



Christ the King

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

November 24, 2019

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

HOLY COMMUNION

Based on Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting Four
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! 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

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.

Welcome and Announcements

The congregation stands.

Prelude: "Come, Thou Almighty King"

Arr. Callahan

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.

Blessed be the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen

If we have died with Christ, we will also live with Christ.
Let us confess our sin to the one who is faithful.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

God our helper,

We confess the many ways we have failed to live as your disciples. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have been captivated by our possessions. Lift our burdens, gracious God. Refresh our hearts and forgive our sin. Raise us to the new life you have chosen for us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

There is rejoicing in heaven when sinners repent. Put your trust in these promises: God will never leave you or forsake you. You who were lost have been found. For the sake of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Rejoice with the angels at this good news.

Amen

Gathering Song: "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Hymn #855, Page 4

Crown Him with Many Crowns

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
 2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,
 3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,
 4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave
 5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,

hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.
 whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
 and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.

A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
 fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,
 No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;

and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.
 but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

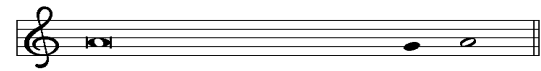
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 Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893

Greeting:

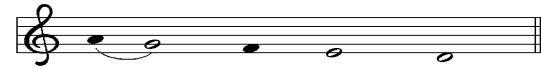
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

And also with you.

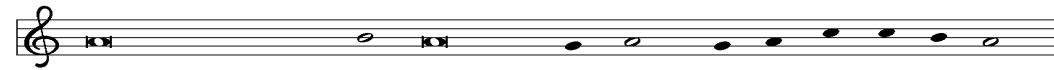
Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



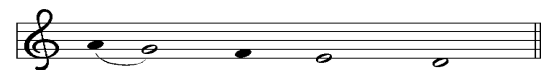
Lord, have mer - cy.



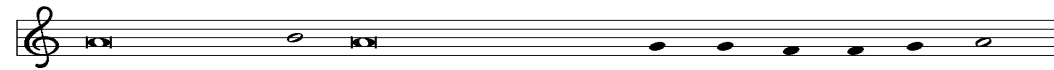
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. **A - men.**

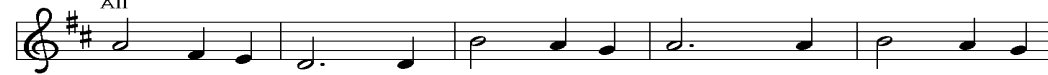
Canticle of Praise

Refrain



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

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. 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 and hon - or and 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.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

After the prayer the congregation responds:

Amen.

*The congregation is **seated**.*

Word

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

A reading from Jeremiah:

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD.

²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 46

¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

²**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

³though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

⁶**The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

⁷The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

⁸**Come now, regard the works of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;**

⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰**“Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”**

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:11-20

A reading from Colossians:

¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's 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.

Hymn of the Day: "O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us"

Hymn #431, Page 11

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.**

O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us

1 O Christ, what can it mean for us to claim you as our
 2 You came, the im - age of our God, to heal and to for -
 3 Though some would make their great - ness felt and lord it o - ver
 4 You chose a hum - ble hu - man form and shunned the world's re -

king? What roy - al face have you re - vealed whose
 give, to shed your blood for sin - ners' sake that
 all, you said the first must be the last and
 nown; you died for us up - on a cross with

praise the church would sing? As - pir - ing not to
 we might rise and live. To break the law of
 ser - vice be our call. O Christ, in work - place,
 thorns your on - ly crown. But still, be - yond the

glo - ry's height, to pow - er, wealth, and fame, you
 death you came, the law of love to bring: a
 church, and home, let none to pow - er cling; for
 span of years, our glad ho - san - nas ring, for

walked a dif - f'rent, low - ly way, an - oth - er's will your aim.
 dif - f'rent rule of righ - teous - ness, a dif - f'rent kind of king.
 still, through us, you come to serve, a dif - f'rent kind of king.
 now at God's right hand you reign, a dif - f'rent kind of king!

