

Grace at a Glance

Creation by the Word

September 12, 2021

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Rally Day!!



Scripture Genesis 1:1-2:4a

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

³Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." ²¹So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. ²⁵God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." ²⁷So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. ²⁸God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth."

²⁹God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so.

³¹God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

¹Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. ²And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

⁴These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Prayer of the Day

Creator God,

You have created us in your image. Teach us to create, build up, and contribute to this beautiful world you have made. Amen.



QR direct link to 'Give' feature on Grace website!



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 back in the Sanctuary. It will be Rally Day and we will be doing the 'normal' fall picnic outside as long as the weather plays along, otherwise we will be inside together as safely as possible. Come join us!! We have a new way to listen to our services as well. We now have a dedicated 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.

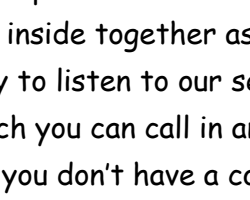
We will continue to post recordings of the services each week on our website and Facebook page. Stay tuned for more information as we go forward cautiously. We pray for everyone to stay safe and healthy during this time. Join us on the website or our Facebook page for worship and/or updates. **Your giving 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), 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 some shopping or errand help. We have members who are willing to help. Hopefully we will see each other on Sunday.

Items available if needed: Sig Johnson has a twin bed
Phyllis Acker has a folding bicycled
Please contact them if you are interested.

Many thanks from Pastor Craig Richter for all the cards and phone calls as he recovered from hip surgery. "You have been a source of hope and strength for me and I thank you."

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 6- Sunday, September 12

Monday, September 6 Office closed to observe holiday

Tuesday, September 7 Graveside service for Harriet Carson at Fort Snelling

Saturday, September 11 NO Men's Bible Study

Sunday, September 12 9:30 am Worship in Sanctuary -

Rally Day!

Livestreamed and available online

10:45am Picnic outside

Church Chuckles

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ARE YOU SURE ABOUT THIS, DAVID? ... HE'S GOT CHEERLEADERS!