



"Your people
will be
my people
and your God
my God."

RUTH 1:16, NIV

***TENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST***

*Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
August 14, 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: *"Blest Are They"*

#728, Page 4, Verses 1, 2, 5

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.

Blest Are They 728

Leader or All

1 Blest are they, the poor in spir - it; theirs is the
 2 Blest are they, the low - ly ones; . . . they shall in -
 3 Blest are they . . . who show mer - cy; mer - cy
 4 Blest are they . . . who seek peace; . . . they are the
 5 Blest are you who suf - fer hate, . . . all . . . be -

king - dom of God. Blest are they,
 her - it the earth. Blest are they who
 shall . . . be theirs. Blest are they, the
 chil - dren of God. Blest are they who
 cause . . . of me. Re - jice, be glad,

full of sor - row; they shall be con - soled.
 hun - ger and thirst; they shall have their fill.
 pure of heart; they . . . shall see God.
 suf - fer in faith; the glo - ry of God is theirs.
 yours is the king - dom; shine for all to see.

Refrain

All

Re - jice and be glad!

Bless - ed are you, ho - ly are you!

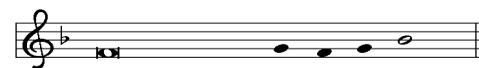
Re - jice and be glad!

Yours is the king - dom of God!

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BLEST ARE THEY
 Irregular

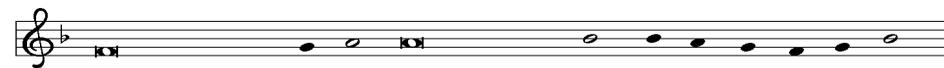
Kyrie



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, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

We sit.

Word

A reading from Ruth

Ruth 1:1-22

¹In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. ²The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. ³But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. ⁴These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, ⁵both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

⁶Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the LORD had considered his people and given them food.

⁷So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. ⁸But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. ⁹The LORD grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. ¹⁰They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." ¹¹But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may

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become your husbands? ¹²Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, ¹³would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the LORD has turned against me." ¹⁴Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

¹⁵So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." ¹⁶But Ruth said,

"Do not press me to leave you
or to turn back from following you!
Where you go, I will go;
where you lodge, I will lodge,
your people shall be my people,
and your God my God.

¹⁷Where you die, I will die —
there will I be buried.
May the LORD do thus and so to me,
and more as well,
if even death parts me from you!"

¹⁸When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

¹⁹So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem. When they came to Bethlehem, the whole town was stirred because of them; and the women said, "Is this Naomi?" ²⁰She said to them,

"Call me no longer Naomi,
call me Mara,
for the Almighty has dealt bitterly with me.

²¹I went away full,
but the LORD has brought me back empty;
why call me Naomi
when the LORD has dealt harshly with me,
and the Almighty has brought calamity upon me?"

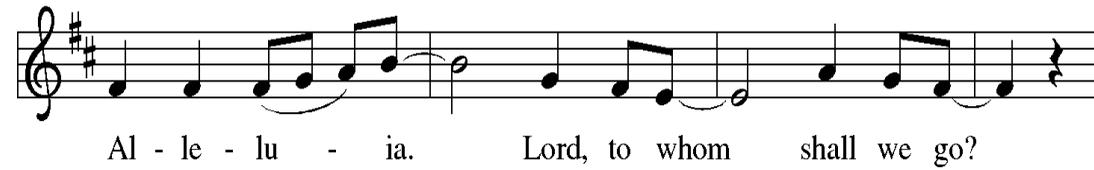
²²So Naomi returned together with Ruth the Moabite, her daughter-in-law, who came back with her from the country of Moab. They came to Bethlehem at the beginning of the barley harvest.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

We stand.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel: Matthew 5:3-9

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew:

Glory to you O Lord.

³Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit.

Children's Message

Pastor Van Stee



Sermon

Pastor Van Stee



Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

We stand.

Hymn of the Day: "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"

#719, Page 11

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

1 Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, where sound the
 2 In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, on shad - owed
 3 From ten - der child - hood's help - less - ness, from hu - man
 4 The cup of wa - ter giv'n for you still holds the

cries of race and clan, a - bove the noise of
 thresh-olds dark with fears, from paths where hide the
 grief and bur - dened toil, from fam - ished souls, from
 fresh - ness of your grace; yet long these mul - ti -

self - ish strife, we hear your voice, O Son of Man.
 lures of greed, we catch the vi - sion of your tears.
 sor - row's stress, your heart has nev - er known re - coil.
 tudes to view the strong com - pas - sion in your face.

