



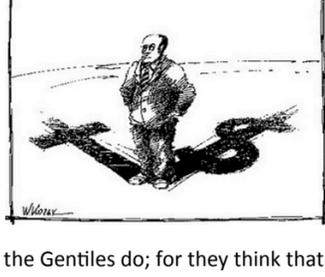
## Grace at a Glance

### Treasures in Heaven

**Matthew 6:7-34**

**January 29, 2023**

Scripture **Matthew 6:7-34**



<sup>7</sup>"When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do; for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. <sup>8</sup>Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

<sup>9</sup>"Pray then in this way: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. <sup>10</sup>Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. <sup>11</sup>Give us this day our daily bread. <sup>12</sup>And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. <sup>13</sup>And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one. <sup>14</sup>For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; <sup>15</sup>but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

<sup>16</sup>"And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. <sup>17</sup>But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, <sup>18</sup>so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

<sup>19</sup>"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; <sup>20</sup>but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consume and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

<sup>25</sup>"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup>Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? <sup>27</sup>And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? <sup>28</sup>And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, <sup>29</sup>yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. <sup>30</sup>But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? <sup>31</sup>Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' <sup>32</sup>For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. <sup>33</sup>But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. <sup>34</sup>"So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today."

### Prayer of the Day

Gracious God,

You invite us to come to you in prayer, and offer us a promise of your never-ending care. Give us the humility to ask only for what we need and to be grateful when we receive it. Amen.



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### January Mission of the Month

The Mission of the month at Grace Lutheran Church for January 2023 is The Dwelling Place. The Dwelling Place is a Christ-centered ministry providing healing and hope to victims of domestic abuse through supportive services and a safe, transitional place to call home.

Dwelling Place provides transitional housing, provision of basic daily needs, training, supportive services, education programs and mentoring. The Dwelling Place offers the precious gift of time needed for safety, healing, and personal development that equips women and children to live free of abuse.

Please prayerfully consider making a donation to this ministry. 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.

**This Sunday** we worship in the Sanctuary at Grace at 9:30 am. We will be having a 'noisy offering'. Bring your change and come see what it's all about! Sunday is also 'Pancakes and Puppets' so join us after worship in the Tower rooms for brunch and some puppet entertainment. We haven't been able to do this in person for a few years so let's celebrate!

We 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. We pray for everyone to stay safe and healthy.

**Your giving is very 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.

**Yes, it is a new year!** That means also that we have an Annual meeting coming up mid-February. All committee and leader annual reports were due in the office by January 16th along with any February InTouch articles. Electronic copies are preferred but hard copies will be accepted. If you haven't yet gotten yours to the office, please do so ASAP. Thank you!

**Amazon has recently made the decision to discontinue the Amazon Smiles program in favor of a different philanthropic direction. Thanks to all of you for participating in the Smiles program and making your shopping count while the program was active!**



### Monday, January 23, 2023- Sunday, January 29, 2023

**Monday, January 23** 6:00 pm EastSide Collaborative meeting at Our Redeemer Lutheran

**Wednesday, January 25** 6:00 pm Bells of Grace rehearsal  
7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir rehearsal

**Saturday, January 28** 8:30 am Men's Bible Study  
9:00 am 'Pancakes & Puppets' setup & rehearsal  
11:00 am Per Halaas' Ordination & Installation@ Christ the King in Bloomington 8600 Fremont Ave. S. All are welcome!

**Sunday, January 29** **9:30 am Worship**  
**Livestreamed and recorded**  
**Phone in line** 1-(833) 579 -2830

**10:30 am 'Pancakes & Puppets' brunch in the Tower rooms. Come join the fun!**

### Church Chuckles

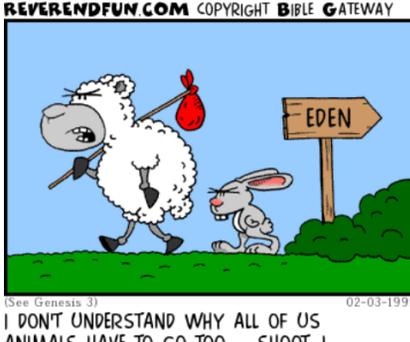
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(See Matthew 6:19-20) 01-04-1999

THE BIBLE SAYS THAT, IN HEAVEN,  
"NEITHER MOTH NOR RUST DOETH CORRUPT"  
... DO YOU THINK THAT MEANS THAT WE  
JUST WON'T HAVE THE URGE ANYMORE OR  
THAT WE WON'T BE ALLOWED IN?

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(See Genesis 3) 02-03-1999

I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY ALL OF US  
ANIMALS HAVE TO GO TOO ... SHOOT, I  
DON'T EVEN LIKE APPLES

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(See Joshua 6) 02-04-1999

YOUNG JOSHUA AT THE SNOWBALL BATTLE  
OF JERICHO