



# The Golden Calf

## Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church  
500 South Wayne Avenue  
Waynesboro, VA 22980

**October 11, 2020**

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

# Service of the Word via YouTube

(Based on Evangelical Lutheran Worship)

**Congregational responses are in bold print**

*In this time of Coronavirus, the "Order of Worship" that we use has changed. From the earliest years of the Church the order of Worship was to **GATHER**, bringing ourselves and all that we are before God; then to hear the **WORD** of God, letting it enter our lives with the expectation, as the prophet Isaiah tells us, that it will not come away empty, but accomplish succeed in that which God purposes for it. (Isaiah 55:10-11). We are hearing that word from (usually) two readings during this time of Coronavirus; the gospel, and one additional reading, either from the Old Testament, the Psalms, or an epistle reading. Then we hear the Word proclaimed through the Sermon. We confess our faith, we share in Prayers to God for the world we live in and in thanksgiving to God for the promises that we will not be alone in whatever we are going through. And we are thankful for God's Living Word, Jesus, the embodied Word of God, and the ways Jesus is revealed through the Old and New Testament. Then we are **SENT** into this world - perhaps the most important part of worship, even if the shortest - because it is then that we live out our faith proclaimed in Word and Worship.*

*MISSING from these weeks of physically distant worship is the **MEAL** and times to celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. As mentioned during our Maundy Thursday worship, we are in a wilderness time, where the promises of God we desire so greatly, to taste and drink and see God's forgiveness of sins and new life in bread and wine, in water, are still ahead of us. And as the apostle Paul wrote so powerfully in I Corinthians 11, we wait to receive the Sacrament together until ALL can receive it, not restricted by distance, and/or accessibility to technology that might allow some in the Body to receive it, and not others. So we pray for that time when we are re-united and able to receive the Meal together, and place our hope in the God who has called us through Water and the Word to bring us together again.*

## Gathering

### Welcome and Announcements

### Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the Father, and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit, one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

**Amen**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Faithful God,  
**have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgement on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**  
**Amen**

God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world.  
**Amen**

### **Prelude**

### **Greeting**

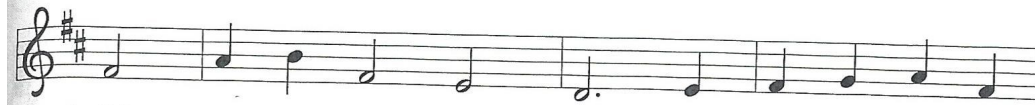
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

**Hymn of Praise:** *"My Song is Love Unknown"*

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# My Song Is Love Unknown

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1 My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to  
2 He came from his blest throne sal - va - tion to be -  
3 Some - times we strew his way and his sweet prais - es  
4 We cry out, we will have our dear Lord made a -



me, love to the love - less shown that they might  
stow; the world that was his own would not its  
sing; re - sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas  
way, a mur - der - er to save, the prince of



love - ly be. Oh, who am I that  
Sav - ior know. But, oh, my friend, my  
to our king. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" is  
life to slay. Yet cheer - ful he to



for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?  
friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend!  
all our breath, and for his death we thirst and cry.  
suf - f'ring goes that he his foes from thence might free.

5 In life no house, no home  
my Lord on earth might have;  
in death no friendly tomb  
but what a stranger gave.  
What may I say? Heav'n was his home  
but mine the tomb wherein he lay.

6 Here might I stay and sing—  
no story so divine!  
Never was love, dear King,  
never was grief like thine.  
This is my friend, in whose sweet praise  
I all my days could gladly spend!

Text: Samuel Crossman, 1624–1683, alt.  
Music: John Ireland, 1879–1962  
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LOVE UNKNOWN  
6 6 6 4 4 8

Alternate tune: RHOSYMEDRE

## **Prayer of the Day**

*A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

Let us pray.

