

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

August 18, 2019

**“A Community of Servants Sharing in the
Word and Work of Jesus”**

Holy Communion

(Based on Bread of Life, Setting V - With One Voice)

Congregational responses are in bold print

*Welcome to Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church! There are four key parts to our Worship Service: we **GATHER** before our God to prepare to worship, and bring ourselves and all that we are before God. Then we hear the **WORD** of God; we share the four Bible Readings with at least one billion other Christians around the world each Sunday! And we hear that word proclaimed through the Sermon, confess our faith in the God whose Grace we hear about in the Word, and offer our prayers to God, for the sake of the Church, the World, and each other in our needs and joys. We then share in the **MEAL** of Holy Communion, offering ourselves and what we have to God, and then discovering God's love and forgiveness as we receive Christ's Body and Blood through the bread and wine. Finally we are **SENT**, the shortest but perhaps most important part of worship, because it is *THEN* that we live out our Faith and what we believe about God's Grace and Love, and how it makes us a blessing in this world as we share it.*

*During worship, you'll notice parts of the service in regular type, which are spoken/prayed by various worship leaders. Then there are parts the you and the rest of the congregation respond and/or pray in **bold type**. All of us are participants as we worship God! When asked to **stand**, please do so as you are able. As Jesus welcomed all in the crowds who gathered around him, so he welcomes us.*

Gathering

Gloria Patri:

Congregation and Choir Sing

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: "Faith of Our Fathers"

Hemy/Alexander

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.

Blessed be the Father, ✝ the Son, and the Holy Spirit, one God, who forgives all our sins, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another, and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us ✝ all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. For freedom Christ has set us free: Rejoice in this good news!

Amen.

The congregation stands

Gathering Song: *"Faith of Our Fathers*

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Faith of Our Fathers

1 Faith of our fa - thers, liv - ing still in spite of dun - geon,
 2 Faith of our moth - ers, dar - ing faith, your work for Christ is
 3 Faith of our sis - ters, broth - ers too, who still must bear op -
 4 Faith born of God, oh, call us yet, bind us with all who

fire, and sword. Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy
 love re - vealed, spread - ing God's word from pole to pole,
 pres - sion's might, rais - ing on high, in pris - ons dark,
 fol - low you, shar - ing the strug - gle of your cross

Refrain

when-e'er we hear that glo - rious word. Faith of our fa - thers,
 mak - ing love known and free - dom real. Faith of our moth - ers,
 the cross of Christ still burn - ing bright. Faith for to - day, O
 un - til the world is made a - new. Faith born of God, O

ho - ly faith, we will be true to you till death.
 ho - ly faith, we will be true to you till death.
 liv - ing faith, we will be true to you till death.
 liv - ing faith, we will be true to you till death.

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Greeting

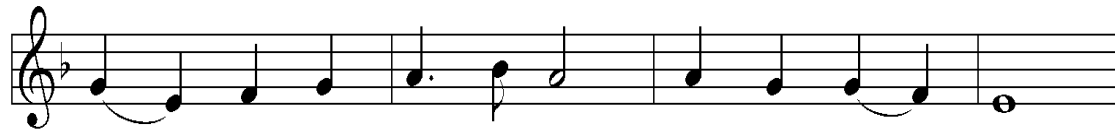
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **G** Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy:



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:

HYMN OF PRAISE

The Hymn of Praise or another appropriate hymn may be sung.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



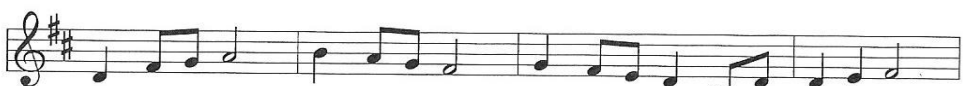
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



① Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



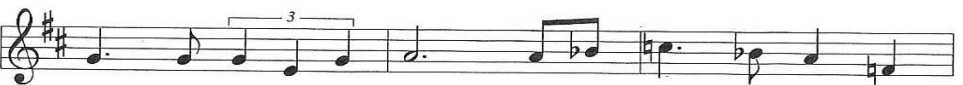
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



② Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



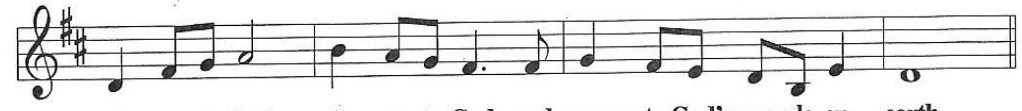
world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



I For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
II



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,



and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Prayer of the Day

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Let us pray.

