# Children's Sermon: Nicole Wananda

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# Song of the Day & Offering:

Offerings will be collected during the hymn of the day. Thank you also to those who give online. If you'd like to sign up for online giving please visit http://www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving.html.

# "Amazing Grace"

- Vs 1: Amazing grace! How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; Was blind, but now I see.
- Vs 2: 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed!
- Vs 3: Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come; 'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
- Vs 4: The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures; He will my Shield and Portion be, As long as life endures.
- Vs 5: When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.

# **Offertory Response:** "*Give Thanks*" (ushers bring offerings forward)

Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One. Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son. And now let the weak say, "I am strong". Let the poor say, "I am rich Because of what the Lord has done for us". Give thanks.

# **Offertory Prayer:**

P: Let us pray.

C: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, & our possessions. Use us, & what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior & Lord Amen.

#### Statement of Faith: "In Christ Alone" (please stand as you are able)

- Vs 1: In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song; this Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace when fears are stilled, when strivings cease. My Comforter, my All in All; here in the love of Christ I stand.
- Vs 2: In Christ alone who took on flesh fullness of God in helpless Babe This gift of Love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save. Til on the cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied. For every sin on Him was laid here in the death of Christ I live.
- Vs 3: No guilt in life, no fear in death; this is the power of Christ in me. From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand. 'Til he returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

# **The Prayers:** (call and response)

Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need. A brief silence. Reignite the prayer of the church. By your Spirit, root your church around the globe in prayer and spiritual practices. Merciful God, hear our prayer.

We rely on the goodness of your creation in everything we do. We pray for trees that offer shade and for our fellow creatures that depend on the trees for shelter and food. Sustain the work of all who advocate for forests and wilderness areas. Merciful God, hear our prayer.

Guide our leaders and nations with a spirit of justice and mercy. Let no evil come out of our mouths, but rather let us extend grace. We pray for our enemies. Merciful God, hear our prayer.

Sustain feeding ministries and organizations such as ELCA World Hunger and our local food pantries. We work and pray for a day when hunger is no more. Merciful God, hear our prayer.

We pray for this congregation and for all who are gathered. Be present among anyone who cannot be with us today. Be with all who are hurting, grieving, or ill especially for Keith Brown, Jan Benidt, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Shawn Fredrixon, Marc Bode, Julie Marklevits, Harlan Reese, Beth Carlson, Gage Miller, Alex Stehr, Maria Starr Quiggle, Perry Fitzgerald, Tanya Bakken, Lorraine Hinsch, Jeff Ferkinhoff, Betty Johnson, Diane Krenke, and the family of Nancy Nord. Merciful God, hear our prayer.

We remember the saints who have gone before us in faith. Trusting in the promise of the resurrection, we find hope in your communion of saints of all times and all places. Merciful God, hear our prayer.

We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping. Amen.

- kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.
- May the Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. Amen.
- Sending Hymns: "Go My Children With My Blessing"
  - In My love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever. Go, My children with My blessing, you are My own.
  - Here you heard My dear Son's story, Here you touched Him, saw His glory. Go, My children, sins forgiven, at peace & pure.
  - Here My Spirit's power filled you, here His tender comfort stilled you. Go, My children, fed & nourished, joyful & free.
- Dismissal: P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

New to St. Luke? Welcome! We're glad you're here! St. Luke is a church of hope and help and we welcome all. Interested in membership or learning more about St. Luke? Contact Pastor Eric by email: anspachh2002@gmail.com or our office email: office@stlukegoodhue.org or phone: 651-998-7106

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Lord's Prayer: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the

**Blessing:** P: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

Vs 1: Go, My children, with My blessing, never alone; Walking, sleeping, I am with you, you are My own.

Vs 2: Go, My children, sins forgiven, at peace & pure. Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.

Vs 3: Go, My children, fed & nourished, closer to Me; Grow in love & love by serving, joyful & free.

# St. Luke Announcements

**Online Giving:** Interested in signing up for online giving or making a one time donation? Scan this QR code with your smartphone or visit https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZHX5 for a direct link to St. Luke Church's secure giving site.



Zion Church Summer Worship: Join us for worship at Zion at 7pm on Wednesday evenings through August 21st. Our sermon series for this summer is entitled "Following Jesus in Different Seasons." We'll talk about how we follow Jesus through times of joy, pain, doubt, trust, virtue, sin, and more. 18910 360th St. Goodhue

August Council Meeting: The church council will meet on August 19th at 7pm. Starting in September the council meetings will again be back to the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm.

Contemporary Band Practice: Every Wednesday evening at 5:30pm there will be Contemporary Band practice at St. Luke Church. If you have a talent and would like to join us please come join practice at anytime! Contact Debbi St. John or the church office with questions.

2024 Confirmation Parents' Meeting: There is a mandatory confirmation parents' meeting on August 18th after worship in the fellowship hall for 7th and 8th grade families participating in confirmation this fall. Please let Pr. Eric know if you cannot attend.

**Choir Workshop:** All are invited to a workshop to learn about and work on some beautiful choral pieces. The workshop will be at St. Luke Church on Saturday, August 24, 2024 from 9-3pm. If you would like details about that day or have questions contact Debbi St. John or the church office.

