

“Holy,  
holy, holy  
is the Lord God  
Almighty,  
who was,  
and is, and is  
to come.”

Revelation 4:8

*TWELTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST*

*Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church*

*August 15, 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 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**

#### **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 **+** Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

**Processional Hymn:** “*Holy, Holy, Holy*”

**#413, Page 5, Verses 1, 3**

**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.**

# Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!



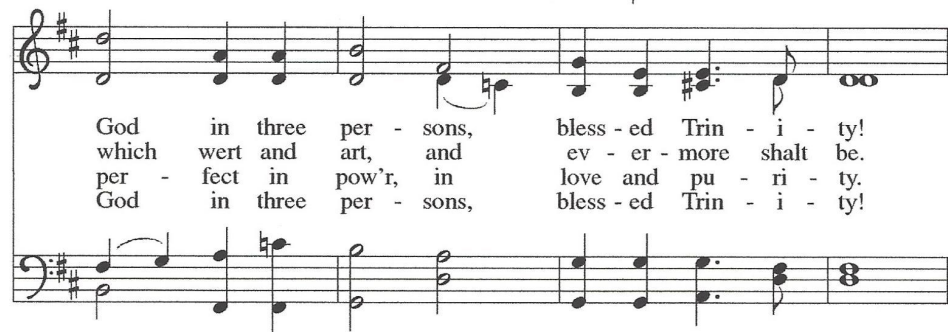
1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!  
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!




God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.  
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Hymn of Praise

Let Us Go to the House of the Lord

*I Was Glad*



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.

*Text and music written by Jay Beech, ©1997. Used by permission.*

One License A-714288

## **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: Revelation 4:1-11**

A reading from Revelation

<sup>1</sup>After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this." <sup>2</sup>At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! <sup>3</sup>And the one seated there looks like jasper and carnelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. <sup>4</sup>Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. <sup>5</sup>Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; <sup>6</sup>and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: <sup>7</sup>the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. <sup>8</sup>And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing,

*Continued*

"Holy, holy, holy,  
the Lord God the Almighty,  
who was and is and is to come."

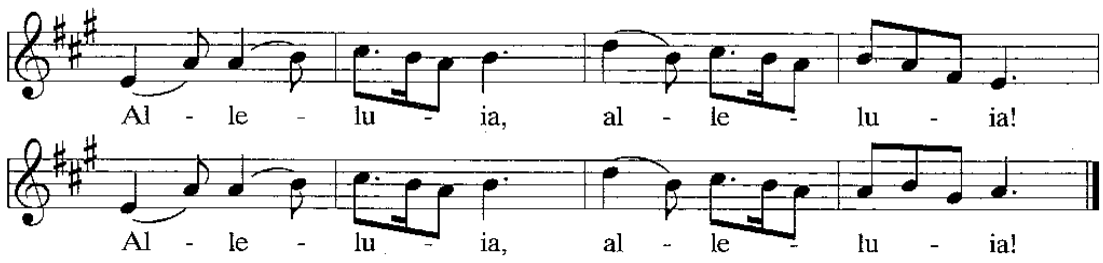
<sup>9</sup>And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, <sup>10</sup>the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives forever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing,

<sup>11</sup>"You are worthy, our Lord and God,  
to receive glory and honor and power,  
for you created all things,  
and by your will they existed and were created."

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God**

### Gospel Acclamation

**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  
Music © 1985 Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker, admin. OCP Publications



**Gospel: John 17:1-5**

The holy gospel according to St. John:

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup>since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup>And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup>I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup>So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Children's Sermon**

**Pastor Pingel**

**Sermon**

**Pastor Pingel**

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

**Hymn of the Day: "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"**

**#244, Page 10, Verses 1, 4**

*We stand*

## Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;  
 2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the bride - groom near;  
 3 The saints, who here in pa - tience their cross and suf - f'ings bore,  
 4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;

the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.  
 go forth as he ap - proach - es with al - le - lu - ias clear.  
 shall live and reign for - ev - er when sor - row is no more.  
 a - rise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this be - night - ed sphere.

