



***FOURTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST***

*Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
September 11, 2022*

*“Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we are a vibrant
congregation that shares the love of Christ with each other,
the community, and the world.”*

Holy Communion

Based on Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting Six
(Available via You Tube and Zoom Remotely)

Congregational responses are in bold print

We welcome all our visitors, members, friends and family to this morning's celebration of Word and Sacrament. We gather each week to worship, study and share fellowship so we can joyfully serve others. We especially welcome those new to our worship. If you are looking for a church home, we would love to tell you more about Grace! Please fill in a visitor card and place it in the offering plate. We ask that all who commune fill in a communion card. We have Gluten Free Communion Wafers available please inform Communion Assistant of your need.

We have 4 assisted listening units that are simple to operate. They consist of a small unit with an earpiece and volume control, each unit is replaced after each use. See the ushers to use one today.

Restrooms: Located to your left as you face the rear of the church.

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

Gathering

Confession and Forgiveness

We stand.

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

Blessed be the Father, the ✙ Son,
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
**we confess that we have not followed your path
but have chosen our own way.
Instead of putting others before ourselves,
we long to take the best seats at the table.
When met by those in need,
we have too often passed by on the other side.
Set us again on the path of life.
Save us from ourselves
and free us to love our neighbors.**

Amen.

Hear the good news!

God does not deal with us according to our sins
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.
In the name of ✙ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
You are free to love as God loves.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn: *“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”*

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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.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



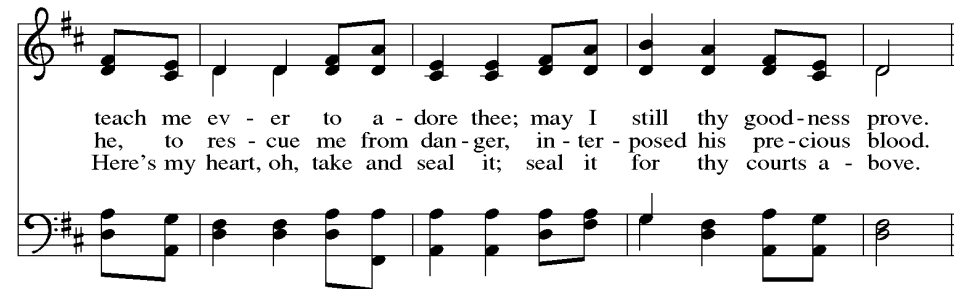
1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas-ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.
let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,
Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove.
he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter - posed his pre-cious blood.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735-1790, alt.
Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

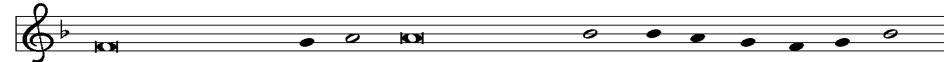
Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



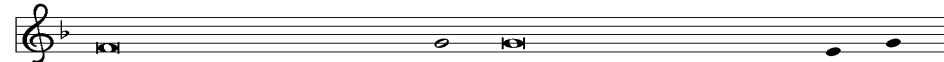
Lord, have mer - cy.



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



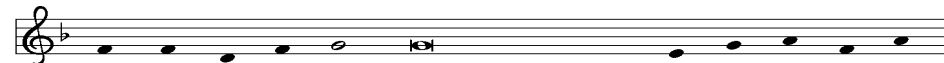
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of



God, and for the uni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this ho - ly 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, gracious Lord.



A - men.

Canticle of Praise

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
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*

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. *Refrain*

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
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, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

We sit.

Word



A reading from Genesis

Genesis 6:5-22

⁵The LORD saw that the wickedness of humankind was great in the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually. ⁶And the LORD was sorry that he had made humankind on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. ⁷So the LORD said, "I will blot out from the earth the human beings I have created — people together with animals and creeping things and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them." ⁸But Noah found favor in the sight of the LORD.

