

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

March 14, 2021

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

Service of the Word via YouTube

(Based on ELW Setting Four)

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.

Blessed be the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit. the keeper of the covenant, the source of steadfast love, our rock and our redeemer.

Amen.

God hears us when we cry, and draws us close in Jesus Christ. Let us return to the one who is full of compassion.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Fountain of living water,
pour out your mercy over us.
Our sin is heavy, and we long to be free.
Rebuild what we have ruined
and mend what we have torn.
Wash us in your cleansing flood.
Make us alive in the Spirit
to follow in the way of Jesus,
as healers and restorers of the world you so love.
Amen.
Beloved God's word never fails

Beloved, God's word never fails.

The promise rests on grace:
by the saving love of Jesus Christ,
the wisdom and power of God,
your sins are + forgiven, and God remembers them no more.
Journey in the way of Jesus.

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.

Kyrie



Give Me Jesus



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Prayer of the Day

Divine Word,

You sent Moses to speak law to the people and bring order to chaos. You sent prophets to speak repentance and bring hope to the hopeless. You sent your son, Jesus, to become your living Word. Open our ears to hear your word, and our hearts to reflect the light of your truth to others, for the sake of the Incarnate Word, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Word

A reading from the Psalms:

Psalm 41:1-3

¹Happy are those who consider the poor;

the LORD delivers them in the day of trouble.

²The LORD protects them and keeps them alive;

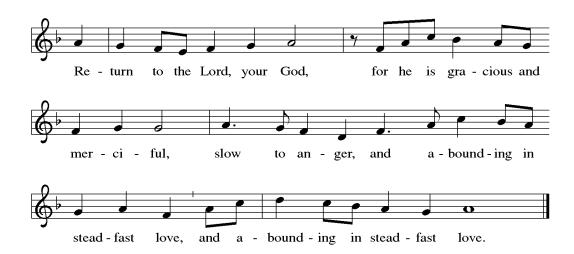
they are called happy in the land.

You do not give them up to the will of their enemies.

³The LORD sustains them on their sickbed;

in their illness you heal all their infirmities.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

The holy gospel according to Luke Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' 25But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' ²⁷He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house — ²⁸ for I have five brothers that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' ³⁰He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' ³¹He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Message

The Van Bremen Family

<u>Sermon</u>

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

Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need.

Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

<u>Peace</u>

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.

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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.
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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: "When Peace Like A River"

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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When Peace, like a River *It Is Well with My Soul*



Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828–1888 Music: VILLE DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838–1876



Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today

Assisting Minister: Fred Biggers

Offering Steward: Pat Brady

Altar Flowers: Open

Council Person of the Week: Linda Meyer

Children's Sermon: The Van Bremen Family



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

The Chancel Flowers today are given to the glory of God



Our Unity in Christ—Grace Racial Reconciliation Verse

Galatians 3:27-28—27As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons



March 21, 2021 Fifth Sunday In Lent Service of the Word via YouTube 10:00 a.m.

Pastor Paul Pingel, Preaching & Presiding

Zacchaeus Luke 18:31—19:10 Psalm 84:1-4, 10-12



The past few Sundays, I have been using a program to insert live closed captioning into the worship service. Unfortunately, it does not transcribe everything correctly. It is particularly bad with peoples names. AUDIO VISUAL Thank you for your patience; Owen Keefer



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"

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

Emily Almarode Joe Moyer Flossie Myers Dick Tomey

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

Lisa Barmore, Friend from Christ Tabernacle
Ernie Graham, Friend of Schwiesows
Rick Huff, Brother of Donna Gum
Kathy Lambertson, Daughter of Hal Aaslestad
Kay Snead, Friend of Berenice Archambeault
Dennis Wasielewski, Brother-in—Law of Bradys

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

Our Confirmed Sisters and Brother—Quinn Franklin, Kaitlyn Hull and Zachary Rankin Cooper James Lawson, born to Emily & Chris Lawson, Daughter of Robin and Cathy Crowder Fisher Lee Ritchie, born to Brooke, Granddaughter of Tom and Holly Carper, and Forrest Ritchie

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

Liz Ann BinnsFred BrowerMarie BrownNancy FitzgeraldPete GiesenSandra R. HoyBob KnemollerGlenn and Flossie MyersJanet Parmer