Faithful God of an unfaithful people,  
The people of Israel doubted your power and turned to other gods to fulfill their needs. We too, turn to other gods, seeking acceptance, power and independence. Show us how to live humbly in you, and walk in your ways, in the name of the one who offered true power to all humanity, Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## **Word**

### **First Reading: Exodus 32:1-14**

A reading from Exodus:

<sup>1</sup>When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." <sup>2</sup>Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." <sup>3</sup>So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. <sup>4</sup>He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" <sup>5</sup>When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD." <sup>6</sup>They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

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<sup>7</sup>The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; <sup>8</sup>they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" <sup>9</sup>The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. <sup>10</sup>Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

<sup>11</sup>But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? <sup>12</sup>Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. <sup>13</sup>Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" <sup>14</sup>And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

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

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Halle, Halle, Hallelujah**

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The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!" The first system has a G chord above the first measure and a D7 chord above the second measure. The second system has C, Am, and D chords above the first three measures. The third system has G, B7, and Em chords above the first three measures. The fourth system has Am, G/D, D, and G chords above the first four measures.

Music: Caribbean traditional; arr. Mark Sedio, b. 1954  
Arr. © 1995 Augsburg Fortress

**Gospel: Luke 23:34**

The holy gospel according to Luke:

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>34</sup>Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Children's Message**

**Amber & Isabelle Bokelman**

**Sermon**

**Rev. Gordon Putnam**

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

**Musical Offering**

**Mike Myers**



### 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

With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence.*

*Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words*

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

Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

### **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.**

### **Sending**

#### **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.  
**Amen.**

**Sending Song:** *"Let Justice Flow Like Streams"*

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#### **Dismissal**

Go in peace. Christ is with you.  
**Thanks be to God.**

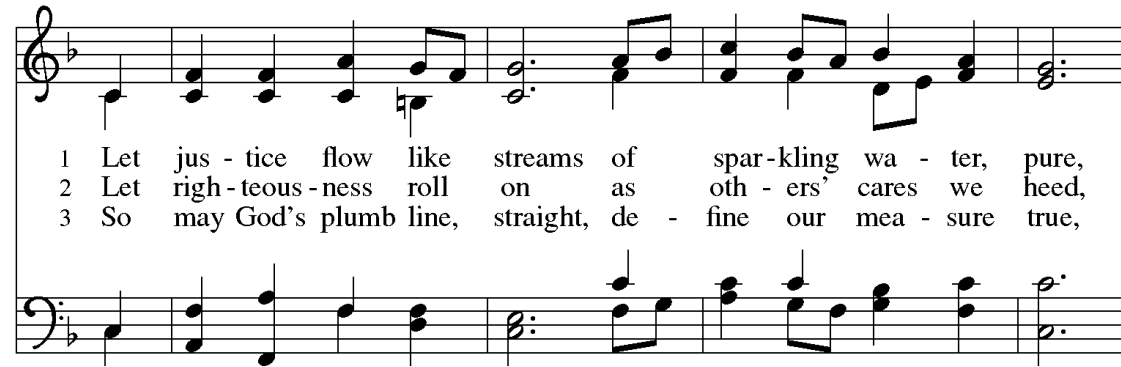
#### **Postlude**

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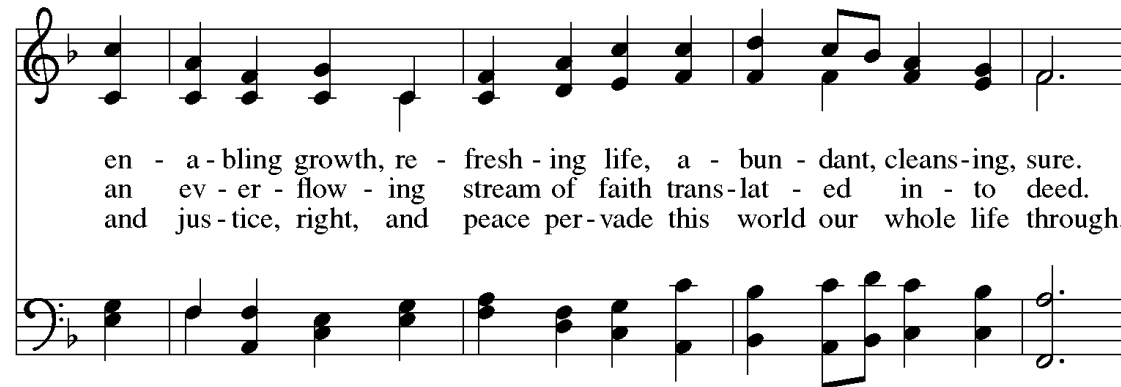
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## Let Justice Flow like Streams



