

Grace at a Glance

God Calls Samuel

October 17, 2021

1 Samuel 3:1-21



Scripture 1 Samuel 3:1-21

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. ²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

¹¹Then the Lord said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever." ¹⁵Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." ¹⁷Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him."

¹⁹As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord. ²¹The Lord continued to appear at Shiloh, for the Lord revealed himself to Samuel at Shiloh by the word of the Lord.

Prayer of the Day

Lord whom we serve,

Samuel did not recognize your voice when you called, but he eventually obeyed. Teach us to know your voice and to respond, "Here I am!"

Amen.



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October Mission of the Month

The Mission of the month for October at Grace Lutheran Church is Sharing and Caring Hands. The guiding principle states that Sharing and Caring Hands is dedicated to the proposition that the community can make a difference in the lives of others through volunteerism, donation and commitment, and that this can be accomplished without creating an expensive bureaucracy that saps the resources necessary to carry out its vision and achieve its goals. S & C Hands serves over 157,000 meals each year to people in need. S&CH provide bathing facilities to people with no other access to take care of hygiene needs. They also provide dental care to low or no income children and adults.

Your generosity allows Sharing and Caring Hands to help thousands of individuals and families with emergency needs for health expenses, food, clothing, shoes, travel expenses, job related costs and much more. S&CH provides 3,300 beds to adults and children that would otherwise be sleeping on the floor. Mary's Place Transitional Shelter houses over 600 people each night of which 400 are children.

It is important to note that 91% of money donated goes to the needs of the poor. Please prayerfully consider making a donation to this organization reaching out in Christian love to our neighbors in need. Please use your blue multi-purpose envelope, mark mission of the month and place in the offering plate or mail to 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. See you then!

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.

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 help.

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:

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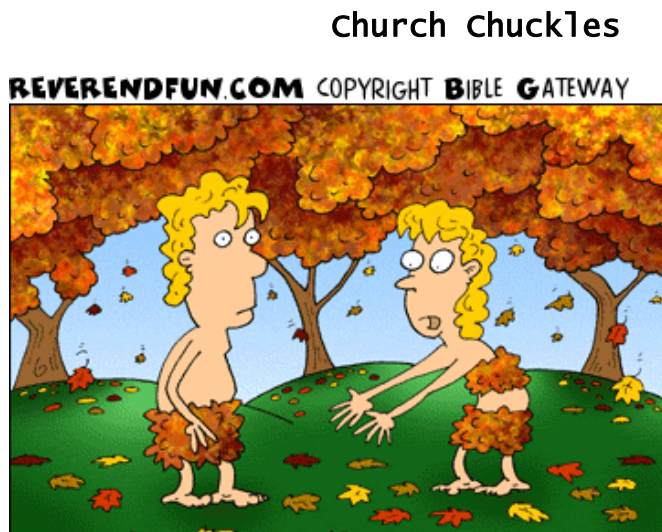


Monday, October 11 - Sunday, October 17

Monday, October 11	10 am Missions Committee
Tuesday, October 12	6:00 pm Property Mgmt Committee 6:30 pm Community Concerns Comm. 7:00 pm Worship Comm. (virtual)
Wednesday, October 13	6:30 pm Stewardship Committee
Thursday, October 14	11 am (tentative) Funeral for Larry Gebhard
Sunday, October 17	9:30 am Worship in Sanctuary - Livestreamed and available online

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