



Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

October 20, 2019

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

HOLY COMMUNION

Based on Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting Four
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.

Welcome and Announcements

The congregation stands.

Prelude: "Savior, Like a Shepherd, Lead Us"

Bradbury

Confession and Forgiveness

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

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and 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

Let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

Gathering Song: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Hymn #632, Page 4

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,

our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
we fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home!

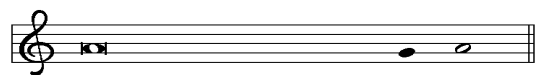
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Music: ST. ANNE, William Croft, 1678–1727

Greeting:

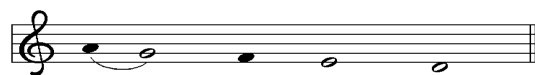
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

And also with you.

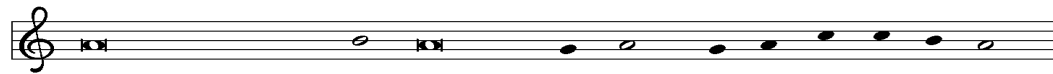
Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



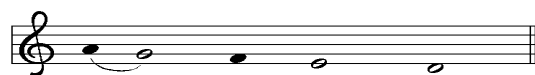
Lord, have mer - cy.



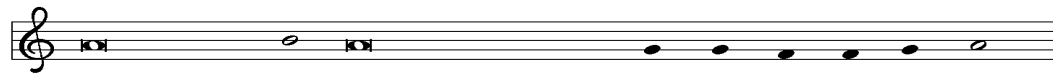
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **A - men.**

Canticle of Praise

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

After the prayer the congregation responds:

Amen.

*The congregation is **seated**.*

Word

First Reading: Genesis 32:22-31

A reading from Genesis:

²²The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 121

- ¹I lift up my eyes to the hills;
from where is my help to come?
²**My help comes from the LORD,
the maker of heaven and earth.**
³The LORD will not let your foot be moved
nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.
⁴**Behold, the keeper of Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep;**
⁵the LORD watches over you;
the LORD is your shade at your right hand;
⁶**the sun will not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**
⁷The LORD will preserve you from all evil
and will keep your life.
⁸**The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in,
from this time forth forevermore.**

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14--4:5

A reading from Second Timothy:

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

^{4:1}In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

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

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

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

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

The Holy Gospel according to Luke:

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

*The congregation is **seated**.*

Children's Sermon

Pastor Paul Pingel

Following the Children's Sermon, children ages 3-9 are invited to attend Children's Church, which is held on the same floor as this worship space in the Library, and Chapel. Here the children will learn more about the same Bible readings as were heard in worship, and will be taught songs and about the way we worship. Children's Church will return to worship around the time of the Sharing of the Peace, in order to take part in Holy Communion.

NOTE: The Nursery is available for children age 5 and under as the Worship Service begins. Children under 5 not attending Children's Church will have the Nursery available throughout the Worship Service. (As always, parents may choose to have their children remain with them in worship.) Children 10 and over will join in regular Worship.

Sermon

Pastor Paul Pingel

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Hymn of the Day: "Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

Hymn #579, Page 11

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.**

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

1 Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the sick and
 2 Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my name bap -
 3 Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my bod - y,
 4 Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther, what they
 5 Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am with you

preach the word." Lest the church ne - glect its mis - sion,
 tize and teach." That the world may trust your prom - ise,
 this my blood." Let us all, for earth's true glo - ry,
 do, for - give." Yet we hoard as pri - vate trea - sure
 to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing,

and the gos - pel go un - heard, help us wit - ness
 life a - bun - dant meant for each, give us all new
 dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward, ask - ing that the
 all that you so free - ly give. May your care and
 may we serve as you in - tend and, a - mid the

to your pur - pose with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty:
 fer - vor, draw us clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty:
 world a - round us share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty:
 mer - cy lead us to a just so - ci - e - ty:
 cares that claim us, hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty:

Refrain

With the Spir - it's gifts em - pow'r us for the work of min - is - try.

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Prayers of Intercession

Knowing the one in whom we trust, and with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all in need.

Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Trusting and delighting in you, we commend all our lives into your loving hands. We offer these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

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

(The offering is gathered by the ushers. Please place visitor cards in the offering plate)

Offertory: "In Christ Alone"

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*The congregation **stands***

(The Ushers bring the offering to the Altar, as we sing)

Offertory

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful
Offering 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. Grace our ta-ble
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980
Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927
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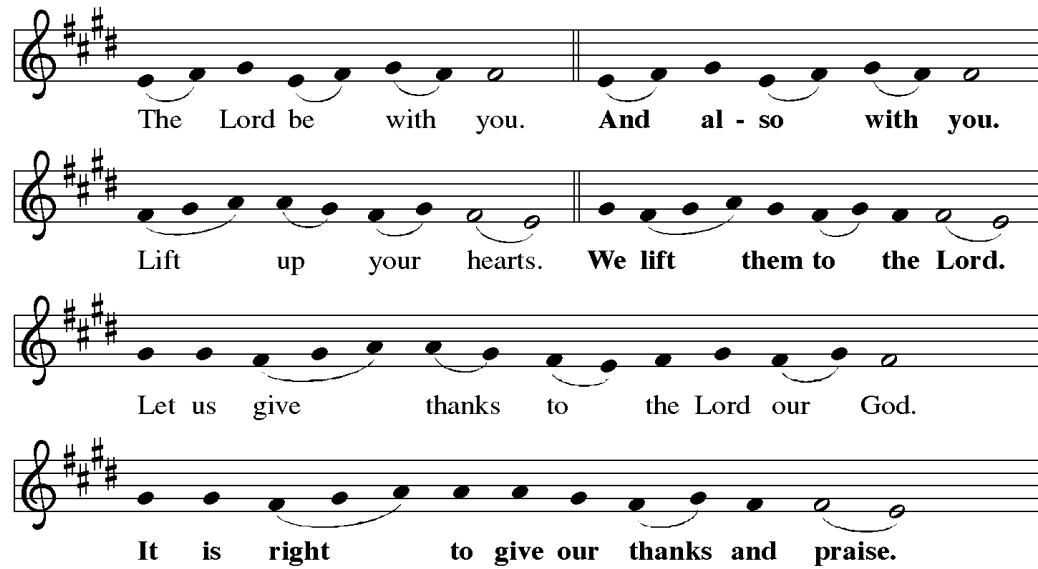
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Offering Prayer

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

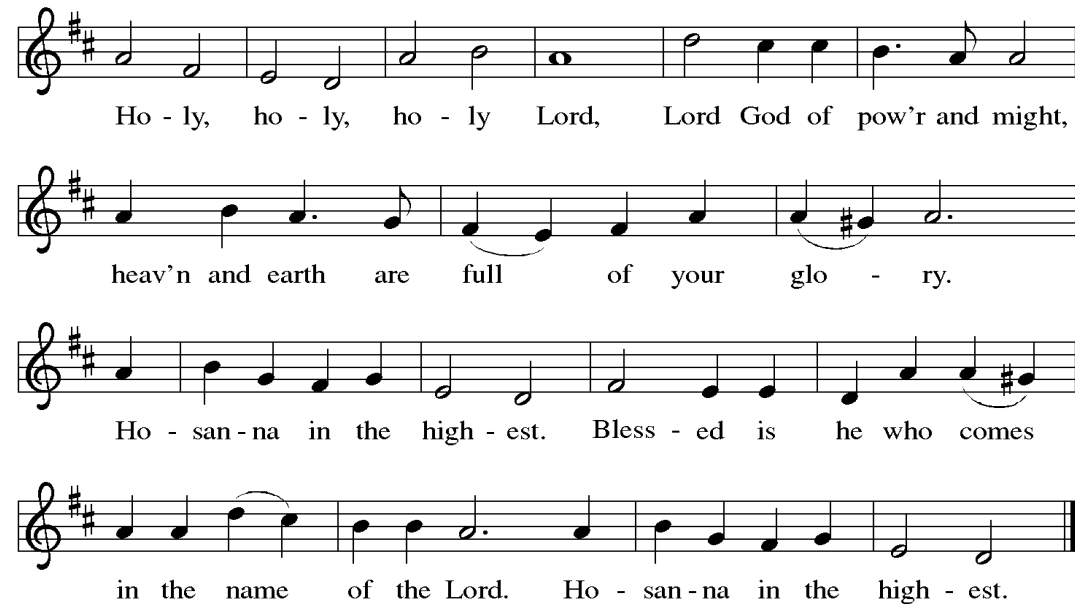


The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, 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

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

Thanks be to God.

