

as mortals see;
they look on the
outward appearance,
but the LORD
looks on the heart.

1 Samuel 16:7, NRSV

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church October 24, 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

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

Temple Talk Robin Crowder

Confession and Forgiveness

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.

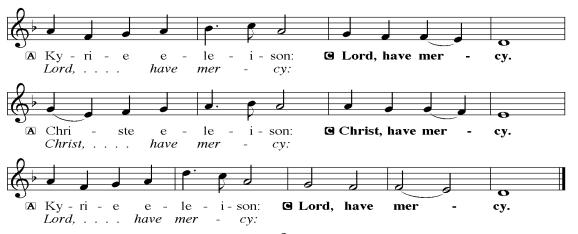
Prelude

<u>Greeting</u>

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

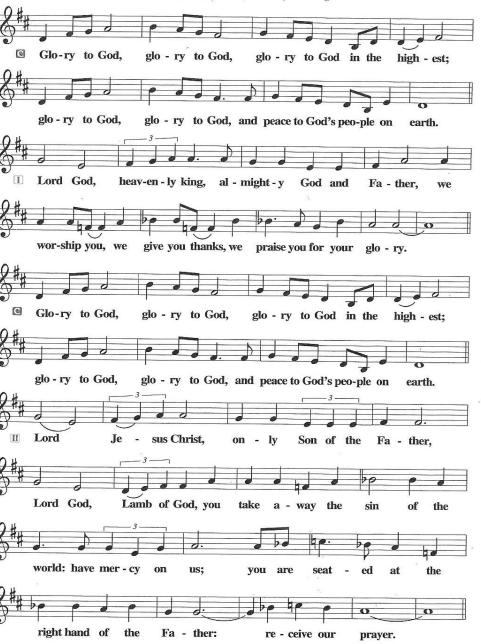
And also with you.

Kyrie



HYMN OF PRAISE

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





Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

God in strength, In David you chose a king with a big heart. Create clean and willing hearts in us, and choose us to do your work. **Amen.**

Word

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

A reading from 1 Samuel:

¹The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." ²Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' ³Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." ⁴Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" ⁵He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

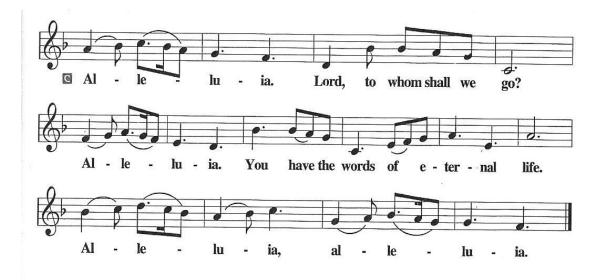
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⁶When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is now before the LORD." ⁷But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." ⁸Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." ⁹Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." ¹⁰Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." ¹¹Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." ¹²He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." ¹³Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation



Psalm 51:10-14

10Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.
11Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.
12Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.
13Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.
14Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.

Gospel: John 7:24

The holy gospel according to St. John:

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁴Do not judge by appearances, but judge with right judgment."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

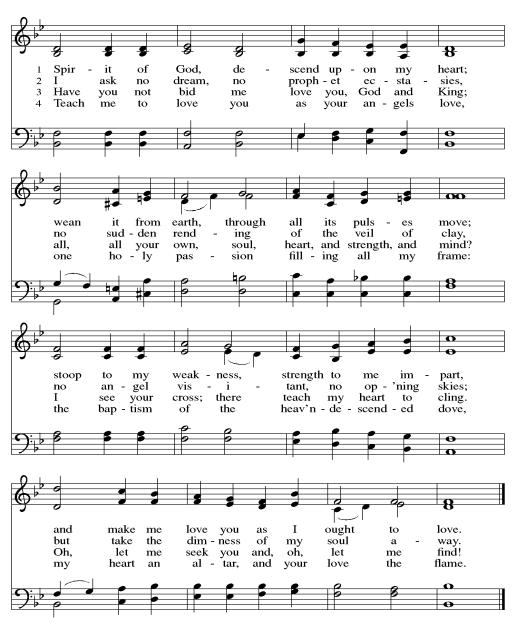
Children's Message

<u>Sermon</u> Pastor Pingel

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Hymn of the Day: "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" #800, Page 9, Verses 1, 3, 4

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart



Text: George Croly, 1780–1860 Music: MORECAMBE, Frederick C. Atkinson, 1841–1897

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.

