



Fifth Sunday of Epiphany

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

February 7, 2021

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

Service of the Word via YouTube

(Based on ELW Setting Three)

Congregational responses are in bold print

*In this time of Coronavirus, the "Order of Worship" that we use has changed. From the earliest years of the Church the order of Worship was to **GATHER**, bringing ourselves and all that we are before God; then to hear the **WORD** of God, letting it enter our lives with the expectation, as the prophet Isaiah tells us, that it will not come away empty, but accomplish succeed in that which God purposes for it. (Isaiah 55:10-11). We are hearing that word from (usually) two readings during this time of Coronavirus; the gospel, and one additional reading, either from the Old Testament, the Psalms, or an epistle reading. Then we hear the Word proclaimed through the Sermon. We confess our faith, we share in Prayers to God for the world we live in and in thanksgiving to God for the promises that we will not be alone in whatever we are going through. And we are thankful for God's Living Word, Jesus, the embodied Word of God, and the ways Jesus is revealed through the Old and New Testament. Then we are **SENT** into this world - perhaps the most important part of worship, even if the shortest - because it is then that we live out our faith proclaimed in Word and Worship.*

*MISSING from these weeks of physically distant worship is the **MEAL** and times to celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. As mentioned during our Maundy Thursday worship, we are in a wilderness time, where the promises of God we desire so greatly, to taste and drink and see God's forgiveness of sins and new life in bread and wine, in water, are still ahead of us. And as the apostle Paul wrote so powerfully in I Corinthians 11, we wait to receive the Sacrament together until ALL can receive it, not restricted by distance, and/or accessibility to technology that might allow some in the Body to receive it, and not others. So we pray for that time when we are re-united and able to receive the Meal together, and place our hope in the God who has called us through Water and the Word to bring us together again.*

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

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

In the name of the Father, and of the **✝** Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you and uphold us by your spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

Musical Presentation

Greeting

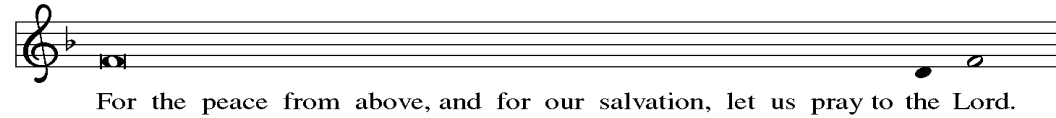
The grace our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

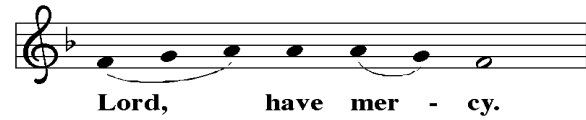
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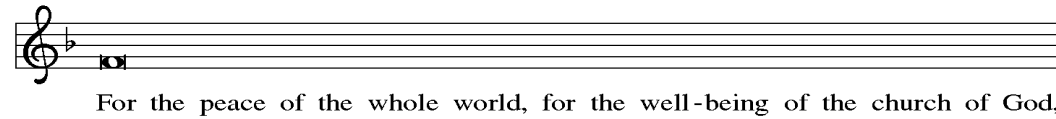
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



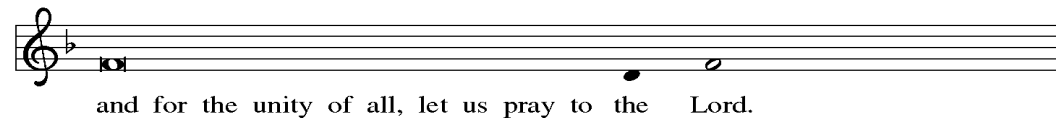
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



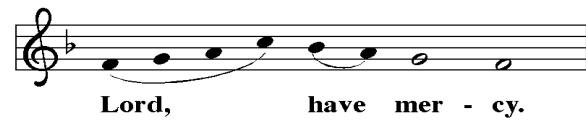
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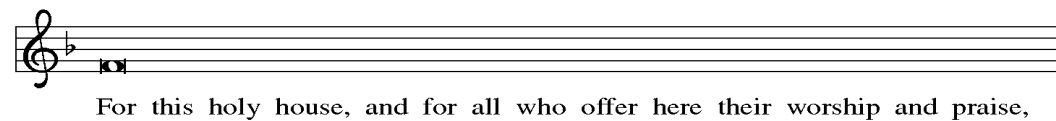
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



