

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church June 26, 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 wonderful evening of light, music, the Holy Word and fellowship. 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.

In the name of the Father, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn: "All Are Welcome" #641, Page 5, 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**.

All Are Welcome



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Kyrie



Canticle of Praise



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

We sit.

Word

A reading from Exodus

Exodus 20:12-16

¹²Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³You shall not murder.

¹⁴You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵You shall not steal.

¹⁶You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

We stand.

Gospel Acclamation





Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew:

Glory to you O Lord.

³⁴When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest? ³⁷He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit.

<u>Children's Message</u>

<u>Sermon</u>

Pastor Radecke

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Hymn of the Day: "O, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways" #772, Page 11

Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways



Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt. Music: EVAN, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

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

Prayers of Intercession

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

A brief silence.

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

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping. **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)

Offertory Response



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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.

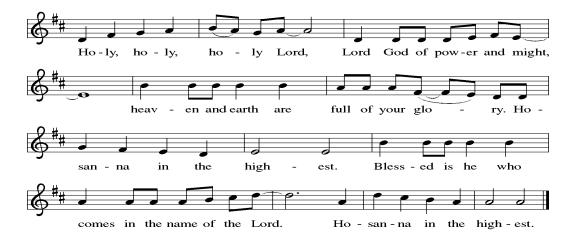
We lift them to the Lord.

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:



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.

Invitation to Communion

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

Thanks be to God!

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 Holy Communion

The congregation may be seated.

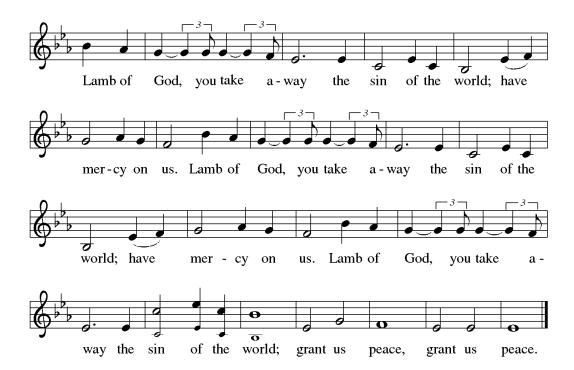
OUR LORD BIDS YOU WELCOME TO THIS HOLY MEAL! At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. Here we receive Christ's body and blood and God's gifts of forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation to be received by faith for the strengthening 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.



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: "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"

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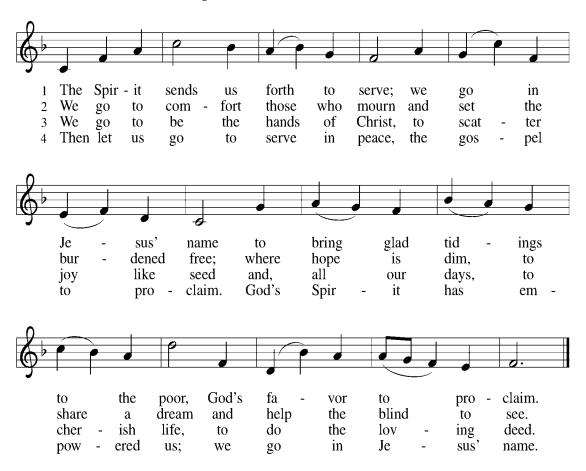
<u>Dismissal</u>

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

<u>Postlude</u>

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve



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Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today



Altar Flowers: David & Nancy Schwiesow
Altar Guild: Cathy Firkin/Jane Stein

Jim Nelson

Assisting Minister: Gloria Nelson
Communion Assistants: Jerry Kite

Council Person of the Week:

Covid Monitor:

Offering Stewards:

Bob Barrette

Karen Walck

Pat Brady

Ushers: David Proctor
Fred Biggers
David Proctor



Chancel flowers are given in thanksgiving and praise to our Lord for the 50th wedding anniversary of David and Nancy Schwiesow

Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons

July 3
Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Holy Communion

10:00 a.m.
Pastor Karen Van Stee
Presiding and Preaching

Exodus 20:17; 23:4-5 Psalm 15 Matthew 5:43-48



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*)

Bob Barrette Pat Brady
Pat Giesen Bob Knemoller
Glenn Myers Jimmy Owens

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

Travis Brown, Friend of Linda Tomey
Esther Dabney
Natalie & Nicole Dodge

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

Pastor Paul and Jill during Pastor's Sabbatical Council, Lay Leaders and staff during Pastor's Sabbatical

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

Liz Ann Binns Fred Brower
Marie Brown Sandra Hoy
Phyllis Kite Glenn and Flossie Myers
Janet Parmer Ingrid Sevigny

Lily Skelton

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

Janice Collins, Friend of Grace

Kyle Getler, Member Relative

Nancy Delaney, Dave Delaney's Wife

Darren Graf, Son of Woody and Irma Graf

Regan Grant, Friend of Richard and Kathy Bump
Sandy Higgs, Friend of David and Nancy Schwiesow
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

