

**Reformation Sunday** 

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

October 28, 2018

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

# HOLY COMMUNION Based on Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting Four Congregational responses are in bold print

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

# 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. Amen.

Prelude: "Mosso Moderato"

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#### Welcome and Announcements

#### The congregation stands.

#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Father, Son and The Holy Spirit, + one God, who stretches out the heavens, who sends light to the nations, who gives breath to us all. **Amen.** 

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

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Loving God, we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly; we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know; we have thought more about ourselves than others; we have thought less of ourselves than we ought. Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children.

#### Amen.

Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of + Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.** 

#### Gathering Song: "God, Whose Almighty Word"

Hymn #673

#### 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.** 



#### **Canticle of Praise**



## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

After the prayer the congregation responds:

# Amen.

The congregation is **seated**.

# Word

# First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

A reading from Jeremiah:

<sup>31</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

### Psalm: Psalm 46

<sup>1</sup>God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

<sup>2</sup>Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,

and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

<sup>3</sup>though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

<sup>4</sup>There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

the holy habitation of | the Most High.

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

<sup>6</sup>The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;

God speaks, and the earth melts away.

<sup>7</sup>The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

<sup>8</sup>Come now, regard the works of the LORD,

what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

<sup>9</sup>behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;

who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

<sup>10</sup>"Be still, then, and know that I am God;

I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

<sup>11</sup>The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28

A reading from Romans:

<sup>19</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

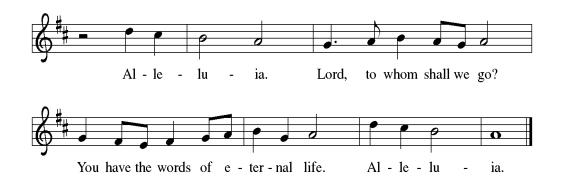
<sup>21</sup>But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, <sup>23</sup>since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; <sup>24</sup>they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; <sup>26</sup>it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

The congregation **stands** to welcome the gospel.



## Gospel: John 8:31-36

The Holy Gospel according to John:

Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>31</sup>Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." <sup>33</sup>They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

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

The congregation is **seated.** 

### **Children's Sermon**

#### **Pastor Paul Pingel**

Following the Children's Sermon, children ages 3-9 are invited to attend Children's Church, which is held on the same floor as this worship space in the Library, and Chapel. Here the children will learn more about the same Bible readings as were heard in worship, and will be taught songs and about the way we worship. Children's Church will return to worship around the time of the Sharing of the Peace, in order to take part in Holy Communion.

NOTE: The Nursery is available for children age 5 and under as the Worship Service begins. Children under 5 not attending Children's Church will have the Nursery available throughout the Worship Service. (As always, parents may choose to have their children remain with them in worship.) Children 10 and over will join in regular Worship.

#### Sermon

#### **Pastor Paul Pingel**

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Hymn of the Day: "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

Hymn #779

# 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

Longing for God's will to be fulfilled among us, we pray persistently 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.

Enfold all things in your compassion, O God, and bring us into your life through the faithfulness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

# <u>Peace</u>

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** 

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, saying, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The congregation is **seated**.

# Meal

**Offering** 

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

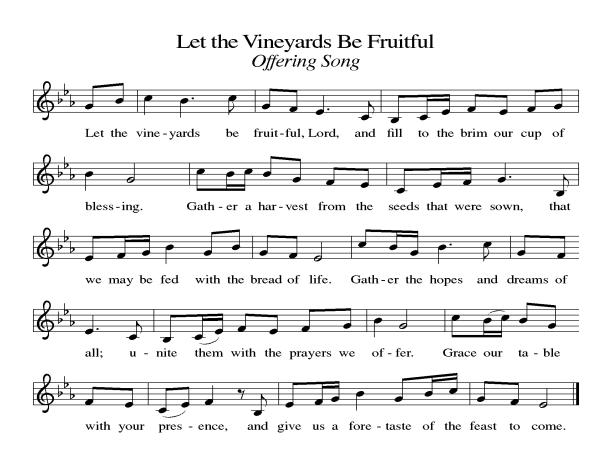
Anthem: "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

