



2nd Sunday in Advent

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

December 9, 2018

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

HOLY COMMUNION

(Based on ELW Setting Three)

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!

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. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

The congregation stands.

Prelude: "Andante"

Chisesa

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, † one God, the Lord of Israel who comes to set us free, the mighty Savior who comes to show mercy, the Dawn from on high who guides us into peace.

Amen

Let us come before God in confession.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

To you, O God,
we lift up our souls. You know us through and through; we confess our sins to you.
Remember not our sins; remember us with you steadfast love. Show us your ways;
teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in
Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen

Children of God, come with joy and draw water from the well of salvation. Remember the gift
of baptism: your sin is washed away in the name of † Jesus; you belong to Christ; you are
anointed to serve. Stand up and raise your heads! The reign of God is near.
Amen

Gathering Song: "Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah"

#240

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 above, and for our salvation, 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 worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming give to all the people of the world knowledge of your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

After the prayer the congregation responds:

Amen.

The congregation is seated.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Second Sunday—*The Wonder of the Promise*

During Advent we recall God's promises spoken through the prophets.

The Word of the Lord is steadfast and true.

To the hurting, God promises unshakable hope.

The Word of the Lord is steadfast and true.

To the forsaken, God promises unconditional love.

The Word of the Lord is steadfast and true.

To the broken, God promises unmerited grace.

The Word of the Lord is steadfast and true.

To the heavy hearted, God promises unbridled joy.

The Word of the Lord is steadfast and true.

Candle Lighting

Today, we light two candles. The **first candle** reminds us to recapture the wonder of the season. In a world that seldom slows, Advent is an opportunity to still our hearts and open our eyes to the wonder and majesty of our Savior. As we light the **second candle**, we call to mind God's promise to restore, redeem and reconcile a broken world, spoken through the prophets and fulfilled through Christ.

The Wonder of Christmas

A Candle Lighting Ceremony for Advent

Words and Music by
JOEL RANEY

Congregation:

There is won - der in the hope of the birth of a
King, there is won - der in the sound of the an - gels as they
sing. O_ come, O come, Em - man - u -
el, and join us here.

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Word

First Reading: Malachi 3:1-4

A reading from Malachi:

¹See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. ²But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; ³he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. ⁴Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Luke 1:68-79

⁶⁸Blessed are you, Lord, the God of Israel, you have come to your people and set them free.

⁶⁹**You have raised up for us a mighty Savior, born of the house of your servant David.**

⁷⁰Through your holy prophets, you promised of old to save us from our enemies,

⁷¹from the hands of all who hate us,

⁷²**to show mercy to our forebears, and to remember your holy covenant.**

⁷³This was the oath you swore to our father Abraham:

⁷⁴to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

free to worship you without fear,

⁷⁵**holy and righteous before you, all the days of our life.**

⁷⁶And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,

for you will go before the Lord to prepare the way,

⁷⁷**to give God's people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins.**

⁷⁸In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

⁷⁹**to shine on those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death,**

and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Second Reading: Philippians 1:3-11

A reading from Philippians:

³I thank my God every time I remember you, ⁴constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, ⁵because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. ⁹And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight ¹⁰to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, ¹¹having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

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

S 142a

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

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

Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

The Holy Gospel according to Luke:

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, ²during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, ⁴as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.

⁵Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
and the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth;

⁶and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

*The congregation is **seated**.*

Children's Sermon

Rev. Cynthia Long

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

Rev. Cynthia Long

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Hymn of the Day: "Comfort, Comfort, Now My People"

Hymn #256

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

As we await the coming of Christ, we pray in hope for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Confident that the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we bring to you these prayers and those unspoken, in the name of Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Meal

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**.*

Offering

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

Offertory: "Oh Come, Oh Come Emmanuel"

