

## **7th Sunday of Epiphany**

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

February 24, 2019

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

## HOLY COMMUNION

Based on Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting Two  
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

Prelude: ""

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

*The congregation **stands**. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.*

Blessed be the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, † one God, who creates us and forms us, who redeems us and call us, who unites us and sends us.

**Amen.**

*The following confession is prayed.*

Gathered in God's presence, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Mighty and Loving God,  
**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We seek our own way. We divide the body of Christ. In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us. Let the words of our mouths, the thoughts of our hearts, and everything that we do be filled with faith, hope, and love. Amen.**

Hear the voice of Jesus: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me to proclaim release to the captives." In the name of † Jesus Christ, I proclaim to you that your sins are forgiven and you are released. The joy of the Lord is your strength, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are yours forever.

**Amen.**

**Entrance Hymn:** "Now the Green Blade Rises"

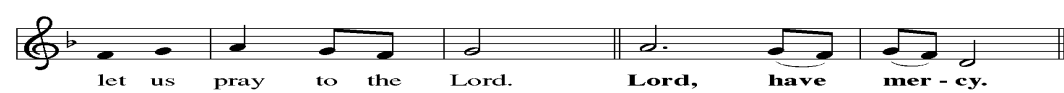
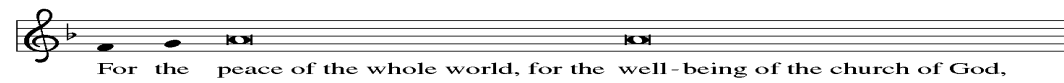
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**Apostolic Greeting:**

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



## Canticle of Praise

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us  
free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and  
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

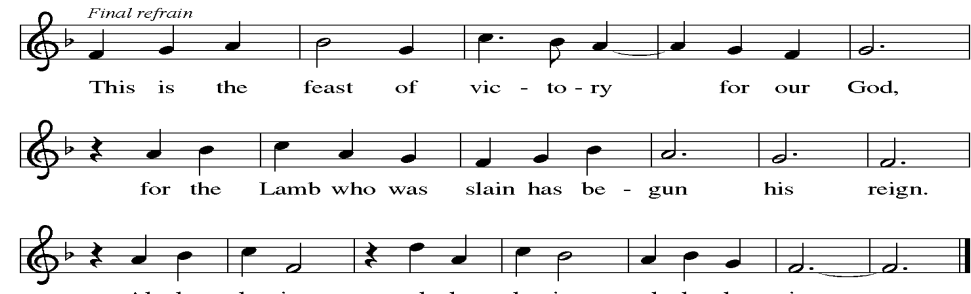
*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the  
hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and  
might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,  
for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*The congregation is seated.*

### **Word**

#### **First Reading: Genesis 45:3-11, 15**

A reading from Genesis:

<sup>3</sup>Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

<sup>4</sup>Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. <sup>5</sup>And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. <sup>6</sup>For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. <sup>7</sup>God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. <sup>8</sup>So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. <sup>9</sup>Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. <sup>10</sup>You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. <sup>11</sup>I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’” <sup>15</sup>And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm: Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40**

<sup>1</sup>Do not be provoked by evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

<sup>2</sup>**For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.**

<sup>3</sup>Put your trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture.

<sup>4</sup>**Take delight in the LORD, who shall give you your heart's desire.**

<sup>5</sup>Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD, and see what God will do.

<sup>6</sup>**The LORD will make your vindication as clear as the light  
and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.**

<sup>7</sup>Be still before the LORD and wait patiently.

Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

<sup>8</sup>**Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.**

<sup>9</sup>For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who hope in the LORD shall possess the land.

<sup>10</sup>**In a little while the wicked shall be no more;  
even if you search out their place, they will not be there.**

<sup>11</sup>But the lowly shall possess the land; they will delight in abundance of peace.

<sup>39</sup>**But the deliverance of the righteous comes from you, O LORD;  
you are their stronghold in time of trouble.**

<sup>40</sup>You, O LORD, will help them and rescue them;  
you will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because in you they seek refuge.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50**

A reading from 1 Corinthians:

<sup>35</sup>But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?"

<sup>36</sup>Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. <sup>37</sup>And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain.