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 Music: ALL SAINTS NEW, Henry S. Cutler, 1824-1902
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Prayers of Intercession

United with the saints of every time and place, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Rejoicing in hope, we lift our prayers to you, most gracious Lord, trusting that you have received them in your care.

Amen.

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**.*

Meal

Offering

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

Anthem: "The Morning Trumpet"

Arr. Larson

*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 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 five staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927
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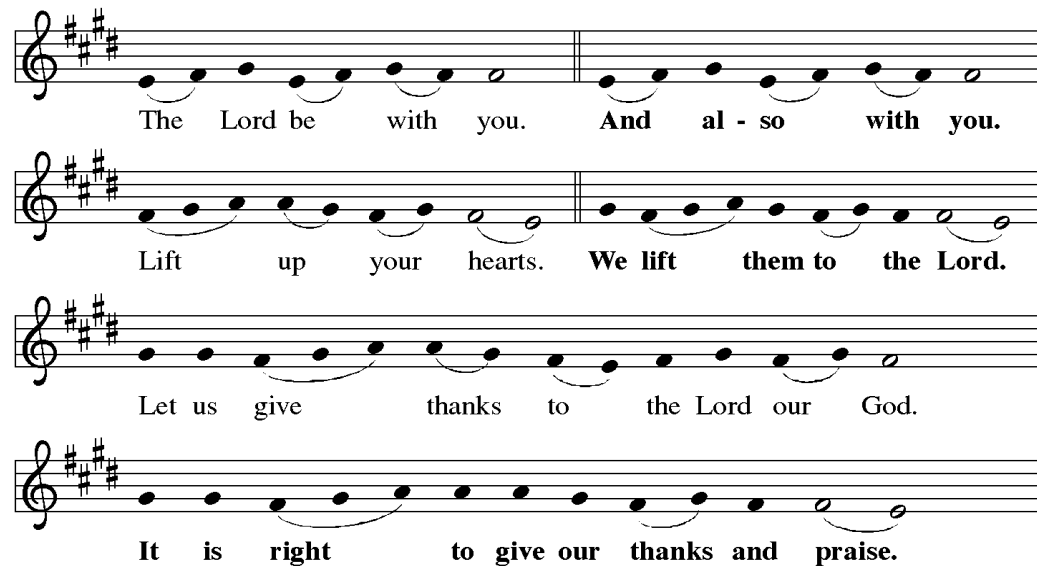
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Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Creator God, you made everything, and you provide for every need. The bread we break and the wine we pour come from you. As we eat and drink with thanksgiving, fill us with your love; let that love flow through us to others; and join us to the saints before us in a holy and boundless communion; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