Engel

*The congregation **stands***

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

Offertory Response

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 the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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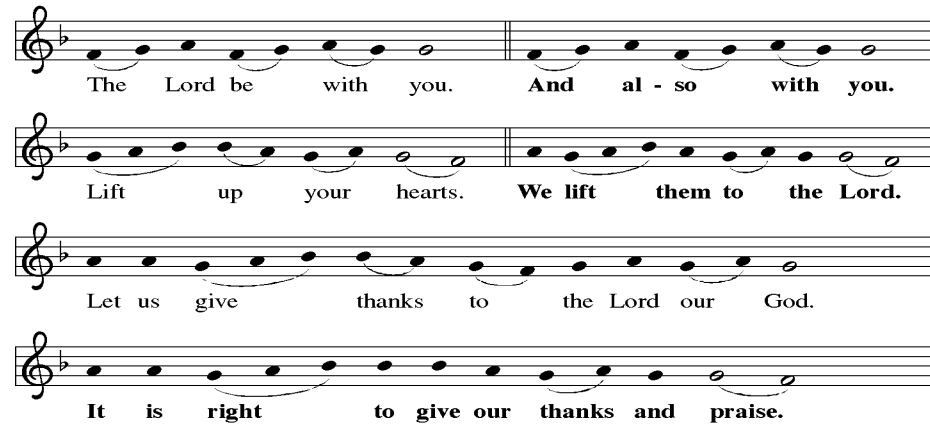
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Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

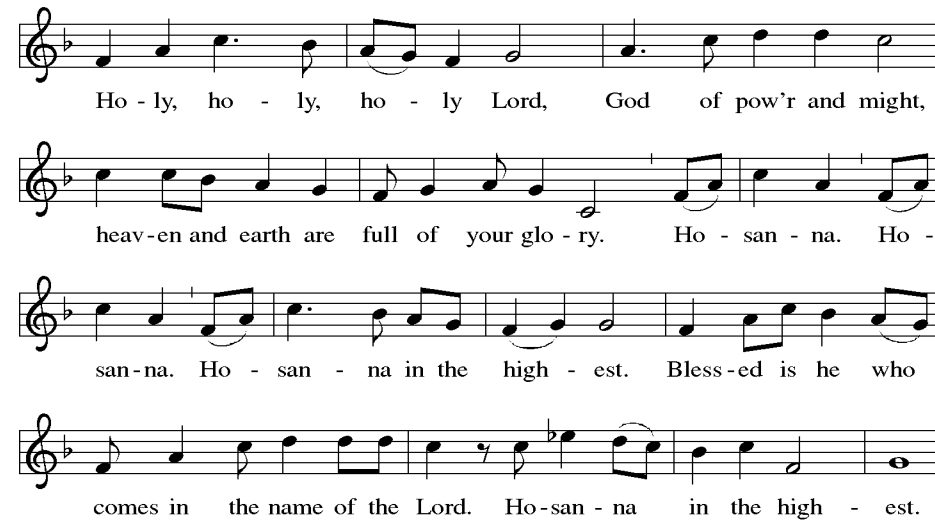
Great Thanksgiving



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. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness. 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. 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 One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life; Blessed are you for the birth of creation. Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light. Blessed are you for your promise to your people. Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams. Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will. Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, 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

God fills the hungry with good things. Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Thanks be to God.

The congregation may be seated.

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)