<sup>38</sup>But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

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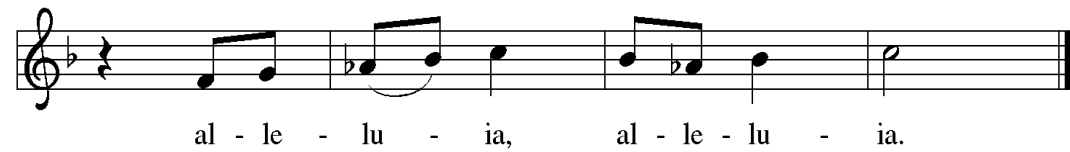
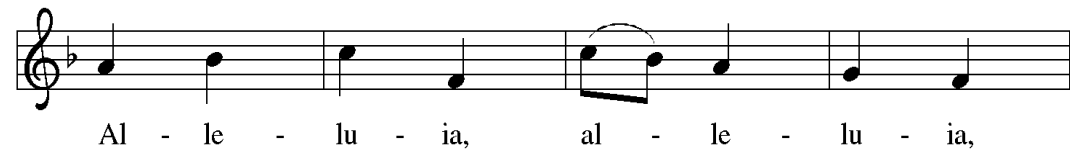
<sup>42</sup>So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. <sup>43</sup>It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. <sup>44</sup>It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. <sup>45</sup>Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. <sup>46</sup>But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. <sup>47</sup>The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. <sup>48</sup>As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. <sup>49</sup>Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

<sup>50</sup>What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

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

### Gospel Acclamation

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



*Repeat alleluia*





**Gospel: Luke 6:27-38**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke:

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] <sup>27</sup>“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup>bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. <sup>29</sup>If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. <sup>30</sup>Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. <sup>31</sup>Do to others as you would have them do to you.

<sup>32</sup>“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. <sup>33</sup>If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. <sup>34</sup>If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. <sup>35</sup>But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. <sup>36</sup>Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

<sup>37</sup>“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; <sup>38</sup>give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The congregation is seated.*

## Children Sermon

Pastor Paul Pingel

*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

Pastor Paul Pingel

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

*The congregation stands to proclaim the word of God in song.*

**Hymn of the Day:** "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

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## Apostles' 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**

United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*Each portion of the prayers end with these words*

Hear us, O God.

**Your Mercy is great.**

Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love; through Jesus Christ our 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**

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.*

*(Please place visitor cards and communion cards in the offering plate)*

### **Anthem:** ""

*The congregation **stands***

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

# 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. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

The musical score is written on six staves in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below each staff. The piece concludes with a double bar line on the sixth staff.

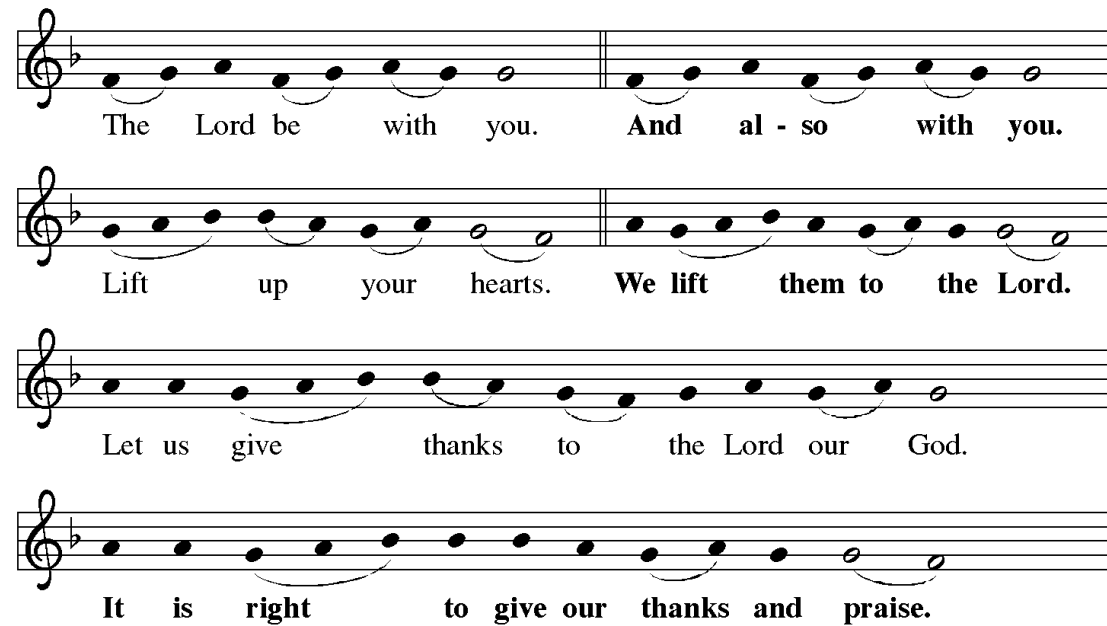
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## Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

