



## Grace at a Glance

### Binding of Isaac

September 19, 2021

Genesis 21:1-3, 22:1-14



Scripture Genesis 21:1-3, 22:1-14

<sup>1</sup>The Lord dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah as he had promised. <sup>2</sup>Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. <sup>3</sup>Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him.

**22** <sup>1</sup>After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."

<sup>2</sup>He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you."

<sup>3</sup>So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. <sup>4</sup>On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. <sup>5</sup>Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." <sup>6</sup>Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. <sup>7</sup>Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" <sup>8</sup>Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together. <sup>9</sup>When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. <sup>10</sup>Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son.

<sup>11</sup>But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." <sup>12</sup>He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me."

<sup>13</sup>And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. <sup>14</sup>So Abraham called that place "The Lord will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

### Prayer of the Day

God of radical love,

You prevented Abraham from sacrificing his son for you. You showed him that you don't need sacrifice to love or be loved. Remind us that you love us that deeply, too. Amen.



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### September Mission of the Month

The Mission of the month for September at Grace Lutheran Church is Face to Face. Face to Face is empowering young people experiencing homelessness by providing them with the critical support services they need.

Face to Face focuses on young people 11-24 years old. They serve an average of 3,000 youth each year. They started serving the community in 1972.

Face to Face is the only organization in Ramsey County providing the array of services that youth need. 3,000 youth rely on Face to Face for food, clothing, medical care, counseling, and much more each year. Face to Face relies on financial support from the community and values the time of their volunteers.

Please prayerfully consider making a donation to this organization serving our local young people during some of the most difficult times of their young lives showing them that they matter and are valued. Please use your blue multi-purpose envelope, mark mission of the month and place in the offering plate on Sunday morning or mail into the church office. Checks should be made payable to Grace. Thank you.

**This Sunday** we will be in the Sanctuary at 9:30 am again. Come join us!!

We have a new way to listen to our services as well. We now have a dedicated free phone line which you can call in and listen to the livestreaming worship services. So if you don't have a computer or would rather just listen, call in on 1-(833) 579 - 2830.

We will continue to post recordings of the services each week on our website and Facebook page. Stay tuned for more information as we go forward cautiously. We pray for everyone to stay safe and healthy during this time. Join us on the website or our Facebook page for worship and/or updates. **Your giving is still just as important to continuing our missions as always.** You can give electronically using the give button on the website ([www.gracelutheranstpaul.org](http://www.gracelutheranstpaul.org)), mail it in to the church (1730 Old Hudson Road, St. Paul 55106) or place in the offering at worship on Sunday in the parking lot. The office is still open regular hours for communication and bookkeeping. Feel free to call the church (651-774-9617) with any questions, prayers, or requests for help.

Items available if needed: Sig Johnson has a twin bed

Phyllis Acker has a folding bicycle

Please contact them if you are interested.

**As you do your shopping** at Amazon remember to go thru the **Amazon Smile** site to get the 0.5% donation! We are registered with Amazon smile as a charitable organization. These monies will be designated for Youth Trips. Here is our direct charity link:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/41-0871742>



### Monday, September 13- Sunday, September 19

<b>Monday, September 13</b>	10 am Missions Committee
	1:30 pm Business Mgmt Committee
<b>Tuesday, September 14</b>	6:00 pm Property Mgmt Comm.
	6:30 pm Community Conn. Comm.
	7:00 pm Worship Comm. (virtual)
<b>Wednesday, Sept. 15</b>	1:30 pm Hymn Planning (virtual)
<b>Sunday, September 19</b>	<b>9:30 am Worship in Sanctuary - Livestreamed and available online</b>

### church chuckles

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