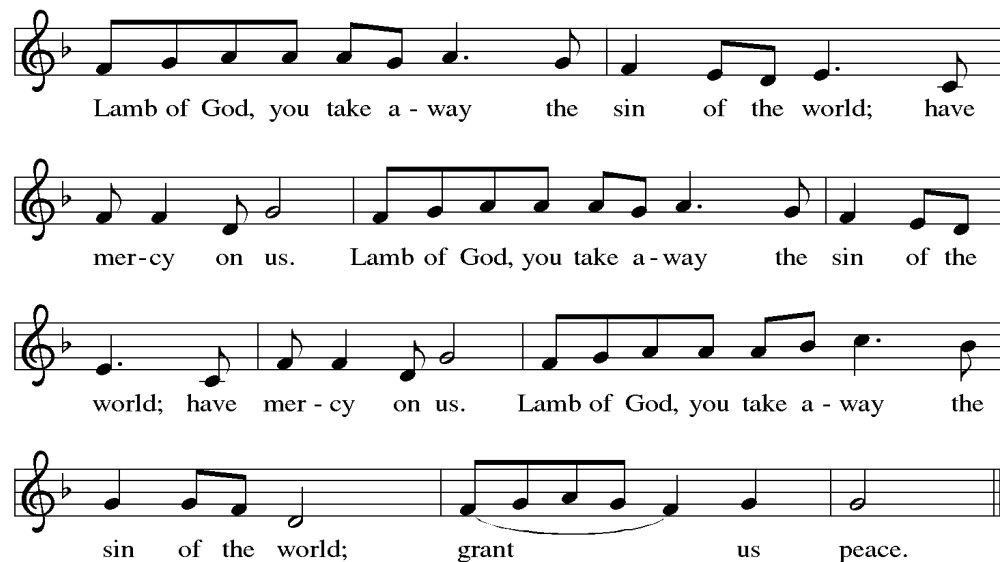
Communion Distribution: One communion team will serve the left side of the nave; another team will serve those on the right. You are invited to come to the altar by the center aisle; take an empty individual glass (or filled grape juice glass) available at the railing, and proceed to the railing, filling in from the center out toward the side aisle. As you receive the bread and wine, you may respond as follows:

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

As the ministers commune the congregation may sing the following:



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.

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....

Communion Hymns

“Lost in the Night”

“Soon and Very Soon”

“Drawn to the Light”

Hymn #243

Hymn #439

Hymn #593

*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.

Holy One, we give you thanks that in this bread and cup we have feasted again on your endless love. Let that love overflow more and more in our lives, that we may be messengers to prepare your way, harvesters of justice and righteousness, and bearers of your eternal word, our Savior Jesus Christ.

Amen

Sending

Blessing

May God direct your ways in peace, make you abound in love for one another and for all, and strengthen your hearts until the coming of our Lord Jesus. Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Song: “Hark! The Glad Sound”

Hymn #239

Dismissal

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: “Postlude in F”

Guilmant

Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today

Assisting Minister: Brian Lundstrom
Communion Assistants: Gail Johnson and Marlene Shaw
Ushers: Bob Moyer, Fred Biggers and Jerry Kite
Greeters: Joe and Joan Ranzini
Offering Stewards: Ernestine Moomaw and Eleanor Sampson
Acolyte:
Cup Gatherer: Jean Morgan
Altar Guild: Jane Stein
Nursery Caregivers: Jean Franklin and Tripp Franklin
Altar Flowers: Pete and Pat Giesen
Council Person of the Week & Sunday School Support: Marlene Shaw
Children's Church: Amber Bokelman and Jean Franklin

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THE CHANCEL FLOWERS TODAY ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND
BY PETE GIESEN IN HONOR OF PAT'S BIRTHDAY
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Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons
December 16, 2018
3rd Sunday in Advent
Holy Communion
10:00 a.m.
Reverend Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding
Zephaniah 3:14-20
Isiah 12:2-6
Philippians 4:4-7
Luke 3:7-18

Announcements

Called Congregation Meeting at Grace Sunday, December 16th—There will be a called Congregation Meeting for the purpose of approving the 2019 Grace Budget after Worship, Sunday, December 16th. Please plan on staying for this important meeting in the life of Grace Congregation. Look for a copy of the budget that has been sent both electronically and by U.S. Mail.

Our Unity in Christ - Please pray for Pastor Paul and our fellow Grace members who are worshipping at Christ Tabernacle Church of God in Christ this morning. Though Grace Lutheran is worshipping in two places today, we give thanks for God's Spirit gathering for worship, to hear God's Word, be nourished at Christ's Table, and sent forth to be a blessing - and to give thanks that the same Spirit moves us forward in the new directions God has for us!

Winter Celebration Youth Planning Group - Pastor Paul will be in Richmond Friday afternoon 12/14 through Saturday late afternoon 12/15 preparing for the Virginia Synod youth event the weekend of January 18-20. Seven youth from Tidewater, Southwest Virginia, and the Shenandoah Valley are on the planning team. Please keep them in your prayers.

