

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church June 6, 2021

"A Community of Servants Sharing in the Word and Work of Jesus"

Service of the Word via You Tube

(Based on Bread of Life, Jay Beach Setting)

Congregational responses are in bold print

Welcome to Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church! There are four key parts to our Worship Service: we GATHER before our God to prepare to worship, and bring ourselves and all that we are before God. Then we hear the WORD of God; we share the four Bible Readings with at least one billion other Christians around the world each Sunday! And we hear that word proclaimed through the Sermon, confess our faith in the God whose Grace we hear about in the Word, and offer our prayers to God, for the sake of the Church, the World, and each other in our needs and joys. We then share in the MEAL of Holy Communion, offering ourselves and then discovering God's love and forgiveness have already been waiting for us as we receive Christ's Body and Blood through the bread and wine. Finally we are SENT, the shortest but perhaps most important part of worship, because it is THEN that we live out our Faith and what we believe about God's Grace and Love, and how it makes us a blessing in this world as we share it.

During worship, you'll notice parts of the service in regular type, which are spoken/prayed by various worship leaders. Then there are parts the you and the rest of the congregation respond and/or pray in **bold type**. All of us are participants as we worship God! When asked to **stand**, please do so <u>as you are able</u>. As Jesus welcomed all in the crowds who gathered around him, so he welcomes us.

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

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, and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Continued

God, our provider,

help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways

of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding

rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

Share with us the words of eternal life

and feed us for life in the world.

Amen.

Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven,

you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles,

there is always more than enough.

you are shown God's mercy:

you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

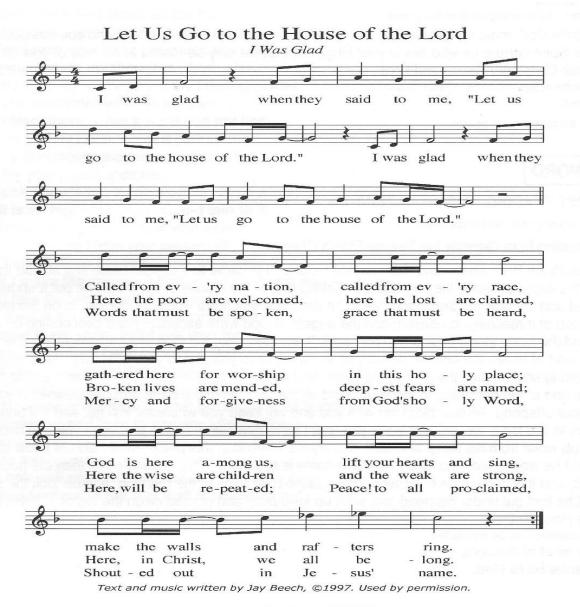
Processional

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.

Hymn of Praise



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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

We sit

Word

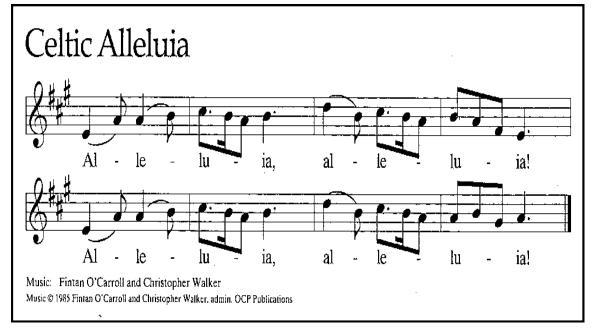
First Reading: Psalm 1

A reading from Psalms:

¹Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; ²but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night. ³They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper. ⁴The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. ⁵Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; ⁶for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

We stand

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel: John 14:1-6

The holy gospel according to St. John:

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going." ⁵Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

<u>Children's Sermon</u> Pastor Pingel

<u>Sermon</u> Pastor Pingel

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

We stand

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer



Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt. Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

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

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

A brief silence.

Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words

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

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace. **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.

