

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church August 8, 2021

" A Community of Servants Sharing in the Word and Work of Jesus"

Service of the Word via You Tube (Based on Bread of Life, Jay Beach Setting) 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 then discovering God's love and forgiveness have already been waiting for us 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 <u>us</u> 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 <u>as you are able</u>. As Jesus welcomed all in the crowds who gathered around him, so he welcomes us.

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

We stand

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

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 will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +I Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Processional Hymn: "Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright" #745, Page 4, Verses 1, 4 and 5

Greeting

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

Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright



Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854, alt. Music: SONG 67, Orlando Gibbons, 1583–1625

Hymn of Praise



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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

We sit

Word

First Reading: Ephesians 6:10-20 (The Message)

A reading from Ephesians:

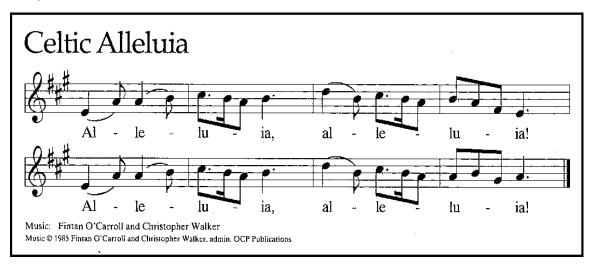
¹⁰⁻¹² And that about wraps it up. God is strong, and he wants you strong. So take everything the Master has set out for you, well-made weapons of the best materials. And put them to use so you will be able to stand up to everything the Devil throws your way. This is no weekend war that we'll walk away from and forget about in a couple of hours. This is for keeps, a life-or-death fight to the finish against the Devil and all his angels.

¹³⁻¹⁸ Be prepared. You're up against far more than you can handle on your own. Take all the help you can get, every weapon God has issued, so that when it's all over but the shouting you'll still be on your feet. Truth, righteousness, peace, faith, and salvation are more than words. Learn how to apply them. You'll need them throughout your life. God's Word is an *indispensable* weapon. In the same way, prayer is essential in this ongoing warfare. Pray hard and long. Pray for your brothers and sisters. Keep your eyes open. Keep each other's spirits up so that no one falls behind or drops out.

¹⁹⁻²⁰ And don't forget to pray for me. Pray that I'll know what to say and have the courage to say it at the right time, telling the mystery to one and all, the Message that I, jailbird preacher that I am, am responsible for getting out.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel: Matthew 10:28-31

The holy gospel according to St. Matthew:

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

Pastor Pingel

<u>Sermon</u>

Pastor Pingel

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Hymn of the Day: "Lead On, O King Eternal"

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We stand

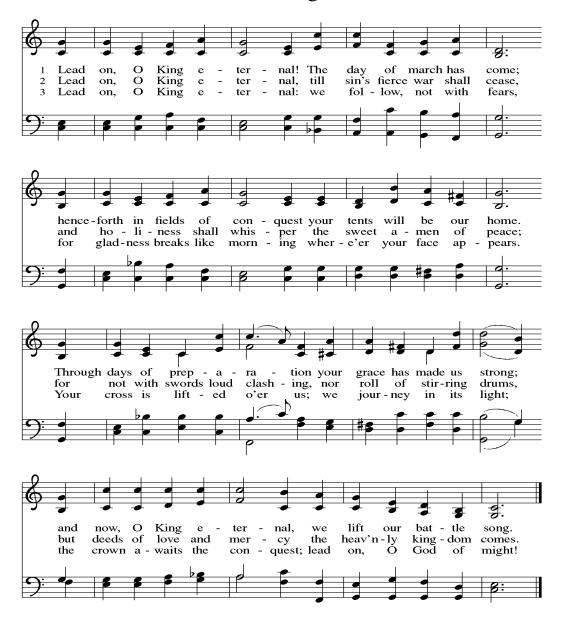
Apostle's Creed

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. Lead On, O King Eternal!



Text: Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1862–1917 Music: LANCASHIRE, Henry T. Smart, 1813–1879

Prayers of Intercession

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

<u>Peace</u>

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please greet those around you, remaining distanced, and offering a sign of peace (such as arms open) to one another.

The offering plate is located in the Narthex near the doors.

