

DAY OF PENTECOST

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church May 23, 2021

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

Service of the Word via You Tube

(Based on Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting One)

Congregational responses are in bold print

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

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

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Thanksgiving for Baptism

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

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

We thank you, risen Christ, for these waters where you make us new,leading us from death to life, from tears to joy. We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us in the grace-filled waters of rebirth, like rains to our thirsting earth, like streams that revive our souls, like cups of cool water shared with strangers. Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear. Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness. Send us companions on our journey as we share your life. Make us one, risen Christ. Cleanse our hearts. Shower us with life. To you be given all praise, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, now and forever.

Amen.

Spirit of Gentleness



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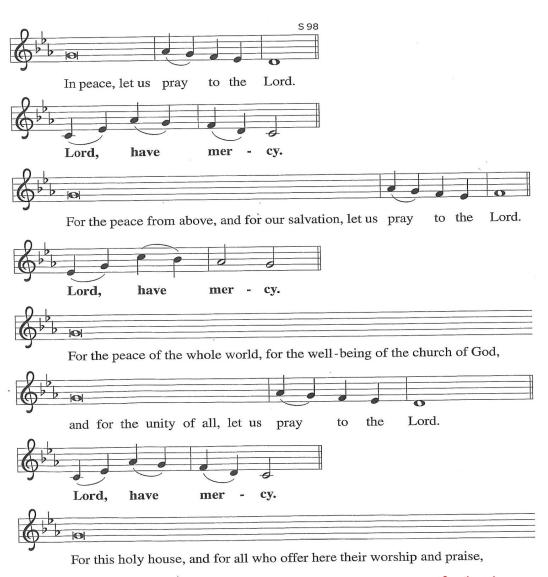
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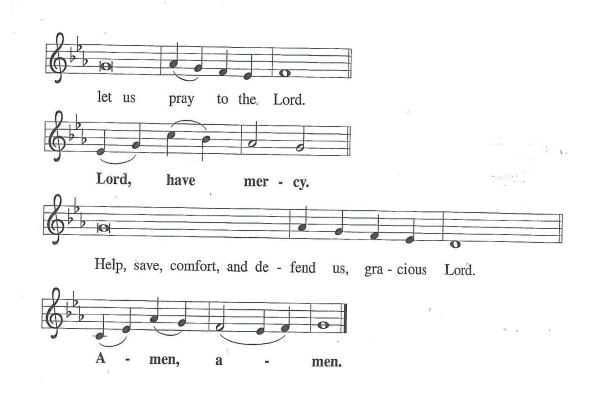
Greeting

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





<u>Hymn of Praise</u>: "Christ is Alive, Let Christians Sing"

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Abba, Father,

You have adopted us as heirs of your kingdom and we have inherited the gift and presence of the Holy Spirit. Through the fire of the Spirit make us generous givers of all that you have bestowed upon us, for the sake of the one whose fire brings light and life to all the world, Jesus Christ. Amen

Amen.

We sit

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing



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Word

First Reading: Acts 2:1-4

A reading from Acts:

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Galatians 4:1-7, 5:16-26

A reading from Galatians:

¹My point is this: heirs, as long as they are minors, are no better than slaves, though they are the owners of all the property; ²but they remain under guardians and trustees until the date set by the father. ³So with us; while we were minors, we were enslaved to the elemental spirits of the world. ⁴But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵in order to redeem those whowere under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ⁶And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁶So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. ²⁶Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



The proper verse may be sung, or all may sing this verse.



Gospel: Luke 11:11-13

The holy gospel according to St. Luke:

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message

Sermon Pastor Pingel

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Musical Selection

We stand

Nicene Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.

A brief silence.

Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words

Hear us O God,

Your mercy is great.

In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gifts to Confirmands

Meal

<u>Peace</u>

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

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

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

The congregation remains seated for offertory song.

Offertory Song

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful Offering Song



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Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

God of love.

you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer.

Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.

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.

<u>Preface</u>

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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection with earth and sea and all their creatures, with the angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Thanksgiving at the Table

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this is remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this in remembrance of me.