⁹These are the descendants of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation; Noah walked with God. ¹⁰And Noah had three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

¹¹Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight, and the earth was filled with violence. ¹²And God saw that the earth was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted its ways upon the earth. ¹³And God said to Noah, "I have determined to make an end of all flesh, for the earth is filled with violence because of them; now I am going to destroy them along with the earth. ¹⁴Make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out with pitch. ¹⁵This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark three hundred cubits, its width fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits. ¹⁶Make a roof for the ark, and finish it to a cubit above; and put the door of the ark in its side; make it with lower, second, and third decks. ¹⁷For my part, I am going to bring a flood of waters on the earth, to destroy from under heaven all flesh in which is the breath of life; everything that is on the earth shall die. ¹⁸But I will establish my covenant with

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you; and you shall come into the ark, you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. ¹⁹And of every living thing, of all flesh, you shall bring two of every kind into the ark, to keep them alive with you; they shall be male and female. ²⁰Of the birds according to their kinds, and of the animals according to their kinds, of every creeping thing of the ground according to its kind, two of every kind shall come in to you, to keep them alive. ²¹Also take with you every kind of food that is eaten, and store it up; and it shall serve as food for you and for them."
²²Noah did this; he did all that God commanded him.

Genesis 7:1, 7-10, 17-18, 24

¹Then the LORD said to Noah, "Go into the ark, you and all your household, for I have seen that you alone are righteous before me in this generation.

⁷And Noah with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives went into the ark to escape the waters of the flood. ⁸Of clean animals, and of animals that are not clean, and of birds, and of everything that creeps on the ground, ⁹two and two, male and female, went into the ark with Noah, as God had commanded Noah. ¹⁰And after seven days the waters of the flood came on the earth.

¹⁷The flood continued forty days on the earth; and the waters increased, and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. ¹⁸The waters swelled and increased greatly on the earth; and the ark floated on the face of the waters.

²⁴And the waters swelled on the earth for one hundred fifty days.

Genesis 8:1-12

¹But God remembered Noah and all the wild animals and all the domestic animals that were with him in the ark. And God made a wind blow over the earth, and the waters subsided; ²the fountains of the deep and the windows of the heavens were closed, the rain from the heavens was restrained, ³and the waters gradually receded from the earth. At the end of one hundred fifty days the waters had abated; ⁴and in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat. ⁵The waters continued to abate until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains appeared.

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⁶At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made ⁷and sent out the raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. ⁸Then he sent out the dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground; ⁹but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. ¹⁰He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark; ¹¹and the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. ¹²Then he waited another seven days, and sent out the dove; and it did not return to him any more.

Genesis 9:8-17

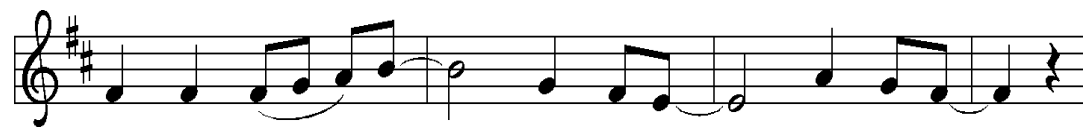
⁸Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹"As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." ¹²God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." ¹⁷God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

We stand.

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.

Gospel: Matthew 8:24-27

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew:

Glory to you O Lord.

²⁴A windstorm arose on the sea, so great that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep. ²⁵And they went and woke him up, saying, "Lord, save us! We are perishing!" ²⁶And he said to them, "Why are you afraid, you of little faith?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a dead calm. ²⁷They were amazed, saying, "What sort of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him?"

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit.

Children's Message

Pastor Pingel

Sermon

Pastor Pingel


Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

We stand.


Hymn of the Day: "Creating God, Your Fingers Trace"

#684, Page 11, Verses 1, 2, 3


Creating God, Your Fingers Trace



1 Cre - at - ing God, your fin - gers trace the bold de -
 2 Sus - tain - ing God, your hands up - hold earth's mys - t'ries
 3 Re - deem - ing God, your arms em - brace all now de -
 4 In - dwell - ing God, your gos - pel claims one fam - 'ly



signs of far - thest space; let sun and moon and stars and
 known or yet un - told; let wa - ter's frag - ile blend with
 spised for creed or race; let peace, de - scend - ing like a
 with a bil - lion names; let ev - 'ry life be touched by



light and what lies hid - den praise your might.
 air, en - a - bling life, pro - claim your care.
 dove, make known on earth your heal - ing love.
 grace un - til we praise you face to face.

Text: Jeffery Rowthorn, b. 1934
 Music: PROSPECT, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; arr. hymnal version
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Apostle's Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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

Ninamwamini Mungu, Baba Mwenyezi,
Muumba wa mbingu na dunia;

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.