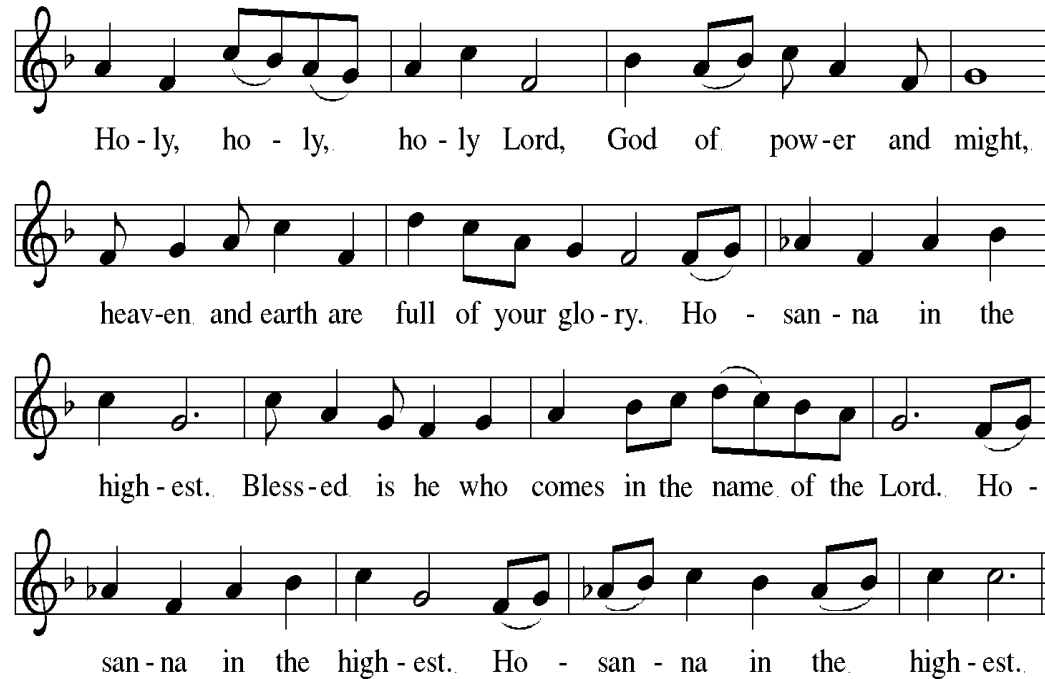
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

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; 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### **Thanksgiving at the Table**

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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 all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, 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

Come to the table.  
Feast on God's abundant life for you.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*The congregation may be **seated**.*

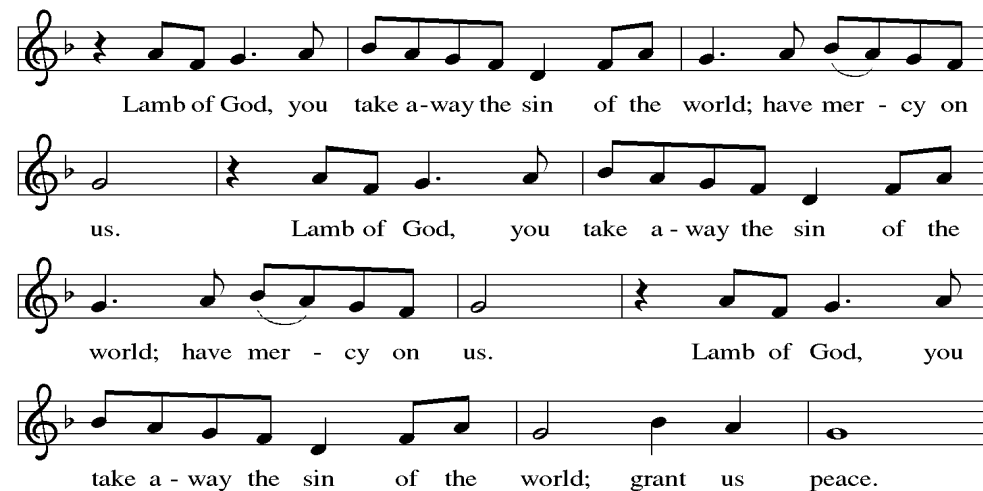
## The Holy Communion

*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.**



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:**

“Seed That in Earth Is Dying” #330

“Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive” #605

“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love” #708

*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**

**The Post-Communion Canticle**

**Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise**



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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### **Prayer After Communion**

Let us pray.

