



## **Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost**

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

August 25, 2019

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

## Holy Communion

*(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 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 Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.**

#### Welcome and Announcements

#### Prelude

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

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

Blessed be the Father, Son, +, and Holy Spirit, one God, the strength of our ancestors, the host of this meal, the builder of the city that is to come.

**Amen**

If we have died with Christ, we will also live with Christ. Let us confess our sin to the one who is faithful.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our helper,

**we confess the many ways we have failed to live as your disciples. We have not finished what we began. We have feasted with friends but ignored strangers. We have been captivated by our possessions. Lift our burdens, gracious God. Refresh our hearts and forgive our sin. Raise us to the new life you have chosen for us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen**

There is rejoicing in heaven when sinners repent. Put your trust in these promises: God will never leave you or forsake you. You who were lost have been found. For the sake of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Rejoice with the angels at this good news.

**Amen**

*The congregation stands*

**Gathering Song: "Come, We That Love the Lord"**

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# Come, We That Love the Lord

## *We're Marching to Zion*

1 Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;  
 2 Let those re - fuse to sing who nev - er knew our God;  
 3 The hill of Zi - on yields a thou - sand sa - cred sweets  
 4 Then let our songs a - bound, and ev - 'ry tear be dry;

join in a song with sweet ac - cord, join in a song with  
 but chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King, but chil - dren of the  
 be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, be - fore we reach the  
 we're march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground, we're march - ing through Im -

sweet ac - cord and thus sur - round the throne, and thus sur - round the throne.  
 heav'n - ly King may tell their joys a - broad, may tell their joys a - broad.  
 heav'n - ly fields, or walk the gold - en streets, or walk the gold - en streets.  
 man - uel's ground, to fair - er worlds on high, to fair - er worlds on high.

*Refrain*

We're march - ing to Zi - on, beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful Zi - on:

we're march - ing up - ward to Zi - on, the beau - ti - ful cit - y of God.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, stanzas: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899, refrain  
 Music: MARCHING TO ZION, Robert Lowry

## 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.**

## Hymn of Praise

### Let Us Go to the House of the Lord

*I Was Glad*

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below the notes. The lyrics are arranged in two columns, with the first column starting on the first line of music and the second column starting on the second line. The score concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us  
go to the house of the Lord." I was glad when they  
said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."  
Called from ev - 'ry na - tion, called from ev - 'ry race,  
Here the poor are wel-comed, here the lost are claimed,  
Words that must be spo - ken, grace that must be heard,  
gath-ered here for wor-ship in this ho - ly place;  
Bro-ken lives are mend-ed, deep - est fears are named;  
Mer - cy and for-give-ness from God's ho - ly Word,  
God is here a-mong us, lift your hearts and sing,  
Here the wise are child-ren and the weak are strong,  
Here, will be re-peat-ed; Peace! to all pro-claimed,  
make the walls and raf - ters ring.  
Here, in Christ, we all be - long.  
Shout - ed out in Je - sus' name.

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## **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*The congregation is seated.*

## **Word**

### **First Reading: Isaiah 58:9b-14**

A reading from Isaiah:

<sup>9b</sup>If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

<sup>10</sup>if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

<sup>11</sup>The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places,  
and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden,  
like a spring of water, whose waters never fail.

<sup>12</sup>Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;  
you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

<sup>13</sup>If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;  
if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable;  
if you honor it, not going your own ways,  
serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;

<sup>14</sup>then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;  
I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD  
has spoken.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm: Psalm 103:1-8**

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

<sup>1</sup>Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

<sup>2</sup>**Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits—**

<sup>3</sup>who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;

<sup>4</sup>**who redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;**

<sup>5</sup>who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

<sup>6</sup>**O LORD, you provide vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.**

<sup>7</sup>You made known your ways to Moses and your works to the children of Israel.

