### Grace at a Glance



FOR I KNOW THE PLANS I HAVE FOR YOU DECLARES THE LORD. PLANS TO PROSPER YOU, AND NOT TO HARM YOU. PLANS TO

GIVE YOU A FUTURE, AND A HOPE

LUTHERAN 108 YEARS 1917-2025

JEREMIAH 29:11

## Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14 Sunday, November 23, 2025 Christ the King Sunday

Jeremiah's Letter to the Exiles

# Scripture Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14

prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. <sup>4</sup>Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: 5Build houses and live in them;

Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the

These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from

plant gardens and eat what they produce. <sup>6</sup>Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. <sup>7</sup>But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. <sup>8</sup>For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let the prophets and the diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream, <sup>9</sup> for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my

name; I did not send them, says the Lord. <sup>10</sup>For thus says the Lord: Only when Babylon's seventy years are completed will I visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place. "For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. 12 Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. 13When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, 14I will let you find me, says the Lord, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, says the Lord, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile. Prayer of the Day

Consoling God, often we find ourselves dissatisfied with where we are in life, questioning our past and our future, unsure whether this is your

plan for us. Grant us patience to accept the present, wisdom to

discern your will, and courage to carry it out. In all things, help us to

#### trust that you are our guide, and will lead us home. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



### water wells to animal husbandry, your gifts to ELCA World Hunger make it possible for the ELCA to respond supporting sustainable solutions that get

to the root causes of hunger and poverty.

of the ELCA, we are called to respond. From health clinics to microloans,

Nearly 1 in 10 - 733 million - in our world are hungry. As members

As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving with lavish and bountiful

dinner celebrations, please take a moment to examine how you would like to share with those less fortunate and reach out in Christian love to our neighbors in need across the street and around the world. Please use your blue multi-purpose envelope, mark mission of the month and place in the church 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.

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

774-9617) with any questions, prayers, or requests for help.

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), mail it in to the church (1730 Old Hudson Road, St. Paul 55106) or place in the offering at worship on Sunday.

Confidential Prayer Link: <a href="https://forms.gle/oCUEbVJ6CkmdD3nB6">https://forms.gle/oCUEbVJ6CkmdD3nB6</a> 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

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

Nov. 25 7pm Thanksgiving Service will be held at Arlington Hills Upcoming: Lutheran Church, 1115 Greenbrier St. Joint Choir will rehearse at 6 pm.

The office hours are M-Thurs, 9:30-1:30. Feel free to call the church (651-

"Remind me never to ask the Youth Group to help fold the church bulleting again."

CHURCH OF THE COVERED DISH by Thom Tapp

'Its from our church... we've been called up for active duty." Could you leave the bubble wrap alone for five seconds and look at these ?! pop! pop pop! pop poppity As Stuart tidied up the kitchen after dinner, he

Thanksgiving Day - Office will be closed. Nov. 27 Monday, November 17 - Sunday, November 23, 2025 6:30 pm Council with Zoom option **Tuesday, November 18** 7-9 pm Iglesias de Dios\* Wednesday, November 19 10-12 Coffee and Conversation 5:30 pm Bell rehearsal 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir rehearsal 7-9 pm Iglesias de Dios\* Friday, November 21 Saturday, November 22 8:15 am Men's Bible Study (virtual) **Sunday, November 23** 9:30 am Worship Live streamed and recorded 10:45 am Fellowship 10:45 am Sunday School 12-3 pm Iglesias de Dios\* \*outside group using facilities Church Chuckles

Cindy, Jesus is out there to watch over you." Cindy went over to the back door, opened it a

please." Cindy was scared of the dark and reminded her dad she was afraid of the dark. "Don't worry,

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