

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

July 18, 2021

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

Service of the Word via You Tube

(Based on Bread of Life, Jay Beach Setting)

Congregational responses are in bold print

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

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

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

We stand

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the Father, and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit, one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy.

Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Continued

God, our provider,
help us.
It is hard to believe there is enough to share.
We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.
We turn to our own understanding
rather than trusting in you.
We take offense at your teachings and your ways.
Turn us again to you.
Where else can we turn?
Share with us the words of eternal life
and feed us for life in the world.
Amen.

Beloved people of God:
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.
Through Jesus, ✝ the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.
Amen.

Processional


Greeting

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

Hymn of Praise

Let Us Go to the House of the Lord

I Was Glad



I was glad when they said to me, "Let us



go to the house of the Lord." I was glad when they



said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."



Called from ev - 'ry na - tion, called from ev - 'ry race,
Here the poor are wel - comed, here the lost are claimed,
Words that must be spo - ken, grace that must be heard,



gath - ered here for wor - ship in this ho - ly place;
Bro - ken lives are mend - ed, deep - est fears are named;
Mer - cy and for - give - ness from God's ho - ly Word,



God is here a - mong us, lift your hearts and sing,
Here the wise are child - ren and the weak are strong,
Here, will be re - peat - ed; Peace! to all pro - claimed,



make the walls and raf - ters ring.
Here, in Christ, we all be - long.
Shout - ed out in Je - sus' name.

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

We sit

Word

First Reading: Ephesians 1:1-14

A reading from Ephesians:

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,

To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus:

²Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

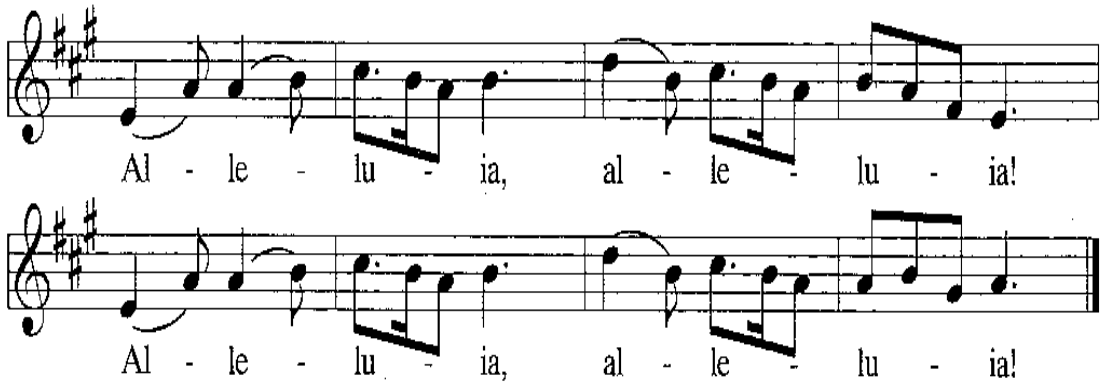
³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

We stand

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Music: Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker
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The image shows a musical score for a Celtic Alleluia. It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!' written below each staff. The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second staff ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Gospel: John 14:25-27

The holy gospel according to St. John:

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Pastor Pingel

Sermon

Pastor Pingel

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Hymn of the Day: "Beautiful Savior"

#838, Page 8, Verses 1, 2 and 4

We stand

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.**

Beautiful Savior

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!
 robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;
 bright the spar - kling stars on high;
 Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904
 Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

Prayers of Intercession

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Peace

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

Please greet those around you, remaining distanced, and offering a sign of peace (such as arms open) to one another.

The offering plate is located in the Narthex near the doors.

The congregation remains seated for offertory song

Meal

Offertory Song

Verses 1, 4

We Give Thee but Thine Own

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains the first four verses of the lyrics. The second system contains the concluding lines of the lyrics. The music features a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady bass line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves.

1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be:

all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.
to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ-like thing.
what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

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

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

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

Great Thanksgiving

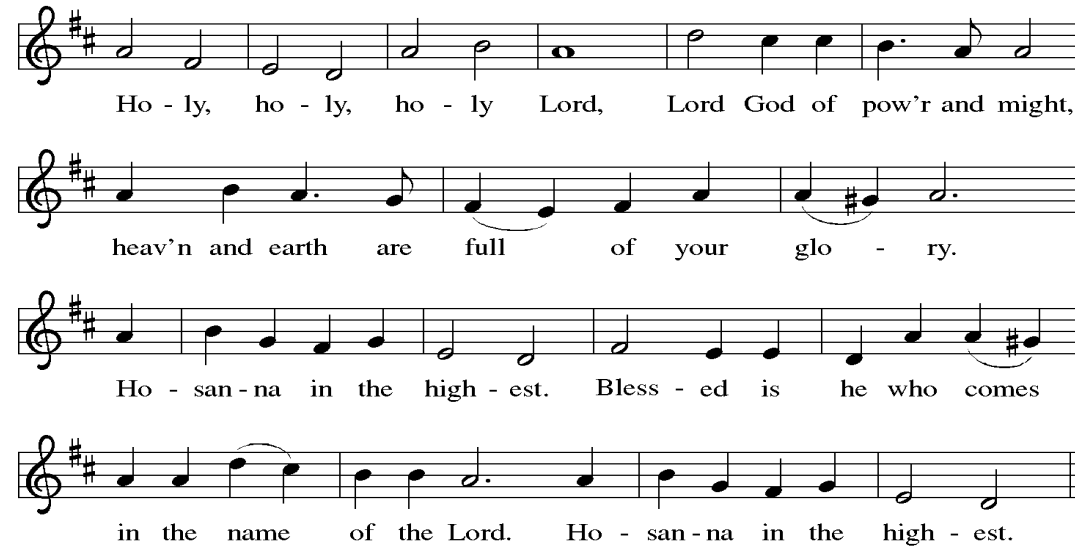
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