Na Yesu Kristo, Mwana wake wa pekee,
Bwana wetu, aliyetwaa mwili kwa tendo
la Roho Mutakatifu, akazaliwa na Bikira
Maria. Akateswa zamani za Pontio
Pilato, akasulibiwa, akafa, akazikwa,
akashuka kuzimuni mwa wafu,
akafufuka katika wafu siku ya tatu,
akapanda mbinguni, anakaa kwa
mukono wa kuume wa Mungu,
Baba Mwenyezi, ndipo atakuja tena
kuhukumu wazima na wafu.

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.

Ninamwamini Roho Mutakatifu, Kanisa
kikristo takatifu, ushirika wa watakatifu,
ondoleo la zambi, ufufuko wa mwili, na
uzima wa milele. Amina

The
Apostles'
+ Creed +

Prayers of Intercession

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

A brief silence.

Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words.

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

Meal

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 to one another.

We sit.

Offering

We offer our thanks to God for "ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of God's gracious love" by our offerings. The offering plates will be passed by the ushers from the center aisle.

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

We stand.

Offertory Response

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.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980
Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950
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Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Gracious God,
in your great love you richly provide for our needs.
Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing,
and make us ready to share with all in need;
through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.
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 - 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.

Thanksgiving at the Table

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,
may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

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.

Baba Yetu

Baba Yetu uliye mbinguni, jina lako
litukuzwe;
ufalme wako ufike, utakalo lifanyike
duniani kama mbinguni.
Utupe leo mkate wetu wa kila siku,
utusamehe makosa yetu,
kama nasi tunavyowasamehe
waliotukosea.
Usitutie katika kishawishi,
lakini utuopoe maovuni. Amina.

The
LORD'S
Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Christ invites you to this table.
Come, taste and see.

Thanks be to God!

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)

Ushers will invite you to come down the center aisle. Receive the bread from the pastor or assisting minister, then turn to the side you have sat on, and receive the wine/grape juice from the communion assistant at the altar rail. Place your empty cup in the trays at the end of the railing, and return to your pew via the side aisle. Those giving the bread and wine will say the following:

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

You may respond with "Amen"

*After all have returned to their places, **we stand.***



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.

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

God of the abundant table,
**you have refreshed our hearts in this meal
with bread for the journey.**
**Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.**
Amen.



Sending

Blessing

God, who gives life to all things
and frees us from despair,
bless you with truth and peace.

And may the Father, the ✝ Son, and the Holy Spirit, one God,
guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

Amen.

Sending Song: “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”

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Dismissal

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude



Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

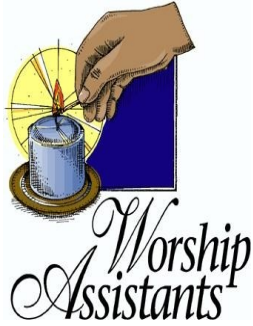
The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems, each with a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are as follows:

1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's joy - ful sound.
3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us from our strug - gling pil - grim way,

let us each, your love pos - sess - ing, tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace.
May the fruits of your sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound.
let no fear of death ap - pall us, glad your sum - mons to o - bey.

Oh, re - fresh us; oh, re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
Ev - er faith - ful, ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.
May we ev - er, may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

Text: attr. John Fawcett, 1740–1817, sts. 1–2, alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3, alt.
Music: SICILIAN MARINERS, Sicilian, 18th cent.



Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today

Altar Flowers: Martin Family
Altar Guild: Susan Myers/Gloria Nelson
Assisting Minister: Kathy Bump
Communion Assistants: Ron Almarode
Marsha Howard
Council Person of the Week: Jack Eckstrom
Covid Monitor: Karen Walck
Offering Stewards: Pat Brady
Robin Crowder
Ushers: Pat Brady
Jean Morgan



Altar Flowers

Chancel flowers are given this morning to the glory of God and in memory of Lois and Winston Martin

*Keith, Ann, Sara and Trey
Jeff, Jean and Jacob*

Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons

September 18, 2022
Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Holy Communion

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

Genesis 12:1-9
Matthew 28:19-29



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*)