The congregation remains standing for offertory song

Meal

Offertory Song

Verses 1, 4

We Give Thee but Thine Own We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be; 1 2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive, 3 The cap-tive to re-lease, to God the lost to bring, 4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be: that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee. all and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give. to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ-like thing. what-e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt. Music: HEATH, L. Mason and G. Webb, *Cantica Lauda*, 1850

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

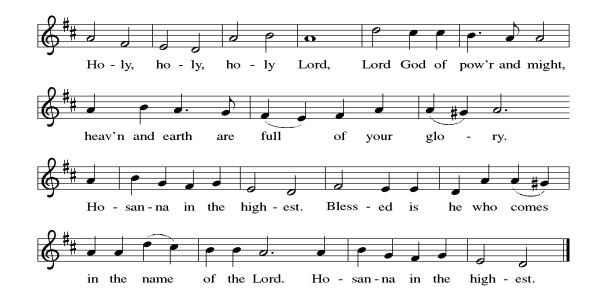
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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:



Thanksgiving at the Table

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 is 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 in remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

Amen

Lord's Prayer

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

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 kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

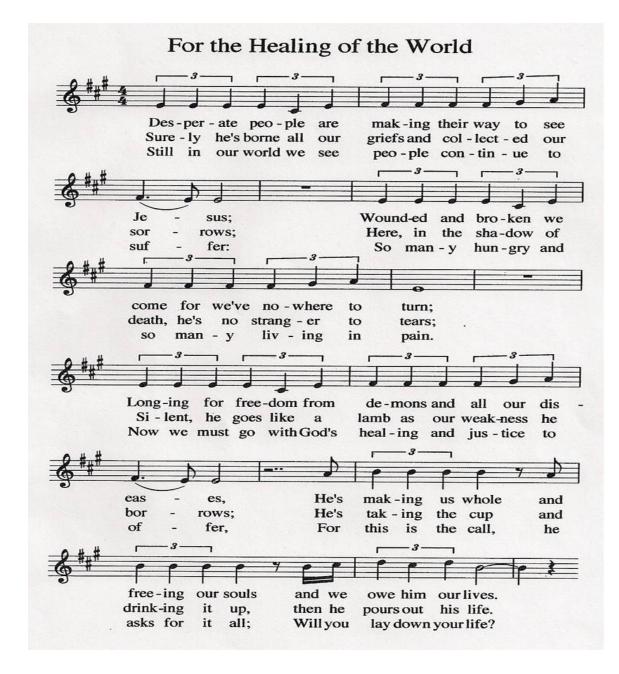
Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

Thanks be to God!

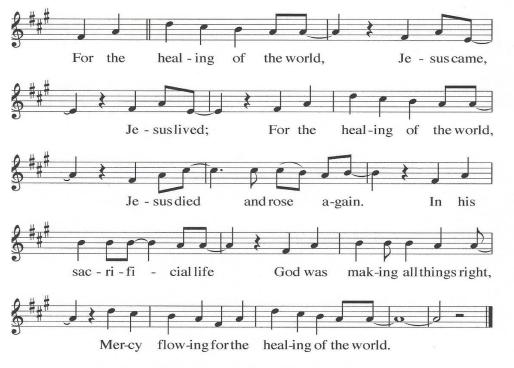
We sit

"For the Healing of the World"

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The Holy Communion

The congregation may be seated.

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: We will commune where we are seated, using the Holy Communion chalices provided. The Pastor will indicate the time to open the bread compartment in the chalice, receive the body of Christ, then turn the chalice over to the wine compartment, and receive the blood of Christ, using the words as noted, below.

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

Amen.

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.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

Sending

Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever. Amen.

Sending Song: "For the Healing of the World"

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Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

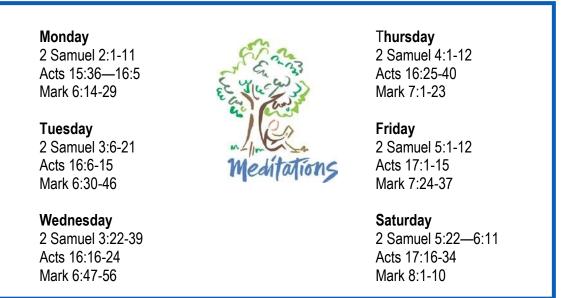
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Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today				
Worship Assistants	Altar Flowers:	Rew and Karen Walck		
	Altar Guild:	Jean Morgan		
	Assisting Minister:	Quinn Franklin		
	Council Person of the Week:	Amy Warren		
	Offering Stewards:	Pat Brady		
	Ushers:	Fred Biggers		
		David Proctor		



The Chancel Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the Walcks' 41st wedding anniversary





Our Unity in Christ—Grace Racial Reconciliation Verse

Isaiah 2:2-4



²In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

³Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

⁴He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.