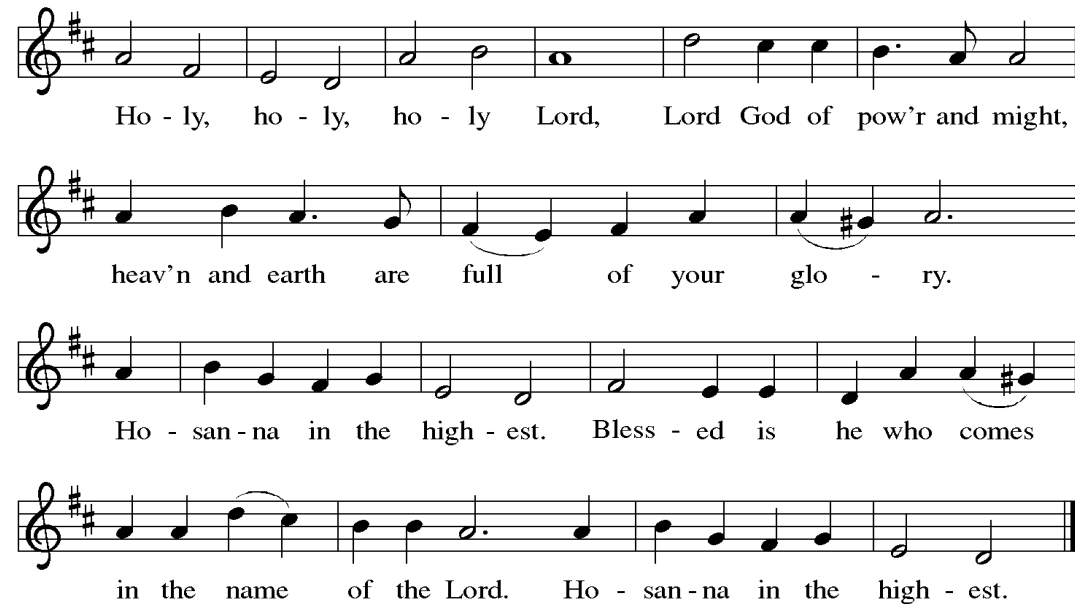


The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, who enthroned forever at your right hand intercedes for us as our great high priest. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join our unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy



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

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 for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the 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

Hunger no more. Thirst no more. Come to the banquet of life.
Thanks be to God.

*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)

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

***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, the following is announced:*

As the ministers commune the congregation may sing the following:

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....



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, grant us peace.

Communion Hymns

“On Jordan’s Stormy Bank I Stand”

Hymn #437, Page 18

“Jesus, Remember Me”

Hymn #616, Page 19

“Beautiful Savior”

Hymn #838, Page 20

*After all have returned to their places, the congregation **stands**.*

On Jordan's Stormy Bank I Stand

1 On Jor-dan's storm-y bank I stand, and cast a wish-ful eye
 2 All o'er those wide ex-tend-ed plains shines one e-ter-nal day;
 3 No chill-ing winds or poi-s'nous breath can reach that health-ful shore;
 4 When shall I reach that hap-py place and be for-ev-er blest?

to Ca-naan's fair and hap-py land, where my pos-ses-sions lie.
 there God the Son for-ev-er reigns and scat-ters night a-way.
 sick-ness and sor-row, pain and death, are felt and feared no more.
 When shall I see my Sav-ior's face and in God's bos-om rest?

Refrain

I am bound for the prom-ised land, I am bound for the prom-ised land;

oh, who will come and go with me? I am bound for the prom-ised land.

Text: Samuel Stennett, 1727-1795
 Music: PROMISED LAND, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; adapt. Rigdon M. McIntosh, 1836-1899

Jesus, Remember Me

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The image shows two systems of musical notation for the hymn 'Jesus, Remember Me'. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: 'Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.' The first system shows the vocal line with a melodic line and the piano accompaniment with a harmonic accompaniment. The second system is identical to the first.

Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community
Music: REMEMBER ME, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994
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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.

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.

Sovereign God, in this meal you give us a foretaste of the great feast to come. Keep us faithful to you, that we, with all your saints, may at length celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Sending

Blessing

The love of God surround you; the grace of +I Christ release you; and the Holy Spirit be your guide and strength, now and forevermore.

Amen.

Sending Song: “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

Hymn #634, Page 22

Dismissal

Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: “Maestoso”

Niedermeyer

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All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
 2 O seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race now ran - somed from the fall,
 3 Hail him, you heirs of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did call—
 4 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the gall,

bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem and crown him Lord of all.
 hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
 the God in - car - nate, man di - vine—and crown him Lord of all.
 go spread your tro - phies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.

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 Go spread your tro - phies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.

5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe
 on this terrestrial ball
 to him all majesty ascribe
 and crown him Lord of all.

6 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
 we at his feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song
 and crown him Lord of all.

Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today

<i>Assisting Minister:</i>	<i>Ron Almarode</i>
<i>Communion Assistants:</i>	<i>Brodie Franklin and Mike Trauscht</i>
<i>Ushers:</i>	<i>Jack Eckstrom, Carrie Jones, Brad Keefer, David Proctor</i>
<i>Offering Stewards:</i>	<i>Pat Brady and Bob Shumate</i>
<i>Acolyte:</i>	<i>Brodie Franklin</i>
<i>Cup Gatherer:</i>	<i>Sarah Kite</i>
<i>Altar Guild:</i>	<i>TBD</i>
<i>Nursery Caregivers:</i>	<i>Susie Driskill and Jean Morgan</i>
<i>Altar Flowers:</i>	<i>Gail Johnson</i>
<i>Council Person of the Week:</i>	<i>Jerry Kite</i>

*The Chancel Flowers today are given to
to the glory of our Lord and in memory of
Peggy R. Johnson by her children*

Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons

December 1, 2019

First Sunday of Advent

Holy Communion

10:00 a.m.

Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding

Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm 122

Romans 13:11-14

Matthew 24:36-44

Announcements



Budget Meeting

Congregational Meeting—There will be a called meeting Sunday, December 8, following worship for the purpose of voting on the 2020 Budget. Please plan to attend.



Service of Healing and Thanksgiving on November 26th: Tuesday, November 26th, 7pm, we will have a Service of Healing and Thanksgiving, in which we give thanks to God for the ways we have been blessed, and also offer a time of anointing and prayer for healing in mind, body and Spirit as we approach the Advent and Christmas Season. Our brothers and sisters at St. James, Bethlehem and Zion will be joining us, and we'll join them on Wednesdays during Advent in December.



Thanks be to God! We pray for a blessed and joyful Thanksgiving to each of you this week, and for all in our community - our families, friends, neighbors; residents at the WARM House, including our Grace room; the homeless in our area who will be attending this year's WARM Cold Weather shelter *which opens this week*, and many others in need this Thanksgiving. We also pray for all those who are traveling on this busiest travel time of the year. ***This Thanksgiving week, pause with family, among friends, or in a personal time, to give thanks to God, for three ways God has blessed you this year.*** As we read in Luther's Small Catechism, for all that God has "abundantly provided for our daily lives, we owe it to God to thank and praise, serve and obey him. This is most certainly true!"

Thanksgiving Break - The Church Office will be closed Thanksgiving Day (November 28) and "Black Friday" (November 29).

No Weekday Bible Study Thanksgiving week—there will be no Bible Class Wednesday November 27, or Thursday, November 28.



Would you like to help assemble the **Outdoor Advent Wreath** we use each year to give witness to our community about our looking for Jesus as we approach Christmas? We're meeting Monday morning, November 25th, at 9:00 .m. Sign up if you can help!

Announcements Continued



Evangelical Lutheran
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God's work. Our hands.

ELCA Bishop issues statement - Because of our close relationship with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Jordan and the Holy Land, and concern not only for that Church, but their other Palestinian Christian and Muslim neighbors, Bishop Eaton has issued a statement on the latest decision by The State Department to support Israeli settlements in the West Bank. You can read her statement at <https://elca.org/News-and-Events/8014>



Care
Packages
for College
Students

College Care Packages: Once again we are planning on sending “care packages” to our college students in undergraduate programs in time for their first semester exams. This year we have four (4) students in college: Zach Perkins (Virginia Tech), Lily Pingel (Roanoke College), Katie Morrison (JMU) and Tyler Wertman (Roanoke College). If you would like to contribute homemade (or other) goodies or a note of encouragement to each of these

students, please bring your contribution to the History Room by worship time on Sunday, Dec. 1. Our packing team will be packing up the boxes that afternoon. If you have any questions, please contact Caroline Biggers or Linda Meyer. Thank you for your support of our students!!



Giving
Tree

Grace Lutheran will again have the Giving Tree for needy families at Christmas. We have received names of families from the Salvation Army. The Tree is in the back of the Nave. Please take one or more tags, sign your name and the gift tag taken in the book, and purchase gift. **Return wrapped gift with original tag attached to the Church by Sunday, December 15th.**

If you have any questions regarding your gift ornament, please contact Jane Stein 943-3327 or Sharon Lynch 943-4294. Thanks for your support in helping these families to have a Happier & Blessed Christmas.



Offering Envelopes for the Year Available: Please pick up your set of envelopes for 2020 from the back of the church, they are in alphabetical order.



Gift
Collection

ELCA Good Gifts- There are a couple catalogs on the table in the back of the church that have gift ideas for Christmas (or anytime) that can make a difference in someone's life. ELCA Good Gifts is a way we can share God's love in Jesus with others. ELCA.org/goodgifts is their website that also offers gift suggestions.