The bride - groom is a - ris - ing and soon is draw - ing nigh.  
 The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand.  
 A - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb they shall be - hold;  
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see

Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; at mid - night comes the cry.  
 A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the bride - groom is at hand.  
 in tri - umph cast be - fore him their di - a - dems of gold.  
 the day of earth's re - demp - tion that sets your peo - ple free!

Text: Laurentius Laurenti, 1660–1722; tr. Sarah B. Findlater, 1823–1907  
 Music: HAF TRONES LAMPA FÄRDIG, Swedish folk tune

*We sit*

### **Affirmation of Baptism**

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these people, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

*A representative of the congregation presents those making affirmation.*

I present Ron and Roxi Myers and Rew and Karen Walck, who desire to make public their affirmation of their baptism.

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

**Amen.**

### **Profession of Faith**

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

*Response:*

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

*Response:*

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**Response:**

**I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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 have made public profession of your faith.

Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:  
to live among God's faithful people,  
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,  
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,  
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,  
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

**I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

People of God, do you promise to support Ron, Roxi, Rew and Karen and pray for one another in their life in Christ?

**We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ.

**We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

### **Introduction of New Members**

*We stand*

### **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.**

## Peace

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

1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;  
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:

all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.  
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.

The musical score consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a bass clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first system contains four lines of lyrics. The second system contains three lines of lyrics. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and single notes.

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

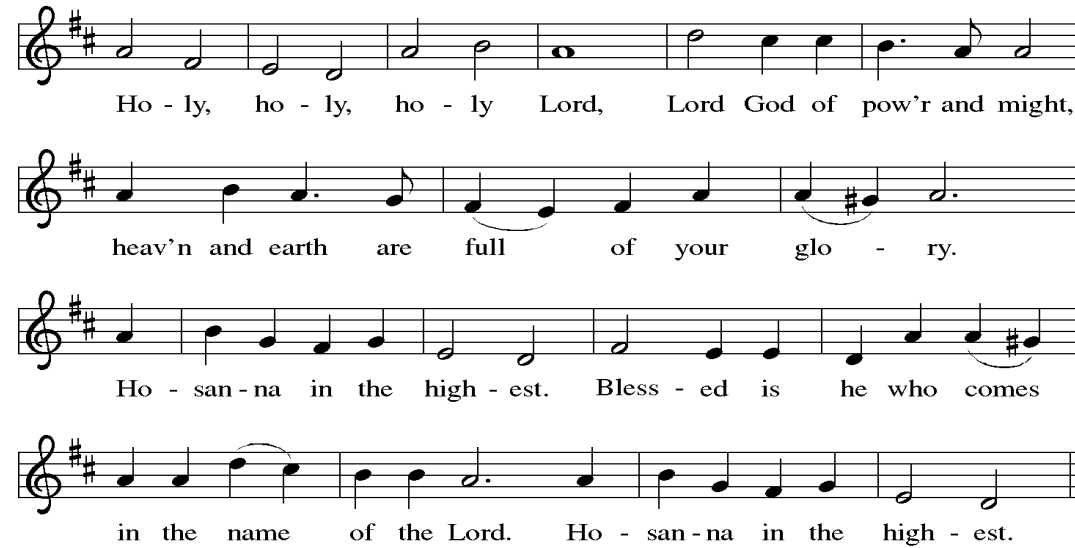
The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

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:



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 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"*

**Pages 18-19, Verse 1**

## For the Healing of the World



Des-per - ate peo - ple are mak - ing their way to see  
Sure - ly he's borne all our griefs and col - lect - ed our  
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?

*Continued*



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.

