

**God
Calls
Abram**

*SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST*

*Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
September 19, 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, Setting V—With One Voice)
Congregational responses are in bold print

*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.

Blessed be the Father, Son ✝ and Holy Spirit, one God,
whose teaching is life,
whose presence is sure,
and whose love is endless.

Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the One who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God our comforter:

like lost sheep, we have gone astray.

We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.

We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.

We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.

Free us from our sin, gracious God.

Listen when we call out to you for help.

Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in ✝ Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.

Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

Amen.

Prelude

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.

Kyrie



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



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



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

HYMN OF PRAISE

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



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



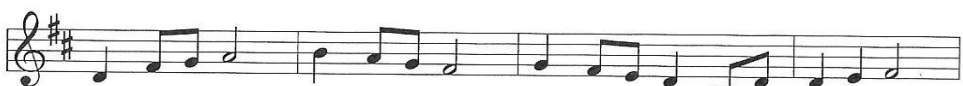
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



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



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



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



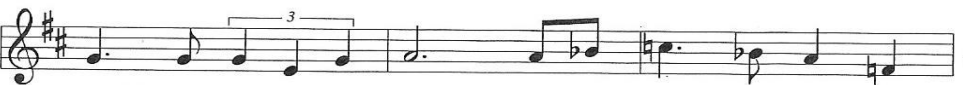
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



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



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



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



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



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



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



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



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



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



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



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



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

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

God of promise,
You stayed the hand of Abraham and fulfilled the promise you made to him, that he would father a great nation. Keep your promises to us, that we may become inheritors of eternal life.
Amen.

We sit

Word

First Reading: Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14

A reading from Genesis:

¹The LORD dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did for Sarah as he had promised. ²Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. ³Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him.

¹After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ²He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. ⁴On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." ⁶Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. ⁷Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

Continued

⁹When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ¹²He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." ¹³And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called that place "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel: John 1:29

The holy gospel according to John:

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁹The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"

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: "The God of Abraham Praise "

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The God of Abraham Praise

1 The God of A-br'ham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove;
 2 The God of A-br'ham praise! At your su-preme com - mand
 3 The God of A-br'ham praise! Your all - suf - fi - cient grace
 4 Your prom-ise you have sworn; I on your oath de - pend.

An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love—
 from earth I rise and seek the joys at your right hand.
 shall guide me all my pil - grim days in all my ways.
 I shall, on ea - gle wings up - borne, to heav'n as - cend.

“I Am the One I Am”— by earth and heav'n con - fessed;
 I all on earth for - sake— its wis - dom, fame, and pow'r—
 You deign to call me friend; you call your - self my God!
 I shall be - hold your face; I shall your pow'r a - dore,

I bow and bless the sa - cred name for - ev - er blest.
 and you my on - ly por - tion make, my shield and tow'r.
 And you will save me to the end through Je - sus' blood.
 and sing the won - ders of your grace for - ev - er - more.

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| <p>5 Though nature's strength decay,
 and earth and hell withstand,
 to Canaan's bounds I urge my way
 at your command.
 The wat'ry deep I pass,
 with Jesus in my view,
 and through the howling wilderness
 my way pursue.</p> | <p>7 Before the great Three-One
 the saints exulting stand
 and tell the wonders God has done
 through all their land.
 The list'ning spheres attend
 and swell the growing fame
 and sing the songs which never end,
 the wondrous name.</p> |
| <p>6 The goodly land I see,
 with peace and plenty blest;
 a land of sacred liberty,
 and endless rest.
 There milk and honey flow,
 and oil and wine abound,
 and trees of life forever grow
 with mercy crowned.</p> | <p>8 The whole triumphant host
 give thanks to God on high.
 “Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!”
 they ever cry.
 Hail, Abr'ham's God and mine!
 I join the heav'nly lays:
 to you be glory, might divine,
 and endless praise!</p> |

Text: Thomas Olivers, 1725–1799, alt., based on the *Yigdal*, c. 14th cent.
 Music: YIGDAL, Jewish melody; arr. Meyer Lyon, 1751–1797

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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; 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



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

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

God of abundance,
**you cause streams to break forth in the desert
and manna to rain from the heavens.
Accept the gifts you have first given us.
Unite them with the offering of our lives
to nourish the world you love so dearly;
through 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, God of pow-er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below each staff. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and". The second staff continues: "might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.". The third staff: "Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who". The fourth staff: "comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the". The fifth staff: "high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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.