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

Janice Collins, Friend of Grace

Kyle Getler, Member Relative

Larry Hinebaugh, Friend of Donna Gum

George Toop, Friend of the Schwiesows

Nancy Delaney, Dave Delaney's Wife

Regan Grant, Friend of the Bumps

Maxine Pierce, Mother of Cindy Trauscht

Members/Friends Grieving

Family of Lisa Dofflemeyer, Daughter of Linda Tomey Family of Sally Massey, Friend of Kathryn Johnson

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year

Kaitlyn Hull Aaron Smith Kate Lynch
Peggy Aaslestad Sarah Kite Owen Keefer

The Needs of the World

The deliveries of Covid-19 vaccine and frontline healthcare workers

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

Winter storms and severe temperatures across our Nation

Instability and Violence in Myanmar

The work of WARM (Waynesboro Area Refuge Ministry) for the homeless

Students, teachers and their learning and teaching

Our nation

The Church

The Student Care Center at Grace

Our unity in Christ with Churches in our Community

Bishop Bob Humphrey, Assistants to the Bishop: Kelly Bayer Derrick, John Werte, Dave Delaney and Synod Staff

Our Neighbors



Return to In-Person Worship at Grace - After much discussion, we will offer the first In-Person Worship in over a year on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday! See the letter that was sent to you this week via email or U.S. Mail. Following best-practice advice from our medical experts, we are limiting attendance to 30 people per worship service. **You will need to sign-up for the services you wish to attend.** Again, please see the letter sent recently for details.



Temperature Table Staff needed: As we begin to resume In-Person Worship in accordance with the cautions recommended by medical experts and the CDC, we will need volunteers to staff the "Temperature Table" as people come into the worship space to check temperature, make sure all have a mask, and that people know where hand sanitizers are located. For April 10, 17, 24 and May 2, we need two volunteers to staff the table. Please call the Church Office if you can help!



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.

- March 17 Broken Justice (Jesus before Pilate)
- March 24 Broken Bread (Last Supper, Body of Christ)



Noon Ecumenical Services also available: For many years, downtown Waynesboro congregations have joined for Noon-hour Lenten services. They tional are available this year on First Presbyterian's You Tube channel - go to Yeavs youtube.com and type in FPC Waynesboro.



your survey.

Covid-19 Vaccines - If you have not yet signed up for a Covid vaccine, you can pre-register at the new Virginia Statewide Covid-19 Pre-Registration system at https://www.vaccinate.virginia.gov. Or, please call the Church Office so we can help you to get on the list. It is recommended that if you have not received notification of vaccination and have filled out the survey on line that you update



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!



Life of Grace Church March 14-21, 2021

Day of the	Date	Time	Meeting
TODAY— SUNDAY Spring Forward DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME	03/14		Daylight Savings Time Begins
		10:00 a.m.	Fourth Sunday in Lent Service of the Word via YouTube
			Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom
Monday	03/15	7:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m.	Childcare in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	03/16	7:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m.	Childcare in Fellowship Hall
		7:00 p.m.	Congregational Council via Zoom
Wednesday I. Frince's	03/17	7:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m.	Childcare in Fellowship Hall
		Noon	Ecumenical Lenten Service via YouTube
		7:00 p.m.	Season of Lent Evening Prayer via YouTube
Thursday	03/18	7:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m.	Childcare in Fellowship Hall
		5:00 p.m.	Discussion with Christ Tabernacle via Zoom
Friday	03/19	7:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m.	Childcare in Fellowship Hall
Sunday	03/21	10:00 a.m.	Fifth Sunday in Lent Service of the Word via YouTube
		40.50	Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom

Monday

Deuteronomy 8:1-20 Hebrews 2:11-18 John 2:1-12

Tuesday

Deuteronomy 9:(1-3) 4-12 Hebrews 3:1-11 John 2:13-22

Wednesday

Deuteronomy 9:13-21 Hebrews 3:12-19 John 2:23-3:15



BIBLE READING

Thursday

Deuteronomy 9:23—10:5 Hebrews 4:1-10 John 3:16-21

Friday

Deuteronomy 10:12-22 Hebrews 4:11-16 John 23:22-36

Saturday

Deuteronomy 11:18-28 Hebrews 5:1-10 John 4:1-26

Members of Grace

Congregational Council

Linda Meyer, President
Jerry Kite, Vice-President
Bob Barrette, Kathy Bump,
Holly Carper, Robin Crowder,
Kim Hull, Gail Johnson,
Kathryn Johnson, Amy Warren
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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;

-2:00 p.m. (Luncn 12:00-12:30) - Monaay - Unursaay 8:30 a.m.—Noon - Friday

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