5 O Master, from the mountainside
 make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
 among these restless throngs abide;
 oh, tread the city's streets again;

6 Till all the world shall learn your love,
 and follow where your feet have trod;
 till glorious from your heav'n above
 shall come the city of our God.

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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.**

**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.**

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

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

A brief silence.

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

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love;
through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

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.

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Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

God of abundance:

you have set before us a plentiful harvest.

**As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field,
and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus.**

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

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.
Come to the banquet.

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

Life-giving God,
**through this meal you have bandaged our wounds
and fed us with your mercy.
Now send us forth to live for others,
both friend and stranger,
that all may come to know your love.
This we pray in the name of Jesus.
Amen.**

Sending

Blessing

The God of peace,
Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you,
and show you the path of life
this day and always.
Amen.

Sending Song: “Rejoice in God’s Saints”

#418, Page 21, Verses 1, 3, 4

Dismissal

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Rejoice in God's Saints

1 Re - joice in God's saints to - day and all days!
 2 Some march with e - vents to turn them God's way;
 3 Re - joice in those saints, un - praised and un - known,
 4 Re - joice in God's saints to - day and all days!

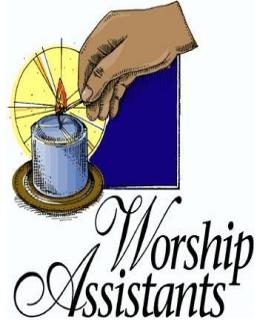
A world with - out saints for - gets how to praise.
 some need to with - draw, the bet - ter to pray;
 who bear some - one's cross, or shoul - der their own:
 A world with - out saints for - gets how to praise.

Their faith in ac - quir - ing the hab - it of prayer,
 some car - ry the gos - pel through fire and through flood:
 they share our com - plain - ing, our com - forts, our cares:
 In lov - ing, in liv - ing, they prove it is true:

their depth of a - dor - ing, Lord, help us to share.
 our world is their par - ish, their pur - pose is God.
 what pa - tience in car - ing, what cour - age is theirs!
 their way of self - giv - ing, Lord, leads us to you.

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Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today

Altar Flowers:	<i>Rew and Karen Walck</i>
Altar Guild:	<i>Susan Myers</i>
Assisting Minister:	<i>Brian Lundstrom</i>
Communion Assistants:	<i>Ron Almarode</i> <i>Karen Walck</i>
Council Person of the Week:	<i>Andrew Sell</i>
Covid Monitor:	<i>Bill Lucas</i>
Offering Stewards:	<i>Pat Brady</i> <i>David Proctor</i>
Ushers:	<i>Fred Biggers</i> <i>David Proctor</i>



*Chancel flowers are given today
to the Glory of God and in
celebration of Rew and Karen
Walck's 42nd Wedding Anniversary*

Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons

August 21, 2022
Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

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

Ruth 2:1-23
Luke 6:36-38



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*)

**Pat Brady
Bob Garber**

**Donna Dodge
Jimmy Owens**

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

Elena Bradley, Friend of David and Vivian Proctor **Nina Crow**, Mother of Cathy Crowder
Natalie and Nicole Dodge, Friends of Sylvia Almarode **James Hepner**, Father of Gloria Nelson
Beth Massie, Friend of Sylvia Almarode **Dot Metz**, Sister of Marge Cloutier
Lois Ostapczuk, Friend of Bob and Carolyn Barrette
Lisa Pultz, Granddaughter of Linda Tomey
Bob Smith, Relative of Lee and Sharon Lynch
Judy and Rolando Timm, Friends of Donna Gum

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

Birth of Malachi Alan Dolan July 11, 2022, Son of Jake and Becca Dolan,
Grandson of Tom and Holly Carper

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

**Emily Almarode
Fred Brower
Phyllis Kite
Ingrid Sevigny**

**Liz Ann Binns
Marie Brown
Glenn and Flossie Myers
Lily Skelton**

**Beth Brady
Sandra Hoy
Janet Parmer**

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
Sandy Higgs, Friend of David and Nancy Schwiesow **Rosalind Holt**, Friend of Gail Johnson
Joshua Horn, Friend of Mike and Cindy Trauscht **Lou Lanier**, Friend of Jim and Gloria Nelson
Helen McClung, Cousin of Nancy Schwiesow
Larry Spoon, Husband of Bonnie Spoon, Friend of Many
Douglas Williams, Friend of Sylvia Almarode, deployed to Kuwait for one year
Lauren Ward, Friend of Nancy Schwiesow

Members/Friends Grieving

Family of Dennis Casey, Friend of David and Nancy Schwiesow

Family of Loren Dittmer, Brother of Carol Wolf

Family of Paul Sager, Friend of Sandy Johnson

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year

Flo Myers

David Proctor

Donna Marshall

The Needs of the World

**The War between Russia and Ukraine -
for millions of refugees now in
Poland, Austria, etc.; for those
in combat; for peace**

Westminster and Grace's Congolese
refugee family, Mmeswa/Madawa
family, now in Waynesboro

**The great increase in mental health
cases in our nation**

Famine in the Horn of Africa—27
million at risk

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

Continued epidemic of mass shooting
incidents in our nation

The increase of race-motivated violence

Flood victims in Kentucky

The Church

Pray for God's Plan for Grace

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

Our Neighbors

Our neighbors on Arch Avenue,
Market Street and the YMCA.