Volunteers Needed for WARM's Cold Weather Shelter January 21 to 28—Grace will be hosting the WARM's Cold Weather Shelter the week of January 21th to 28th and we need volunteers to support and staff the shelter at Grace. We need help with check in host from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and overnight hosts from 9:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. This year we will need only two overnight hosts per night of operation and we can use couples as overnight hosts or you may have a friend or member that you would like to coordinate with for hosting. The hosts take turns sleeping during the evening with one host staying awake at all times. Check in hosts assist WARM staff with nightly registration and other tasks. We also need help with meal preparation and serving the evening meals. Please contact Jerry Kite at 910-3372 or jerrykite@ntelos.net if you have questions. Please see signup sheet on the table in the back of the church.

Kettle Ringers needed this Holiday Season - The Salvation Army is in *desperate* need of Kettle Ringers at various locations in the Waynesboro area! If you can help, please let the Church Office know at your earliest convenience, or you can call Patty directly at the Salvation Army, 943-7591 ext. 101.

Winter Celebration Virginia Synod Youth Event at Eagle Eyrie - Friday, January 18 - Sunday, January 20 - This year Pastor will be the Chaplain for the event, which is for 9th - 12th graders from all the Lutheran congregations in Virginia. It's a great weekend, and is held at Eagle Eyrie outside of Lynchburg, VA. As we have over the years, Grace pays for 2/3, and asks for 1/3 of the cost from families - \$50/student. The early bird cost (\$50) ends December 18th, so we need to put our paperwork in by then. See <https://www.vasynod.org/event/winter-celebration/> or <https://www.vasynod.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/registration-form-WC2019.pdf>

Meals on Wheels—Thanks to all who have served this November by delivering meals to the homebound served by the Waynesboro Senior Center.

Advent/Christmas at Grace

Grace Lutheran will again have the Giving Tree for needy families at Christmas. We have received names of families from the Salvation Army. The Tree is in the back of the Nave. Please take one or more tags, sign your name and the gift tag taken to the book, and purchase gift. **Return wrapped gift with original tag attached to the Church by Sunday, December 16th.** If you have any questions regarding your gift ornament, please contact Jane Stein 943-3327 or Sharon Lynch 943-4294. Thanks for your support in helping these families to have a Happier & Blessed Christmas.

The Season of Advent - *"Prepare the way of the Lord!" John the Baptist cries out! What does that look like in 21st Century America? It's our faithful task to find out as we enter our 126th year as God's people here at Grace!*

Wednesday Advent Bible Study with St. John Roman Catholic - *at Grace, 12:00 noon, during Wednesdays in Advent: December 5th, 12th and 19th—location, the Seminar Room, on the same floor as the Worship Space. We had nineteen participants this past Wednesday! Hope you can be a part of this engaging ecumenical study of the Gospels of Advent! (This class takes the place of our other Wednesday/night Bible Studies in December).*

Wednesdays in Advent - *Evening Prayer with Reflections from Martin Luther on the meaning of Christmas. We share these worship services with our Lutheran neighbors in the Waynesboro area:*

- **December 12** - *at St. James Lutheran Church, 7:00 p.m.*
- **December 19** - *Annual Blue Christmas Worship Service at Bethlehem, 7:00 p.m.*

Children/Youth Christmas Caroling - **Sunday, December 16th**; *visiting homebound members of Grace, giving them cookies and singing the Good News of Christmas to them through favorite carols. Then, a Christmas gathering at the Pingel home afterward! Time to start should be after Christmas decorating, 4 p.m. We are joined by children of all ages for this event, so hope to have a good crew to bring "comfort and joy" to those we meet.*

Christmas Decorating! - *This annual Sunday activity transforms our worship space in preparation for Christmas Eve and will take place **Sunday, December 16th**.*

Christmas Eve - *December 24th, 5:00 p.m. - Our annual tradition of telling the Story and "building" the manger with the help of families and children, and a festival worship of carols, anthems and the sharing of Holy Communion continues this year.*