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

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

Preface

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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n 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.

Thanksgiving at the Table

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this is remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this in remembrance of me.

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

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

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

Amen

Lord's Prayer

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

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

Invitation to Communion

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

Thanks be to God!

"For the Healing of the World"

Pages 14-15, Verse 1

For the Healing of the World



Des-per - ate peo - ple are mak - ing their way to see
Sure - ly he's borne all our griefs and col - lect - ed our
Still in our world we see peo - ple con - tin - ue to



Je - sus; Wound-ed and bro - ken we
sor - rows; Here, in the sha - dow of
suf - fer: So man - y hun - gry and



come for we've no - where to turn;
death, he's no strang - er to tears;
so man - y liv - ing in pain.



Long - ing for free - dom from de - mons and all our dis -
Si - lent, he goes like a lamb as our weak - ness he
Now we must go with God's heal - ing and jus - tice to



eas - es, He's mak - ing us whole and
bor - rows; He's tak - ing the cup and
of - fer, For this is the call, he



free - ing our souls and we owe him our lives.
drink - ing it up, then he pours out his life.
asks for it all; Will you lay down your life?

Continued



For the heal - ing of the world, Je - sus came,
 Je - sus lived; For the heal - ing of the world,
 Je - sus died and rose a - gain. In his
 sac - ri - fi - cial life God was mak - ing all things right,
 Mer - cy flow - ing for the heal - ing of the world.

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The Holy Communion

The congregation may be seated.

OUR LORD BIDS YOU WELCOME TO THIS HOLY MEAL! *At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. Here we receive Christ's body and blood and God's gifts of forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation to be received by faith for the strengthening of faith. In this sacrament the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. This real presence is a mystery. Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord — regardless of Church denomination — to those who are baptized. (Taken from the ELCA statement on worship. The Use and Means of Grace ©1997)*

Communion Distribution: *We will commune where we are seated, using the Holy Communion chalices provided. The Pastor will indicate the time to open the bread compartment in the chalice, receive the body of Christ, then turn the chalice over to the wine compartment, and receive the blood of Christ, using the words as noted, below.*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

The congregation stands.

The Communion Blessing

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

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

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

Sending

Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ✝ be upon you now
and forever.
Amen.

Sending Song: *“For the Healing of the World”*

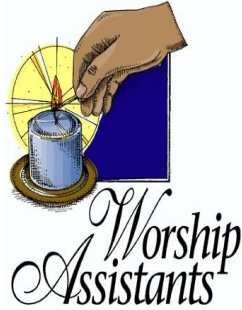
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Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today

- Altar Flowers:** Jean Morgan
Altar Guild: Jean Morgan
Assisting Minister: Robin Crowder
Council Person of the Week: Jean Morgan
Offering Stewards: Pat Brady
Ushers: Ron Almarode and Jack Eckstrom



*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 25, 2021
9th Sunday After Pentecost

**Service of the Word In-Person
And via You Tube**

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

Ephesians 2:11-22
Matthew 28:16-20

Our Unity in Christ—Grace Racial Reconciliation Verse



Isaiah 2:2-4

²In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

³Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

⁴He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

Monday

1 Samuel 1:1-20
Acts 1:1-14
Luke 20:9-19

Tuesday

1 Samuel 1:21—2:11
Acts 1:15-26
Luke 20:19-26

Wednesday

1 Samuel 2:12-26
Acts 2:1-21
Luke 20:27-40



Thursday

1 Samuel 2:27-36
Acts 2:22-36
Luke 20:41—21:4

Friday

1 Samuel 3:1-21
Acts 2:37-47
Luke 21:5-19

Saturday

1 Samuel 4:1b-11
Acts 4:32-5:11
Luke 21:20-28



Please print your new prayer concerns before worship on the sheet in the white notebook located in the back of our Worship area. Please ask ushers if you need assistance. **Names on the prayer list will remain on for four weeks**, in an effort to make the prayer list current to the life of Grace congregation and the community and world around us. If the need is longer term, please notify the church office, and the person in need will be transferred to the "Ongoing Need for Prayer" list.