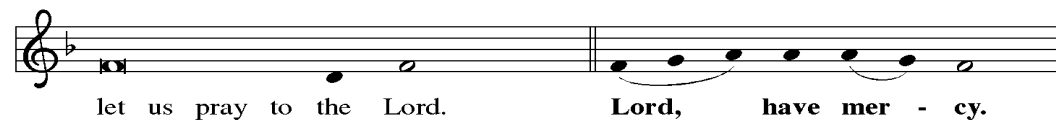
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



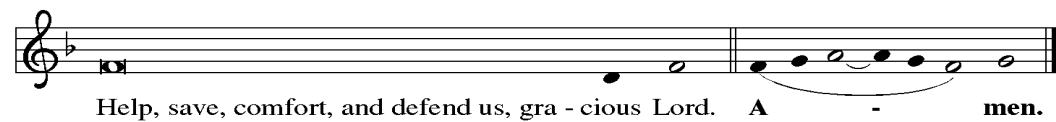
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



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



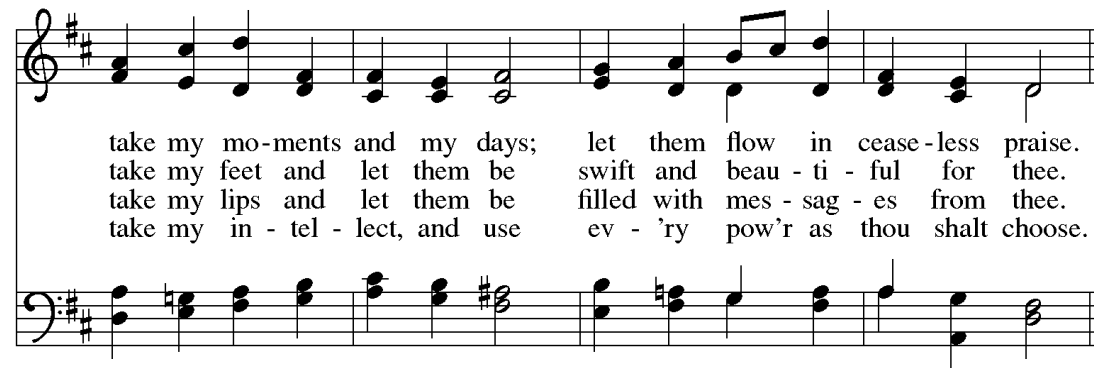
Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

Hymn: "Take My Life, That I May Be"

Take My Life, That I May Be



1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.
take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt.
Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

Prayer of the Day

Healing Lord,

By your goodness you healed many who were ill, even raising the dead to life. Restore us to new life, healing our hearts, minds, and spirits, so that we may proclaim praise and gratitude for your compassion to all who will hear. In the name of the one who is himself new life, Jesus Christ our savior.

Amen.

Word

Psalm: Psalm 119:105-107

¹⁰⁵Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.

¹⁰⁶I have sworn an oath and confirmed it,
to observe your righteous ordinances.

¹⁰⁷I am severely afflicted;
give me life, O LORD, according to your word.

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel: Luke 7:1-17

The holy gospel according to Luke:

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹After Jesus had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum.

²A centurion there had a slave whom he valued highly, and who was ill and close to death.

³When he heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to him, asking him to come and heal his slave. ⁴When they came to Jesus, they appealed to him earnestly, saying, "He is worthy of having you do this for him, ⁵for he loves our people, and it is he who built our synagogue for us." ⁶And Jesus went with them, but when he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to say to him, "Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; ⁷therefore I did not presume to come to you. But only speak the word, and let my servant be healed. ⁸For I also am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and the slave does it." ⁹When Jesus heard this he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, he said, "I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith." ¹⁰When those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.

¹¹Soon afterwards he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. ¹²As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town. ¹³When the Lord saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, "Do not weep." ¹⁴Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, rise!" ¹⁵The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. ¹⁶Fear seized all of them; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us!" and "God has looked favorably on his people!" ¹⁷This word about him spread throughout Judea and all the surrounding country.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message

The Jones Family

Sermon

Pastor Paul Pingel

Musical Offering

Apostle's Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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

I believe in Jesus Christ,

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

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayer for the church, the world, and all people in need.

Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Lord's Prayer

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

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Sending

Blessing

You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works, chosen as holy and beloved, freed to serve your neighbor.

God bless you ✝ that you may be a blessing in the name of the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Sending Song: *“Healer of Every Ill”*

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Healer of Our Every Ill

Refrain

Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,

give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.

1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your

2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is

3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,

4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your

Refrain

peace and glad-ness; Spir-it of all com-fort, fill our hearts.

still un-fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.

ev - 'ry broth - er; Spir-it of all kind-ness, be our guide.

way of heal - ing; Spir-it of com-pas - sion, fill each heart.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL, Marty Haugen

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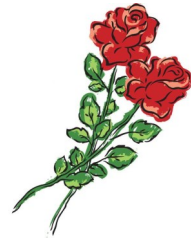
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Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today

- Assisting Minister:** Brian Lundstrom
Offering Steward: Pat Brady
Altar Flowers: Bob Knemoller
Council Person of the Week: Robin Crowder
Children's Sermon: The Jones Family



The Chancel Flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Carol Knemoller.



February

Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons

February 14, 2021
Transfiguration Sunday
Service of the Word via YouTube
10:00 a.m.

Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding

Luke 9:28-45
Psalm 36:5-10



On Ash Wednesday, we remember that "we are dust, and to dust we shall return." We are mortal. We fall short. At the same time, we remember that in our Baptism into Christ's death, our mortality is not the final Word. We are not alone; we are claimed by God for life and for blessing, even or especially in our mortality!

Drive Up Ecumenical Imposition of Ashes -

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at the First Baptist alley behind the Church Building **AND**

12:00 Noon - 1:00 p.m. at Grace's 13th Street Parking Lot Entrance

7:00 p.m.—You Tube Worship with Imposition of Ashes available: Pick up a packet of ashes from the Grace Church Office (call the Church Office to pick-up or to have delivered to you)



Lent: Broken and Healed on the Cross - From Brokenness to Restoration on the Cross, and in Our Lives Today - This is our theme for the Season of Lent. We join with our sisters and brothers at Zion, St. James and Bethlehem to worship at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays during Lent via You Tube and Zoom. All will be recorded at Grace and broadcast Live. We all have experienced brokenness; come, worship and experience the healing of God's Word this

Lenten Season.

- **February 24 - Broken Promises** (Peter's promise to never deny Christ)
- **March 3 - Broken Hearts** (many people: Mary Magdalene, Jesus at the fickleness of his followers' loyalty, the disciples at his death, the crowds who were disappointed at Jesus' refusal to act in the way they thought he should)
- **March 10 - Broken Trust** (Judas' betrayal of Jesus)
- **March 17 - Broken Justice** (Jesus before Pilate)
- **March 24 - Broken Bread** (Last Supper, Body of Christ)



Confirmation Sunday! - Because of our extended time of Coronavirus, three Confirmands - Kaitlyn Hull, Quinn Franklin, and Zachary Rankin - have not yet Affirmed their Baptism, to be Confirmed.

We are doing this today on Transfiguration Sunday, the Sunday before the beginning of Lent. Please pray for Kaitlyn, Quinn and Zach as they prepare for this important day in their lives, and in OUR lives as the Church!



Covid-19 Vaccines - If you need help signing up for a vaccine through the Central Shenandoah Health District - which is the area of Virginia we are a part which distributes the vaccine - please call the Church office, or go yourself to bit.ly/cshdinf. Information shared this week indicates that we have

approximately 50,000 people in Staunton/Augusta/Waynesboro over the age of 65. To vaccinate everyone will take time. But it is important to enter your information to "get in line."



Being A Blessing in our Community of Faith - This time of Coronavirus can be isolating. We are blessed that so many of you have reached out to others during this time where we often find ourselves at home much more than in times past.

I Corinthians speaks of the importance of Consolation - bearing one another's burdens. If God's Spirit puts someone in mind from Grace, or someone in your neighborhood or community, give them a call, especially someone you may not have thought of or contacted in awhile! A simple hello or check-in can be a great blessing, and can lift a burden of loneliness or isolation that someone may be experiencing. It's an easy way to share in the Word and Work of Jesus!