<sup>8</sup>**LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

### **Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-29**

A reading from Hebrews:

<sup>18</sup>You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, <sup>19</sup>and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup>(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.") <sup>21</sup>Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." <sup>22</sup>But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup>and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup>and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

<sup>25</sup>See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! <sup>26</sup>At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." <sup>27</sup>This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. <sup>28</sup>Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; <sup>29</sup>for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

*The congregation stands to welcome the gospel.*

**Celtic Alleluia**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Music: Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker  
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The image shows a musical score for 'Celtic Alleluia'. It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!' written below each staff. The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second staff continues the melody and lyrics. At the bottom of the score, it credits the music to Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker, with a copyright notice for 1985.

## Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

The holy gospel according to Luke:

### **Glory to you, O Lord**

<sup>10</sup>Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. <sup>11</sup>And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup>When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." <sup>13</sup>When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup>But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? <sup>16</sup>And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" <sup>17</sup>When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ**



### **Children 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: "You Are Mine"**

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### **Apostle's Creed**

*The presiding minister may introduce the 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,**

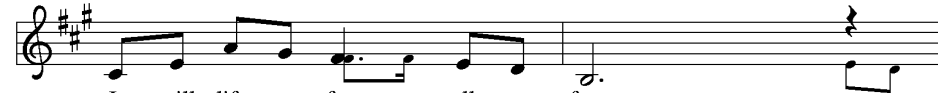
**God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
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.**

# You Are Mine



1 "I will come to you in the si - lence,  
 2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less,  
 3 "I am strength for all the de - spair - ing,  
 (4) am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I



I will lift you from all your fear.  
 I am eyes for all who long to see. (2) In the  
 heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.  
 am the peace the world can - not give.



You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be  
 shad - ows of the night, I will be your light.  
 All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and  
 I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand



still and know I am here. *To stanza 2*  
 Come and rest in me. *To refrain*  
 all will know my name. *To refrain*  
 up, now walk and live! *To refrain*



*Refrain*  
 Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by



name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home; I



love you and you are mine." *To stanzas 3 and 4*  
 4 "I

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## **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," or similar words.*

*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**

*The congregation stands*

*The Ushers bring the offering to the Altar, as we sing.*

## Offertory Response

### God's Love Endures Forever

*Refrain*

Oh, give thanks! Oh, give thanks! God's love en - dures for -  
ev - er! Oh, give thanks! Oh, give thanks! God's  
love en - dures for - ev - er!

1 With our dreams and our fears,  
2 With our strength and our weak - ness,  
with our joys and our pain,  
with our gifts and our needs,

*Refrain*  
we come, we come.  
we come, we come.

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## Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

**God our provider, we bring nothing into this world and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n 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.

### **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 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.

### **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**

Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come, take your place at the feast.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The congregation may be seated and sing verses 1 and 2, pages*

### **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.**

Verses 1 and 2

**For the Healing of the World**

1 Des - per - ate peo - ple are mak - ing their way to see  
 2 Sure - ly he's borne all our griefs and col - lect - ed our  
 3 Still in our world we see peo - ple con - tin - ue to

Je - sus; Wound - ed and bro - ken we  
 sor - rows; Here, in the sha - dow of  
 suf - fer: So man - y hun - gry and

come for we've no - where to turn;  
 death, he's no strang - er to tears;  
 so man - y liv - ing in pain.

Long - ing for free - dom from de - mons and all our dis -  
 Si - lent, he goes like a lamb as our weak - ness he  
 Now we must go with God's heal - ing and jus - tice to

eas - es, He's mak - ing us whole and  
 bor - rows; He's tak - ing the cup and  
 of - fer, For this is the call, he

free - ing our souls and we owe him our lives.  
 drink - ing it up, then he pours out his life.  
 asks for it all; Will you lay down your life?

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For the heal - ing of the world, Je - sus came,  
 Je - sus lived; For the heal - ing of the world,  
 Je - sus died and rose a - gain. In his  
 sac - ri - fi - cial life God was mak - ing all things right,  
 Mer - cy flow - ing for the heal - ing of the world.

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**Communion Hymns:**

“Here is Bread”

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“Taste and See”

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“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

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*After all have returned to their places, the congregation stands.*



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# Here Is Bread



1 Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
2 Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
3 Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.



Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.  
Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Je - sus here.  
We'll pro - claim till he comes Je - sus cru - ci - fied.

