

# David and Bathsheba

*TWENTIETH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST*

*Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church  
October 23, 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 Now the Feast and Celebration  
(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.*

## Gloria Patri

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.

## Welcome and Announcements

## 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, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit, one God,  
who is eager to forgive  
and who loves us beyond our days.

**Amen.**

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge  
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God of mercy and forgiveness,  
**we confess that sin still has a hold on us.**  
**We have harmed your good creation.**  
**We have failed to do justice,**  
**love kindness,**  
**and walk humbly with you.**  
**Turn us in a new direction.**  
**Show us the path that leads to life.**  
**Be our refuge and strength on the journey,**  
**through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.**  
**Amen.**

Beloved of God:  
your sins are forgiven ✙ and you are made whole.  
God points the way to new life in Christ,  
who meets us on the road.  
Journey now in God's abiding love  
through the power of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: "For by Grace You Have Been Saved"

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## Apostolic 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.**



## For by Grace You Have Been Saved



- 1 For by grace you have been saved and e - ven faith is not your  
 2 "So my grace is all - suf - fi - cient for each child who is my  
 3 So this weak - ness with con - tent - ment I'll ac - cept now in my -



own, it's the gift of God for you and not the works that you have  
 own, for my strength is now made per - fect for each child who is my  
 self, all my hard - ships, pains, and griefs that still lie deep with - in my -



done. Don't let an - y - bod - y boast, for this is  
 own. When you're weak, then you are strong, for this is  
 self. When I'm weak, then I am strong, for this is



God's great gift. A - men.  
 God's great gift." A - men.  
 God's great gift. A - men. A - men.

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## Kyrie

P In peace, in peace...

**Refrain**

*Assistant:* *Congregation:*

Let us pray to the Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have  
mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy. *to Verses*

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The first staff is for the Assistant and the second for the Congregation. The lyrics are: "Let us pray to the Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy." The second staff ends with "to Verses".

P For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all...  
(to Refrain)

P For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your  
Word...(to Refrain)

*Assistant:*

Help, save and de - fend us, O

*Congregation:*

God. A - men.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The first staff is for the Assistant and the second for the Congregation. The lyrics are: "Help, save and de - fend us, O God. A - men."

*Hymn of Praise, "Now the Feast" on bulletin page 6*

# NOW THE FEAST

## Refrain

*Congregation:*

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,  
 all of cre - a - tion sings for joy  
 to the God of life and love and  
 free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -  
 er - more!

## Verse 1

*Congregation or Congregation 1:*

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once  
 slain, whose blood has freed and u -  
 nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of  
 God.

*to Refrain*

**Verse 2**

*Congregation or Congregation 2:*

2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and  
might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ  
for ev - er. *to Refrain*

*See Refrain on bulletin page 6*

**Verse 3**

*Congregation:*

3. For God has come to dwell with us, to  
make us peo - ple of God; to make  
all things new. *to Refrain*

*See Refrain on bulletin page 6*

## **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen**

*We sit.*

**WORD**

### **A reading from 2 Samuel**

#### **2 Samuel 11:1-9, 12-15, 26-27, 12:1-9**

<sup>1</sup>In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup>It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. <sup>3</sup>David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, "This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite." <sup>4</sup>So David sent messengers to get her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. <sup>5</sup>The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant."

<sup>6</sup>So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. <sup>7</sup>When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. <sup>8</sup>Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house, and wash your feet." Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. <sup>9</sup>But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house.

*Continued*



<sup>12</sup>Then David said to Uriah, "Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, <sup>13</sup>David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house.

<sup>14</sup>In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. <sup>15</sup>In the letter he wrote, "Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die."

<sup>26</sup>When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. <sup>27</sup>When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son.

But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD. <sup>1</sup>And the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. <sup>2</sup>The rich man had very many flocks and herds; <sup>3</sup>but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. <sup>4</sup>Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." <sup>5</sup>Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; <sup>6</sup>he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity."