1 Let jus - tice flow like streams of spar-king wa - ter, pure,  
2 Let righ-teous-ness roll on as oth - ers' cares we heed,  
3 So may God's plumb line, straight, de - fine our mea - sure true,



en - a - bling growth, re - fresh - ing life, a - bun - dant, cleans-ing, sure.  
an ev - er - flow - ing stream of faith trans-lat - ed in - to deed.  
and jus-tice, right, and peace per-vade this world our whole life through.

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**Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today**



- Assisting Minister:** Robin Crowder
- Offering Steward:** Pat Brady
- Altar Flowers:** Gail Johnson
- Council Person of the Week:** Kathryn Johnson
- Children's Sermon:** Amber and Isabelle Bokelman



*The Chancel Flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of L.C. Reid, Jr. by his daughter, Dawn Reid*

**Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons**



**October 18, 2020**  
Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost  
**Service of the Word via YouTube**  
10:00 a.m.

**Pastor Paul Pingel**  
**Preaching & Presiding**

God Answers Hannah  
1 Samuel 1:9-11, 19-20; 2:1-10  
Luke 1:46-55



**Please call the Church Office if you need to add someone to the Prayer List.** In an effort to make the prayer list current to the life of Grace congregation and the community and world around us, **names on the Prayer List will remain for four weeks.** 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\*)**

**Beth Ann Doerring  
Ty Elliott  
Rudy Yobs**

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

**Irwin Bohmfalk, Friend of Goodriches  
Philip Bouknight, Pastor at Trinity Ecumenical Parish, and Family  
Tony Forbes, Cousin of Ron Almarode  
Ginger Hood, Sister-in-Law of Kathy Johnson  
Nate Rolund, Nephew of the Bradys**

**Ongoing Need for Prayer for Members (Please advise of status changes)**

<b>Liz Ann Binns</b>	<b>Fred Brower</b>	<b>Marie Brown</b>
<b>Nancy Fitzgerald</b>	<b>Pete Giesen</b>	<b>Sandra R. Hoy</b>
<b>Bob and Carol Knemoller</b>	<b>Bobby Moyer</b>	<b>Glenn and Flossie Myers</b>
	<b>Janet Parmer</b>	

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

<b>Janice Collins, Friend of Grace</b>	<b>Nancy Delaney, Dave Delaney's Wife</b>
<b>Lisa Dofflemeyer, Daughter of Linda Tomey</b>	<b>Kyle Getler, Member Relative</b>
<b>Maxine Pierce, Mother of Cindy Trauscht</b>	<b>Barbara Shifflett and Family</b>
<b>George Toop, Friend of Schwiesows</b>	

**Members/Friends Grieving**

**Rev. Robert Graetz**

**The Family of Gerald Reineke, Brother of Eleanor Sampson**  
**The Family of Mickey Shook, Grace Member**  
**The Family of Mary Glover Smith, Mother of Rev. Pat Nabers**

**Celebration**

**Birth of Ira Lee Bustamente, Great-Granddaughter of Eleanor Sampson**

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

**Bill Meicke**

**Aaron Lynch**

**The Needs of the World**

The Election of our next President,  
Vice President and Cabinet  
and the exercise of our  
freedom to vote