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.



God's Work/ Our Hands Day Work Project—Saturday September 10, Grace and Zion will be joining together to work with Renewing Homes for the ELCA God's Work/Our Hands Day. Project looks to be redoing an entrance deck and steps to a home. If you can help or have questions please email Jerry Kite at jerrykite@ntelos.net or call him at 540-910-3372.



Thank you for Work Project August 6
THANK YOU to all the volunteers who helped with two Renewing Homes projects on Saturday, August 6. We were able to complete a metal wheelchair ramp at a home on 3rd Street in Waynesboro and we started a ramp at a home on Skyland Avenue in Waynesboro. We had 7 volunteers from Grace.



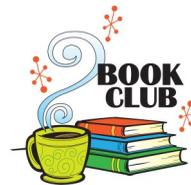
Pastor Pingel will be returning to the Church Office on Monday, August 15th, and will be preaching on Sunday, August 21st. We look forward to the return of Pastor Pingel and his family. We pray the Sabbatical Leave provided the Pastor a rich experience, renewed vision, opportunity to study and rest, and will return to a stronger and hopeful congregation. **Welcome back Pastor Paul, Jill and family.**



We have been blessed this summer with the talents, gifts, and caring nature of Pastors Van Stee and Radecke. They have reached out to members of our congregation in need, provided support for families during difficult times, attended Church Council Meetings, and delivered powerful messages each Sunday. We could feel God's blessings every week and know how much our church family has appreciated their leadership during Pastor Pingel's Sabbatical. Last Sunday was Pastor Radecke's last Sunday and today is Pastor Van Stee's last Sunday in the pulpit. We look forward to future opportunities for these folks to return to the pulpit.



All God's Children will resume meeting to discuss The Flag and The Cross by Gorski & Perry on Monday, August 22, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room and/or on Zoom. All are welcome to join the discussion. For further information about this study group, contact Linda Meyer, Carolyn Barrette, or Rick Bump.



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.



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.



Many thanks to all who donated school supplies and funds for the Salvation Army's **"Homework Toolboxes"**! We were able to provide 57 complete Toolboxes and many extra supplies to go toward other boxes. Thanks also to Charlotte and Amelia Jones who helped me purchase, pack and deliver 30 of the boxes to the Salvation Army last week. Amy Warren



Life of Grace Church
August 14-21, 2022

DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
Sunday	08/14	10:00 a.m.	Tenth Sunday After Pentecost <i>Service of Holy Communion</i> <i>In Person and via You Tube</i> Pastor Karen Van Stee Presiding and Preaching
		10:50 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship Zoom
Tuesday	08/16	7:00 p.m.	Congregational Council (Conference Room)
Wednesday	08/17	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Group (Chapel)
Thursday	08/18	8:30 a.m.	Grace Walkers (Meet in Parking Lot)
		Noon	Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)
		7:00 p.m.	CCE&J Group Zoom
Saturday	08/20	11:00 a.m.	Yoga (Fellowship Hall)
		1:00—3:00	VMA Open House
Sunday	08/21	10:00 a.m.	Eleventh 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.	Book Group for Women via Zoom

<p>Monday Joshua 2:1-14 Romans 11:1-12 Matthew 25:1-13 Morning Psalm 57, Evening 85</p>	 <p><i>Daily</i> DISCIPLESHIP</p>	<p>Thursday Joshua 3:14—4:7 Romans 12:1-8 Matthew 26:1-16 Morning Psalm 143, Evening 81</p>
<p>Tuesday Joshua 2:15-24 Romans 11:13-24 Matthew 25:14-30 Morning Psalm 54, Evening 28</p>		<p>Friday Joshua 4:19—5:1, 10-15 Romans 12:9-21 Matthew 26:17-25 Morning Psalm 88, Evening 6</p>
<p>Wednesday Joshua 3:1-13 Romans 11:25-36 Matthew 25:31-46 Morning Psalm 65, Evening 125</p>		<p>Saturday Joshua 6:1-14 Romans 13:1-7 Matthew 26:26-35 Morning Psalm 122, Evening 100</p>

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