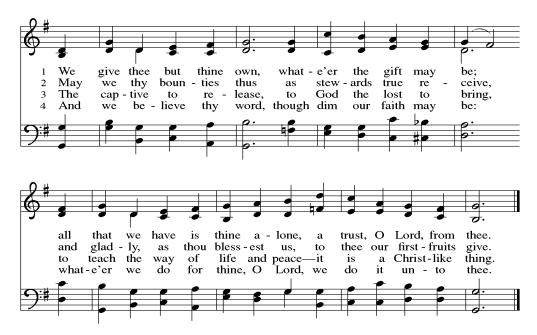
The congregation remains seated for offertory song

Meal

Offertory Song

Verses 1, 4

We Give Thee but Thine Own



Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt. Music: HEATH, L. Mason and G. Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

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

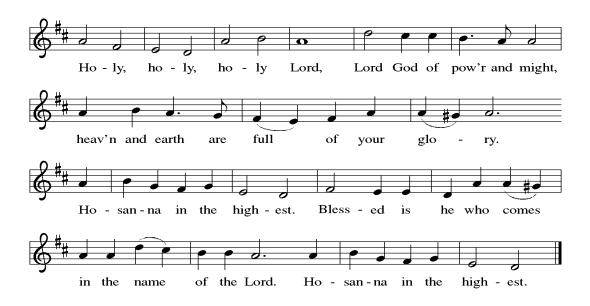
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Thanksgiving at the Table

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this is remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this in remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

Amen

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

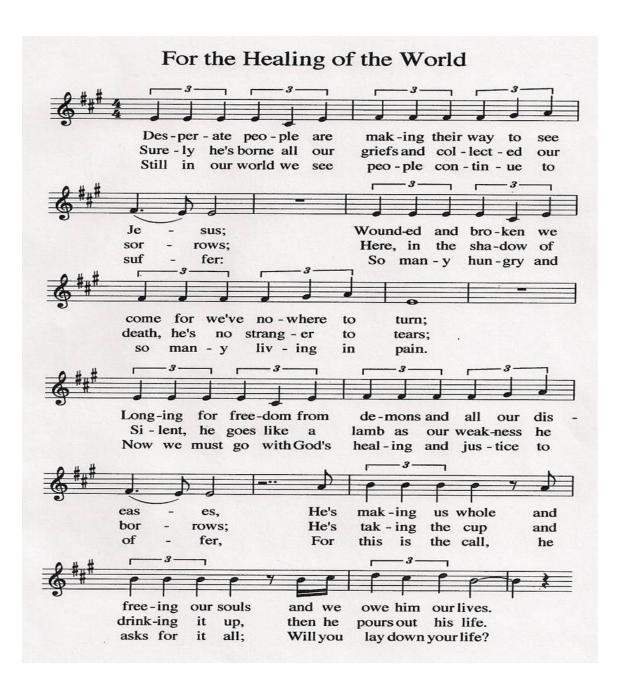
Invitation to Communion

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come to the feast!

Thanks be to God!

"For the Healing of the World"

Pages 13-14, Verse 1





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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.

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

The Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray.
Amen.

Sending

Communion ministers may be sent to take the sacrament from this gathering to those who are absent. The presiding minister may say this or a similar prayer of sending.

Gracious God, you took the form of a servant, offering yourself as food, comfort, and strength to a sick and hurting world. Anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and Sacrament to our sisters and brothers. Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope to those who feast on your body and blood and receive your words of new life. May we all recognize that we have a place and a home in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,

→ be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Song: "For the Healing of the World"

Pages 13-14, Verses 2, 3

Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude





Altar Flowers: Karl and Jane Stein

Altar Guild: Jean Morgan

Assisting Minister: Kathy Bump

Council Person of the Week: Bob Barrette

Offering Stewards: Pat Brady

Ushers: Lee Lynch and Linda Meyer



The Chancel Flowers today are given to the glory of our God

Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons

June 13, 2021 3rd Sunday After Pentecost

Service of the Word In-Person And via You Tube

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

Two Roads and a Tree

Psalm 113 Luke 15:8-10



Our Unity in Christ—Grace Racial Reconciliation Verse

I Peter 2:9-10

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Monday

Ezekiel 4:1-17 Hebrews 6:1-12 Luke 9:51-62

Tuesday

Ezekiel 7:10-15, 23b-27 Hebrews 6:13-20 Luke 10-1-17

Wednesday

Ezekiel 11:14-25 Hebrews 7:1-17 Luke 10:17-24



Thursday

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 19-32 Hebrews 7:18-28 Luke 10:25-37

Friday

Ezekiel 34:17-31 Hebrews 8:1-13 Luke 10:38-42

Saturday

Ezekiel 43:1-12 Hebrews 9:1-14 Luke 11:14-23 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*

Beth Ann Doerring Frannie Knicely

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

Kathey and Eddie Cassano, Sister and Brother-in-Law of Linda Tomey
Phil Coltrane, Friend of the Almarodes
Christina Frazier, Granddaughter of Eleanor Sampson
Larry Fridley, Son of Linda Tomey
Gabby, Friend of Kaitlyn Hull
Nathan Machen, Nephew of Linda Tomey
Carrie Peters, Friend of Schwiesows
Stephanie Tomey, Daughter-In-Law of Tomeys
Rick White, Son of Vernette Nichols

<u>Joys and Celebrations (Remain on List for 4 weeks*)</u>
Congratulations to High School and College Graduates!

