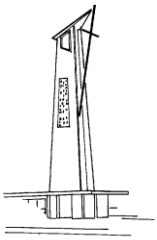
Grace Lutheran Church

Grace At A Glance



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Elisha Heals Naaman
2 Kings 5:1-19
November 8, 2026

Scripture 2 Kings 5:1-19

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. [2]Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. [3]She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." [4]So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. [5]And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel." He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. [6]He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." [7]When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to

me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." [8]But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel."

[9]So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. [10]Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." [11]But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! [12]Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. [13]But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" [14]So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

[15]Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel; please accept a present from your servant."

[16]But he said, "As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing!" He urged him to accept, but he refused. [17]Then Naaman said, "If not, please let two mule-loads of earth be given to your servant; for your servant will no longer offer burnt-offering or sacrifice to any god except the Lord. [18]But may the Lord pardon your servant on one count:

when my master goes into the house of Rimmon to worship there, leaning on my arm, and I bow down in the house of Rimmon, when I do bow down in the house of Rimmon, may the Lord pardon your servant on this one count." [19]He said to him, "Go in peace."

Prayer of the Day

Loving God, as Elisha crossed boundaries to heal a man from another nation, so let us cross and break down boundaries to bring healing and wholeness to our neighbors regardless of our preconceived notions of who they are. Open our hearts, minds, and spirits that we cannot help but pour out your love on all creation. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

NOVEMBER MISSION OF THE MONTH

The Mission of the Month for November at Grace is **ELCA World Hunger**. Every year your gifts make it possible for ELCA World Hunger to respond strategically and help people living with hunger and poverty in more than 60 countries around the world and the U.S. In 2025, combined support for ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response exceeded $36 million.

Nearly 1 in 20 - 733 million - in our world are hungry. As members of the ELCA, we are called to respond. From health clinics to microloans, 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.

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.

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 continue to livestream and post recordings of the services each week on our website and Facebook page as well as on our You Tube channel. 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), 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: NO Rehearsals on 11/4

11/8 9:30 am Worship
10:45 am Fellowship & SS
11/15 10:45 am Annual Meeting Part I



Monday, November 2 - Sunday, November 8, 2026

Tuesday, November 3	**Election Day!! Make sure you vote!** 12-2 pm Customized Options* 7-9 pm Iglesias de Dios*
Wednesday, November 4	10-12 Coffee & Conversation No Rehearsals
Thursday, November 5	7 pm Grace Book Club (virtual)
Friday, November 6	10-2 Memorial Service for Butch Nelson 7-9 pm Iglesias de Dios*
Sunday, November 8	**9:30 am Worship** **Live streamed to Facebook and recorded.** **10:45 am Fellowship & SS** 12-3 pm Iglesias de Dios*

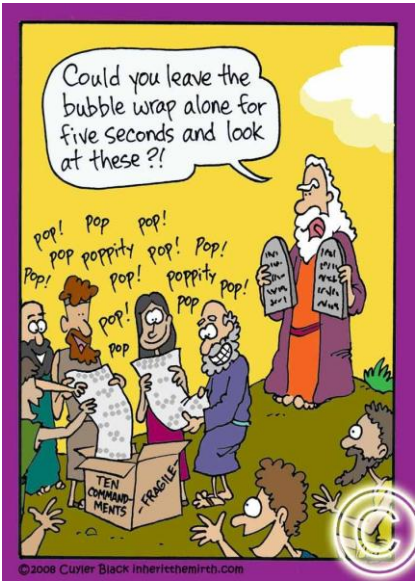
*outside group using facilities

Our Boy Scout Troop will be selling popcorn as a fundraising project this fall. They will be at church before and after worship on November 8th so that you can get yours!



Church Chuckles





Questions or comments? Email us at gracelutheranstpaul@gmail.com or call 651-774-9617