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

Sylvia Almarode

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

Linda & Darl Davis, Friends of Gail & Sandy Johnson

Carolyn Fitzgerald, Aunt of Linda Meyer

Family of Pat Grabowsk, Friend of Linda Meyer

Chris and Emily Lassiter, Friends of Franklins

Reverend Janice Ely Lowden, Friend of Grace

Family of Ralph Meyer, Uncle of Linda Meyer

Eileen O'Rourke, Friend of Kathy Johnson

Laura Rowley, Daughter-in-law of Kathy Johnson

Joys and Celebrations (Remain on List for 4 weeks*)

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

Liz Ann Binns

Ty Elliott

Phyllis Kite

Janet Parmer

Fred Brower

Nancy Fitzgerald

Bob Knemoller

Marie Brown

Sandra R. Hoy

Glenn and Flossie Myers

Continued

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

Nancy Beiker, Friend of Gail & Sandy Johnson	Janice Collins, Friend of Grace
Nancy Delaney, Dave Delaney's Wife	Kyle Getler, Member Relative
Ernie Graham, Friend of the Schwiesows	Regan Grant, Friend of the Bumps
Carolyn Moser, Sister of David Schwiesow	George Toop, Friend of the Schwiesows

Members/Friends Grieving

Family of Charles Riker, Grandfather of Ashley Stollings

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year

<i>Bobby Hite</i>	<i>Bill Lucas</i>
<i>Diane Lundstrom</i>	<i>Ethan Lynch</i>
<i>Al McKechnie</i>	<i>Kelly Rankin</i>

The Needs of the World

The victims, families, and friends of the
dead and unaccounted for of the
Surfside, Florida condo collapse

**Continued vigilance and care in a nation
and world weary of Covid-19**

The nation of Afghanistan as U.S. troops
pullout

**Mental Health and opioid crisis in our
area, state and nation**

The Church

**Our unity in Christ with Churches in our
Community**

Congregational Church of Laconia, New
Hampshire and Pastor Neil
Wilson who are dealing with an
opioid crisis and homelessness

Our Neighbors

Our neighbors in Augusta County

Announcements

worship WITH US

In-Person Worship at Grace - A notice was sent out to all members and regular visitors this past week sharing the worship guidelines for the month of July:

- Masking is optional in worship for all in attendance who are fully vaccinated.
- Those who are not vaccinated - or partially vaccinated - we ask you continue to mask.
- Distancing continues, with every other pew blocked off.
- Holy Communion continues to be shared in the pews
- You Tube and Zoom continue to be available

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



Summer Sermon Series continues with Ephesians - God's Plan of Grace - Paul's letter to the Ephesians is a masterful letter that focuses on the Grace of God. God's Grace is past, present and future, for you and for me! TODAY, we begin our series on Ephesians.



Pandemic Memorial Service - During the Covid-19 Pandemic from March 2020 through March 2021, Eight saints of Grace entered into the eternal promises of God. During this time, we had only graveside services, many with family only. To give an opportunity for us at Grace to give thanks for these saints, and also to give opportunity for family and friends to gather at Grace, we will be scheduling the Memorial Service on a Saturday sometime late this month or early August. We are contacting families to determine the date that works best, and will publish the date with more information about time as soon as we are able.



Grace Christian Education Survey for Families with Children and Youth - Our Children and Youth Team is hard at work preparing for Fall activities! We will be sending out a survey to all families about our Fall Christian Education and Youth Activities. PLEASE fill out the survey when it comes your way, so we can get ready for a great Fall together.

Announcements



Book Study Class—“The Sum of Us - What Racism Costs Everyone and How We can Prosper Together” reconvened on Monday, July 12, at 7:00 p.m. Discussion will be based on Chapters 3 and 4.



Food Pantries - Thanks, and Continuing Need—Many thanks to those who have donated Peanut Butter, Mac ‘n Cheese, Personal Hygiene items, and Dried Rice and Beans to our local food banks. We have made **sixteen** deliveries thus far, eight to Main Street United Methodist, and eight to Calvary United Methodist, Stuarts Draft, with the donations gratefully received in the midst of great need. Last week, **93 pounds of food** went to Calvary United Methodist breaking our previous records! **Overall, we have given well over 1,200 pounds!** If you can help, please donate to our box set inside the office door for you to drop off.





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



Mt. Tabor Chicken BBQ—Saturday, July 24, in Middlebrook. Pick-up starts at noon. Chicken halves under the tent will be \$6; meals at the mercantile will be \$10, includes half chicken, 2 sides, roll and drink. You can reserve in advance with an email to: taborlutherans@gmail.com



Life of Grace Church
July 18-25, 2021

DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
TODAY— SUNDAY	07/18	10:00 a.m.	<i>8th Sunday After Pentecost</i> Service of Holy Communion <i>In Person and via You Tube</i> Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom
Tuesday	07/20	7:00 p.m.	Congregational Council (Conference Room) In Person and Zoom
Thursday	07/22	8:30 a.m.	 Grace Walkers (Meet in Parking Lot)
		1:00 p.m.	 Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday	07/25	10:00 a.m.	<i>9th Sunday After Pentecost</i> Service of Holy Communion <i>In Person and via You Tube</i> Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom



Members of Grace

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