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

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)

Nancy Beiker, Friend of Gail & Sandy Johnson
Nancy Delaney, Dave Delaney's Wife
Ernie Graham, Friend of the Schwiesows
Mike Huff, Brother of Donna Gum

Janice Collins, Friend of Grace
Kyle Getler, Member Relative
Regan Grant, Friend of the Bumps
George Toop, Friend of the Schwiesows

Members/Friends Grieving

<u>Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year</u> E. G. Rankin Nancy Fitzgerald Jan McCombs

The Needs of the World

Another shooting in San Jose and not becoming numb to its occurrence

Our world and controlling pollution and being good stewards

Summer, vacations and our regard for one another as the pandemic wanes

Crisis in Israel and Gaza

Mental health cases rapidly increased over the last year

Drug and alcohol addiction in our area

The Church

Our unity in Christ with Churches in our Community

Our Neighbors

Our neighbors in Augusta County

Announcements



In-Person Worship at Grace - a notice was sent out to all members and regular visitors this past week sharing new guidelines for worship together:

- No need to sign up
- Masking and distancing continues
- Holy Communion continues to be shared in the pews
- You Tube and Zoom continue for those who cannot or are not yet comfortable in attending in-person.

The full set of guidelines is available from the email/letter sent this past week, or online.at our website.



Invitation to a New Book Study! Starting Monday, June 14th, at 6:30 p.m., we will study together the book "The Sum of Us - What Racism Costs Everyone and How We can Prosper Together." This book focuses on "realiz[ing] that life is more than a zero sum game." Which is the focus of God in Jesus Christ throughout holy scripture! Come and be a part of the 2nd Monday Book study! Sign up by calling the Church Office.



Summer Sermon Series on the Psalms - For years, we have always spoken or sung a Psalm as a part of worship. It has been called our Prayerbook, our Songbook. There are Psalms that we know by heart (Psalm 23), or verses that we know from hymns, or have provided hope and comfort over the ages. For the next six Sundays, we will be preaching from the Psalms as we "drink deeply from the Psalms" and learn about their central place in worship.

Announcements



Virginia Synod Assembly is Saturday, June 12th - Faithful, BOLD, Serving - Grace's delegates - Ron Almarode and Donna Gum (lay delegates) and Pastor Paul will be meeting via Zoom for a single day event this Saturday, June 12th. The three word mission focus for the Synod will center around God's Boldness: We have boldness and confident access to God by way of Christ's faithfulness. (Ephesians 3.12 NET). Pray for our Synod in Assembly, and Grace's part in being Church together.



Farewell and Godspeed to the John and Jane McGehee, Janet Parmer and Marie Brown - We will offer our prayers and God's blessing to these four members of Grace, who will be moving to Williamsburg, VA to be closer to children and grandchildren, and to consolidate households. Their service to Christ's Church here at Grace has been generous in time and energy, with so many ways they have shared their gifts and talents freely. June 13th will be their final Sunday before their move, and we will offer Farewell and Godspeed then.



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>sixteen</u> deliveries thus far, eight to Main Street United Methodist, and eight to Calvary United Methodist, Stuarts Draft, with the donations gratefully received in the midst of great need. Last week, 93 pounds of food went to Calvary United Methodist breaking our previous records! If you can help, please donate to our box set inside the office door for you to drop off.



Fresh Air, God's Creation, Christian Fellowship! Enjoy walk on the Greenway or the Tree Streets in downtown Waynesboro, on Thursdays at 8:30 a.m.! In this time where outdoor fellowship no longer requires masks, our Grace Walker group has resumed! Come and enjoy good exercise, good fellowship and the beauty of Spring and Summer! They meet in the Grace Parking Lot.



Life of Grace Church June 6-13, 2021

DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
TODAY— SUNDAY	06/06	10:00 a.m. 10:50 a.m.	2nd Sunday After Pentecost Service of Holy Communion In Person and via You Tube Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching Coffee Fellowship via Zoom
Wednesday	06/09	3:30 p.m.	New Member Class—Conference Room
Thursday	06/10	8:30 a.m.	Grace Walkers (Meet in Parking Lot)
Sunday	06/13	10:00 a.m. 10:50 a.m.	3rd 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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Office Hours: 8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. (Lunch 11:30—12:30) - Monday-Thursday; 8:00 a.m.—Noon - Friday

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