adultery; you shall not steal; you shall not bear false witness; you shall not defraud; you shall honor your father and your mother.

We try to follow the commandments, but instead, we cannot let go of the things we think we need or what we think is important. We do not follow you, or love you, O God, with all our hearts, our minds, our strength. We refrain from giving our whole selves to you.

Forgive our disobedience, our lack of commitment, and our desire to focus on material things instead of on your will for us. In the name of our Teacher, Jesus Christ, who gave his whole life for the sake of the gospel. Amen.

Forgiveness

We do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weakness, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Therefore, you can approach the throne of grace with boldness, and you will receive mercy and find grace in your time of need. In Jesus Christ we find the forgiveness we seek.

Hymn: *Gather Us In* (ELW #532 / WOV #718)

Pam Aakre, Piano; Pr. Hope Deutscher, Flute

Verse 1: *Here in this place the new light is stream-ing;
Now is the dark-ness van-ished a-way;
See in this space our fears and our dream-ings
Brought here to you in the light of this day...
Gather us in, the lost and for-sak-en,
Gath-er us in, the blind and the lame;
Call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en,
We shall a-rise at the sound of our name...*

Verse 2: *We are the young, our lives are a mys-t’ry,
We are the old who yearn for your face;
We have been sung through-out all of his-t’ry,*

*Called to be light to the whole hu-man race...
Gather us in, the rich and the haugh-ty,
Gather us in, the proud and the strong;
Give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly,
Give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.*

Children's Message

Pr. Hope Deutscher

Psalm 90:12-17

¹²So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

¹³**Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? Be gracious to your servants.**

¹⁴Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

¹⁵**Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us and as many years as we suffered adversity.**

¹⁶Show your servants your works, and your splendor to their children.

¹⁷**May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.**

Scripture: Hebrews 4:12-16

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Message

Pr. Hope Deutscher

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Hymn: Listen, God is Calling (ELW 513 / WOV 712)

Pam Aakre, Piano; Pr. Hope Deutscher, Flute; Sam Helgeson, Shaker

Refrain: *Lis-ten, lis-ten, God is call-ing, through the Word in-vit-ing,
Of-fer-ing for-give-ness, com-fort, and joy.*

Verse 1: *Je-sus gave his man-date: share the good news
That he came to save us and set us free. REFRAIN*

Verse 2: *Let none be for-got-ten through-out the world,
In the tri-une name of God go and bap-tize. REFRAIN*

Verse 3: *Help us to be faith-ful, stand-ing stead-fast,
Walk-ing in your pre-cepts, led by your Word. REFRAIN*

Gospel: Mark 10:17-20

¹⁷As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" ²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth."

²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.”

²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Message Pr. Jim Greene

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Holy Communion

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in the remembrance of me. The body of Christ, given for you.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in the remembrance of me. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Offering

Today and every day, living in the name of Christ, we see signs of God’s grace and abundance. Now, we take a few moments to give freely of what we have been given, as a witness to God’s actions in the world.

Thank you for remembering the importance of continuing to tithe your financial gifts. You can mail your offering to your church or give through Tithe.ly online (mobile and online option) or by mail. Visit livinggracehawley.org or gprparish.org for specific information.

Prayers

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. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. 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.

Benediction

Dismissal:

May we go in peace and serve the Lord: **As we Celebrate, Share, and Show God’s Love!**

Hymn: *How Firm a Foundation* (ELW # 796 / LBW #507)

Pam Aakre, Piano and Pr. Hope Deutscher, Flute

Verse 1: *How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said
Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?*

Verse 2: *“Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed,
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
The flames shall not hurt you; I only design;
Upheld by my righteous, om-nip-o-tent hand.”*

Verse 3: *“When through fi-ry trials your pathway shall lie,
my grace, all sufficient shall be your supply*

The flames shall not hurt you; I only design
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.”

Verse 4: “throughout all their lifetime my people shall prove
My sov-‘reign eternal, unchange-able Ivoe;
And then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn,
Like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.”

Thank you for worshipping with us!