Weekday Bible Class on hiatus through Advent, Christmas - We will resume in January, and as we determine our next area of study, look for an email during December asking **you** to help shape the class for the sake of more Grace people attending both morning and evening class.

Please print your new prayer concerns before worship on the sheet on the podium 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*)

Barb Susen

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

Larry Fridley, Son of Linda Tomey

Amy Vaus, Cousin of Brad Hull

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

Liz Ann Binns
Nancy Fitzgerald
Bob and Carol Knemoller
Glenn and Flossie Myers

Fred Brower
Sandra R. Hoy
Peggy Lucas

Jean Brower
Sandy Johnson
Janet Lunger

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

Marie Brown, Mother of Janet Parmer and Jane McGehee

Delmar Carlson, Brother-in-Law of Chuck Goodrich

Lisa Dofflemeyer, Daughter of Linda Tomey

Barbara and Jeff Eagle, Sister and Brother-in-Law of Nancy Schwiesow

Kyle Getler, Member Relative

Bobby Haywood, Friend of Trauschts

Bruce Joleaud, Mike Trauscht's Brother-In-Law

Katherine Lambertson, Daughter of Hal Aaslestad

Maxine Pierce, Mother of Cindy Trauscht

Joshua Scott, Friend of the Jones Family

Krista Traynor and Her Children, Daughter of the Proctors

Keith Weller, Son of Wellers

Members/Friends Grieving

Family of Morris Elliott, Grace Member

Family of Lee Honeycutt, Friend of the Pingels

Family Shirley Krizovsky, Grace Member

Family of Valla Myers, Mother of Mike Myers

The Needs of the World

Racial Reconciliation in the Church

California Fire Victims

The work of Lutheran World Relief around

the world (see <https://lwr.org/news>)

Victims of super-typhoon Hagibis in Japan, India

Victims of Greenville, Texas Shooting

The deaths of nine family members due

to drug violence

The crisis of drug abuse in the U.S. that

leads to such violence

The Church

Our Virginia Synod, ELCA, Bishop Bob

Humphrey, and our sharing of the

good news of Jesus Christ

Our Jewish brothers and sisters

remembering the anniversary at the

Tree of Life Synagogue shooting

The Evangelical Lutheran Church

of Jordan and the Holy Land








(see announcement)

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year

Woody Graf
David Schwiesow

Kathy Bump
Wyatt Carper

**Life of Grace Church
November 24—December 1, 2019**

DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
TODAY— SUNDAY	11/24	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	 Sunday School Worship Choir Practice Christ the King Holy Communion Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding
Monday	11/25	9:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	 Set-Up Advent Wreath  Book Study (Conference Room)
Tuesday	11/26	9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	 Quilting Group (Fellowship Hall)  Service of Healing and Thanksgiving
Wednesday	11/27		No School
Thursday	11/28		 Thanksgiving Church Office Closed No School
Friday	11/29		Church Office Closed No School
Sunday	12/01	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	 Sunday School Worship Choir Practice First Sunday of Advent Holy Communion Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding

Daily Lectionary

Monday

Psalm 83
Genesis 31:17-35
Galatians 3:1-9

Tuesday

Psalm 83
2 Samuel 19:31-43
Galatians 3:10-14

Wednesday

Psalm 83
Malachi 3:5-12
Mark 2:1-12

Thursday

Psalms 42 and 43
Genesis 24:1-21
Romans 2:17-29

Friday

Psalms 42 and 43
Job 6:14-30
Galatians 3:15-22

Saturday

Psalms 42 and 43
Proverbs 11:3-13
Matthew 9:27-34



Members of Grace, Ministers

Linda Meyer, President
Gordon Putnam, Vice President
Zach Bandy, Holly Carper, Pete Giesen,
Kim Hull, Gail Johnson, Kathryn Johnson,
Carrie Jones, Jerry Kite, and Rudolph Yobs
Deloris Wertman, Secretary
Ron Almarode, Treasurer
Donna Marshall, Assistant Treasurer
Charles Goodrich, Financial Secretary



Rev. Paul Pingel, Pastor
Mike Myers, Organist, Director of Music
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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