

# **Third Sunday After Pentecost**

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

June 21, 2020

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

### Service of the Word via You Tube

(Based on Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Jay Beech Setting)

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 H and of the Holy Spirit, one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation. **Amen** 

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reconciling God, we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us;

through your love, renew us;

and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through + Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

#### <u>Prelude</u>

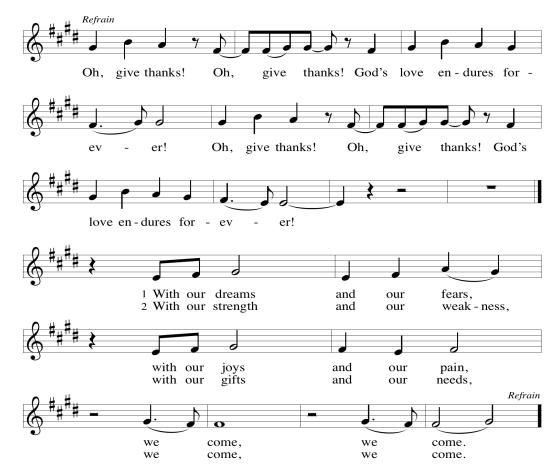
#### <u>Greeting</u>

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

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### God's Love Endures Forever



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#### Prayer of the Day

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Let us pray.

Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

### Word

### First Reading: Romans 6:1b-11

A reading from Romans:

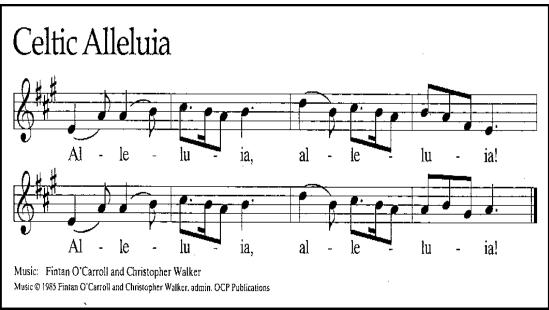
<sup>1b</sup>Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For whoever has died is freed from sin. <sup>8</sup>But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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

**Gospel Acclamation** 





#### Gospel: Matthew 10:24-39

The holy gospel according to Matthew:

### Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the twelve:] <sup>24</sup> A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; <sup>25</sup> it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

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<sup>26</sup>"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. <sup>27</sup>What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. <sup>28</sup>Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>And even the hairs of your head are all counted. <sup>31</sup>So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

<sup>32</sup>"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; <sup>33</sup>but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

<sup>34</sup>"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

<sup>35</sup>For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; <sup>36</sup>and one's foes will be members of one's own household. <sup>37</sup>Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; <sup>38</sup>and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup>Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

#### **Children's Sermon**

<u>Sermon</u>

Pastor Pingel

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

#### Musical Offering

#### **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,

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**

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

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 too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### <u>Peace</u>

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

### <u>The Witness of the Emanuel Nine: A Litany of Remembrance for Their</u> <u>Vocations and Prayer for Racial Justice</u>

The "Emanuel Nine," of blessed and eternal memory, were nine gifted, loving, and faithful people who spent their lives striving for excellence, connection, and the presence of God. We remember that they lovingly welcomed the stranger into a Wednesday-night bible study—they sang, they prayed, they gathered to study the word of God. We pray for the continual presence of God's peace; may it comfort and surround the families of the nine who were slain.

Gracious God, in remembering their lives and witness, we are called to a wider understanding of the Spirit's work in the world.

They were preachers: Open us to receive the good news of Jesus Christ.

They were students: Kindle in us a desire to learn and grow in your ways.

They were teachers: Instill in us a passion to share the wisdom of Christ.

They were coaches: Accompany us as we strive to run the race set before us.

They were mentors: **Inspire us through the wise counsel offered by others.** 

They were leaders: Embolden us to seek out the best in others.

They were musicians: Attune us to the sounds of your creation.

They were poets: Reveal your truth in language we have yet to discover.

They were barbers: Shape us as attentive caregivers to those around us.

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They were custodians: Protect those whose work ensures our safety.

They were bus drivers: Carry us as companions in life's unexpected journeys.

They were veterans: Remember those who risk harm for the sake of others.

They were librarians: Write on our hearts and minds the wisdom of the generations.

They were advocates: Call us to speak and act on behalf of those who are silenced.

They were public servants: Show us how to love our neighbors as ourselves.

They were legislators: Inscribe your laws of love and justice on our hearts.

In lives of faithful dedication, your servants Clementa Pinckney, Daniel Lee Simmons, Cynthia Graham Hurd, Sharonda Coleman-Singleton, Myra Thompson, Tywanza Sanders, DePayne Middleton-Doctor, Susie Jackson, and Ethel Lee Lance lived by your promises, sharing their gifts with those in their families and communities. May we not forget their lives, taken too soon. In the years to come, let us share their names and their witness, so that the world comes to know of your spirit at work in and through them.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. **Have mercy on us.** 

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Save us, O God, from ourselves, from racism often cloaked in pious words, from the schemes of white supremacy hidden in calls for civility, from aggressions thinly veiled in arrogance, from apologies when they don't give way to action, from forgiveness without facing the truth, from reconciliation without redress.

Deliver us, O God, from expecting brothers and sisters of color to continue to bear this emotional work, which is not theirs to do.

Grateful for the long arc that bends toward justice, we pray: Grant us wisdom, give us courage for the facing of these days, by the power of the Spirit, all for the sake of the kin-dom that we share in Christ Jesus. **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.