O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The congregation is seated.

Word

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:23-29

A reading from Jeremiah:

²³Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? ²⁴Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. ²⁵I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" ²⁶How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? ²⁷They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. ²⁸Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. ²⁹Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 82

The Psalm for the day is spoken responsively by whole verse between the assisting minister and congregation.

¹God stands to charge the divine council assembled,
giving judgment in the midst of the gods:

²**“How long will you judge unjustly,
and show favor to the wicked?”**

³Save the weak and the orphan;
defend the humble and needy;

⁴**rescue the weak and the poor;
deliver them from the power of the wicked.**

⁵They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander about in darkness;
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

⁶**Now I say to you, ‘You are gods,
and all of you children of the Most High;**

⁷nevertheless, you shall die like mortals,
and fall like any prince.’”

⁸**Arise, O God, and rule the earth,
for you shall take all nations for your own.**

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:29--12:2

A reading from Hebrews:

²⁹By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

³²And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—³³who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵Women received their dead by resurrection. Others

Continued

were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—³⁸of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

^{12:1}Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



*The congregation **stands** to welcome the gospel.*

Gospel: Luke 12:49-56

The holy gospel according to St. Luke:

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ⁴⁹“I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵²From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³they will be divided:

father against son
and son against father,
mother against daughter
and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation is seated.

Children’s Sermon

Pastor Paul Pingel

NOTE: The Nursery is available for children age 5 and under as the Worship Service begins. Children under 5 will have the Nursery available throughout the Worship Service. (As always, parents may choose to have their children remain with them in worship.)

Sermon

Pastor Paul Pingel

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

*The congregation **stands** to proclaim the word of God in song.*

Hymn of the Day: “What Wondrous Love Is This”

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What Wondrous Love Is This

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when
 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and

won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this
 I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when I was sink - ing down
 God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb,
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,

that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my
 be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my
 who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
 I'll sing God's love for me, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?
 soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.
 sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.
 on, I'll sing on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Text: North American folk hymn, 19th cent., alt.
 Music: WONDROUS LOVE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; arr. Paul J. Christiansen, 1914–1997, alt.
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Apostles' Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Treasuring your promise to hear us when we call, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of your creation.

A brief silence.

Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

All these things and more we ask in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ, by the power of your Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, saying, "Peace be with you".

The congregation is seated.

Meal

Offering

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.
Please place visitor cards and communion cards in the offering plate.*

Offertory: "You Are My All in All"

Jernigan/Tornquist

*The congregation **stands***

Offering Song: Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
Lord, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, for greening the earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise

Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on five staves of music. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are printed below the notes. The first staff includes a common time signature 'C'. The music features various note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, with some notes beamed together. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Thanksgiving at the Table

We give you thanks, Almighty God, through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, whom you sent in this end of the ages to save and redeem us and to proclaim to us your will.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Send your Spirit upon these gifts of your church; gather into one all who share this bread and wine; fill us with your Holy Spirit to establish our faith in truth, that we may praise and glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ; through whom all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, both now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen**

Invitation to Communion

God invites you to this table of bounty. Come, the banquet is ready.

Thanks be to God.

The congregation may be seated.