**Life of Grace Church
December 9—16, 2018**

DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
TODAY— SUNDAY	12/09	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Sunday School Worship Choir Practice 2nd Sunday in Advent Holy Communion Reverend Cynthia Long, Preaching and Presiding <i>Pastor Pingel Preaching at Christ Tabernacle</i>
Tuesday	12/11	10:30 a.m.	Quilting Group (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday	12/12	12:00 Noon 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Pastor's Bible Study Advent Service at St. James Handbell Choir Practice Worship Choir Practice
Thursday	12/13	9:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Backpacks Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)
Friday	12/14		Pastor Winter Celebration Youth Planning
Saturday	12/15		Pastor Winter Celebration Youth Planning
Sunday	12/16	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 4:00—6:00 p.m.	Sunday School Worship Choir Practice 3rd Sunday in Advent Holy Communion Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding Congregation Meeting—2019 Budget <i>Church Christmas Decorating Youth Christmas Caroling</i>

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

Prayer Request for Members

**Marge Cloutier
Anne Putnam
Tom Sheaffer
Barb Susen**

Members/Friends Grieving

The Family of Kenny Keener, Cousin of Cindy Trauscht
The Family of Paul Posey, Grace Member

Members/Friends Celebrations

Ongoing Need for Prayer

Jimmy and Liz Ann Binns, Grace Members
Jean Brower, Grace Member
Barbara and Jeff Eagle, Sister and Brother-in-Law of Nancy Schwiesow
Kyle Getler, Member Relative
Sandy Johnson, Grace Member
Bob and Carol Knemoller, Grace Members
Peggy Lucas, Grace Member
Steve Meicke and Lisa Hall, wife of Steve Meicke, on their mission in Bolivia,
Son and daughter-in-Law of Bill and Kathy Meicke
Glenn and Flossie Myers, Grace Members
Beth Brady, Grace Member
Rev. Delmar Carlson, Brother-in-Law of Chuck Goodrich
Faye Glover, Grace Member
Myrtle Kite, Grace Member
Shirley Krizovsky, Grace Member
Janet Lunger, Grace Member
Maxine Pierce, Mother of Cindy Trauscht

Prayer Request for Relatives/Friends

Marie Brown, Mother of Janet Parmer and Jane McGehee
Jocelyn Crowder and Stuart Crowder, Daughter-in-Law and Son of Robin and Cathy Crowder
Reuben Harris, Friend of the Dick and Linda Tomey
Connie Henson, Mother of Dave Matheny
Cooper Trueblood, Friend of Ron and Sylvia Almarode
"Nana", Great-Grandmother of Mandy

The Needs of the World

The Victims and Families of Mass Shootings at: Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, PA; and Borderline Bar & Grill, Thousand Oaks, CA

Our unity as a nation following National disagreements

The hungry, those without clean water, and those who suffer in war torn areas of our world (Syria, Yemen, Ukraine)

**Gratitude to God for the abundance of blessing,
even in uncertain times**

The Church

Our Blessings of Grace, and God's Foundation for our Future as we look toward year 126 of our unity as Christ's Church, and our witness to the Gospel in a world needing Good News
Bishop Eaton, Bishop Humphrey, Pope Francis, Bishop Mark Bourlakis (Episcopal, SW VA), and Bishop Sharma Lewis (UMC, VA) - Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and United Methodist (LARCUM) leaders in our area

Weekly Prayer for Congregation Members Throughout the Year

**LizAnn Binns
Judith Goodrich**

**Beth Ann Doerring
Kathy Meicke**

**Donna Dodge
Deloris Wertman**

Daily Lectionary

Monday

Psalm 53
1 Samuel 13:23—14:23
Galatians 6:11-18

Tuesday

Psalm 53
1 Samuel 15:10-23
Revelation 21:22—22:5

Wednesday

Psalm 53
1 Samuel 15:24-31
Luke 6:43-45

Thursday

Psalm 9:9-20
1 Samuel 16:14-23
Acts 20:1-16

Friday

Psalm 9:9-20
1 Samuel 17:55-18:5
Acts 21:1-16

Saturday

Psalm 9:9-20
1 Samuel 18:1-4
Luke 21:25-28

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