## HOLY COMMUNION



In this bread there is heal - ing, in this cup is life for - ev - er.



In this mo - ment, by the Spir - it, Christ is with us here.

## Taste and See

*Refrain - All*

Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. Oh,

taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

*Leader or All*

1 I will bless the Lord at all times. Praise shall

al-ways be on my lips; my soul shall glo-ry in the

Lord; for God has been so good to me.

*Refrain*

2 Glo-ri - fy the Lord with me. To - geth - er let us

all praise God's name. I called the Lord, who an - swered

me; from all my trou-les I was set free.

*Refrain*

3 Wor-ship the Lord, all you peo - ple. You'll want for

noth-ing if you ask. Taste and see that the Lord is

good; in God we need put all our trust.

Text: James E. Moore Jr., b. 1951, based on Ps. 34  
 Music: TASTE AND SEE, James E. Moore Jr.  
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## Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;  
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;  
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;  
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
 we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,  
 all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!  
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.  
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908, alt.  
 Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional; arr. John Roberts, 1807–1876

### **The Communion Blessing**

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

**Amen**

**The Post-Communion Canticle**—*For the Healing of the World - Verse 3*      *Pages 16 & 17*

### **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray.

**God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine in your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received; Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **Sending**

### **Blessing**

Guard the good treasure entrusted to you with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Almighty God ✠ bless you with grace, mercy and peace, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**Sending Song:** *“On Our Way Rejoicing”*

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### **Dismissal**

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Postlude**

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## On Our Way Rejoicing



1 On our way re - joic - ing glad - ly let us go.  
2 Un - to God the Fa - ther joy - ful songs we sing;

Christ our Lord has con - quered; van - quished is the foe.  
un - to God the Sav - ior thank - ful hearts we bring;

Christ with - out, our safe - ty; Christ with - in, our joy;  
un - to God the Spir - it bow we and a - dore,

who, if we be faith - ful, can our hope de - stroy?  
on our way re - joic - ing now and ev - er - more.

*Refrain*  
On our way re - joic - ing; as we for - ward move,  
hear - ken to our prais - es, O blest God of love!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt.  
Music: HERMAS, Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879

***Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today***

<b><i>Assisting Minister:</i></b>	<i>Mike Trauscht</i>
<b><i>Communion Assistants:</i></b>	<i>Donna Gum and Jerry Kite</i>
<b><i>Ushers:</i></b>	<i>Ron Almarode, Rick Bump and Lee Lynch</i>
<b><i>Offering Stewards:</i></b>	<i>Ernestine Moomaw and Eleanor Sampson</i>
<b><i>Acolyte:</i></b>	<i>Brodie Franklin</i>
<b><i>Cup Gatherer:</i></b>	<i>Jean Morgan</i>
<b><i>Altar Guild:</i></b>	<i>Kathy Meicke</i>
<b><i>Nursery Caregivers:</i></b>	<i>Jill Pingel</i>
<b><i>Altar Flowers:</i></b>	<i>Ingrid Sevigny</i>
<b><i>Council Person of the Week:</i></b>	<i>Gordon Putnam</i>

*The Chancel Flowers today are given to  
the glory of God*

**Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons**

September 1, 2019  
12th Sunday After Pentecost

Holy Communion  
10:00 a.m.

**Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding**

Proverbs 25:6-7  
Psalm 112  
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16  
Luke 14:1, 7-14

## Announcements



**Rise Against Hunger Fall Packing Event**—On Saturday September 7<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Grace will host a Rise Against Hunger event with other Lutheran Churches in the Valley 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 (1625 Ivy Street) in Waynesboro. Our goal is to pack over 28,000 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 Today!** 6:30 p.m., 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. Please bring a chair. 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, which starts at 2:00 p.m.; 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



**Emergency Preparedness Workshop at Grace!** With all the news in our area about the 50th Anniversary of Hurricane Camille, and the dangers of this Hurricane Season, Grace's Emergency Preparedness sub-committee would like to invite you to a fun night of information and practical advice, from Rebecca Joyce of the Central Shenandoah Planning District, an expert in Emergency Preparedness. The date is **Thursday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall.** We'll have refreshments to enjoy as well as lots of good, practical information about staying safe in your home - Hurricane or not!