**The Supreme Court and process of  
selection of a new Justice**

The test trials for Covid-19 vaccines  
and treatments

**The 200,000+ deaths due to  
Coronavirus in the United  
States, and over 1,000,000  
worldwide**

75 Wildfires currently burning in the  
American West (over 7,000  
square miles, the size of the  
state of New Jersey)

**Damage and Flooding caused by  
Hurricanes Laura and Sally  
from Florida to Texas**

The National (and Churchwide)  
conversation about Race

**The Church**

**Our Confirmands: Thea Franklin,  
Karley Hull, and Kiera Mahoney**  
Our sisters and brothers at Zion, St. James  
and Bethlehem Lutheran Churches  
**Our unity in Christ over all other  
loyalties and preferences**

**Our Neighbors**

Our neighbors in Wayne Hills and  
Basic Neighborhoods

## Wednesday Class Offerings!!



Online  
Bible Study

**Zoom Bible study starting October 14<sup>th</sup>** at 9:00 AM for four weeks. It will be co-led by Gordon Putnam and Melvin Janzen. Melvin and Gordon were chaplains together at UVA hospital. Melvin is a Mennonite minister. We will be using a study guide that comes from the Mennonite perspective. We are inviting St. James members along with members from Christ Tabernacle and Grace Lutheran. We are hoping this ecumenical Bible study and sharing will give us a rich, diverse and maybe a new understanding of God's Word and how our lives are affected by it. If you would like to participate contact Pastor Gordon and he will send you the Zoom link.

The outline for each week is: Check in, read the scripture, reflect on the scripture, some background on the scripture and discussion. The four weeks themes are:

1. **Saul's Call**, To remember that salvation begins with the call of the Lord Jesus and to discern how Jesus' call continues in our lives today. Acts 9:1-20; 22:3-18; 26:9-18
2. **Your Mission, Should You Choose to Accept It**, To marvel at God's unfathomable love, as expressed in Jesus Christ, and to tell and show others, even our enemies, of the reconciliation and life in Christ that is available to all. Romans 1:8-17; 5:1-11
3. **The Difference of One**, To reflect on the effect of Christ's righteousness and grace on humankind and in our lives, motivating us to live for Christ. Romans 5:12-21
4. **Beautiful Feet**, To discern what it means to know and share the salvation that is ours through Jesus Christ. Romans 10:5-17



**Book Study Offered Again** - In response to inquiries made during our recent Anti-Racism Forums, Pastor Paul will offer a study of the best-selling book White Fragility by Robin DiAngelo once again. The class will be offered by Zoom on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. *Please sign up by emailing or calling the Church Office and letting Nancy Dowdy know. We will begin Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>.* God has set us in a time of history where the Church can no longer be an "institution" that is content to be the most segregated body in our nation. The New Testament itself is clear about how the Holy Spirit regularly guides the Church to cross boundaries of race and class as it gives witness to the Gospel in the world. Understanding the ways we have been content with the unequal treatment of our friends in Christ of color is important, so we can move forward as God's people together in witness to the world.

# NEWS



**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 **eight** deliveries thus far, four to Main Street United Methodist, and three to Calvary United Methodist, Stuarts Draft, with the donations gratefully received in the midst of great need. If you can help, please donate to our box set inside the office door for you to drop off.



**Opportunity for Online Volunteer Tutoring** - Love INC, a local organization that helps families in need, has an opportunity to help tutor youth online in our area. The newsletter contains basic information and a link that will take a potential volunteer to an informational session to find out more.

Here is a link to the newsletter, which can be shared on social media:

<https://mailchi.mp/f43eaa833e2c/more-information-sessions-plus-updates-for-applicants>

Here is a link directly to the Information Session scheduling page:

<https://sawtutoring.as.me/TutoringInformationSession>

A lot of work has been put into this by the Staunton-Augusta-Waynesboro Tutoring Network and it provides an excellent opportunity for us to serve our communities and meet a very big need.