### Sending

#### Blessing

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. God, the creator, + Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love. **Amen.** 

<u>Sending Song:</u> "I Love to Tell the Story"

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Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911 Music: HANKEY, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

#### <u>Dismissal</u>

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

Postlude

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Thanks to Our Wors	Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today	
Assisting Minister:	Karla Rankin	
Offering Steward:	Pat Brady	
Altar Flowers:	Gail Johnson	
Council Person of the Week:	Jerry Kite	
Children's Sermon:		
	Assisting Minister: Offering Steward: Altar Flowers: Council Person of the Week:	



The Chancel Flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Jack E. Johnson and Leonard C. Reid, Jr. by their children.



## Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons

June 28, 2020 Fourth Sunday After Pentecost Service of the Word via You Tube 10:00 a.m. Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding

> Jeremiah 28:5-9 Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18 Romans 6:12-23 Matthew 10:40-42



Please call the Church Office if you need to add someone to the Prayer List. In an effort to make the praver 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\*)

Praver Request for Relatives/Friends (Remain on List for 4 weeks\*) Janice Collins, Friend of Grace Heaven Dudley, Friend of Linda Meyer Rita Mattox, Friend of the Meickes **Mike Sathe.** Former Grace member and friend of Donna Gum

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

Liz Ann Binns

Nancy Fitzgerald

Bob and Carol Knemoller

Mary Bertelsen Marie Brown Sandra R. Hoy Glenn and Flossie Myers

Fred Brower Pete Giesen Janet Lunger

Kara Glover

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

Nancy Delaney, Dave Delaney's Wife Kyle Getler, Member Relative Maxine Pierce, Mother of Cindy Trauscht George Toop, Friend of Schwiesows

Lisa Dofflemeyer, Daughter of Linda Tomey June Huff. Mother of Donna Gum Barbara Shifflett and Family

#### Members/Friends Grieving

Family of Stephen Dowdy, Husband of Nancy Dowdy Family of Lillian Pingel, Mother of Pastor Pingel

#### Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year Gwen Kite

Marie Brown

The Needs of the World

Coronavirus outbreak around the world as well as flu victims All Medical Staff—Doctors, Nurses, Food Workers and Housekeeping, Augusta Health, UVA, Martha Jefferson, RMH, Western State Hospital, local Assisted Living and Nursing Care Facilities Our military and first responders—Police, Fire, EMT's Grocery, Pharmacy, other hourly workers, rail workers, and truckers who are keeping necessary items available Those unemployed or facing financial hardship, due to the Covid-19 pandemic The families of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, and others, killed and unarmed

The Church Grace Church and our care and concern for one another The purposeful ways we seek to know God in daily life WARM's Cold Weather Shelter and Warm House, caring 24/7 for the homeless in our community The Disciples Kitchen feeding ministry at Second Presbyterian and Basic United Methodist Church of God in Christ (COGIC), the most devastated church

denomination by Covid-19 (Christ Tabernacle





**Starting Time for Worship and Announcements -** In order to Make clear our goals for starting Announcements and Worship via our You Tube Worship service, please note the following: It is our goal each Sunday to start with announcements around 9:55 -

9:57a.m., so that Worship begins at 10:00 a.m. Owen Keefer begins his broadcast of the service around 9:50am in order to give people time - and to allow for technology delays - so that all will have access to the full announcements and any other pre-worship events, as well as Worship. If you have any technological problems, please email or call Owen Keefer.



**Commemoration Litany Today -** The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Virginia Synod have encouraged all congregations to commemorate the 5th Anniversary of the Emanuel 9, those who were attending a prayer meeting in Charleston, SC when Dylann Roof, a young adult member on the rolls of St. Paul Lutheran Church, shot and killed those in attendance. The Litany will be a part of worship.



**Grace Congregational Survey** - By now, you should have received a Survey on Resuming Worship, and other aspects of our congregational life together! Grace's Worship Resumption Committee is looking for your responses; please fill out the survey, coming to you via email or U.S. Mail, at your earliest convenience!





**Coffee Fellowship" after Worship on Sundays!** In an effort to gather us for fellowship and conversation as the Body of Christ here at Grace, we invite you to bring your cup of coffee (or other beverage, or just yourself!) and join a Zoom meeting after Sunday worship (approximately 10:45 - 10:50 a.m.) whose purpose is for us to see and

check in with each other, to enjoy a smile and a laugh, to share what's on our hearts - what Martin Luther called a sign of the church - "the mutual consolation of the brothers and sisters." Look for an email or U.S. Mail note this week with information on joining the Fellowship!



FOOD Food Pantries - There continues to be a regular demand for food in our community. We are continuing to assist two Pantries: Main Street UMC, and Calvary UMC in Stuarts Draft <u>They need donations</u>, <u>specifically</u> peanut butter, mac and cheese, personal hygiene items, dried rice and beans. If you would like to contribute, a box is set up fice door for you to drop them off

inside the office door for you to drop them off.



Sparkhouse, which is a publisher of Sunday School materials for the Lutheran Church, is offering a Family Sunday School link that lets you share a lesson with your children that is related to the scriptures we use in worship. The "lesson" also has music, crafts and other activities to engage your children in many different ways. This is not a "live" presentation, meaning you do NOT have to access the Sunday School lesson at a

specific time. You can share this at a time that is convenient to you. Here is the link: <u>https://www.wearesparkhouse.org/promos/family-sunday-school/</u> We hope this is a blessing to your children, and a great way to help them continue to learn and grow in faith during this time when we are apart!



Life of Grace Church June 21-28, 2020

Day of the Week	Date	Time	Meeting
TODAY— SUNDAY	06/21	10:00 a.m.	Third Sunday After Pentecost Service of the Word via Father's Day! You Tube Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom
Thursday	06/25	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study via Zoom
Sunday	06/28	10:00 a.m.	Fourth Sunday After Pentecost Service of the Word via You Tube Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom