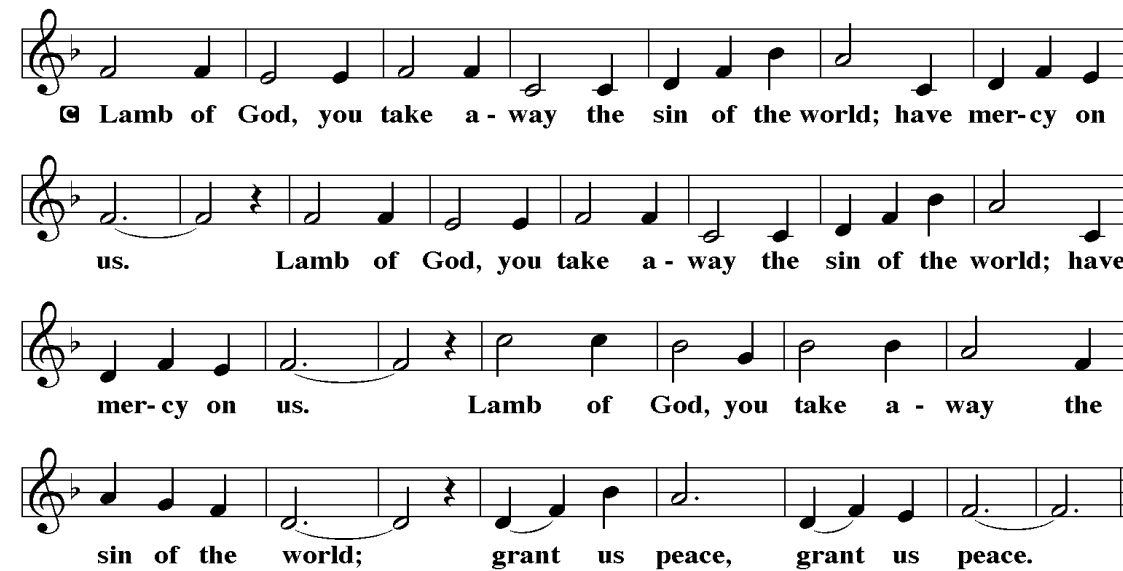
Holy Communion

OUR LORD BIDS YOU WELCOME TO THIS HOLY MEAL! At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. Here we receive Christ's body and blood and God's gifts of forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation to be received by faith for the strengthening of faith. In this Sacrament, the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. This real presence is a mystery. Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord — regardless of Church denomination — to those who are baptized. (Taken from the ELCA statement on worship. The Use and Means of Grace ©1997)

Communion Distribution: *One communion team will serve the left side of the nave; another team will serve those on the right. You are invited to come to the altar by the center aisle; take an empty individual glass (or filled grape juice glass) available at the railing, and proceed to the railing, filling in from the center out toward the side aisle. As you receive the bread and wine, the following is announced:*

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.



☒ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

There will be a time of silence as the choir comes down for Holy Communion. Please use this time for prayer and preparation, then join in the singing of the hymns...

Communion Hymns:

"We Come to the Hungry Feast"

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"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

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"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

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We Come to the Hungry Feast



1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943
Music: HUNGRY FEAST, Ray Makeever
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My Faith Looks Up to Thee

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,
3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a - round me spread,
4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream

Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my
be thou my guide; bid dark - ness turn to day, wipe sor - row's
shall o'er me roll; blest Sav - ior, then, in love fear and dis -

guilt a - way, oh, let me from this day be whol - ly thine!
love to thee pure, warm, and change-less be, a liv - ing fire!
tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.
trust re-move; oh, bear me safe a - bove, a ran - somed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-1887
Music: OLIVET, Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
 2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to
 3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to

fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
 look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous - ness,
 be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with

light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
 shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The night and the

day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the

cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Text: Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934
 Music: HOUSTON, Kathleen Thomerson
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After all have returned to their places, the congregation stands.

The Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Amen.

Sending

Blessing

Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the Father, the ✙ Son, and the Holy Spirit, one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.

Amen.

Sending Song: *“Rise Up, O Saints of God!”*

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Christ is sending you.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *“He Is Exalted”*

Paris/Keveren

Rise Up, O Saints of God!

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The score consists of two systems. The first system contains five verses of lyrics. The second system contains the concluding lines of the hymn. The piano accompaniment is written in the bass clef, providing harmonic support for the vocal parts.

1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;
2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulfs earth's frame;
3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king - dom's task em - brace;
4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;
5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;

Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.
as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.
re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.
stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.
and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

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Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825-1893
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Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today

Assisting Minister:	<i>Ron Almarode</i>
Communion Assistants:	<i>Lily Pingel and Linda Meyer</i>
Ushers:	<i>Ron Knicely, Dwight Moomaw, Robert Shaw</i>
Offering Stewards:	<i>Pat Brady and Bob Shumate</i>
Acolyte:	<i>Thea Franklin</i>
Cup Gatherer:	<i>Donna Marshall</i>
Altar Guild:	<i>Anne and Gordon Putnam</i>
Nursery Caregivers:	<i>Lisa Gray and Eleanor Sampson</i>
Altar Flowers:	<i>Bob Knemoller</i>
Council Person of the Week:	<i>Rudy Yobs</i>



*The Chancel Flowers today are given to the
Glory of God and in honor of Carol Knemoller
by her husband, Bob.*

**Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons
August 25, 2019**

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

Holy Communion
10:00 a.m.

Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding

Isaiah 58:9b-14
Psalm 103:1-8
Hebrews 12:18-29
Luke 13:10-17

Please print your new prayer concerns before worship on the sheet in the white notebook located in the back of our Worship area. Please ask ushers if you need assistance. **Names on the prayer list will remain on for four weeks**, in an effort to keep the prayer list current to the life of Grace congregation and the community and world around us. If the need is longer term, please notify the church office, and the person in need will be transferred to the "Ongoing Need for Prayer" list.

Prayer Request for Members

Beth Brady
David Schwiesow
Barb Susen

Nancy Fitzgerald
Mickey Shook

Members/Friends Grieving

Family of Syneva Augustin, Friends of the Almarodes
Family of Robert Mahanes, Friend of Donna Gum
Family of Gay Arehart Meeks, Former Grace Member
Family of Jinnie Mason, Mother of Holly Carper

Ongoing Need for Prayer

Liz Ann Binns, Grace Members
Jean Brower, Grace Member
Kyle Getler, Member Relative
Sandy Johnson, Grace Member
Shirley Krizovsky, Grace Member
Janet Lunger, Grace Member
Glenn and Flossie Myers, Grace Members
Lily Skelton, Grace Member

Fred Brower, Grace Member
Marie Brown, Mother of Janet Parmer and Jane McGehee
Delmar Carlson, Brother-in-Law of Chuck Goodrich
Barbara and Jeff Eagle, Sister and Brother-in-Law of Nancy Schwiesow
Sandra R. Hoy, Grace Member
Bob and Carol Knemoller, Grace Members
Peggy Lucas, Grace Member
Bill Moore, Friend of the Church
Maxine Pierce, Mother of Cindy Trauscht

Prayer Request for Relatives/Friends

Lisa Dofflemeyer, Daughter of Linda Tomey
Bobby Haywood, Friend of Trauschts
Bruce Joleaud, Mike Trauscht's Brother-In-Law
Katherine Lambertson, Daughter of Hal Aaslestad
Roger Stasik, Ex-Husband of Mary Beth Faivre
Pastor Karen Taylor, Bethlehem Lutheran Church
Krista Traynor and Her Children, Daughter of David and Vivian Proctor
Cooper Trueblood, Friend of Almarodes
Keith Weller, Son of Kenneth and Wendy Weller

The Needs of the World

Families and friends grieving loved ones shot and/or killed in El Paso, TX and Dayton, OH
The discourse of our National leaders for the Sake of the Common Good, rather than maintaining our current divisions
A way forward in our nation to reduce gun violence

The Church

The ELCA and its future direction (see elca.org/future)
Fellow Christians endangered in their practice of faith (N. Korea, Pakistan, India)
Our neighbor congregations: St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic, Bethany Lutheran (Missouri Synod), Good Shepherd Anglican
Our heeding God’s call to the “Golden Rule” for ALL people, across race, gender, and other differences

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year

***Donna Marshall
Robin Crowder***

***Joe Moyer
Jack Eckstrom***

Life of Grace Church—August 18-25, 2019

Day of Week	Date	Time	Meeting
TODAY—SUNDAY	08/18	10:00 a.m.	Tenth Sunday After Pentecost Holy Communion Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding
Monday	08/19	6:00 p.m.	Kiwanis (Conference Room)
Tuesday	08/20	9:30 a.m. 6:00—8:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Quilting Group (Fellowship Hall) LEARN (Library and History Rooms) Congregational Council (Conference Room)
Wednesday	08/21	6:30 p.m.	Grace Book Study Group
Thursday	08/22	8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Grace Walkers Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday	08/25	10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost Holy Communion Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding Ice Cream Social Fall Christian Education/Youth Kick-Off!

Announcements



Rise Against Hunger Fall Packing Event—On Saturday September 7th from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Grace will host a Rise Against Hunger event with other Lutheran Churches in the Valley, St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church and other area churches. The event will be in support of the Virginia Synod “God’s Work Our Hands” day of service. This year’s event will be held at Kate Collins Middle School cafeteria in Waynesboro. Our goal is to pack over 25,000 meals in two hours. The packing event has a number of work stations including both sitting and standing tasks. Whether you are six or ninety-six, you can be a part! There is a signup sheet in the back of the Church. Please contact Jerry or Gwen Kite for questions about the event. Remember to bring your hat to wear when we are packing the food.