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 make 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 (Remain on List for 4 weeks*

Prayer Request for Relatives/Friends (Remain on List for 4 weeks*) Linda & Darl Davis, Friends of Gail & Sandy Johnson Carolyn Fitzgerald, Aunt of Linda Meyer Emily Girard, Daughter of Bumps Dick Jordan, Uncle of Mike Myers Liz Pierce, Friend of Sharon Lynch

Joys and Celebrations (Remain on List for 4 weeks*)

Ongoing Need for Prayer for Members (Please advise of status changes)Sylvia AlmarodeLiz Ann BinnsFred BrowerMarie BrownTy ElliottNancy FitzgeraldSandra R. HoyPhyllis KiteBob KnemollerGlenn and Flossie MyersJanet Parmer

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Ongoing Need for Prayer for Relatives/Friends (Please advise of status changes)

Nancy Beiker, Friend of Gail & Sandy Johnson	Timothy Bradford, Friend of Schwiesows
Janice Collins, Friend of Grace	Nancy Delaney, Dave Delaney's Wife
Kyle Getler, Member Relative	Ernie Graham, Friend of the Schwiesows
Regan Grant, Friend of the Bumps	Carolyn Moser, Sister of David Schwiesow
Andrea Pingel, Cousin of the Pingels	George Toop, Friend of the Schwiesows

Members/Friends Grieving

Family of Julia Devlin, Friend of Linda Meyer Family of Pat Grabowski, Friend of Linda Meyer Family of Pete East, Former Grace Member Family of Marilyn Hawkins, Friend of Grace Family of Ralph Meyer, Uncle of Linda Meyer

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the YearPaige SmithFlossie Myers

David Proctor

The Needs of the World

Continued vigilance and care in a nation and world weary of Covid-19

The nation of Afghanistan as U.S. troops pullout

Crisis in Virginia's mental hospitals and its affect on staff, patients and our communities

Severe weather - heat and drought - in the American West, and around the world

The Vatican trial on financial mismanagement within the Catholic Church

The Church

Our unity in Christ with Churches in our Community

Congregational Church of Laconia, New Hampshire and Pastor Neil Wilson who are dealing with an opioid crisis and homelessness

Our Neighbors

Our neighbors in Augusta County



In-Person Worship at Grace - A notice was sent out to all members and regular visitors this past week sharing the worship guidelines for the month of August:

- Masking is optional in worship for all in attendance who are fully vaccinated
- Those who are not vaccinated or partially vaccinated we ask you continue to mask
- Distancing continues, with every other pew blocked off
- We also ask you to share the peace safely distanced
- Holy Communion continues to be shared in the pews
- You Tube and Zoom continue to be available



Final Summer Sermon Series - Revelation - This final book of the New Testament (and Bible) has fascinated and troubled many. It is an apocalypse, which is a word that means "unveiling," looking behind the curtain at things that are a mystery. Often the book is used as an "end of time" handbook. More importantly, the book points to our trust in God the Creator, who sent "the Lamb who was slain" in order to redeem us and all of creation. We begin this series next Sunday, August 15th.



Grace Children and Youth Education Survey - An important REMINDER to families with Children and Youth - We are sending out the Survey once again needing your response as soon as possible. Thanks in advance for your participation!





Pandemic Memorial Service - During the Covid-19 Pandemic from March 2020 through March 2021, eight (8) saints of Grace entered into the eternal promises of God. During this time, we had only graveside services, many with family only. To give an opportunity for us at Grace to give thanks for these saints and to give opportunity for family and friends to gather at Grace, we have scheduled the Memorial Service for Saturday, August 14th, at 1:00 p.m. There will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall following the service.