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 thirteen deliveries thus far, six to Main Street United Methodist, and seven to Calvary United Methodist, Stuarts Draft, with the donations gratefully received in the midst of great need. If you can help, please donate to our box set inside the office door for you to drop off.

Breaking News



WARM and Disciples Kitchen Meals—Grace served breakfast and lunch for WARM from January 25 to 31, lunch at Disciples Kitchen on January 21 and breakfast on January 23. We provided over 600 meals during the past several weeks. Thanks to all Grace members who helped with these meals and to Zion Lutheran, Waynesboro Kiwanis Club and Christ Tabernacle Church for their support in feeding people in need.

Monday

Isaiah 57:14-21
Galatians 6:11-18
Mark 9:30-41

Tuesday

Isaiah 58:1-12
2 Timothy 1:1-14
Mark 9:42-50

Wednesday

Isaiah 59:1-21
2 Timothy 1:15—2:13
Mark 10:1-6



Thursday

Isaiah 60:1-22
2 Timothy 2:14-26
Mark 10:17-31

Friday

Isaiah 61:1-9
2 Timothy 3:1-17
Mark 10:32-45

Saturday

Isaiah 61:10—62:5
2 Timothy 4:1-8
Mark 10:46-52



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

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

**Emily Almarode
Margaret Quickel**

**Sandy Brady
Dick Tomey**

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

Leah Johns Ashby, Friend of Kathy Johnson
Regan Grant, Friend of the Bumps
Mary Jane Lever, Friend of the Pingels
Mary Lang, Friend of Kathy Johnson
Cathy Osborn, Relative of Franklins

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

**Liz Ann Binns
Nancy Fitzgerald
Bob Knemoller**

**Fred Brower
Pete Giesen
Glenn and Flossie Myers**

**Marie Brown
Sandra R. Hoy
Janet Parmer**

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

Janice Collins, Friend of Grace
Lisa Dofflemeyer, Daughter of Linda Tomey
Larry Hinebaugh, Friend of Donna Gum
George Toop, Friend of the Schwiesows

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

Members/Friends Grieving

Family of John Davis, Friends of the Lynches
Family of Whit Davis, Father of Friend of Pastor Pingel
Family of Carol Knemoller, Grace Member
Family of Carl Machen, Friend of the Tomeys
Family of Peggy Rodgers, Friends of the Hulls and Steins
Family of Helen Moore Wetsel, Sister of Peggy Marks

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year

Becky Jones

Irma Graf

Dick Tomey

The Needs of the World

Our Nation and its leaders: President Biden, Vice-President Harris, Senator Warner, Senator Kaine and Representative Cline, our Governor Ralph Northam, and Virginia Representative Avoli, State Senator Hanger

All in our criminal justice system; judges, lawyers, police officers, court clerks, bailiffs and justice advocates

The deliveries of Covid-19 vaccine

Families affected by Covid-19 - death, health, employment

Our care for the earth; stewardship of what we have, not to waste or pollute.

The Church

The Student Care Center at Grace

Our unity in Christ with Churches in our Community


Our trust in God, our refuge and strength (Psalm 46)

Our Neighbors

Our neighbors in the Berkeley Glenn area



Life of Grace Church
February 7—14, 2021

Day of the Week	Date	Time	Meeting
TODAY— SUNDAY	02/07	10:00 a.m. 10:50 a.m.	Fifth Sunday of Epiphany Service of the Word via YouTube Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching Coffee Fellowship via Zoom
Monday	02/08	7:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m.	Childcare in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	02/09	7:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m.	Childcare in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	02/10	7:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m.	Childcare in Fellowship Hall
Thursday	02/11	7:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Childcare in Fellowship Hall Bible Study via Zoom Discussion with Christ Tabernacle via Zoom Bible Study via Zoom
Friday	02/012	7:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m.	Childcare in Fellowship Hall
Sunday	02/14	10:00 a.m.  10:50 a.m.	Transfiguration of Our Lord Service of the Word via YouTube Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching Confirmation Sunday Communion Coffee Fellowship via Zoom



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