**The ELCA Church-wide Assembly:** The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America 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 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 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:** You can find today's bulletin on Grace's web page? If you miss church one Sunday you can see the service on the Internet later that afternoon, by either going directly to Grace's Facebook page or through the web page.

**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](mailto:grputnam1949@gmail.com). There will be a prize for the 19<sup>th</sup> person who answers this question correctly. **"On the Weekly bulletin page, name one of the persons in the picture."**



WOMEN'S RETREAT

**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! October 6, 2019 at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church. RSVP to 540-980-2122 or [offiesda@gmail.com](mailto:offiesda@gmail.com).



*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**

**Beth Brady  
Mickey Shook**

**Nancy Fitzgerald  
Barb Susen**

**Members/Friends Grieving**

**Family of Syneva Augustin**, Friends of the Almarodes  
**The Family of Catherine A. Constantino**, Mother of Cathy Firkin  
**Family of Mike Doty**, Former Members of Grace  
**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 Lungner**, 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 Trauschts's Brother-In-Law  
**Katherine Lambertson**, Daughter of Hal Aaslestad  
**Roger Stasik**, Ex-Husband of Mary Beth Faivre  
**Pastor Karen Taylor**, Bethlehem Lutheran Church  
**Zach Tomey**, Great-Grandson of Dick Tomey  
**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](http://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**  
Prayers for the Virginia Synod delegation  
traveling to Papua New Guinea to visit our  
Companion Synod, the New Guinea Islands  
District of the ELC-PNG






**Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year**

**Carol Knemoller**

**Tom Carper**

**Jimmy Owens**

**Life of Grace Church**  
**August 25-September 1, 2019**

Day of Week	Date	Time	Meeting
TODAY— SUNDAY	08/25	10:00 a.m.	<b>Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost</b> Holy Communion Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding
		6:30 p.m.	 <b>Ice Cream Social Fall</b> <b>Christian Education/</b> <b>Youth Kick-Off!</b>
Tuesday	08/27	9:30 a.m.	 Quilting Group (Fellowship Hall)
		6:00—8:00 p.m.	LEARN (Library and History Rooms)
		7:00 p.m.	Round Tables
Wednesday	08/28	6:30 p.m.	 <b>BOOK STUDY</b> Grace Book Study Group
Thursday	08/29	8:30 a.m.	 Grace Walkers
		12:30 p.m.	 Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday	09/01	10:00 a.m.	<b>Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost</b> Holy Communion Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding

**Monday**  
Psalm 109:21-31  
Ezekiel 20:1-7  
Hebrews 3:7—4:11

**Tuesday**  
Psalm 109:21-31  
Ezekiel 20:18-32  
Revelation 3:7-13

**Wednesday**  
Psalm 109:21-31  
Ezekiel 20:33-44  
Luke 6:6-11

## Daily Lectionary



**Thursday**  
Psalm 112  
Proverbs 15:13-17  
1 Peter 3:8-12

**Friday**  
Psalm 112  
Proverbs 18:6-12  
1 Peter 4:7-11

**Saturday**  
Psalm 112  
Proverbs 18:6-12  
Matthew 20:20-28



### Members of Grace, Ministers

Linda Meyer, President  
Gordon Putnam, Vice President  
Zach Bandy, Holly Carper, Pete Giesen,  
Kim Hull, Gail Johnson, Kathryn Johnson,  
Carrie Jones, Jerry Kite, and Rudolph Yobs  
Deloris Wertman, Secretary  
Ron Almarode, Treasurer  
Donna Marshall, Assistant Treasurer  
Charles Goodrich, Financial Secretary



Rev. Paul Pingel, Pastor  
Mike Myers, Organist, Director of Music  
Nancy Dowdy, Administrative Secretary  
Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (lunch 12:00 - 12:30) - Monday - Thursday;  
8:30 a.m.—Noon - Friday

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