Take a Pew & Help Move Chairs: On Sunday, August 18th after worship we'll move our remaining chairs into the sanctuary. St. Luke families who signed up to take a pew may do so free of charge but free will donations are invited that will go toward our Forward In Faith Building Fund. One pew will be allotted per household at this time. On August 18th, recipients of the pews are responsible for transportation of pews from church to home. People will be on hand to help carry pews to vehicles from 11am to 1pm on August 18th.

Sunday school volunteers needed: It feels much too early to be thinking about back to school preparations, but here we are - almost August! Sunday school starts September 15th and we are looking for people who'd like to volunteer as Sunday school teachers. We will be doing year 3 of our Bible Builds curriculum, and we are hoping to have 2 teachers per class to allow for more scheduling flexibility. If you'd like to learn more about what this could look like for you, please contact Nicole Wananda.

Rally Sunday at Rosie Park: Sunday, September 8th is Rally Sunday at St. Luke this year. This is the beginning of our Sunday school year and our Blessing of the Backpacks Sunday. This year we'll be at Rosie Park again for an 8:30am potluck breakfast, followed by our Rally Sunday worship service at 9:30am in the park (weather permitting). Kids, don't forget your backpacks, and everybody, bring a blanket or lawn chair to sit on. After the worship service we'll have some time for Sunday school kids to meet their Sunday school teachers and we'll enjoy some time for games and fellowship. Join us and bring a friend!

All Congregation Edu-Worship/Confirmation Start: Edu-Worship/Confirmation will start on Sept. 11th with a pizza dinner served to confirmation students each Wednesday (unless noted) at 5:30pm before 6:45pm Edu-Worship. All are welcome to join us for Edu-Worship every Wednesday (unless noted) at 6:45pm.

SWAG 9-12th Graders: SWAG group will begin on Wednesday evenings starting on September 11th from 7:30-8:30pm, with an optional meal at 6:45pm.

Bible Sunday: On September 15th our incoming 3yr old PreK, 3rd, & 7th graders will be receiving Bibles during worship. Save the date!

Acolyte training - 5th Graders: Acolyte training for 5th graders and their families will be after worship on September 22nd. At least one parent is required to attend.

Snacks Needed: Every Sunday we like to offer the Sunday school kids a light snack, typically either goldfish crackers or animal crackers. We are currently seeking donations. Snacks can be labeled and dropped off in the kitchen. Thank you for your support.

Lego Drive: We are using year 3 of our Bible Builds Sunday School curriculum. Each week the kids will watch a Bible story video and then create a scene from the story using legos. Please join us in collecting Legos for the kids. And really, we'll take as MANY as we can get!!! Donations can be dropped off at church. Thank you!

Moving with the Spirit: Finding wholeness in mind, body, and spirit through movement and breath work. Saturday, September 28 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. (Registration begins at 8:40 a.m.). Facilitated by Maggie Voth, Kris Luhman, and Kristin Diercks. Ladies, join us for a morning of discovering and learning about what God has to say about our bodies, how we can appreciate and love our bodies, and how we can best use them in the kingdom to carry out God's work He has for us. We will be moving our bodies, practicing breath work, and receiving guidance on how to implement these things into our lives. Wear comfortable clothes that you can exercise/move in. All fitness levels welcome - we will have options/modifications! Please bring an exercise mat if you have one.



# Guest Speaker Nicole Wananda • 7:00PM • August 14, 2024

Prelude Pianist, Debbi St. John

Welcome & Announcements

**Greeting:** (please stand as you are able)

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God C: Come Holy Spirit, Come!

# **Confession and Forgiveness:**

- and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Most merciful God,
- will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- Father, Son +, and Holy Spirit, give you the power to live in His Grace. C: Amen.

**Opening Song:** *"This Is My Fathers World"* (please stand as you are able)

- Vs. 1: This is my Father's world, And to my listening ears All nature sings, and round me rings The music of the spheres. This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas-- His hand the wonders wrought.
- Vs. 2: This is my Father's world: The birds their carols raise, The morning light, the lily white, Declare their Maker's praise. This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair; In the rustling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me everywhere.
- God is the Ruler yet. This is my Father's world: Why should my heart be sad? The Lord is King: let the heavens ring! God reigns; let the earth be glad!

# Preaching Text: 1 Kings 19:1-9 (you may be seated)

<sup>1</sup>Now Ahab told Jezebel everything Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. <sup>2</sup>So Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah to say, "May the gods deal with me, be it ever so severely, if by this time tomorrow I do not make your life like that of one of them." <sup>3</sup>Elijah was afraid[a] and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there, <sup>4</sup> while he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness. He came to a broom bush, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. "I have had enough, Lord," he said. "Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors." <sup>5</sup> Then he lay down under the bush and fell asleep. All at once an angel touched him and said, "Get up and eat." <sup>6</sup>He looked around, and there by his head was some bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. <sup>7</sup> The angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, "Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you." 8So he got up and ate and drank. Strengthened by that food, he traveled forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.<sup>9</sup>There he went into a cave and spent the night.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness,

C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your

P: God, who is rich in mercy, forgives us all our sins. By grace you have been saved. May Almighty God,

Vs. 3: This is my Father's world: Oh let me not forget that, though the wrong seems oft so strong,