Ice Cream Social Fall Christian Education/Youth Kick-Off! Sunday, August 25th, 6:30 p.m., Children, confirmands (and mentors), youth, adults, parents and grandparents are invited for Ice Cream. We'll have the Ice Cream, bowls, spoons and napkins. Bring your favorite fixin' to share - sprinkles, cherries, chocolate sauce, bananas, brownies, etc. - and we'll enjoy a great late summer evening of fellowship, playground for the kids, and a schedule for Fall activities for children, confirmands and youth to share with parents, mentors and grandparents. Hope to see you there!



Children’s Church, Confirmation and Sunday School begin September 8!



City-wide Ecumenical Animal Blessing: Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 29, 12:00-2:00 p.m. for our first ever city-wide Blessing of the Animals service. This will take place at Coyner Springs Park and will include vendors, adoption agencies, a blessing service, and so much more. It is being planned by Grace and St. John’s Episcopal churches and will be co-sponsored by Grace, St. John’s Episcopal, St. John the Evangelist Catholic, and PetSmart Charities.



Be sure to come early to the Ecumenical Animal Blessing event so that you can make it to the CROP Walk on time; our aim is that families can do both events (and perhaps 4 legged family members can join the CROP Walk too). If you would like to help with this ministry event please contact Sarah Beth Kite or Linda Meyer or call the church office.

Announcements Continued



The ELCA Church-wide Assembly: The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the church denomination of which Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church is a part, had its biennial (every two years) Church-wide Assembly from August 5 - 10. Many items were a part of its business, including a decision to become a "sanctuary denomination". This decision as well as other Assembly business was announced by national news organizations, including commentary by those organizations, some of which was inaccurate.

Note below our Bishop Bob Humphrey's statement on the Church-wide Assembly, that provides information about some of the decisions made at the Church-wide Assembly, as well as some clarification about the "Sanctuary Denomination" declaration that was passed as a part of the Assembly.

<https://www.vasynod.org/bishop-humphreys-statement-on-the-2019-elca-churchwide-assembly-and-sanctuary-denomination-declaration/>

Please contact Pastor Paul if you have any questions, or would like to discuss any of the content or decisions of the Church-wide Assembly.



Did You Know: Grace Lutheran Church has a web page, two Facebook pages, a twitter account and Instagram page? Grace also mails out information to members of the congregation that do not use any electronic devices. Grace also has a sub-committee on communication that is working at identifying and articulating how we communicate with each other and the community around us. Check out any of these on-line tools. Watch for future updates as to what you will find on Grace's Web and Facebook pages.

Contest: Let's have some fun, every few weeks we will have a new contest. Who can find the information on the web or Facebook page to a question and send the answer to Gordon Putnam at grputnam1949@gmail.com. There will be a prize for the 15th person who answers this question correctly: **"Who was Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church's pastor in 1901?"**



WOMEN'S RETREAT Pastor Denny Grady of Waynesboro Seventh Day Adventist Church, part of the area Pastor's Group that Pastor Paul is a part of, has asked that we invite area churches to the following: **Come To Me Women's Retreat**—Are you looking to have a deeper rest with Jesus? Do you want a deeper relationship with those around you? Then don't miss this opportunity to spark love in your life! Friday, August 30, 6:30 p.m. evening session; Saturday, August 31, 11:00 a.m. church service and 2:30 p.m. afternoon session; Sunday, September 1, 9:30 a.m. prayer brunch. RSVP to 540-980-2122 or offiesda@gmail.com.

Monday
Psalm 32
Jeremiah 23:30-40
1 John 4:1-6

Tuesday
Psalm 32
Jeremiah 25:15-20
Acts 7:44-53

Wednesday
Psalm 32
Jeremiah 25:30-38
Luke 19:45-48

**Daily
Lectionary**



Thursday
Psalm 103:1-8
Numbers 15:32-41
Hebrews 12:3-17

Friday
Psalm 103:1-8
2 Chronicles 8:12-15
Acts 17:1-9

Saturday
Psalm 103:1-8
Nehemiah 13:15-22
Luke 6:1-5



Members of Grace, Ministers
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Kim Hull, Gail Johnson, Kathryn Johnson,
Carrie Jones, Jerry Kite, and Rudolph Yobs
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Donna Marshall, Assistant Treasurer
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Rev. Paul Pingel, Pastor
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Nancy Dowdy, Administrative Secretary
Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (lunch 12:00 - 12:30) - Monday - Thursday;
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