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

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

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

Amen

Lord's Prayer

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

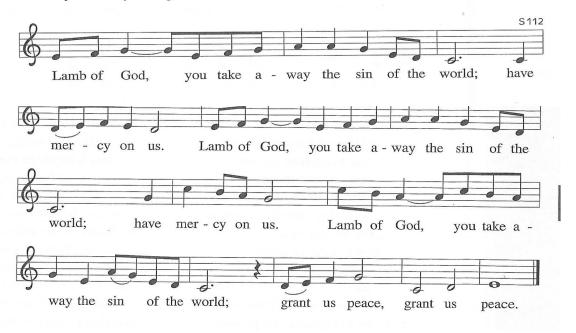
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the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

Invitation to Communion

The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat and be satisfied.

Thanks be to God!

"Lamb of God" may be sung.



The Holy Communion

The congregation may be seated.

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

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

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

Amen.

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

The Communion Blessing

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

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending

Blessing

May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus.

The God of life,
Father,
→ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Song: "O Day Full of Grace"

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Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

O Day Full of Grace



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Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today

Altar Flowers:Linda MeyerAltar Guild:Jane SteinAssisting Minister:Brian LundstromChildren's Church:The Bokelman Family

Council Person of the Week: Linda Meyer
Offering Stewards: Pat Brady
Temperature Takers: Jane Stein

Ushers: Ron Almarode and Jack Eckstrom



The Chancel Flowers today are given to the glory of our God in honor of my sisters

Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons

May 30 The Holy Trinity

Service of the Word In-Person And via You Tube

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

Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15



Our Unity in Christ—Grace Racial Reconciliation Verse

I Peter 2:9-10—But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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*)

Beth Ann Doerring Frannie Knicely

Phyllis Kite

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

Gregory Barrette, Son of Bob and Carolyn Barrette
Phil Coltrane, Friend of the Almarodes
Christina Frazier, Granddaughter of Eleanor Sampson
Gabby, Friend of Kaitlyn Hull
Connie Henson, Friend of Gail and Sandy Johnson
Cindy Honeycutt, Friend of the Pingels
David Lindsey, Friend of the Almarodes
Jacob O'Neil, Cousin of Eric Hilker
Stephanie Tomey, Daughter-In-Law of Tomeys

<u>Joys and Celebrations (Remain on List for 4 weeks*)</u> Congratulations to High School and College Graduates!

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

Liz Ann Binns Fred Brower Marie Brown
Nancy Fitzgerald Sandra R. Hoy Bob Knemoller
Glenn and Flossie Myers Janet Parmer Barb Susen

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

Nancy Beiker, Friend of Gail & Sandy Johnson
Nancy Delaney, Dave Delaney's Wife
Ernie Graham, Friend of the Schwiesows
Mike Huff, Brother of Donna Gum
Janice Collins, Friend of Grace
Kyle Getler, Member Relative
Regan Grant, Friend of the Bumps
George Toop, Friend of the Schwiesows

Members/Friends Grieving

Family of Larry Hinebaugh, Friend of Donna Gum
Family of Kathy Lambertson, Daughter of Hal Aaslestad
Family of Anne Seaton

<u>Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year</u>
Lesa Cusac-Jackson Roger Bowers Jean Franklin

The Needs of the World

Too many gun incidents and the wisdom to move forward

Students and teachers as we draw to the close of a pandemic-affected School year

Our nation and the many conversations about race and a way forward Together

Crisis in Israel and Gaza

The gift of patience in time of shortage, uncertainty

The Church

Our unity in Christ with Churches in our Community

Our Neighbors

Our neighbors in Augusta County

Announcements



Confirmation Gifts—Today, we will give gifts to our Confirmands Quinn Franklin, Kaitlyn Hull and Zachary Rankin in-person and in gratitude to God for claiming them as God's children through their Baptism!



- ◆ Eden Grayce Lemons, granddaughter of Tom and Jane Blosser, will be graduating from CDM High School and will attend the University of California Irvine in the fall with an emphases on Physical Medicine and Dance.
- ◆ **Ethan Lynch**, son of Aaron Lynch, grandson of Lee and Sharon Lynch, will be graduating from Patrick Henry High School and will attend Universal Technical Institute in Charlotte, NC in the fall.
- ◆ Hannah Pingel, daughter of Pastor Paul and Jill Pingel, will be graduating from Waynesboro High School and Shenandoah Governor's School and will attend James Madison University in the fall with an emphases on Engineering and Music.
- ◆ Tyler Wertman, son of Mark and Tammy Wertman, grandson of Deloris Wertman, will be graduating from UVA with a Master of Education (M.Ed.) in Student Affairs Practice in Higher Education from the School of Education and Human Development.