Donna Gum

Carolyn Shields

Jimmy Owens

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

Carrie Humphries, Friend of Donna Gum

Judy Lambert, Sister-in-Law of Linda Tomey

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

Lauren Ward's successful surgery and positive medical diagnosis,

Friend of David and Nancy Schwiesow

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

Emily Almarode

Liz Ann Binns

Beth Brady

Fred Brower

Marie Brown

Sandra Hoy

Phyllis Kite

Glenn and Flossie Myers

Janet Parmer

Ingrid Sevigny

Lily Skelton

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

Janice Collins, Friend of Grace

Kyle Getler, Member Relative

Darren Graf, Son of Woody and Irma Graf

Regan Grant, Friend of Richard and Kathy Bump

James Hepner, Father of Gloria Nelson

Sandy Higgs, Friend of David and Nancy Schwiesow

Rosalind Holt, Friend of Gail Johnson

Continued

Joshua Horn, Friend of Mike and Cindy Trauscht
Helen McClung, Cousin of Nancy Schwiesow
Dot Metz, Sister of Marge Cloutier
Larry Spoon, Husband of Bonnie Spoon, Friend of Many
Douglas Williams, Friend of Sylvia Almarode, deployed to Kuwait for one year

Members/Friends Grieving

Family of Keith Brown, Former VA Synod Treasurer
Family of Norman Sell, Uncle of Andrew Sell
Family of Peggy Wood, Friend of Linda Tomey

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year

Antoinette Eckstrom
William Proctor

Karl Stein
Brad Keefer

Anne Barnes

The Needs of the World

**Westminster and Grace's Congolese
refugee family, the Mmeswa/
Madawa family, are now in their 4th
month in Waynesboro**

The great increase in mental health cases
in our nation

**Extreme drought, water shortage, heat
and fires in the American West
and Europe**

Continued epidemic of mass shooting
incidents in our nation

**Flood victims in Kentucky, Texas,
Buchanan County, VA**

Teachers in our schools, and our children's
learning this school year

The Church

Pray for God's Plan for Grace

Prayer for neighboring Lutheran
congregations: St. James,
Bethlehem, Zion and Bethany

Our Neighbors

Our neighbors in the Basic City Area.





Welcome to Worship!

- Pastor Paul will give the CDC "color" status of Waynesboro each week in his telephone message. **We will base the use of masking on the status of Waynesboro.**
- We will follow CDC "color" guidelines to determine masking at worship.
- If our area is in an Orange (high risk) status, we will mask for worship.
- If we are in a Yellow (medium risk) or Green (low risk) status, those who are not vaccinated or are immune-compromised are encouraged to mask, while those who are vaccinated and boosted are "mask optional, but welcome."
- This applies to Worship, Meetings, Classes, VMA, other users of the facility, etc.



Mission Endowment Fund proposals are due Wednesday, September 14th -

See information and forms on the table in the narthex, or go to www.gracewaynesboro.org and click on the Mission Endowment info there.



Confirmation begins September 11th! Pray for our Confirmands Kiera Mahoney and Libby Caister, as they continue their Confirmation studies on the 11th! The study focus this year is Luther's Small Catechism, with a focus on the Ten Commandments, the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Sacraments. Pray for our Confirmands as they continue their learning on the "basics" of our Christian Faith.



QUILTING GROUP

Our regular day of quilting will be Tuesdays, starting September 13, in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 a.m. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Gwen Kite, 540-910-0508 or Amy Warren, 540-471-2362.



Mental Health Resources

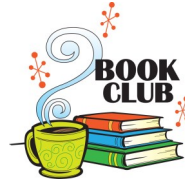
Mental Health and Trauma Workshop for High School Youth on September 18th -

The Waynesboro Downtown Churches (Ecumenical Group) are sponsoring this workshop *at the Wayne Theater* on 9/18 at 3:00 p.m. There will be a great presentation by ARROW (Augusta Resources for Resiliency, Opportunity and Wellness), an opportunity for Youth to submit questions about Mental Health for discussion by local experts, and time for small group discussion. Pizza, snacks and drinks will be served at the close of the event. See the Wayne Theater or Grace websites and Facebook pages, and sign-up!



ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

Join the Grace Lutheran Waynesboro team for the **2022 CWS Crop Walk**. The walk will take place in person on Sunday, September 25, starting at Ridgeview Park at 2:00 p.m. Karen Walck will have collection envelopes with her on Sunday, August 28 and on September 11 and September 25. She will also be available in the narthex to accept donations for the team. If you would like to make an online donation to a walker or to the team (Grace Lutheran Waynesboro), visit <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/waynesboro>. Online donations are preferred. Invite your friends and neighbors to join us. Currently, Karen Walck, Gwen Kite and Sarah Beth Kite have signed up to walk. The local Facebook page is "waynesboro east augusta crop walk." If you have any questions, please contact Karen Walck at 765-480-9920.