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The congregation stands

(The Ushers bring the offering to the Altar, as we sing)

# **Offertory**



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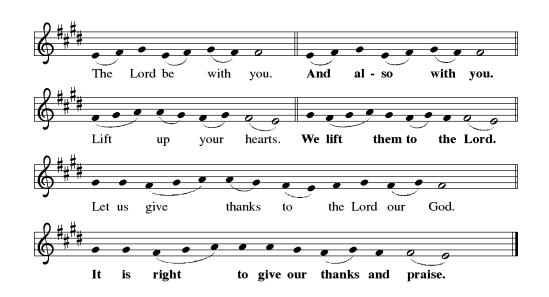
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# **Offering Prayer**

### Let us pray.

Merciful God, receive the gifts we bring, our selves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

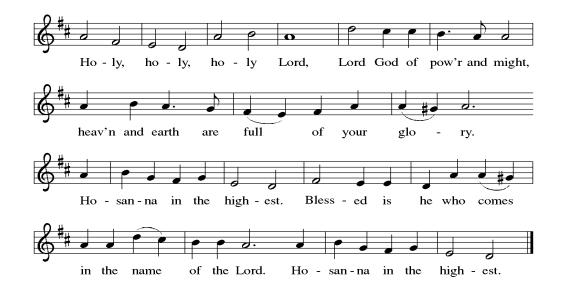
# **Great Thanksgiving**



# **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.

#### Holy, Holy, Holy



### Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.** 

# Lord's Prayer

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

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

#### Invitation to Communion

We who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. Come. Be filled with light and life. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### The congregation may be **seated**.

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

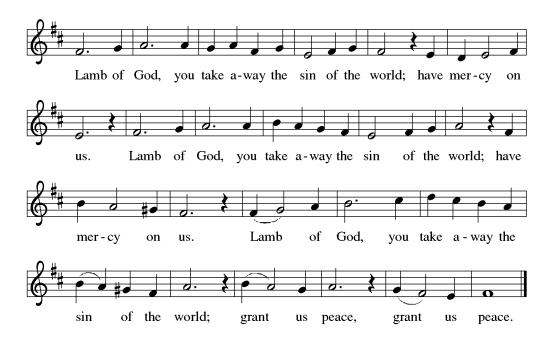
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

**Communion Distribution:** One communion team will serve the left side of the nave; another team will serve those on the right. You are invited to come to the altar by the center aisle; take an empty individual glass (or filled grape juice glass) available at the railing, and proceed to the railing, filling in from the center out toward the side aisle. After receiving communion, return to your pew by the side aisle.

As the ministers commune the congregation may sing the following:

There will be a time of silence as the choir comes down for Holy Communion. Please use this time for prayer and preparation, then join in the singing of the hymns....



Communion Hymns	
"You Are Mine"	Hymn #581
"Just as I am, Without One Plea"	Hymn #592
"Lead Me, Guide Me"	Hymn #768

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.

Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

# Sending

# Blessing

God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being; Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead; Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church: Almighty God, Father, ⊕ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.** 

Sending Song: "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

Hymn #860

<u>Dismissal</u>

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

Postlude: "Allegro"

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Thanks to Our	Worship Assistants Today			
Assisting Minister: Lily Pingel				
Communion Assistants:	Donna Gum and Fred Biggers			
Ushers:	Bob Moyer, E. G. Rankin, Zachary Rankin, Fred Biggers and Jerry Kite			
Greeters:	Amber and Isabelle Bokelman			
Offering Stewards:	Bob Shumate and Eleanor Sampson			
Acolyte:	Kaitlyn Hull			
Cup Gatherer:	Donna Marshall			
Altar Guild:	Kathy Meicke			
Nursery Caregivers:	Tripp and Jean Franklin			
Altar Flowers:				
Council Person of the Week & Sunday School Support:	Jack Eckstrom			
Children's Church:	Amber Bokelman and Jean Franklin			
The Chancel Flowers today are given to the glory of our Lord Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons November 4, 2018				
Reverend Paul P	Holy Communion 10:00 a.m. I <b>ingel, Preaching and Presiding</b> Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 24 evelations 21:1-6a John 11:32-44			