We send our prayers that God's gifts will bless them to be a blessing in their work, life and faith!



Return to In-Person Worship at Grace - In-Person Worship at Grace - Grace Council will be discussing and updating our In-Person Worship guidelines as a result of the Governor's latest guidelines, as well as the latest from the CDC. Look for an email/U.S. Mail notice this week as we continue to offer worship In-Person and via You Tube and Zoom.



As we return to in-person worship, we need worship assistants. If you plan to return to in-person worship and could/would help with taking temperatures, offering stewards, ushering, etc., please call the Church Office if you can help!

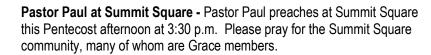


Grace Council is Tuesday - A reminder to current and newly elected Council members that this month's Council meeting is a week later than usual, **THIS** Tuesday, May 25th, 7 p.m. via Zoom.

Announcements Continued







Invitation to a New Book Study! Starting Monday, June 14th, at 6:30 p.m., we will study together the book "The Sum of Us - What Racism Costs Everyone and How We can Prosper Together." This book focuses on "realiz[ing] that life is more than a zero sum game." Which is the focus of God in Jesus Christ throughout holy scripture! Come and be a part of the 2nd Monday Book study! Sign up by calling the Church Office.



Altar Flowers—Please consider signing up for Altar Flowers, especially now that we are having in-person worship. Please call the church office if you would like to sign up for Altar Flowers. May 30 is currently open.



Thanks to our Outdoor Work Day Crew! We had a great group of TEN (10) Grace members and friends to help mulch, trim, weed and move our outdoor stage to storage on Saturday, May 15th. Thanks to our crew and their beautiful work to present Grace to our community: Ron Almarode, Rick Bump, Brad and Owen Keefer, Jerry Kite, Bill Lucas, Ron Myer, Gordon Putnam, Andrew Sell, and Ken Weller!



New Copier at Grace - Because of a lack of parts to repair our existing copier, Grace has contracted for a new Sharp copier. As we learn the new machine, we appreciate your patience with any adjustments in print quality that will be made over the next few weeks.



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 <u>fifteen</u> deliveries thus far, seven to Main Street United Methodist, and eight to Calvary United Methodist, Stuarts Draft, with the donations gratefully received in the midst of great need. Last week, 93 pounds of food went to Calvary United Methodist breaking our previous records! If you can help, please donate to our box set inside the office door for you to drop off.



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



Life of Grace Church May 23-30, 2021

DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
TODAY— SUNDAY	05/23	10:00 a.m.	Day of Pentecost Service of Holy Communion In Person and via You Tube Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom
Tuesday	05/25	7:00 p.m.	Congregational Council via Zoom
Wednesday	05/26	3:30 p.m.	New Member Class—Conference Room
Thursday	05/27	8:30 a.m.	Grace Walkers (Meet in Parking Lot)
		11:00 a.m.	Galatians Bible Class In Person
		5:00 p.m.	Discussion with Christ Tabernacle
		7:00 p.m.	Galatians Bible Class via Zoom
Sunday	05/30	10:00 a.m.	The Holy Trinity Service of Holy Communion In Person and via You Tube Pastor Paul Pingel, Presiding and Preaching
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom

Monday

Jeremiah 32:1-15 Colossians 3:18—4:18 Luke 7:36-50

Tuesday

Jeremiah 32:16-25 Colossians 12:121 Luke 8:1-15

Wednesday

Jeremiah 32:36-44 Romans 13:1-14 Luke 8:16-25



Thursday

Jeremiah 33:1-13 Romans 14:1-12 Luke 8:26-39

Friday

Deuteronomy 31:30—32:14 Romans 14:13-23 Luke 8:40-56

Saturday

Deuteronomy 32:34-43 Romans 15:1-13 Luke 9:1-17



Members of Grace Congregational Council

Bob Barrette, Fred Biggers, Kathy Bump, Robin Crowder, Kim Hull, Jerry Kite, Jean Morgan, Nancy Schwiesow, Andrew Sell, Amy Warren Ron Almarode, Treasurer Donna Marshall, Assistant Treasurer Charles Goodrich, Jinancial Secretary



Rev. Paul Pingel, Pastor Mike Myers, Organist, **Director of Music** Nancy Dowdy, Administrative Secretary

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