

## GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 30, 2023

Pastor Jim Helgren

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Prelude  
Welcome & Announcements  
Opening Hymn LBW Hymn # 770  
    *"I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry"*  
Greeting WOV Page 46  
Scripture Song WOV Page 47  
Prayer of the Day See Insert  
The First Lesson: Acts 2:42-47 See Insert  
Psalm 23 See Insert  
The Second Lesson: 1 Peter 2:19-25 See Insert  
The Gospel: John 10:1-10 See Insert  
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Sermon  
Hymn of the Day "Here I Am, Lord" See Insert  
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Special Music  
Affirmation of Baptism PRESTIN THOMAS LBW page 198  
Offering  
Offertory WOV Page 50  
Prayers of the Church WOV Page 52  
The Lord's Prayer WOV Page 52  
Benediction & Dismissal  
Closing Hymn "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me" LBW Hymn # 333  
Postlude

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*Noisy coin offering will be collected Today.*

***We pray always for . . .***

*Bill Bohling, Luetta Bruns, Linda Daniels, Eric Fass,  
Eugene Rosenthal & Haleigh Werner*

***We also remember in our prayers . . .***

*Anna, Vanessa, Meshack & Evance, orphans we are sponsoring  
in Tanzania.*

***You may contact Pastor Helgren by calling 402-864-4201 (church)  
402-864-2113 (home) or 402-826-0613(cell)***

*Please put items for the bulletins & newsletter in the secretary's box in the  
south office. Church office email [grace68329@gmail.com](mailto:grace68329@gmail.com)*

**Today 4/30/23**

*Worship – 8:30 a.m.*

***Affirmation of Baptism – Prestin Thomas***

*Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.*

**Monday 5/1/23**

***Happy May Day!***

**Next Sunday 5/7/23**

*Graduating Senior Breakfast – 7:30 a.m.*

*Worship w/Communion – 8:30 a.m.*

*Graduation Recognition during Worship*

*Special Congregational Meeting to follow Worship*

*Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.*

We celebrate today with Prestin Thomas at the completion of his confirmation education. Today he will be received as full member at the Affirmation of Baptism. God bless Prestin!

***Special Congregational Meeting – May 7<sup>th</sup>***

*Church Council has requested a Special Congregational Meeting following Worship services on May 7<sup>th</sup>. This meeting will be to discuss the issues/concerns and repairs of the Stained glass windows.*

*If you would like to attend the Graduating Senior Breakfast on May 7<sup>th</sup>, please contact Sarah Purcell or Pastor, by Today, April 30<sup>th</sup>, so that we have a count for breakfast.*

**We will recognize our Grace Lutheran  
High School Graduates –**

**Eli Dorn, Tucker Drake, Braxton Walz & Aiden Weber**

**We thank Mark Wellsandt of Talmage** (Glen & Izma Seeba's grandson) for the final verse to **"Here I am Lord"** which remembers the Lord's love for all confirmation students on this special day. We use this verse by permission.

Next Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> is the Talmage Fire & Rescue Pancake Breakfast. They will be serving until 1:00 p.m. with a Free Will Donation.

### **BASKETS OF PROMISE**

*The Women of Grace are again sponsoring "Baskets of Promise" project for Lutheran World Relief.*

*For 5 weeks we will be collecting a different item that will be used to assemble the items for the Personal Care Kits. We will end the collection on Mother's Day as we honor these mothers by helping them ensure health for themselves and their families by being able to use these kits that we provide for them.*

*Bars of Soap (4-5 oz.) Any brand in the original wrapping.*

*Bath Towels (lightweight, maximum size 52" x 27", dark colors please)*

*April 30 – Toothbrushes, adult size*

*May 7 - Nail Clippers (Metal, attached file optional).*

*May 14 - **Mother's Day** - this will be the last Sunday of the gathering, so you can bring any of these items.*

*The above collection dates are suggestions. Items can be brought at any time & placed in the baskets at the back of the church.*

**Grace Lutheran Church  
Welcomes You!**



***By Grace you have been saved!***

***"We have decided to follow Jesus and  
There's no turning back!"***

## **Prestin Jansen Thomas**

His parents are Travis & Mikaela Thomas.

His baptism sponsors are Alicia & Patrick Brommer  
and Lisa & Bryce Cropp.

Faith Statement:

I believe God is the Father, son and Holy Spirit.

I believe God the Father is the creator of heaven and earth.

I believe God the Son died on the cross for us to forgive our sins

We become Holy through the faith that the Holy Spirit  
gives to us in Jesus.

I was baptized because my parents wanted me to be.

I am being confirmed because I want to live out what  
I learned about God.

I am attending this church because my mom made me and  
my pastor is the best.

Confirmation Verse: John 3:16

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only  
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