*Text and music by Jay Beech, ©2003. Used by permission.*

## **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”*

**Pages 18-19, Verses 2, 3**

### **Dismissal**

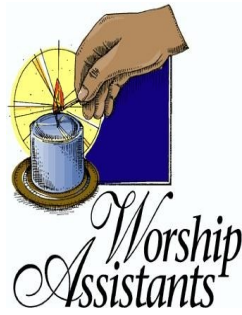
Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Postlude**

---

Portions of this liturgy are from Sundays and Seasons. com. Copyright 2021 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #20403. New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

---



**Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today**

<b>Altar Flowers:</b>	<i>Rachel Fauber and Jeff Shook Families</i>
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	<i>Jean Morgan</i>
<b>Assisting Minister:</b>	<i>Ron Almarode</i>
<b>Council Person of the Week:</b>	<i>Bob Barrette</i>
<b>Offering Stewards:</b>	<i>Pat Brady</i>
<b>Ushers:</b>	<i>Jack Eckstrom Linda Meyer</i>



*The Chancel Flowers today are given  
to the Glory of God and  
in memory of Mickey Shook*

**Next Sunday's Schedule  
and Lessons**

August 22, 2021  
13th Sunday After Pentecost

***Service of the Word In-Person  
And via You Tube***

10:00 a.m.  
Pastor Paul Pingel,  
Presiding and Preaching

Revelation 5:1-13  
John 1:29-31

**Monday**

2 Samuel 7:1-17  
Acts 18:1-11  
Mark 8:11-21

**Tuesday**

2 Samuel 7:18-29  
Acts 18:12-28  
Mark 8:22-33

**Wednesday**

2 Samuel 9:1-13  
Acts 19:1-10  
Mark 8:34—9:1



**Thursday**

2 Samuel 11:1-27  
Acts 19:11-20  
Mark 9:2-13

**Friday**

2 Samuel 12:1-14  
Acts 19:21-41  
Mark 9:14-29

**Saturday**

2 Samuel 12:15-31  
Acts 20:1-16  
Mark 9:30-41

## Our Unity in Christ—Grace Racial Reconciliation Verse



*Isaiah 2:2-4*

<sup>2</sup>In 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.

<sup>3</sup>Many 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.

<sup>4</sup>He 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\*)**

**Emily Girard**, Daughter of Bumps

**Dick Jordan**, Uncle of Mike Myers

**Bill Link**, Brother of Carolyn Hite

**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 Almarode**

**Fred Brower**

**Ty Elliott**

**Sandra R. Hoy**

**Bob Knemoller**

**Janet Parmer**

**Liz Ann Binns**

**Marie Brown**

**Nancy Fitzgerald**

**Phyllis Kite**

**Glenn and Flossie Myers**

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

**Nancy Beiker**, Friend of Gail & Sandy Johnson

**Janice Collins**, Friend of Grace

**Kyle Getler**, Member Relative

**Regan Grant**, Friend of the Bumps

**Andrea Pingel**, Cousin of the Pingels

**Timothy Bradford**, Friend of Schwiesows

**Nancy Delaney**, Dave Delaney's Wife

**Ernie Graham**, Friend of the Schwiesows

**Carolyn Moser**, Sister of David Schwiesow

**George Toop**, Friend of the Schwiesows

*Continued*



**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 Dick Jordan, Uncle of Mike Myers  
Family of Ralph Meyer, Uncle of Linda Meyer

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

*Rick Glidden*

*Rachel Hilker*

*Donna Marshall*

**The Needs of the World**

**Our Children, Teachers, Professors, and all School and College Personnel returning to school this Fall, still under a Covid watch**

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

**Wildfires in our Nation and around the world—and our care of the environment**

**The Church**

**Our unity in Christ with Churches in our Community**

Please pray for (at least) five others from Grace this week - three who you know, or whose needs you are aware of, and two that you are less familiar with (pray for their daily walk of faith, and their blessing)

