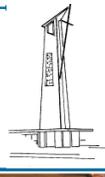


## Grace at a Glance

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1917-2017**Paul and Silas****Acts 16:16-34****May 8, 2022****Mother's Day****Scripture Acts 16:16-34**

<sup>16</sup>One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. <sup>17</sup>While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." <sup>18</sup>She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. <sup>19</sup>But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. <sup>20</sup>When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews <sup>21</sup>and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." <sup>22</sup>The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. <sup>23</sup>After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. <sup>24</sup>Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

<sup>25</sup>About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. <sup>26</sup>Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. <sup>27</sup>When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup>But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." <sup>29</sup>The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup>Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" <sup>31</sup>They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." <sup>32</sup>They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. <sup>33</sup>At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. <sup>34</sup>He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

**Prayer of the Day**

God of authenticity, When Paul and Silas healed a girl with a spirit of divination, they were beaten and thrown in jail for threatening her owner's livelihood.

They put the jailer's life before their own when they refused to escape. Help us to show our true selves to the world as Paul and Silas did. Amen.



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

**May Mission of the Month**

The Mission of the Month for May at Grace is Youth Link. Youth Link is a nonprofit in downtown Minneapolis that helps young people between the ages of 16 and 23 on their journey from homelessness to hopeful. Young people of all backgrounds, races, genders, and orientation are welcome. Youth Link is dedicated to helping stabilize and create futures for its clients.

Did you know that on any given night in Minnesota 4,000 young people will experience homelessness? For more than 40 years Youth Link has helped connect young people with a community of resources and support, whether it's basic needs like a hot shower or a warm meal, assistance with employment or educational goal, accessing mental and physical health resources or finding supportive housing. Youth Link helps young people at all stages of their journey.

Please prayerfully consider financially supporting this ministry. Your gift can really make a difference in the life of a young person at one of their very lowest points of their life and give them a future and most of all hope. Please use your blue multi-purpose envelope, mark mission of the month and place in the offering plate on Sunday morning or mail to the church office. Checks should be made payable to Grace Thank you.

**FREE** - One ticket to this Friday's concert, May 6, of the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra at 11 am is available in the church office. Sig Johnson and Arlene Satrom will be your companions. They ride the bus from the Sun Ray stop to the Ordway theater downtown. Join them by picking up the ticket in the office!

**This Saturday, May 7th, is Clean-up day at church.** Please join us to help with all the usual Spring chores both inside and out. We will be there between 9am and 1pm. There will be treats or bring some to share. Come for the whole time or for whatever time you have to offer. Bring whatever tools you think might be helpful; rakes, brooms, rags, etc.

**Camp Onomia** is looking for both High School graduates and College students to join their staff this summer. If you are or know somebody that might be interested, Contact Camp Onomia at [CampOnomia@gmail.com](mailto:CampOnomia@gmail.com)

**This Sunday is Mother's Day and we will gather at 9:30 am to worship in person.** The service will be livestreamed and recorded. See you there!

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. Please pass this number to your friends without computers.

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](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. The office hours are M-Thurs, 9:30-1:30. 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 2022 Youth Camp. Here is our direct charity link:

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

**Monday, May 2- Sunday, May 8****Wednesday, May 4** 5:30 pm Bells of Grace rehearsal

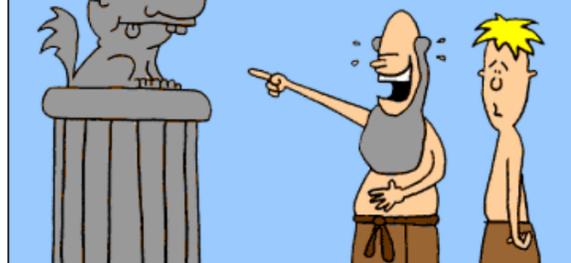
7 pm Sanctuary Choir rehearsal

**Thursday, May 5** 7 pm Grace Book Club**Saturday, May 7** **9-1** Spring Cleanup at Church

4:00 Memorial service for Phyllis (Wood) Celmer

**Sunday, May 8** **9:30 am Worship in Sanctuary -****10:30 Fellowship in the Tower Rooms****Livestreamed and available online****Phone in line** 1-(833) 579 -2830**Church Chuckles**

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(See Acts 17:16-34)

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WHEN PAUL CAME ACROSS THE FALSE GOD "DOOFUS" HE DECIDED TO USE A NEW METHOD TO GET THE PEOPLE TO STOP FOLLOWING HIM

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HE STARTS PRAYING FOR SPRING IN JANUARY ... BY FEBRUARY HE IS UP TO SIX PRAYERS PER DAY ... BY MARCH IT IS JUST PLAIN SCARY

...and by May it's way out of control!!!