Continued

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

All who hunger and thirst, come.
The table is ready.

Thanks be to God!

We sit

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)*

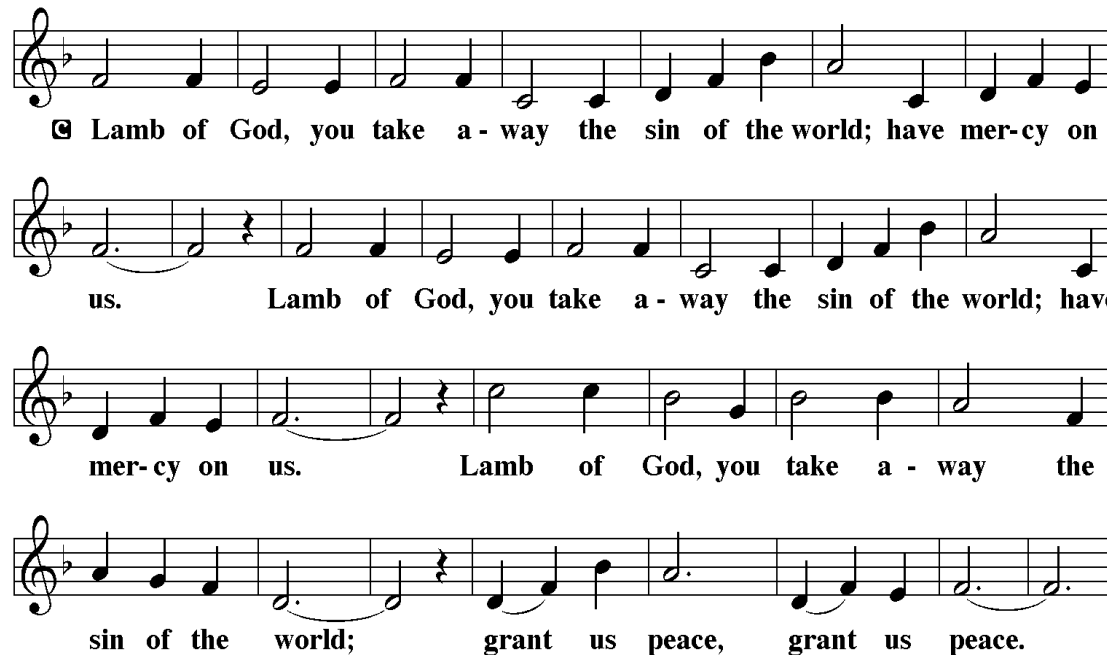
Communion Distribution: *We will commune where we are seated, using the Holy Communion chalices provided. The Pastor will indicate the time to open the bread compartment in the chalice, receive the body of Christ, then turn the chalice over to the wine compartment, and receive the blood of Christ, using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

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

The congregation stands.



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

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,
**in the gift of your body and blood
you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation.
Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy,
bearing witness to the abundance of your love
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

Sending

Blessing

People of God,
you are Christ's body,
bringing new life to a suffering world.
The Father, Son ✝ and Holy Spirit, one God,
bless you now and forever.
Amen.

Sending Song: "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed "

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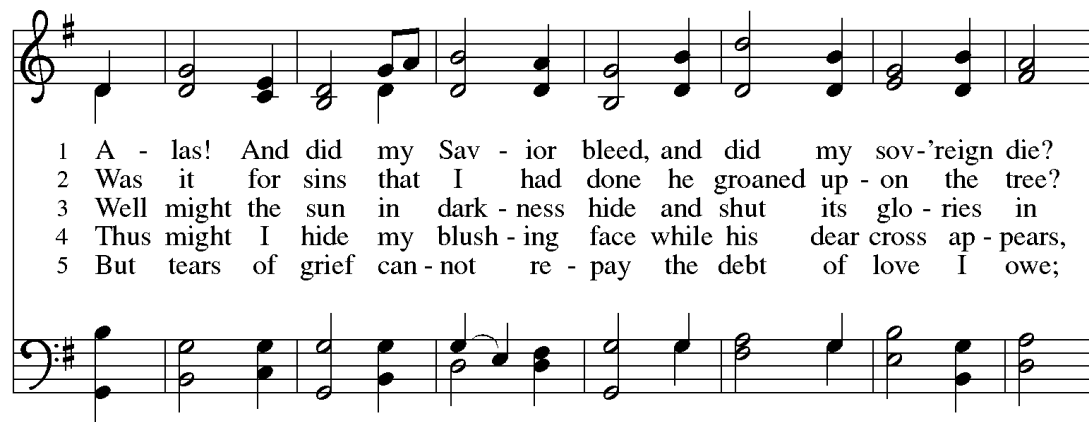
Dismissal

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.
Thanks be to God.

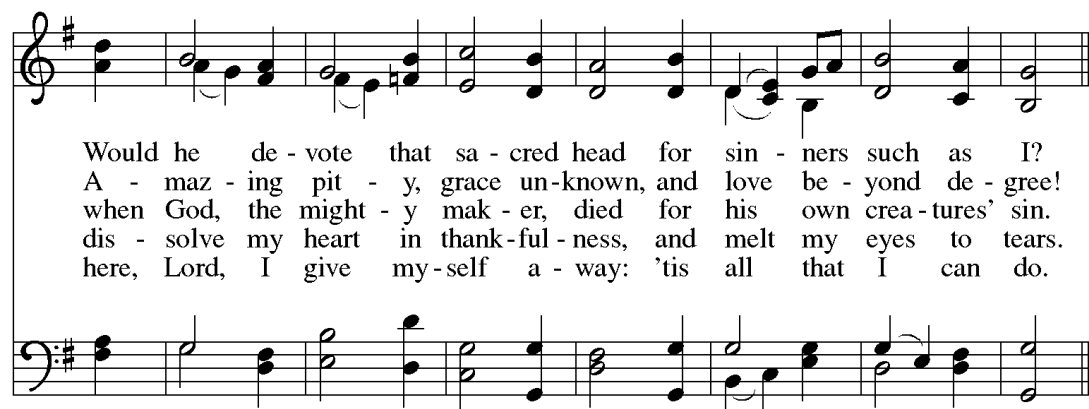
Postlude

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Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

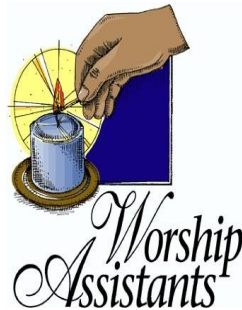


1 A - las! And did my Sav - ior bleed, and did my sov-'reign die?
2 Was it for sins that I had done he groaned up - on the tree?
3 Well might the sun in dark - ness hide and shut its glo - ries in
4 Thus might I hide my blush - ing face while his dear cross ap - pears,
5 But tears of grief can - not re - pay the debt of love I owe;



Would he de - vote that sa - cred head for sin - ners such as I?
A - maz - ing pit - y, grace un-known, and love be - yond de - gree!
when God, the might - y mak - er, died for his own crea - tures' sin.
dis - solve my heart in thank - ful - ness, and melt my eyes to tears.
here, Lord, I give my - self a - way: 'tis all that I can do.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.
Music: MARTYRDOM, Hugh Wilson, 1764–1824



Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today

- Altar Flowers:** *Martin Family*
- Altar Guild:** *Jean Morgan*
- Assisting Minister:** *Fred Biggers*
- Children's Worship:** *Carrie Jones*
Amy Warren
- Council Person of the Week:** *Jerry Kite*
- Covid Monitor:** *Gail Johnson*
- Offering Stewards:** *Pat Brady*
- Ushers:** *Fred Biggers*
David Proctor