**Our Neighbors**

Our neighbors in Augusta County



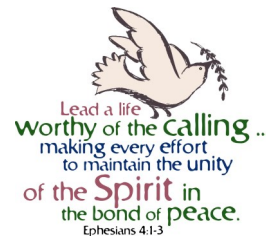
worship  
WITH US

**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 required in worship for all in attendance
- 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
- Please greet guests and friends outdoors before and after worship
- You Tube and Zoom continue to be available



**Welcome, New Member/Disciples at Grace!** - Ron and Roxane Myers, and Rew and Kathy Walck are Affirming their Baptism and joining with us in membership at Grace this morning! Greet them over these next weeks as they become a part of Christ's Body here at Grace. The Myers' will be shepherded this morning by Brad and Wilda Keefer, and the Walck's by Gail Johnson.



**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 today.



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 playground 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.



**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!



**New Member Class for this Fall!** We are blessed by God's Spirit to be able to offer *another* New Member Class beginning in September by request of many who have been worshipping with us at Grace. If you would like to take part in the New Member Class, please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex (on the Round Table).



**Property Meeting at Grace** - Last Thursday, August 5th, sixteen Grace members gathered for a Property Committee meeting. Brad Keefer, after 55 years of devoted and unparalleled service to Grace as Property chairperson, is scaling back his activity, and handing the reins over to others. We had a good response from many people, but still have many opportunities to coordinate, as well as a Chairperson to oversee Outdoor, Indoor and Administrative work here at Grace. If you are able to help, please take a look at the Chart in the narthex and mark down areas where you can help maintain this beautiful building and grounds that God has blessed us with!



**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.



*Worship Assistants*

As we continue 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.



**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 ***eighteen*** deliveries thus far, nine 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, **90 pounds of food** went to Main Street United Methodist. **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.



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church



Main Street Methodist Church



First Baptist Church



First Presbyterian Church



**Life of Grace Church**  
**August 15-22, 2021**

DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
TODAY— SUNDAY	08/15	10:00 a.m.	 <b>12th Sunday After Pentecost            Service of Holy Communion            In Person and via You Tube</b> Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching
		10:50 a.m.	 <b>Coffee Fellowship via Zoom</b>
		6:30 p.m.	 <b>Children and Youth Meeting</b> (Conference Room)
Tuesday	08/17	7:00 p.m.	 <b>Congregation Council</b> (Conference Room)
Thursday	08/19	8:30 a.m.	 <b>Grace Walkers</b> (Meet in Parking Lot)
		1:00 p.m.	 <b>Bridge Club</b> (Fellowship Hall)
		6:00 p.m.	 <b>Discussion with Christ            Tabernacle</b> via Zoom
Saturday	08/21	9:00 a.m.	 <b>VMA Musikgarten</b> (Fellowship Hall)
		3:00 p.m.	 <b>Prayer Vigil for Racial            Reconciliation</b> (Constitution Park)
Sunday	08/22	10:00 a.m.	 <b>13th Sunday After Pentecost            Service of Holy Communion            In Person and via You Tube</b> Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching
		10:50 a.m.	 <b>Coffee Fellowship via Zoom</b>



**Members of Grace**

**Congregational Council**

***Robin Crowder, President  
Jerry Kite, Vice-President  
Bob Barrette, Fred 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, Financial 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 - Friday***

***Email: [gracelc@lumos.net](mailto:gracelc@lumos.net)  
[facebook.com/gelc.elca](https://www.facebook.com/gelc.elca)      [twitter.com/gelc\\_elca](https://twitter.com/gelc_elca)***

***[youtube.com/GraceEvangelicalLutheranChurchWaynesboro](https://www.youtube.com/GraceEvangelicalLutheranChurchWaynesboro)***

***Internet: [www.gracewaynesboro.org](http://www.gracewaynesboro.org)    Email: [gracelc@lumos.net](mailto:gracelc@lumos.net)***

***Telephone: 540.949.6171***