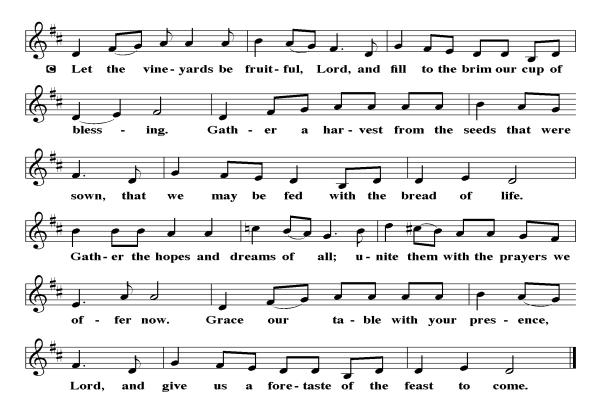
Amen.

<u>Peace</u>

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Meal

Offertory Song



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.

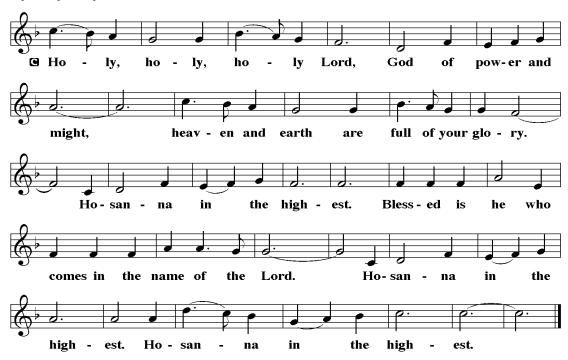
We lift them to the Lord.

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



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.

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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.

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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.
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Invitation to Communion

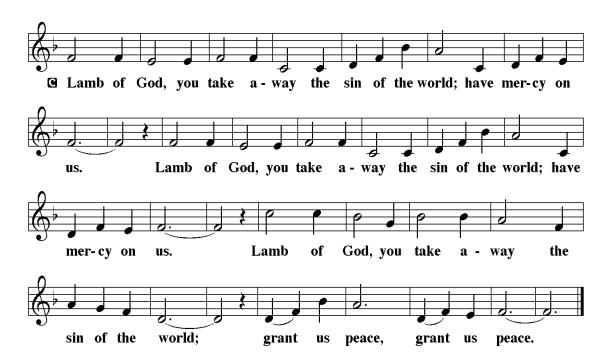
All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.

Thanks be to God!

The Holy Communion

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.



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: "O Master, Let Me Walk With You" #818, Page 17, Verses 1, 3, 4

Dismissal

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

Postlude

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O Master, Let Me Walk with You



Text: Washington Gladden, 1836–1918, alt. Music: MARYTON, H. Percy Smith, 1825–1898

Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today



Altar Flowers: Rudy Yobs

Altar Guild: Jane Stein

Assisting Minister: Ron Almarode

Children's Service: Amber Bokelman

Deloris Wertman

Council Person of the Week: Bob Barrette

Covid Monitor: Carolyn Hite

Offering Stewards: Pat Brady

Ushers: Lee Lynch

Bill Meicke



The Chancel Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Anne R. Yobs

Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons

October 31, 2021 Reformation Sunday

Service of Holy Communion And via You Tube

Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching

1 Kings 5:1-5; 8:1-13 John 2:19-21



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*) Donna Gum

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

Faye Dickerson, Friend of Gail Johnson Charles List, Nephew of the Pat and Sandra Brady Carrie Peters, Niece of David and Nancy Schwiesow

Joys and Celebrations (Remain on List for 4 weeks*)

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

Sylvia Almarode Liz Ann Binns
Fred Brower Marie Brown
Nancy Fitzgerald Sandra R. Hoy
Phyllis Kite Bob Knemoller
Glenn and Flossie Myers Janet Parmer

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

Janice Collins, Friend of Grace

Kyle Getler, Member Relative

Nancy Delaney, Dave Delaney's Wife

Regan Grant, Friend of Richard and Kathy Bump

George Toop, Friend of David and Nancy Schwiesow

Members/Friends Grieving

Family of Mark Neely, Brother of Jill Pingel
Family of Patty Botkin, Friend of the Bobby and Carolyn Hite
Family of Ty Elliott, Grace Member
Family of Keven Swisher, Friends of Tom and Holly Carper
Family of Catherine Henson, Mother of Dave Matheney and Friend of Gail Johnson
Family of Margaret Straw, Friend of Nancy Dowdy

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year
Susan Morrison Ron Myers
Cabell Caister Lee Lynch

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 and nationwide; scientists working on the Covid vaccine certification for children; the hard hearted

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

First Responders, EMT's, Fire, Police

As we prepare to exercise the right to vote - the wisdom of God's Spirit to vote for the common good, instead of fear.

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

The families of many abused in French congregations, over the past decades, and the Church's repentance - a new direction - away from this abuse, and advocacy and support for those abused

Our Neighbors

Our neighbors on Arch and Market Streets



We Return to In-Person Activities at Grace! Beginning today, we return to In Person activities at Grace - Worship, Meetings, Classes, as well as use of Grace by outside organizations. We continue to mask and distance at all activities. And, we continue to offer a virtual option for Grace Worship, Meetings and Classes. See the letter sent via Email and U.S. Mail sent this past week for more details.