The Salvation Army has contacted Grace Lutheran with a request for school supplies for Kindergarten students in Waynesboro and East Augusta County. You may make a monetary contribution by August SUPPLIES 10 to be used to purchase needed supplies...just write "Homework Toolboxes" in the memo of your check. The address is: Salvation Army, P.O. Box 1065, Waynesboro, VA 22980



Sunday, September 12 at 3:00 will be a back-to-church Ice Cream **Social** for children of *all* ages, from 2 to 102! It will also be a time to share what's going on with Christian Education for everyone, and Youth activities. We will meet on the side playaround and provide ice cream, bowls, spoons, and waters. A sign-up sheet for attendance and to bring toppings will be emailed out and posted in the back of the nave in August. Be on the look out! We look forward to welcoming back our families with children and youth and give thanks to those who serve this valuable ministry. Please bring your own lawn chair for seating. See you soon!



August 29th Worship at Barren Ridge!! - We join with St. James Lutheran, Fishersville to worship together outdoors at Barren Ridge winery on Sunday August 29th at 11:00 a.m. Then afterward, enjoy fellowship, and perhaps a glass of wine in the beautiful setting at Barren Ridge! Bring a lunch if you'd like. As with Grace worship, masking is optional. We'll worship in the pergola area, and there will be an additional distanced area available for those who want more space.



Worship Notice: After our confession, please note we are now singing as the cross comes down the aisle and the candles are lit. As you sing, please sing conversationally, with the same voice you would as if talking to someone in normal conversation, as a precaution during this time when Covid cases are on the upswing.



As we move back to In-Person worship, please consider assisting with worship. **Altar Guild** volunteers are needed. If you are interested in serving the church in this capacity, please contact Jean Morgan, 540-943-1929, or the Church Office, 540-949-6171.

Also, **Offering Stewards** are needed. If you are interested in serving the church in this capacity, please contact Pat Brady, 540-932-3677, or the Church Office, 540-949-6171.



The flower chart is located in the back of the sanctuary. Please consider signing up for **altar flowers** as there are a lot of open Sundays. Any questions, please call the Church Office, 540-949-6171.

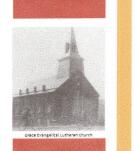


Food Pantries - Thanks, and Continuing Need—Many thanks to those who have donated Peanut Butter, Mac 'n Cheese, Personal Hygiene items, and Dried Rice and Beans to our local food banks. We have made <u>seventeen</u> deliveries thus far, eight to Main Street United Methodist, and nine to Calvary United Methodist, Stuarts Draft, with the donations gratefully received in the midst of great need. Last week, **130 pounds of food** went to Calvary United Methodist breaking our previous records! **Overall, we have given** well over **1,300 pounds**! If you can help, please donate to our box set inside the office door for you to drop off. Waynesboro Heritage Museum presents:



BEYOND THE ARCHITECTURE

The Story of Waynesboro City Churches & Their People



GRAND OPENING

AND RECEPTION

Sunday, August 15, 2020

1:00 – 4:00 PM

The exhibit will take you on a journey to discover the history of churches in the city of Waynesboro through their architecture, art, music, and ministry.









Life of Grace Church August 8-15, 2021

DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
TODAY— SUNDAY	08/08	10:00 a.m.	11th Sunday After Pentecost Service of Holy Communion In Person and via You Tube Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom
Monday	08/09	7:00 p.m.	Grace Anti-Racism Book Study (Fellowship Hall)
Thursday	08/12	8:30 a.m.	Grace Walkers WALKING (Meet in Parking Lot)
		1:00 p.m.	Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)
Saturday	08/14	9:00 a.m.	VMA Musikgarten (Fellowship Hall)
		1:00 p.m.	Grace Memorial Service Memorial And Reception
Sunday	08/15	10:00 a.m.	12th Sunday After Pentecost Service of Holy Communion In Person and via You Tube Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching
		10:50 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom
		0.00 p.m.	Children and Youth Meeting



Members of Grace

Congregational Council

Robin Crowder, President Jerry Kite, Vice-President Bob Barrette, Jred Biggers, Kathy Bump, Kim Hull, Jean Morgan, Nancy Schwiesow, Andrew Sell, Amy Warren Ron Almarode, Treasurer Vivian Proctor, Secretary Donna Marshall, Assistant Treasurer Charles Goodrich, Jinancial Secretary

Rev. Paul Pingel, Pastor Mike Myers, Organist, Director of Music Nancy Dowdy, Administrative Secretary

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. (Lunch 11:30—12:30) -Monday-Thursday; 8:00 a.m.—Noon - Jriday

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