*The Chancel Flowers today are given
to the Glory of God and in memory of
Winston and Lois Martin
from Keith, Ann, Sara, and Trey;
Jeff, Jean and Jacob*

**Next Sunday's Schedule
and Lessons**

September 26, 2021
18th Sunday After Pentecost

***Service of Holy Communion
And via You Tube***

Pastor Paul Pingel,
Presiding and Preaching

Genesis 27:1-4, 15-23; 28:10-17
John 1:50-51

Monday

1 Kings 13:1-10
Philippians 1:1-11
Mark 15:40-47

Tuesday

1 Kings 16:23-34
Philippians 1:12-30
Mark 16:1-8 (9-20)

Wednesday

1 Kings 17:1-24
Philippians 2:1-11
Matthew 2:1-12



Thursday

1 Kings 18:1-19
Philippians 2:12-30
Matthew 2:13-23

Friday

1 Kings 18:20-40
Philippians 3:1-6
Matthew 3:1-12

Saturday

1 Kings 18:41—19:8
Philippians 3:17—4:7
Matthew 3:13-17



Please print your new prayer concerns before worship on the sheet in the white notebook located in the back of our Worship area. Please ask ushers if you need assistance. **Names on the prayer list will remain on for four weeks,** in an effort to 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*)

**Flossie Myers
Steven Van Stee**

Prayer Request for Relatives/Friends (Remain on List for 4 weeks*)

David Cookus Cousin of Linda Tomey
Carol Garvin, Daughter of Dick Tomey

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**

**Liz Ann Binns
Marie Brown
Nancy Fitzgerald
Phyllis Kite
Glenn and Flossie Myers**

Janet Parmer

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
Mark Neely, Brother of Jill Pingel

Timothy Bradford, Friend of Schwiesows
Nancy Delaney, Dave Delaney's Wife
Regan Grant, Friend of the Bumps
George Toop, Friend of the Schwiesows

Members/Friends Grieving
Family of Clinton Tomey, Dick Tomey's Grandson

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year

Cathy Crowder
Emma Hilker

Gary Morrison
Fred Biggers

The Needs of the World

**For Creation - in the midst of storms,
hurricanes, flooding, earthquake
and wildfires; a new sense of our
care for Creation, and the real
ways we need to change for the
sake of the Creation we live in.**

Medical personnel at Augusta Health;
scientists working on the Covid
vaccine certification for children;
the hard hearted

**Our children, teachers, professors, and
all school and college personnel**

Afghan refugees; those who remain in
Afghanistan; those in peril under
the Taliban.

The Church

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

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)

**Pray for God's plan for Grace—our
life together and witness and
service to the community**

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



Children's Church Begins Today! Following the Children's Sermon, children are invited to a Children's time that will focus on the readings that we share this morning. They will return for worship in time for Holy Communion. Thanks to our Children's Church teachers for sharing their time and faith with our children!



Confirmation Begins Today! - Please keep Kiera Mahoney in your prayers, as she starts her second year of Confirmation! In our Lutheran tradition, the promises of baptism that have been kept by parents and this congregation are Affirmed by the confirmation student. Kiera is in the process of saying "yes" to her baptismal promises! Later this Fall on Reformation Sunday, Thea Franklin and Karley Hull will be Confirmed in their faith. We give thanks to God for the work of God's Holy Spirit!



Pete Giesen Memorial Service on Saturday, September 25th

A memorial service for Pete will be held at 2:00 p.m. with an outdoor reception following. We give thanks for Pete's life of service that God called him to - in the Church at large, at Grace, and in his vocation as a Representative and leader in the Commonwealth.



Adult Christian Education at Grace! Because of concerns over the Delta Virus, we will not meet in person for Adult Sunday School (trying to meet one hour or less indoors at one time). However, there is a Weekday opportunity to meet via Zoom or masked in-person for bible Class on Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. We'll start with a four week study of the Epistle of James. Martin Luther didn't like it – called it the “straw epistle,” and yet, its common sense questions and wisdom speak to our modern day living. We will start Thursday, September 16th! Sign up on the sheet in the Narthex or call the Church Office.