Grace Women’s Book Group—The Grace Women’s Book Group will have it’s next meeting on Wednesday, September 21 at 11:30 a.m. at Panera Bread. The book we will be discussing is Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate. We are a casual group, so even if you haven’t read the book, but are interested in the group and future books, come anyway-have lunch and fellowship. Call Kathy Bump-(317) 440-8900 with any questions.



All God’s Children Lending Library - Our lending library has found a new home in the LIBRARY near the History room. You can continue to borrow and return books there anytime. We’d love to hear your thoughts about the materials you’ve read and hope you will join us in taking the ELCA Anti-Racist Pledge. Get to know the treasures in the LIBRARY, including P. Buckley Moss. Contact the church office, Carolyn Barrette, Rick Bump, or Linda Meyer for more information.



Pastor Paul accepts Invitation to Serve on the Synod Tapestry Committee - The Tapestry Committee helps our Synod to "love justice" as God does (see Amos 5:24), and work for social justice in areas of Racial Justice, Care of Creation, LGBTQiA Inclusion, and Women's Justice. Pastor Paul's focus will be on Racial Justice Team. There is a goal over the next few months for Tapestry to host Racial Justice workshops around the Synod, and Grace will host an event for our area in late October or November.



Want to know what is happening at Grace???

- Check out our calendar located on the website: <http://gracewaynesboro.org/> . It is located under the “More” heading. **ALSO**, if you are planning a meeting, please let the Church Office know so it can be added to the calendar and space reserved.
- If you are not receiving our Friday phone blasts and would like to be kept up to date, please let the Church Office know and we will see that you get added to the “call list”.



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 pantries. We have made twenty-eight deliveries thus far, thirteen to Main Street United Methodist, and fifteen to Calvary United Methodist, Stuarts Draft, with the donations gratefully received in the midst of great need. **Overall, we have given well over 2960 pounds of food!** If you can help, please donate to our box set inside the office door for you to drop off.



Life of Grace Church
September 11-18, 2022

DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
Sunday	09/11	10:00 a.m.	Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost <i>Service of Holy Communion</i> <i>In Person and via You Tube</i> Pastor Paul Pingel Presiding and Preaching
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship Zoom
Tuesday	09/13	9:30 a.m.	Quilting Group (Fellowship Hall)
		7:00 p.m.	Worship and Music Committee (Conference Room)
Wednesday	09/14	10:00 a.m.	MEF Grant Request Due Prayer Group (Chapel)
Thursday	09/15	8:30 a.m.	Grace Walkers (Meet in Parking Lot)
		Noon	Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)
Saturday	09/17	11:00 a.m.	Prayer Vigil for Racial Reconciliation North Park
			Yoga (Seminar Room)
Sunday	09/18	10:00 a.m.	Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost <i>Service of Holy Communion</i> <i>In Person and via You Tube</i> Pastor Paul Pingel Presiding and Preaching
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship Zoom
		3:00 p.m.	Mental Health and Trauma Workshop for High School Youth Wayne Theater

Monday

Judges 12:1-7
 Acts 5:12-26
 John 3:1-21
 Morning Psalm 145, Evening 47

Tuesday

Judges 13:1-15
 Acts 5:27-42
 John 3:22-36
 Morning Psalm 146, Evening 99

Wednesday

Judges 13:15-24
 Acts 6:1-15
 John 4:1-26
 Morning Psalm 147:1-12, Evening 91

**Thursday**

Judges 14:1-9
 Acts 6:15—7:16
 John 4:27-42
 Morning Psalm 147:13-21, Evening 116

Friday

Judges 14:20—15:20
 Acts 7:17-29
 John 4:43-54
 Morning Psalm 148, Evening 20

Saturday

Judges 16:1-14
 Acts 7:30-43
 John 5:1-18
 Morning Psalm 149, Evening 63

Members of Grace Congregational Council

Robin Crowder, President (540-476-0180)

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Vivian Proctor, Secretary

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Charles Goodrich, Financial Secretary

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Monday-Thursday Closed Friday

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