Curry Wilford, Brother-in-Law of Amy Warren

Douglas Williams, Friend of Sylvia Almarode, deployed to Kuwait for one year

Members/Friends Grieving

Family of Barb Susen, Grace Member Family of Katie Shapiro, Friend of Donna Gum Family of Esther Dabney

Family of George Toop, Friend of David and Nancy Schwiesow

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year Elizabeth Caister Kara Glover

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

Our national conversation about abortion (see note in announcements)

Westminster and Grace's Congolese refugee 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 and extreme weather in the American West

Continued epidemic of mass shooting incidents in our nation, most recently 19 children and 2 adults in Texas

The increase of race-motivated violence

The Church

Pray for God's Plan for Grace: see the questions from our Strategic Planning Committee on p. 28.

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!

- We will follow CDC "color" guidelines to determine masking at worship. If our area is in an Orange (high risk) condition, we will mask for worship.
- If we are in a Yellow (medium risk) or Green (low risk) condition: 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.
- Covid Status As of Wednesday, Augusta, Nelson, Staunton and Waynesboro are ALL Green or low risk.



In the Pastor's absence, if you need any type of support or are facing a crisis, please contact Church Council President, Robin Crowder (540.476.0180) or other members of Church Council. (The Council Person of the Week is listed with the week's worship assistants.)



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 twenty-seven deliveries thus far, twelve 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 2865 pounds of food! If you can help, please donate to our box set inside the office door for you to drop off.



A couple of reminders from the Church Office:

- Any additions, announcements, etc. need to be into the Church Office by Wednesday morning in order to be included in Sunday's bulletin. Bulletins are printed first thing Thursday.
- Any additions, announcements, etc. need to be into the Church Office by the 20th of the month in order to be included in the next month's Grace Notes
- When requesting prayers, whether on the announcement sheet on Sunday morning or by the Assisting Minister, please be sure to include who is requesting the prayers and their relationship



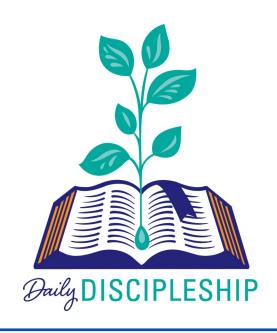
Worship at Barren Ridge—You are invited to join St. James Lutheran, Fishersville, and Bethlehem Lutheran, Waynesboro, for worship together outdoors at Barren Ridge winery on Sunday, July 10th, and Sunday, August 14th, at 11:00 a.m. Grace will have our regular services at 10:00 a.m. on both dates.



All God's Children Lending Library - Our lending library has found a new home in the LIBRARY near the History room. After the service today, join us as we go to the LIBRARY 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.



Celebration of Life—The Family of Rick & Jane Glidden would like to invite their church family to join us in celebrating their memory, and all of the happiness and joy that they added to our lives. They both cherished their church family, and just as they would wish, there will be food and drink to accompany the fond memories, conversations & stories that will flow. This celebration will take place Saturday, July 23, 2022, 2:00—5:00 p.m. at Old Trail Golf Club, 5494 Golf Drive, Crozet, VA 22932. If you will be joining us, please RSVP by July 1, 2022 by phone (Joy) 410-274-2259 or email joyce.e.glidden@gmail.com



Monday

Proverbs 10:1-12 1 Timothy 1:-17 Matthew 12:22-32

Morning Psalm 62, Evening 73

Tuesday

Proverbs 15:16-33 1 Timothy 1:18—2:15 Matthew 12:33-42 Morning Psalm 12, Evening 36

Wednesday

Proverbs 617:1-20 1 Timothy 3:1-16 Matthew 12:43-50 Morning Psalm 96, Evening 132 Thursday

Proverbs 21:30—22:6 1 Timothy 4:1-16 Matthew 13:24-30 Morning Psalm 116, Evening 26

Friday

Proverbs 23:19-21, 29—24:2 1 Timothy 5:17-22 (23-25) Matthew 13:31-35 Morning Psalm 84, Evening 25

Saturday

Proverbs 25:15-28 1 Timothy 6:6-21 Matthew 13:36-43 Morning Psalm 63, Evening 125



DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
Sunday	06/26	10:00 a.m. 10:50 a.m.	Third Sunday After Pentecost Service of Holy Communion In Person and via You Tube Pastor Mark Radecke Presiding and Preaching Coffee Fellowship via Zoom
Wednesday	06/29	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Group (Chapel)
Thursday	06/30	8:30 a.m. Noon 7:00 p.m.	Grace Walkers (Meet in Parking Lot) Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall) CCE&J Group Zoom
Saturday	07/02	11:00 a.m.	Yoga (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday	07/03	10:00 a.m. 10:50	Fourth Sunday After Pentecost Service of Holy Communion In Person and via You Tube Pastor Karen Van Stee Presiding and Preaching Coffee Fellowship via Zoom

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