



Grace at a Glance

Zacchaeus

Luke 18:31-19:10

Sunday, April 6, 2025



Scripture Luke 18:31-19:10

³¹Then he took the twelve aside and said to them, “See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. ³²For he will be handed over to the Gentiles; and he will be mocked and insulted and spat upon. ³³After they have flogged him, they will kill him, and on the third day he will rise again.” ³⁴But they understood nothing about all these things; in fact, what he said was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said. ³⁵As he approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. ³⁶When he heard a crowd going by, he asked what was happening. ³⁷They told him, “Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.” ³⁸Then he shouted, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” ³⁹Those who were in front sternly ordered him to be quiet; but he shouted even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁰Jesus stood still and ordered the man to be brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him, ⁴¹“What do you want me to do for you?” He said, “Lord, let me see again.” ⁴²Jesus said to him, “Receive your sight; your faith has saved you.” ⁴³Immediately he regained his sight and followed him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, praised God. He entered Jericho and was passing through it. ²A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. ⁴So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. ⁵When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.” ⁶So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. ⁷All who saw it began to grumble and said, “He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.” ⁸Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, “Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.” ⁹Then Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.”

Prayer of the Day

Holy God, You know the longing of our hearts to be in relationship with you, despite living as though we do not need you. Have mercy on us. Call us into your presence. Heal us, renew us, and lead us in the new life that only you can provide. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



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



APRIL MISSION OF THE MONTH

The Mission of the Month for April at Grace is International Rescue Committee. The IRC is a global humanitarian aid, relief, and developmental organization.

For over 90 years IRC has provided humanitarian aid and long term support to people affected by conflict, disaster, and displacement. The IRC works in countries where people don't have the support they need to recover from crisis. The IRC helps people survive, recover and rebuild. Today IRC works in 40+ countries to deliver lifesaving emergency relief and to help people rebuild.

Please prayerfully consider making a donation to this organization which reaches out to God's people in need in many areas around the world and makes a difference in their lives. Please use your blue multi-purpose envelope, mark mission of the month and place in the offering plate 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 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. We are working on improving the quality of this experience. 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.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: **April 2 Midweek soup supper & worship- 5:45 pm & 6:30 pm**

April 13 Palm Sunday Brunch - Tickets on sale now.

Sound & Video System - The upgrade in the Tower rooms is complete and the new system in the Sanctuary has been installed!! We are currently at **\$24,955.00** including the SGM gifts. Please label any gifts for the Sound System so that they get to the right place. Thank you!! (Total cost of the Sound System was \$86,981.48)



Monday, March 31 – Sunday, April 6, 2025

Wednesday, April 2 10-12 - Coffee and Conversation

5:45 pm Soup Supper

6:30 pm Midweek Worship

Thursday, April 3 7:00 pm Grace Book Club

Sunday, April 6 **9:30 am Worship-**

Live streamed and recorded

Phone in line 1-(833) 579 -2830

10:45 am Fellowship hour

10:45 am Sunday School

Sunday School question of the week -

Why was Jesus coming to Jerusalem on Palm Sunday?

Answer from last week: . Going to church. singing and listening to Christian music, reading scriptures, having gratitude, serving others, spending time in nature and appreciating God's creation, learning about Jesus, loving and caring for others, forgiveness, being generous, spreading the good news, and praying.

What other ways can you think of to worship God?

Church Chuckles