CROP HUNGER WALK September 26! Walk in-person or participate virtually! This Decades-long tradition sponsored by Church World Service helps Blue Ridge Food Bank, Disciples Kitchen, Valley Program for Aging Services and the Salvation Army in our community. Want to walk? Sign up in the Narthex or online at crophungerwalk.org (look for Grace Lutheran Waynesboro, and follow the instructions), and sign up friends and family to help contribute to this great way to help our community!

Want to donate toward our team? See Karen Walck in the Narthex or online at crophungerwalk.org (and look for Grace Lutheran Waynesboro to donate). Call Karen Walck with any questions 765-480-9920 and come walk for a great cause!

Thank you to everyone who gave a donation to the Grace CROP Walk Team last Sunday. We have \$150 towards our \$1500 team goal. If you would like a fundraising packet, please see Karen Walck. She will have them available Sunday morning. Instructions for on-line giving are on the back table in the sanctuary.



God Work's, Our Hands! Every September, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America encourages all ELCA congregations to have a "God's Work, Our Hands" effort of service in the community. We have two:

- 1) **Warm Shelter Meals**—An email was sent out to collect for meals for the Warm Shelter, now housed in Verona. If you haven't brought your items yet, leave them in the Seminar Room as indicated.
- 2) **Renewing Homes Deck Project**—There's an opportunity to help a family in Staunton to repair a deck on Saturday, October 23. Call Jerry Kite for more details and to sign up. Meet at 8:30 a.m. at Grace.



WARM Update—Thank you to so many who donated breakfast, lunch and snack items for the WARM Shelter this week. It was an amazing response. They received enough for each day's breakfast, lunch and snacks plus we sent additional items for breakfast and lunch that can be used when they need extra. It was a wonderful way for Grace to serve the week celebrating God's Work/Our hands.



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 1,400 pounds!** If you can help, please donate to our box set inside the office door for you to drop off.



You Can Help In This World of Need!

Hurricane Ida Relief: To help those whose lives were devastated by the force and fury of Hurricane Ida, make checks payable to Grace, with "Hurricane Ida" in the memo line. Or go to elca.org

Haiti Crisis: To help this nation in whom more than 1 million are homeless because of the recent earthquake, make checks payable to Grace, with "Haiti Crisis" in the memo line. Or go to elca.org

Afghan Allies: To help those refugees coming from Afghanistan to our shores (VA is a primary area of refugee settlement), make checks payable to Grace, with "Afghan Allies" in the memo line. Or go to lirs.org

Our Unity in Christ—Grace Racial Reconciliation Verse




Matthew 25:34-35

³⁴Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.



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DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
TODAY— SUNDAY	09/19	10:00 a.m.	 <p style="text-align: center;"><i>17th Sunday After Pentecost</i> Service of Holy Communion <i>In Person and via You Tube</i> Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Children's Church Confirmation</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Coffee Fellowship via Zoom</p>
		10:50 a.m.	
Monday	09/20		<i>Nancy Dowdy—Vacation— Carolyn Hite in Office</i>
Tuesday	09/21	7:00 p.m.	<i>Nancy Dowdy—Vacation— Carolyn Hite in Office</i> <i>Church Council (Conference Room)</i>



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DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
Wednesday	09/22	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	<i>Nancy Dowdy—Vacation— Carolyn Hite in Office</i> Backpacks (Fellowship Hall Stage) New Member Class (Conference Room)
Thursday	09/23	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	<i>Nancy Dowdy—Vacation— Carolyn Hite in Office</i> Grace Walkers (Meet in Parking Lot) Bible Study Via Zoom Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall) Discussion with Christ Tabernacle via Zoom Bible Study via Zoom
Friday	09/24		<i>Nancy Dowdy—Vacation— Carolyn Hite in Office</i>
Saturday	09/25	2:00 p.m.	<i>Pete Giesen Memorial Service</i>
Sunday	09/26	10:00 a.m. 10:50 a.m.	 18th Sunday After Pentecost Service of Holy Communion In Person and via You Tube Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching Coffee Fellowship via Zoom



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