*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)

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

***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:*

As the ministers commune the congregation may sing the following:

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

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.

Communion Hymns

“There is a Balm in Gilead”

Hymn #614, Page 18

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

Hymn #742, Page 19

“Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”

Hymn #767, Page 20

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

There Is a Balm in Gilead

Refrain

There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to make the wound-ed whole;

there is a balm in Gil-e-ad to heal the sin-sick soul.

1 Some - times I feel dis - cour - aged and think my work's in vain,
2 If you can - not preach like Pe - ter, if you can - not pray like Paul,
3 Don't ev - er be dis - cour - aged, for Je - sus is your friend;

Refrain

but then the Ho - ly Spir - it re - vives my soul a - gain.
you can tell the love of Je - sus and say, "He died for all."
and if you lack for knowl - edge, he'll ne'er re - fuse to lend.

Text: African American spiritual
Music: BALM IN GILEAD, African American spiritual

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta - tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?
 3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum-bered with a load of care?

What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged— take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer.

Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need-less pain we bear—
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor-rows share?
 Do your friends de-spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.

all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820–1886
 Music: CONVERSE, Charles C. Converse, 1832–1918

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

1 Lord, take my hand and lead me up - on life's way;
 2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear;
 3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en and night has come,

di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me from day to day.
 for you, the Rock of A - ges, are al - ways near.
 I know that you will strength - en my steps toward home,

With - out your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
 Close by your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
 then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend!

so take my hand, O Sav - ior, and lead the way.
 for when your hand is guid - ing, in peace I go.
 So, take my hand and lead me un - to the end.

Text: Julie von Hausmann, 1825–1901; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
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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.

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: *"Now Thank We All Our God"*

Hymn #840, Page 22

Dismissal

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *"Give Thanks"*

Smith

Now Thank We All Our God

1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voic - es,
 2 Oh, may this boun-teous God through all our life be near us,
 3 All praise and thanks to God the Fa-ther now be giv-en,

who won-drous things has done, in whom this world re-joic-es;
 with ev-er joy-ful hearts and bless-ed peace to cheer us,
 the Son, and Spir-it blest, who reign in high-est heav-en,

who, from our moth-ers' arms, has blest us on our way
 and keep us all in grace, and guide us when per-plexed,
 the one e-ter-nal God, whom earth and heav'n a-dore;

with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all harm in this world and the next.
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev-er-more.

Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586-1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878
 Music: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT, Johann Crüger, 1598-1662

Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today

Assisting Minister:	<i>Cathy Crowder</i>
Communion Assistants:	<i>Robin Crowder and Hannah Pingel</i>
Ushers:	<i>Bill Meicke, Pat Brady, Chris Carper, Tom Carper</i>
Offering Stewards:	<i>Pat Brady, TBD</i>
Acolyte:	<i>TBD</i>
Cup Gatherer:	<i>Donna Marshall</i>
Altar Guild:	<i>TBD</i>
Nursery Caregivers:	<i>Susie Driskill and Jean Morgan</i>
Altar Flowers:	<i>Rudy Yobs</i>
Council Person of the Week:	<i>Holly Carper</i>

*The Chancel Flowers today are given to
to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Anne R, Yobs*

Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons

October 27, 2019
Reformation Sunday

Holy Communion
10:00 a.m.

Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm 46

Romans 3:19-28

John 8:31-36

Announcements



Meals on Wheels—We will be delivering Meals on Wheels for the month of November. We will need 8 volunteers each day. It takes less than two hours each morning to make such a difference in someone's day. The meal recipients are very appreciative and that may be the only contact that they have during the day. Please consider serving in this outreach in November. If you delivered last year, you will be contacted in the near future. There is always a need for new volunteers so if you would like more information, please contact Gwen Kite at 910-0508 or gwenma2002@yahoo.com. The Senior Center has been contacted and the routes are basically the same.



