

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

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

July 5, 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

Temple Talk Rick Bump

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the Father, and of the Son + 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.

Prelude

Greeting

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

And also with you.

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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.

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Word

First Reading: Romans 7:15-25a

A reading from Romans:

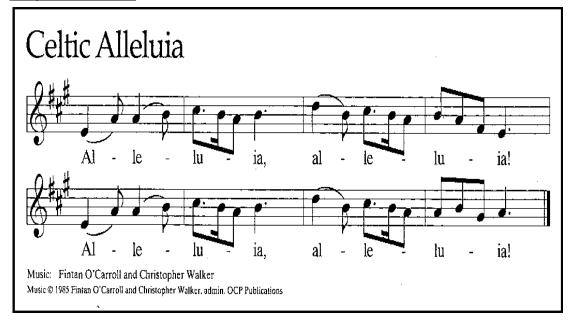
¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ^{25a}Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

The holy gospel according to Matthew:

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] ¹⁶ To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷ We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.

¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

²⁵At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

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²⁸"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Ashley Stollings and Amaya Cooper

<u>Sermon</u> Pastor Pingel

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Musical Offering Mike Myers

Apostle's Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ,

God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

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.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Lord's Prayer

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

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

Sending

Blessing

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.

Sending Song: "For the Healing of the World"

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<u>Dismissal</u>

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

Postlude

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Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today



Assisting Minister: Kathy Bump

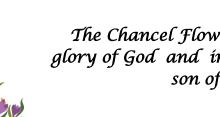
Offering Steward: Pat Brady

Altar Flowers: Jean Morgan

Council Person of the Week: Holly Carper

Children's Sermon: Ashley Stollings and

Amaya Cooper



The Chancel Flowers today are given to the glory of God and in Memory of Mark Morgan, son of Jean Morgan



Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons

July 12, 2020 Sixth Sunday After Pentecost Service of the Word via You Tube 10:00 a.m.

Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding

Isaiah 55:10-13 Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13 Romans 8:1-11 Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23



Please call the Church Office if you need to add someone to the Prayer List. In an effort to make the prayer list current to the life of Grace congregation and the community and world around us, names on the Prayer List will remain for four weeks. If the need is longer term, please notify the church office, and the person in need will be transferred to the "Ongoing Need for Prayer" list.

Prayer Request for Members (Remain on List for 4 weeks*) Janet Parmer

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

Heaven Dudley, Friend of Linda Meyer Tony Forbes, Cousin of Ron Almarode Reed Forbes, Uncle of Ron Almarode Frank & Cindy Honeycutt, Friends of Pingels Bernice Jackson, Mother of Alvin Jackson Rob Tweedie, Friend of Kathy Johnson

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

Liz Ann BinnsFred BrowerMarie BrownNancy FitzgeraldPete GiesenSandra R. HoyBob and Carol KnemollerJanet LungerGlenn and Flossie Myers

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 Mary Bertelsen, Grace Member
Family of Charles Neatrour, Genevieve Arneson's Brother
Family of Curtis Powell, Friend of Donna Gum
Family of James Sarsfield, Father of Marianne Aronson

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year

Carolyn Shields Zanny Bandy Sandra Brady Ethan Lynch Bill Lucas Kelly Rankin

The Needs of the World

Our Nation, celebrating its 244th year, and prayers for our way forward together The continuing Coronavirus outbreak and our willingness and discipline to help reduce the risk.

The Church

Our neighbors on S. Wayne, The Tree Streets, and Arch and Market.

Our children and grandchildren, and their growth in faith.

Our sisters and brothers in neighboring congregations: Christ Tabernacle, St. James Baptist, St. John Episcopal and First Baptist.





Temple Talks in July: In the July newsletter, Grace's Antiracism Book Study Group wrote about their almost year-long study together, and some of what they have learned over their time together. During the month of July four of the Book Study group will be sharing a Temple Talk of what they have experienced in their own lives, and/or what they have learned as fellow members of the Body of Christ here at Grace. In addition, look

for future opportunities to engage in "get to know our neighbor" conversations with Christ Tabernacle coming in the next few weeks.



Thank you to all the worship leaders; to the Stollings/Cooper Family for the children's message and to our regular weekly stalwart helpers, Mike Myers and Owen Keefer.



