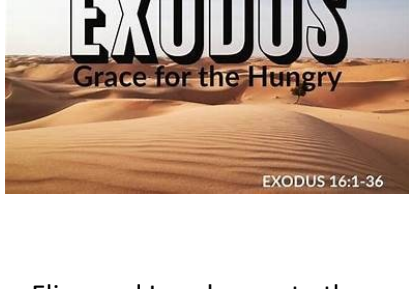


## Grace at a Glance

### God Provides Manna

**Exodus 16:1-18**

**Sunday, October 5, 2025**



#### Scripture Exodus 16:1-18

The whole congregation of the Israelites set out from Elim; and Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. <sup>2</sup>The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.” <sup>4</sup>Then the Lord said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. <sup>5</sup>On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.” <sup>6</sup>So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, “In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, <sup>7</sup>and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?” <sup>8</sup>And Moses said, “When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord.” <sup>9</sup>Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.’” <sup>10</sup>And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. <sup>11</sup>The Lord spoke to Moses and said, <sup>12</sup>“I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’”

<sup>13</sup>In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup>When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. <sup>15</sup>When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat. <sup>16</sup>This is what the Lord has commanded: ‘Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an omer to a person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents.’” <sup>17</sup>The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. <sup>18</sup>But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them needed.

#### Prayer of the Day

God of grace, You open your hand and fill us with all good things. Relieve us from our fears of scarcity, that we might trust in your provision for us, and share generously out of what you have given, that all the world might flourish. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.



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



#### SEPTEMBER MISSION OF THE MONTH

The Mission of the Month at Grace for September is Houses for Haiti. Houses for Haiti is a non-profit organization founded by 2 St. Paul sisters in 2002 which builds homes in Cite Soleil, Haiti. This is the poorest slum in the Western Hemisphere. The living conditions for the estimated 200-400 thousand residents are deplorable.

With your generous donations, HFH is able to help these people secure their lives by providing them with a stable home outside the walls of Cite Soleil. The protection of four sturdy walls is one of the greatest gifts in life that most of us take for granted. HFH have built 42 homes to date. 99% of all donations are used for the building of houses. The other 1% is administrative costs. They are an all-volunteer organization.

Please prayerfully consider making a donation to this wonderful ministry which reaches out to some of the poorest of God's children and improves their lives. Please use your blue multi-purpose envelope, mark mission of the month and place in the offering or mail to the church office. Checks should be made payable to Grace. Thank you.

**This Sunday we worship at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary.**

**Confidential Prayer Link:** <https://forms.gle/oCUEbVJ6CkmdD3nB6>

We have established a confidential prayer email that we have added to our website which can be used by anyone wishing for prayers. This can be made available to just the pastor, the pastor and the prayer chain, OR the pastor, the prayer chain, and the congregation as you choose. Please feel free to test it out. This is just one more way you can access our pastor and/or the prayer team.

**We have discontinued the phone access to worship services as it was not being used. Our apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.**

**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.fyi](http://www.gracelutheranstpaul.fyi)), 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.

Upcoming: **October 12th - Chili Cookoff after worship! Come and taste the best from our chili chefs! Sides and dessert will be provided . The cost for tasting/judging or just eating is \$10. Funds to be used to finance a family at Christmas!**

**October 19th - 5-7 pm - You are invited to a ‘fun for all ages’ Spooky Fall party at the church! Free entry (donations of non-perishable food items for North Saint Paul Food shelf are welcomed). Carnival Games, Treats, Story Teller, Costumes and Fall Themed Movies. ALSO, Spooky Organ Music!**



**Monday, September 29– Sunday, October 5, 2025**

<b>Tuesday, September 30</b>	12-2 pm Customized Options*
	7-9 pm Iglesias de Dios*
<b>Wednesday, October 1</b>	10-12 Coffee and Conversation
	5:30 pm Bell rehearsal
	7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir rehearsal
<b>Thursday, October 2</b>	7 pm Grace Book Club (virtual)
<b>Friday, October 3</b>	7-9 pm Iglesias de Dios*
<b>Sunday, October 5</b>	<b>9:30 am Worship</b>
	<b>Live streamed and recorded</b>
	<b>10:30am Fellowship &amp; Sunday School</b>
	12-3 pm Iglesias de Dios*

\* outside group using facilities



Grace Lutheran Church had its beginning as a mission project in the Hazel Park area of St. Paul on March 12, 1916, and a basement cornerstone laying was observed on November 26, 1916. Twenty-six members organized as Grace English Evangelical Lutheran Church on April 23, 1917.

With a growing membership, the congregation resolved on May 11, 1919, to build the superstructure of the church. The first services were held in the new church on Palm Sunday in 1920, with the dedication on July 25, 1920. The parsonage was completed in 1925.

#### Church Chuckles

The owner of a bed-and-breakfast wanted to name his three available rooms after the Gospels. Not knowing which names to pick, he finally decided upon Matthew, Mark, and Luke. *Now, he thought to himself, if I could only come up with a name for the bathroom.*

*Asked what she had learned during the service, little Jane replied, "A Christian should have only one spouse. This is called monotony."*

A little-known Bible story tells why the first man stopped sharing every thought and feeling with his wife.

One day in the garden, Eve turned to Adam and asked, “Does this fig leaf make me look fat?” Adam, not knowing any better, gave her an honest answer. Eve got depressed and reached for the nearest available food — an apple — and the rest...well, the rest is history.