#### Announcements

**Save the Date! 125th Anniversary Sunday, November 18th, 10:00AM!** A day of celebration and praise to the God who has showered us with *Blessings of Grace* and provided us a *Foundation for our Future* will include special music with the JMU Brass and an anthem written for the day by renowned Lutheran composer Paul D. Weber, who will also be conducting the choir at the event. Bishop Robert F. Humphrey will preach, and there will be a Reception with heavy hors d'oeuvres and time for fellowship, and a history room with unique and rare photographs and artifacts from Grace's 125 year history. Return your RSVP to the Church Office if you haven't yet done so.

**125th Anniversary Glassware available for order -** As a way of remembering and celebrating our 125th Anniversary year, there is an opportunity to order Grace 125th Anniversary glassware. The design and cost are shown on the ordering sheet in the narthex. If you'd like to order, please fill out the necessary info on the order sheet, and provide payment in the envelopes provided (make checks to Grace with "125th Anniversary glassware" in the memo line and mark that you've paid on the sheet). We'll deliver them on *Sunday, November 18th, our Anniversary Sunday!* 

**Hurricane Relief -** As you hopefully know, Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) is our ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) "boots on the ground" response team to disasters worldwide. LDR has the reputation in communities where it works that it "stays around until the job is done." If you'd like to make a contribution to Hurricane and/or Tsunami Relief, use the Disaster Response envelopes in the pews (make check to Grace with "Disaster Relief - Florence", "Michael" or "Indonesia" in the memo line), or go to www.elca.org to make a donation.

Altar Guild: Altar Guild is looking for anyone who would be interested in helping with preparing the altar for Sunday communion. Setting up usually takes about 20 minutes, while cleaning up after worship includes washing the small cups so that takes around 30 minutes. The setup schedule averages out to be approximately once every six weeks for the year. More preparers would reduce the number of sign-up times needed. Please consider becoming a vital part of our Sunday services. If you are interested in helping, or would like more information, please email Jean Morgan at <u>ic321morgan@ntelos.net</u> or call/text her at (H) 943-1929 or (C) 649-4422 or you can leave your name with Nancy at the church office and Jean will get in contact with you. Thank you for considering joining our altar guild.

**Quilting update**—Lutheran World Relief has notified us that the quilts we sent this spring were shipped on September 20. Some went to Tanzanian orphanage centers and homes for the elderly. Some went to Ukraine to the homeless, orphans, single mothers, refugees and disaster survivors. We quilt on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 in the fellowship hall.

**Children's Church Helpers at Grace!** Our Children's Church needs a corps of Adult Helpers to help Children's Church leaders, Jean Franklin and Amber Bokelman, maintain one of our newest and most vibrant ministries. Sign up on the sheet in the narthex at the back of the Church if you are able to help!

**Cribbage Update** - not enough have signed up to proceed. Thanks to the three people that signed up but eight are needed to get a club started.

**Pastor travels this week**—Pastor Paul's mother will be 95 tomorrow (10/29) and he will be in Arkansas celebrating with family, returning Wednesday night. Call Nancy Dowdy at the Church Office or Jack Eckstrom, Council Person of the week, in case of pastoral emergency.

No Bible Study—Wednesday, 10/31/18, morning.