Pumpkins with the Pastor - Reformation Sunday, October 27th, we invite you to **dress casually** (with some red to celebrate the Reformation), and enjoy a Festival day of Fellowship together! We'll enjoy:

- An Oktoberfest meal that honors our Lutheran Heritage, plus will have something for all tastes (including vegetarian), with caramel apple and ice cream bar for dessert!
- Pumpkins for **everyone** to decorate - carve, paint, and stickers! Go "traditional", get artsy, lots of prizes to give away for many categories, kids AND adults. And "pumpkins with the pastor" - do we get to decorate *him*?!
- Games: Pin the Tail on Knight George's Donkey (Martin Luther will tell us the story); Pumpkin Tic Tac Toe, Corn hole (tournament!), Crafts and More!
- Playground for the kids; alternate plans inside, in case of rain/cold.

Make plans to enjoy time together as God's people here at Grace! There is a sign up sheet in the narthex for you to bring specific menu items in order to help make the lunch a big success! Please sign up if you can help!



All Saints Sunday is November 4, 2019—Each year on All Saints Sunday we remember the saints who have gone before us; those Grace members who have received the promises for all time, of God's Grace given to us freely through Jesus Christ and his death and resurrection. In addition to Grace members, if you would like to include a family member or friend who has died, please notify the Church Office by Friday, October 25th.



Pastor attends Pastor's Retreat, Virginia Synod Ministerium - After worship today, Pastor Paul will attend a day retreat of local pastors that is considering the ways local congregations can continue to work together in ministry together. Then immediately following (Monday-Thursday), Pastor will be attending the annual Virginia Synod Ministerium meeting, whose focus is Congregational Vitality. Please pray for God's Spirit to be in these Retreats, and help to strengthen the Church and its pastors!

Announcements Continued



Parking Lot... - We have pledged and donated \$43,524. That represents 91% of the \$48,000 necessary to complete the Parking Lot Campaign! If you've not yet made a commitment toward completing our Parking Lot Campaign, please prayerfully consider and make your pledge today. There are Commitment Cards on the narthex table.

...Pledges and Prayer - Commitment Sunday was Sunday, October 6th. We are thankful for many who have made a commitment to our 2020 budget plan for ministry and helping to fund God's Mission for our congregation. If you have not yet made a Commitment, please give thanks for God's grace and blessings, and make your pledge today.



MANY THANKS to Joelle Miller and Mike Trauscht, who are providing music leadership for Mike Myers, who is away this Sunday. Thanks for sharing your gifts and talents, for the sake of our worship of the God of Grace!



Grace Takes Part in Utility Survey - Dominion Power offers a service to churches and small businesses to look at the lighting and HVAC of our building to help save energy. As a part of the Survey, Grace will be GIVEN 300 energy saving and commercial quality light bulbs to replace higher watt bulbs. As an example, there are 54 bulbs alone that are used to give light to the nave area of our worship space. We will replace incandescent bulbs with energy saving LED bulbs, resulting in a significant energy reduction in our worship space alone! Later this Fall, the Utility Survey will also be looking at our HVAC to look for leaks and increase efficiency. Thanks to Gordon Putnam, Mike Trauscht, and Brad Keefer for setting up and guiding the Dominion staff through Grace's building!



Did You Know: You can donate to Grace Lutheran Church on the web page. Tithe.ly allows you to donate by credit card or by check. You can also designate to which fund you would like your donation to go. You can setup your donation to come out automatically or when you want to donate by this method.

Contest: Let's have some fun, every few weeks we will have a new contest. Who can find the information on the web or Facebook page to a question and send the answer to Gordon Putnam at grputnam1949@gmail.com. There will be a prize for the 25th person who answers this question correctly.

"The Tithe.ly users guide has a number of steps to help members access Tithe.ly to donate to our church. On the first page of the users guide how many steps are illustrated?"

Please print your new prayer concerns before worship on the sheet on the podium 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.