**We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

**Sending**

### **Benediction**

The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

**Amen**

**Hymn:** *“O Christ, Our Hope”*

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### **The Dismissal**

Go in peace. Christ is your light.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude:** *“”*

**Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today**

**Assisting Minister:** Brian Lundstrom  
**Communion Assistants:** Carrie Jones and Mike Trauscht  
**Ushers:** Marge Cloutier, Linda Meyer, Jean Morgan and Marlene Shaw  
**Greeters:** The Jones Family: Steve, Carrie, Amelia and Charlotte  
**Offering Stewards:** Sharon Lynch and Kate Van Bremen  
**Acolyte:** Kaitlyn Hull  
**Cup Gatherer:** Donna Marshall  
**Altar Guild:** Kathy Meicke  
**Nursery Caregivers:** Lisa Gray and Eleanor Sampson  
**Altar Flowers:**  
**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**  
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**Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons**

**March 3, 2019**

**Transfiguration of Our Lord**

Holy Communion

10:00 a.m.

Exodus 34:29-35

Psalm 99

2 Corinthians 3:12 — 4:2

Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]

**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**

**Fred Biggers**  
**Anne Putnam**

**Members/Friends Grieving**

**Family of Emily Hughes**, Friend of Kate Van Bremen  
**Family of Harvey Huiner**, Father of Joan Ranzini

**Members/Friends Celebrations**

**Ongoing Need for Prayer**

**Jimmy and Liz Ann Binns**, Grace Members  
**Jean Brower**, Grace Member  
**Marge Cloutier**, Grace Member  
**Kyle Getler**, Member Relative  
**Sandy Johnson**, Grace Member  
**Bob and Carol Knemoller**, Grace Members  
**Peggy Lucas**, Grace Member

**Beth Brady**, Grace Member  
**Rev. Delmar Carlson**, Brother-in-Law of Chuck Goodrich  
**Barbara and Jeff Eagle**, Sister and Brother-in-Law of Nancy Schwiesow  
**Sandra R. Hoy**, Grace Member  
**Myrtle Kite**, Grace Member  
**Shirley Krizovsky**, Grace Member  
**Janet Lunger**, 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  
**Tom Sheaffer**, Grace Member

**Maxine Pierce**, Mother of Cindy Trauscht

**Prayer Request for Relatives/Friends**

**April Courtice and Baby**, Friend of Kate Van Bremen  
**Jocelyn Crowder and Stuart Crowder**, Daughter-in-Law and Son of Robin and Cathy Crowder  
**Bill Gosling**, Friend of the Warren Family  
**June Huff**, Mother of Donna Gum  
**Donna Link**, Sister-in-Law of Carolyn Hite  
**Michelle Matthews**, Sister of Cindy Trauscht  
**Valla Myers**, Mother of Mike Myers  
**Lillian Pingel**, Mother of Pastor Pingel  
**Cooper Trueblood**, Friend of Almarodes  
**Keith Weller**, Son of Kenneth and Wendy Weller

**The Needs of the World**

Humanitarian Crisis in Venezuela

**Measles Outbreaks around the World**

Many affected by colds and flu

**Peace in war torn areas**

Our ability to listen in the midst of disagreements

**The Church**

Papal Summit on Child Sex Abuse

**The ELCA and its future direction (see [elca.org/future](http://elca.org/future))**

Our individual faith journeys in the midst of all else that competes for our attention in daily life

**Prayer for Congregation Members Throughout the Year**

**Marcus Crowder**  
**Kim Hull**

**Ed Driskill**  
**Carol Varner**

## Announcements



**Breathing the Same Spirit - Living the Gospel in Waynesboro -** St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic, Grace Lutheran, and members from Main Street United Methodist and Westminster Presbyterian have been attending an *Ecumenical Study* of what it means to be in *Covenant* with one another. Over 35 people have taken part in conversation about our Unity in Christ, and the ways we can express that unity for the sake of Christ's gospel being known in our community. Join us, Tuesday mornings at 11 a.m. at St. John Catholic, and Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. at Grace.