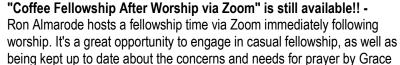
Commitment Sunday is Today! Fred Biggers offers a Temple Talk and we offer "our selves, our time and our possessions - signs of God's gracious love" in thanksgiving for God's love, presence in time of trial, blessings in our daily lives, and the joy of being a blessing to others in the world around us. Please put your pledge cards in the offering plate, or return them to the Church Office.



Confirmation Sunday is on Reformation Sunday! Which is next Sunday, October 31st! Thea Franklin and Karley Hull will be Affirming their Baptism, and making confession of their faith and life! We celebrate with them! Please keep them in your prayers this week.



Holy Communion Chalices remain available from the Church Office - Call the Church Office in order to pick up Communion Chalices for each Sunday's worship over these next few weeks as we meet virtually!



members and friends. We will be sending this link weekly with the other links to Worship and other activities available via Zoom.



All Saints Sunday is November 7, 2021—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 29th.



The Psalms Bible Study began October 21! - This five week study looks at the various types of Psalms we find in the Bible, and we ask what these Psalms reveal to us in our daily lives, and this world we live in. Choose from 11:00 a.m. study or 7:00 p.m. study. We will start via Zoom only, unless our in-person policy changes.



Email Address Changes - Due to consistent sending and receiving problems with our current "gracewaynesboro" and "lumos"-based email addresses, we ask that you change your address book to include the following addresses:

For Nancy Dowdy and the Church Office: Grace.lc@comcast.net For Pastor Pingel: pastorpingel@gmail.com
Please discontinue the use of gracelc@lumos.net,
secretary@gracewaynesboro.org, and pastor@gracewaynesboro.org



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 <u>nineteen</u> deliveries thus far, nine to Main Street United Methodist, and ten to Calvary United Methodist, Stuarts Draft, with the donations gratefully received in the midst of great need. Last week, 114 pounds of food went to Calvary United Methodist. Overall, we have given well over 1,700 pounds! If you can help, please donate to our box set inside the office door for you to drop off.



Invitation to Prayer Group at Grace - Our World, Our Nation, Our Community, The Church, Grace Lutheran, individual joys and concerns f rom our lives. In all these things, we "take it to the Lord in prayer," not only praying for what we need, but also listening for what God will speak. If you are interested in a weekly Prayer Group, sign up on the Sheet on the table in the Narthex, or call the Church Office. We'll offer a few times, and select the time that the most people can attend. Sign-up and indicate times you can attend, and we will start in mid-November.



New Member Sunday on All Saints! Nine saints will be joining with Grace on November 7: Marsha Howard, Jim and Gloria Nelson, William Proctor, Charles and Susan Smith, Alexandra Spellman, and Steven and Karen Van Stee will affirm their baptism and join, with introductions by Grace Shepherds! We give thanks to the Holy Spirit for making possible our life together in Christ!



Life of Grace Church October 24-31, 2021

DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
TODAY— SUNDAY	10/24	10:00 a.m. 10:50 a.m.	21st Sunday After Pentecost Service of Holy Communion In Person and via You Tube Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching Coffee Fellowship via Zoom
		11:00 a.m.	Confirmation
Wednesday	10/27	5:30 p.m.	Communications Committee
Thursday	10/28	8:30 a.m.	Grace Walkers (Meet in Parking Lot)
		11:00 a.m.	Bible Study In-Person and Via Zoom
		12:30 p.m.	Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)
		6:00 p.m.	Discussion with Christ Tabernacle via Zoom
		7:00 p.m.	Bible Study In-Person and Via Zoom
Saturday	10/30	2:00 p. m.	Glidden Graveside (Family Only)
Sunday	10/31	10:00 a.m.	Reformation Sunday Service of Holy Communion In Person and via You Tube Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom

Monday

Jeremiah 36:11-26 1 Corinthians 13:(1-3) 4-13 Matthew 10:5-15

Tuesday

Jeremiah 36:27—37:2 1 Corinthians 14:1-12 Matthew 10:16-23

Wednesday

Jeremiah 37:3-21 1 Corinthians 14:13-25 Matthew 10:24-33



Thursday

Jeremiah 38:1-13 1 Corinthians 14:26-33a (33b-36) 37-40

Matthew 10:34-42

Friday

Jeremiah 38:14-28 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Matthew 11:1-6

Saturday

Jeremiah 52:1-34 1 Corinthians 15:12-29 Matthew 11:7-15

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Robin Crowder, President
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