Mary Bertelsen Prayer Request for Members (Remain on List for 4 weeks*) **Jan McCombs**

Prayer Request for Relatives/Friends (Remain on List for 4 weeks*)
Judy Armstrong, Friend of Amy Warren **Cindy Ditmer**, Niece of Carol Wolf
Mark Haney, Friend of Kathy Johnson **JoAnne Harrell**, Sister of Linda Tomey
Mark McGehee, Brother of John McGehee **Mo Moumen**, Co-worker of Donna Gum
Val Myers, Mother of Mike Myers **Maggie Petersen**, Friend of Hulls
Les Ramsey, Friend of Deloris Wertman **Richard Smith**, Friend of Kathryn Johnson

Ongoing Need for Prayer for Members (Please advise of status changes)
Liz Ann Binns **Fred Brower** **Jean Brower**
Nancy Fitzgerald **Sandra R. Hoy** **Sandy Johnson**
Bob and Carol Knemoller **Shirley Krizovsky** **Peggy Lucas**
Janet Lunger **Glenn and Flossie Myers** **Lily Skelton**

Ongoing Need for Prayer for Relatives/Friends (Please advise of status changes)
Marie Brown, Mother of Janet Parmer and Jane McGehee
Delmar Carlson, Brother-in-Law of Chuck Goodrich
Lisa Dofflemeyer, Daughter of Linda Tomey
Barbara and Jeff Eagle, Sister and Brother-in-Law of Nancy Schwiesow
Kyle Getler, Member Relative
Bobby Haywood, Friend of Trauschts
Bruce Joleaud, Mike Trauscht's Brother-In-Law
Katherine Lambertson, Daughter of Hal Aaslestad
Maxine Pierce, Mother of Cindy Trauscht
Joshua Scott, Friend of the Jones Family
Krista Traynor and Her Children, Daughter of the Proctors
Cooper Trueblood, Friend of Almarodes
Keith Weller, Son of Wellers






Members/Friends Grieving
Family of Kim Cash, Friend of Kathryn Johnson
Family of Philip Crickenberger, Friend of the Crowders
Family of Glenn Darr, Husband of Barbara Darr, Deloris Wertman's Sister
Family of Grant Fenlon, Friends of Millers and Gail Johnson
Family of Tom Guthrie, Friend of Grace Members
Family of Pat Holmes, Friend of the Skeltons
Family of Jean Hughes, Friend of Grace
Family of Alex Teasley, Grandson of Janice Collins

The Needs of the World
The victims of Hurricane Dorian, especially in the Bahamas and Atlantic Coast
Flooding in Texas and other areas affected by tropical storms
Our daily attention to our environment and our stewardship of God's creation
God's wisdom to prevail in the political turmoil of our time

The Church
Our neighbor congregations: Christ Tabernacle, Church of God in Christ, St. James Baptist, Bethlehem Lutheran, Zion Lutheran
Our confirmation students: Kaitlyn and Karley Hull, Quinn and Thea Franklin, Logan Miller and Zachary Rankin

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year
Amanda Moyer **Bob Shumate**
Bill Crowder **Bob Knemoller**

**Life of Grace Church
October 20-27, 201**

DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
TODAY— SUNDAY	10/20	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	 Sunday School 19th Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding <i>Pastor Attending Pastors' Retreat</i>
Monday	10/21	6:00 p.m.	Kiwanis (Conference Room) <i>Pastor Attending Pastors' Retreat</i> <i>Pastor—Gathering of the Ministerium</i>
Tuesday	10/22	9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	 Quilting Group (Fellowship Hall) <i>Pastor—Gathering of the Ministerium</i> <i>Communications Committee (History Room)</i>
Wednesday	10/23	7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	<i>Pastor—Gathering of the Ministerium</i> Backpacks  Handbell Choir Practice Worship Choir Practice
Thursday	10/24	8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	<i>Pastor—Gathering of the Ministerium</i>  Grace Walkers Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday	10/27	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	 Sunday School Worship Choir Practice Reformation Sunday Holy Communion Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding <i>Pumpkins with Pastor</i>

Daily Lectionary

Monday

Psalm 50
Nehemiah 13:1-3, 23-31
1 Corinthians 5:9-13

Tuesday

Psalm 50
Zachariah 7:1-14
Jude 5-21

Wednesday

Psalm 50
Amos 5:12-24
Luke 19:11-27

Thursday

Psalm 96
1 Kings 12:20-33
2 Corinthians 5:11-17

Friday

Psalm 96
1 Kings 16:29-34
2 Corinthians 11:1-6

Saturday

Psalm 96
1 Kings 18:1-19
Luke 4:31-37



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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