# NEWS



*Worship  
with us  
from*  
**HOME**

We continue to meet live on Sundays at 10 am via You Tube worship and Zoom. Council at its September meeting elected to continue in this manner for now as Covid cases continue on a level pace in our area. Holy Communion worship will next occur on Sunday, October 25th Reformation Sunday. Also please remember the Coffee Fellowship after worship after each worship service, and opportunity to connect with one another as sisters and brothers in Christ!



Child Care

## **STAFF NEEDED! Child Care Needs for Students Through Grace -**

The Student Care program that Grace has joined through the local YMCA and "C4" Initiative in our area is ON HOLD BECAUSE OF STAFF NEEDS. The need for this program continues to be great in our area, and many families are on standby waiting for space in programs like Grace's. IF

YOU KNOW OF ANYONE LOOKING FOR PART-TIME OR FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT who wants to help with this program, please notify Pastor Paul, or email [childcare@unitedwaysaw.org](mailto:childcare@unitedwaysaw.org).



**Gods Work Our Hands Service Project**—Each year in September, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) encourages the congregations of the denomination to engage in work that shows us faithful and active in love. This year there were two Grace projects:

On Saturday September 12, as part of God's Work our Hands week, a team from Grace and Zion worked with Renewing Homes Greater Augusta to build a wheel chair ramp for a family near Augusta Springs. Interestingly 10 years ago, we replaced the roof on their home.

And, on Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, a team from Grace worked on the Grace Room at WARM, replacing flooring that had buckled due to a large water spill.

# NEWS



**Grace HVAC Update** - We are grateful to Ray Battani, a past Grace member, for his help in taking a look at our HVAC system at Grace. In this time of Covid, he is helping Grace to be sure that our HVAC meets fresh air standards, and brings new air into the building in order to reduce the chances of Covid or other germs/viruses being spread in the air. Ray shared that a simple change of filters to a MERV 10 (Minimum Efficiency Reporting Value)

has been shown to reduce Covid spread by 70%. Introducing outside air further reduces the chances of Covid inside. We also need to replace four of our A/C units which are nearing 20 years old and are beyond repair. Brad Keefer, Jerry Kite, Mike Trauscht, and Ray are looking at necessary replacement units for our A/C, and the modifications necessary to our entire system to upgrade our HVAC. We'll provide additional updates as their work progresses, and give thanks for their time and expertise!



**Lutheran Disaster Response to Wildfires** - five ELCA synods and three Lutheran social service organizations are responding to the wildfires in numerous states in the Western U.S. that have affected territory larger than the entire state of New Jersey. You can help provide food, necessities and assistance to those in need through Lutheran Disaster Response. Respond by a donation through Grace with "West Disaster Response" in the memo line, or give directly through [www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/Lutheran-Disaster-Response](http://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/Lutheran-Disaster-Response).



**Life of Grace Church**  
**October 11-18,2020**

Day of the Week	Date	Time	Meeting
TODAY— SUNDAY	10/11	10:00 a.m.	Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost Service of the Word via YouTube Pastor Gordon Putnam, Preaching & Presiding
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom
Wednesday	10/14	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study via Zoom
		7:00 p.m.	Book Study via Zoom
Thursday	10/15	5:30 p.m.	Discussion with Christ Tabernacle via Zoom
Sunday	10/18	10:00 a.m.	Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost Service of the Word via YouTube Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom

**Monday**  
 Esther 4:4-17  
 Acts 18:1-11  
 John (1:1-4) 3:1-14

**Tuesday**  
 Esther 5:1-14  
 Acts 18:12-28  
 Luke 3:15-22

**Wednesday**  
 Esther 6:1-14  
 Acts 19:1-10  
 Luke 4:1-13



**Thursday**  
 Esther 7:1-10  
 Acts 19:11-20  
 Luke 4:14-30

**Friday**  
 Esther 8:1-8, 15-17  
 Acts 19:21-41  
 Luke 4:31-37

**Saturday**  
 Esther 9:1-32  
 Acts 20:1-16  
 Luke 4:38-44



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