WARM and Disciples Kitchen Updates—WARM has been sheltering the homeless this summer at Days Inn, through a partnership grant with the Commonwealth of Virginia. Various Waynesboro Area Refuge Ministry organizations have helped with providing meals. Lunch and

dinner will still be provided, but breakfast this summer will need to be handled by various organizations. Grace will be providing breakfast the week of July 13th thru 19th and August 17th thru the 23rd. At this time the week of July 13th is covered. We will need help with the August week. At the time of this article there are 37 guests staying at the Day's Inn in Waynesboro. The breakfast is a bag breakfast, which could consist of fast food biscuits, frozen biscuits (guests have a microwave), bananas or oranges, breakfast bars, boiled eggs, individual fruit cups or breakfast pastries. The bag breakfast is delivered to the Day's Inn between 8 and 9 each day.

There is also a request for snacks such as individual bags of chips, pre-packaged cookies or individual packaged snack foods for the guests. We will have a box labeled WARM Snacks near the church office area.

Our regular service with Disciples Kitchen continues with bag lunches and breakfast as well. We will be delivering bag lunches on July 23rd to Second Presbyterian Church and bag breakfasts to Basic United Methodist Church on July 25th. If you would like more information, please contact Gwen Kite at 910-0508 or gwenma2002@yahoo.com or the church office.



Round Table this Tuesday - The Round Tables - Congregational Engagement, Community Engagement, and Support Round Tables - will meet via Zoom this coming Tuesday, July 7th at 7:00 p.m. One of the areas of discussion will be a return to In-Person worship. Grace Council will meet for a specially called Zoom meeting immediately following.







Power in the Spirit, Online and Free! Power in the Spirit is a yearly Retreat that has been offered by the Virginia Synod on the Roanoke College campus. In this year of Coronavirus, it is being held **ONLINE** and for **FREE**, July 6th-10th. There will be daily

devotions which will provide readings, videos and crafts to make at home. Then 5:45 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. each day, online, there will be presentations and workshops. you can be a part of, followed by worship at 6:45 p.m. Check out https://www.vasynod.org/power-in-the-spirit/, and sign up to receive daily information, or you can stay connected through Facebook, www.facebook.com/powerinthespirit.



KAIROS Kairos Virginia Synod Youth Event, Online—Like Power in the Spirit, Kairos has been a yearly weeklong event held during the summer on the Roanoke College campus—but this year will be held online, July 19th-23rd. It is open to all rising

9th-12th graders, and will feature: "large group, small group, daily prayer, t-shirts, CLIPPS, Open Talent Mic Show, faith testimonies, comic relief, reflection time, prayer around the cross, speed friending, songs, t-shirt fashion show, and more!" Find out more at https://www.vasynod.org/event/kairos/. The cost is \$25.



Fellowship 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 - Thanks, and Continuing Need—Many thanks to those who have ANTIV Beans to our local food banks. We have made *three deliveries* thus far, two to Main Volunteers Street United Methodist, and one to Calvary United Methodist, Stuarts Draft, with the

donations gratefully received in the midst of great need. If you can help, please donate to our box set inside the office door for you to drop off.



Family Resources this Summer: We are sending to all Grace families a weekly Nurturing Faith email from the Virginia Synod Roots and Wings Team, that focuses on helping our children grow in faith at home. Each email has links to activities, puzzles, coloring pages and other resources that help a family to learn about the Bible readings we read each Sunday, which help a family grow in faith together!



Life of Grace Church July 5-12, 2020

Day of the Week	Date	Time	Meeting
TODAY— SUNDAY	07/05	10:00 a.m.	Fifth Sunday After Pentecost Service of the Word via You Tube Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom
Tuesday	07/07	7:00 p.m.	Round Tables via Zoom
Thursday	07/09	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study via Zoom
Sunday	07/12	10:00 a.m.	Sixth Sunday After Pentecost Service of the Word via You Tube Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom

Monday

Numbers 9:15-23; 10:29-36

Romans 1:1-15

Matthew 17:14-21

Daily Lectionary

Tuesday

Numbers 11:1-23 Romans 1:16-25 Matthew 17:22-27

Wednesday

Numbers 11:24-33 (34-35) Romans 1:28—2:11 Matthew 18:1-9 Thursday

Numbers 12:1-16 Romans 2:12-24 Matthew 18:10-20

Friday

Numbers 13:1-3, 21-30 Romans 2:25—3:8 Matthew 18:21-35

Saturday

Numbers 13:31—14:25 Romans 3:9-20 Matthew 19:1-12

Scripture OF THE WEEK



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Gail Johnson, Kathryn Johnson,

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