Daily Lectionary		
Monday	Thursday	
Psalm 37:23-40	Psalm 126	
1 Samuel 8:1-18	Jeremiah 23:9-15	
Hebrews 6:1-12	Hebrews 7:1-10	
Tuesday	Friday	
Psalm 37:23-40	Psalm 126	
1 Samuel 10:17-25	Jeremiah 26:12-24	
Hebrews 6:13-20	Hebrews 7:11-22	
Wednesday	Saturday	
Psalm 37:23-40	Psalm 126	
1 Samuel 12:1-25	Jeremiah 29:24-32	
John 13:1-17	Mark 8:22-25	

# **Daily Lectionary**

**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"

#### Prayer Request for Members

#### Sandra Brady Sandra R. Hoy Anne Putnam

Beth Ann Doerring Rick Marshall

#### Members/Friends Grieving

The Family of Larry Correll, Husband of Sue Christian Correll The Family of Phillip Gaines, Friend of Pastor Pingel The Family of Ray Moore, Brother of Peggy Marks The Family of Amy Holsinger Stull, Friends of Rick and Donna Marshall The Family of Walt Winkler

#### Members/Friends Celebrations

Birth of Andrew James Rabella, Grandchild of Gordon and Anne Putnam

#### **Ongoing Need for Prayer**

Jimmy and Liz Ann Binns, Grace Members Beth Brady, Grace Member Rev. Delmar Carlson, Brother-in-Law of Chuck Goodrich Jean Brower, Grace Member Barbara and Jeff Eagle, Sister and Brother-in-Law of Nancy Schwiesow Kyle Getler, Member Relative Faye Glover, Grace Member Myrtle Kite, Grace Member Sandy Johnson, Grace Member Bob and Carol Knemoller, Grace Members Shirley Krizovsky, Grace Member Peggy Lucas. Grace Member Janet Lunger. Grace Member Maxine Pierce, Mother of Cindy Trauscht Glenn and Flossie Myers, Grace Members Paul Posey, Grace Member Tom Sheaffer, Grace Member

#### Prayer Request for Relatives/Friends

 Bill Anderson, Friend of the Almarodes

 Jocelyn Crowder, Wife of Stuart Crowder, Daughter-In-Law of Robin and Cathy Crowder

 Tom Guinn, Uncle of Marlene Shaw

 Kari Haywood, Friend of Mike and Cindy Trauscht

 Laura Hull, Daughter-in-Law of Bobby and Imogene Hull

 Bill Moore, Friend of Bill and Kathy Meicke

 Steve Meicke and Lisa Hall on their mission in Bolivia and Lisa Hall, wife of Steve Meicke, on her illness, Son and daughter-In-Law of Bill and Kathy Meicke

 Cooper Trueblood, Friend of Ron and Sylvia Almarode

#### The Needs of the World

First responders - Firefighters, Police, FEMA workers, Volunteers Those in the path of Hurricanes Michael and Florence, Indonesia Earthquakes and Tsunami suffering from injury and loss Our One-ness in Christ in which Male and Female are honored equally in the sight of God (Gal. 3:28) Thanksgiving for our right and privilege to vote

#### The Church

Grace Lutheran Church as we celebrate 125 years and look to God's future for us Pope Francis and God's wisdom to guide him in the midst of the abuse crisis around the world

#### Weekly Prayer for Congregation Members Throughout the Year

Bill Crowder Elizabeth Stelling

#### Bob Knemoller

# Life of Grace Church October 28—November 4, 2018

DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
TODAY—SUNDAY	10/28	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Sunday School Worship Choir Practice 23rd Sunday After Pentecost Holy Communion Reverend Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding
Tuesday	10/30	9:30 a.m.	Quilting Group (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday	10/31	11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Halloween Pastor's Bible Study Handbell Choir Practice Worship Choir Practice
Thursday	11/01	12:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall) Pastor's Bible Study
Sunday	11/04	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Daylight Savings Time Ends—FALL BACK Sunday School Worship Choir Practice All Saints Day Holy Communion Reverend Paul Pingel, Preaching and Presiding
		Members of Gr Robin Crowd	

Robin Crowder, President Linda Meyer, Vice-President Deloris Wertman, Secretary

Jack Eckstrom, Pete Giesen, Kim Hull, Carrie Jones, Jerry Kite, Gordon Putnam, Marlene Shaw, Rudolph Yobs

> Hannah Pingel/Laura Shaw, Youth Co-Representatives

Ron Almarode, Treasurer Donna Marshall, Assistant Treasurer

Charles Goodrich, Financial Secretary

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