**The Season of Lent** - Ash Wednesday, March 6th, begins The Season of Lent in a little more than two weeks! The following are ways Grace will be invited into the discipline of Lent - ways to purposefully enter into a "exercising one's faith" to grow stronger in faith:

- **Lenten Covenant:** Make a commitment to give a tithe of the time you spend on your tablet, phone, computer, TV, or other electronic device to spend time in prayer, in reading God's Word, or a time of devotion. Example: If you're on Facebook or other social media, and/or watching TV, and/or surfing the web three hours per day (180 minutes), you'll commit to 18 minutes per day in prayer, scripture reading or devotions. This will be a sign-up where all who want to be a part will make a *covenant* to each other to engage in this Lenten commitment. Look in the March Newsletter and in early March on Grace's webpage for resources to help.
- **Shrove Tuesday:** Pancake Supper and Palm Burning at Bethlehem Lutheran Church March 5 at 5:00 p.m.
- **Ash Wednesday:** Opportunities to worship with our brothers and sisters from other area churches at Noon, or at Grace at 7:00 p.m., will begin the Lenten Season
- **Wednesday Lenten Worship:** We'll share a Soup Supper and Evening Prayer worship with our neighboring Lutheran Churches, with each church hosting the Wednesday service each week. Our focus this year: Perfect Love Casts Out Fear. Look for the complete schedule and more information in March Newsletter and Grace Webpage.
- **Wednesday Lunch and Worship:** A long standing tradition in Waynesboro has been for a number of downtown congregations to meet for lunch with a devotional worship service during the noon hour. We'll have an opportunity to take part this year, during the Wednesdays of Lent (after Ash Wednesday). Look for details in newsletter and webpage!

## Announcements Continued

**New Member Class:** Grace is forming a New Member class for those who wish to affirm their Baptism into Christ's death and resurrection, and join Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church. Please use the sign-up sheet on the narthex table to indicate your interest in receiving more information.

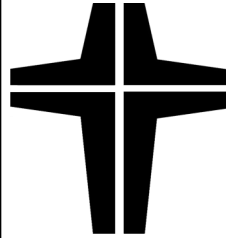
**Family Greeters at Grace!** Welcoming Guests and saying hello to our Grace household of faith has been an important part of Grace over its 125 year history, and we want to continue to make sure all are made welcome to hear the Good News of Jesus Christ! If you are a **Grace member with children**, we're especially hoping that *once per month*, we can have a Grace family to greet before worship. There's a *sign-up* on the table in the narthex with each month listed. Come and be a part of Grace's welcoming tradition!

**Altar Guild:** Altar guild needs a volunteer to fill the side decorative candles with oil. This is only needed for the Christmas Eve service and during Holy Week. If you would like more information or would like to volunteer, please contact Jean Morgan at 943-1929, 540-649-4422 (C), or [jc321morgan@ntelos.net](mailto:jc321morgan@ntelos.net). Or let Nancy know in the office.

<b>Monday</b> Psalm 11 1 Kings 5:13-18 Ephesians 5:21—6:9		<b>Thursday</b> Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9 Song of Solomon 1:1-17 James 1:1-8
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<b>Wednesday</b> Psalm 11 1 Kings 6:15-38 John 15:16-25		<b>Saturday</b> Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9 Hosea 3:1-5 John 18:28-32

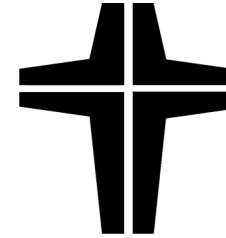
**Life of Grace Church**  
**February 24– March 3, 2019**

DAY OF	DATE	TIME	MEETING
TODAY— SUNDAY	02/24	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Sunday School Worship Choir Practice <b>7th Sunday of Epiphany</b> Holy Communion Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding
Monday	02/25	3:00—9:00 p.m.	Office on Youth Parenting Class (Seminar Room)
Tuesday	02/26	9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.  7:00 p.m.	Quilting (Fellowship Hall) LARCUM Weekday Study at St. John Roman Catholic Breathing the Same Spirit— Living the Gospel in Waynesboro Roundtables (Conference Room)
Wednesday	02/27	7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Hand Bell Choir Worship Choir
Thursday	02/28	9:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Backpacks Bridge (Fellowship Hall) LARCUM Weekday Study at Grace Breathing the Same Spirit— Living the Gospel in Waynesboro
Sunday	03/03	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Sunday School Worship Choir Practice <b>Transfiguration of Our Lord</b> Holy Communion Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding



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Nancy Dowdy, Administrative Secretary

**Office Hours:** 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.. (lunch 12:00 - 12:30) - Monday - Thursday  
8:30 a.m.—Noon - Friday

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