<sup>7</sup>Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; <sup>8</sup>I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. <sup>9</sup>Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*We read responsively.*

**Psalm: Psalm 51:1-9**

<sup>1</sup>Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;  
**according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.**

<sup>2</sup>Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
**and cleanse me from my sin.**

<sup>3</sup>For I know my transgressions,  
**and my sin is ever before me.**

<sup>4</sup>Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight,  
**so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.**

<sup>5</sup>Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

<sup>6</sup>You desire truth in the inward being;  
**therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.**

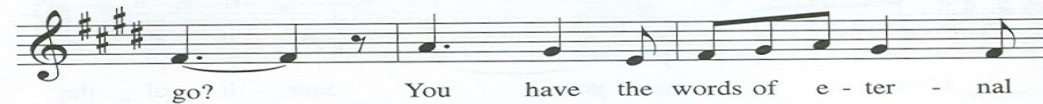
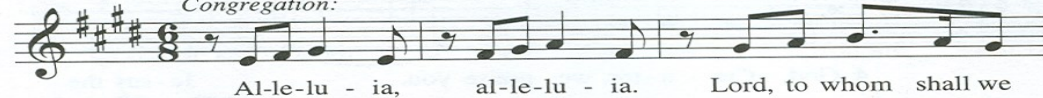
<sup>7</sup>Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
**wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

<sup>8</sup>Let me hear joy and gladness;  
**let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.**

<sup>9</sup>Hide your face from my sins,  
**and blot out all my iniquities.**

**GOSPEL VERSE**

*Congregation:*



**Gospel: Matthew 21:33-41**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew,  
**Glory to you O Lord.**



<sup>33</sup>Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. <sup>34</sup>When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. <sup>35</sup>But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. <sup>36</sup>Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. <sup>37</sup>Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' <sup>38</sup>But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' <sup>39</sup>So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. <sup>40</sup>Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" <sup>41</sup>They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

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

*We sit.*

**Children's Message**

**Pastor Pingel**



**Sermon**

**Pastor Pingel**

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

*We stand.*



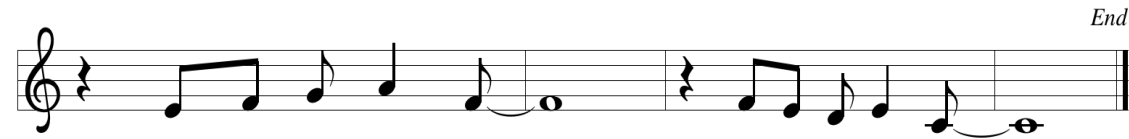
**Hymn of the Day:** "Change My Heart, O God"

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# Change My Heart, O God



Change my heart, O God; make it ev - er true.



Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.



You are the pot - ter; I am the clay.



Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.

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## Apostles' Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

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

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.

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.

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 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

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

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

Lord in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer**

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**MEAL**

## Peace

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

PEACE  
BE WITH  
you

*Please greet those around you, offer 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

**AS THE GRAINS OF WHEAT**

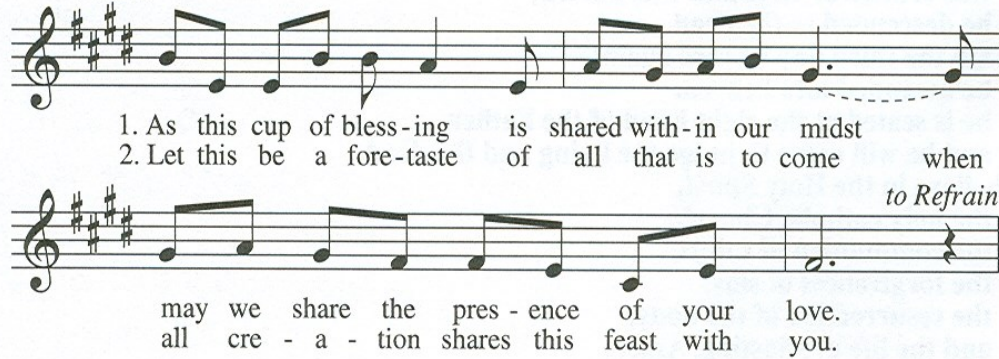
**Refrain**

*Congregation:*



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were  
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread;  
so may all your peo-ple from all the ends of earth be  
gath-ered in - to one in you.

**Verses**



1. As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst  
2. Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when  
may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

*to Refrain*

**Offering Prayer**

Let us pray.

Gracious God,  
 in your great love you richly provide for our needs.  
 Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing,  
 and make us ready to share with all in need;  
 through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.  
 Amen.

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The musical score consists of four staves of music in treble clef, 4/4 time, and A major key. It is divided into four parts with alternating Presider and Congregation roles. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al-so 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 God thanks and praise."

*Presider:* The Lord be with you. *Congregation:* And al-so with you.

*Presider:* Lift up your hearts. *Congregation:* We lift them to the Lord.

*Presider:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *Congregation:* It is

right to give God thanks and praise.

**Preface**

It is our duty and delight that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, O God, through Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so with the church on earth, all creation and the host of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



# HOLY

*Congregation:*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and



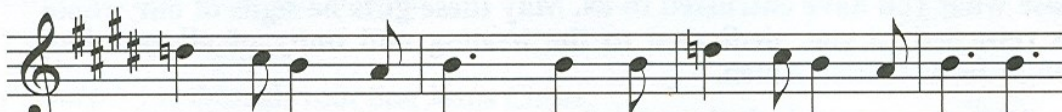
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!



Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

## 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 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**

I will *praise*  
the name  
of *God*  
with a song, and will  
magnify him  
with  
*Thanksgiving.*  
Psalm 69:30, NKJV

### Lord's Prayer

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

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever.  
Amen



### Invitation to Communion

Christ invites you to this table.  
Come, taste and see.  
**Thanks be to God!**

*We sit.*

### 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**

*Congregation:* *Congregation or Assistant:*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
 you break the chains of ha - tred and  
 you are the way of jus - tice and  
 you are the way of mer - cy and

*Congregation:*

world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,  
 fear:  
 peace:  
 love.

**Final Stanza**

*Congregation or Assistant:*

mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

*Congregation:*

take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,

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**

## The Post-Communion Canticle

### THANKS BE TO YOU

*Congregation:*

1. Praise to you, O God of mer - cy:  
2. From of old you loved and sought us:

Thanks be to you for ev - er! Rais - ing high the  
Thanks be to you for ev - er! Truth and jus - tice

weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for ev - er!  
you have taught us: Thanks be to you for ev - er!

Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your  
love, re - mem - b'ring your cov-e-nant of  
life with us. 3. Praise to you, O  
God of mer - cy: Thanks be to you for ev - er!  
Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for  
ev - er! Thanks be to you for ev - er!

### Prayer after Communion

Let us pray

God of the abundant table,  
**you have refreshed our hearts in this meal  
with bread for the journey.  
Give us your grace on the road  
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
Amen.**



**Sending**

### Blessing

God, who gives life to all things  
and frees us from despair,  
bless you with truth and peace.  
And may the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
✠ one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and  
love.  
**Amen.**

**Benediction** ✠

**Sending Song:** *"Great God, Your Love Has Called Us"*

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### Dismissal

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### Postlude

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## Great God, Your Love Has Called Us

1 Great God, your love has called us here, as we, by love, for  
 2 We come with self - in - flict - ed pains of bro - ken trust and  
 3 Great God, in Christ you call our name and then re - ceive us  
 4 Then take the towel, and break the bread, and hum - ble us, and  
 5 Great God, in Christ you set us free your life to live, your

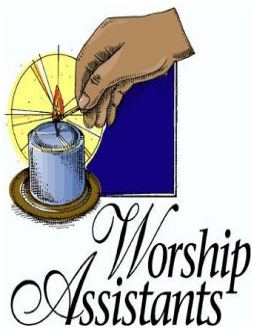
love were made. Your liv - ing like - ness still we bear,  
 cho - sen wrong, half - free, half - bound by in - ner chains,  
 as your own, not through some mer - it, right, or claim,  
 call us friends. Suf - fer and serve till all are fed,  
 joy to share. Give us your Spir - it's lib - er - ty

though marred, dis - hon - ored, dis - o - beyed. We come, with all our  
 by so - cial forc - es swept a - long, by pow'rs and sys - tems  
 but by your gra - cious love a - lone. We strain to glimpse your  
 and show how grand - ly love in - tends to work till all cre -  
 to turn from guilt and dull de - spair, and of - fer all that

heart and mind your call to hear, your love to find.  
 close con - fined, yet seek - ing hope for hu - man - kind.  
 mer - cy seat and find you kneel - ing at our feet.  
 a - tion sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things.  
 faith can do while love is mak - ing all things new.

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### **Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today**

<b>Altar Flowers:</b>	Open
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	
<b>Assisting Minister:</b>	Cathy Crowder
<b>Communion Assistants:</b>	Robin Crowder Gloria Nelson Karen Walck
<b>Council Person of the Week:</b>	Jean Morgan
<b>Offering Stewards:</b>	David Proctor Rick Bump Linda Meyer
<b>Ushers:</b>	



Altar Flowers

*Chancel flowers are given this morning to the glory of God*

### **Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons**

**October 30, 2022**

Reformation Sunday

**Holy Communion**

10:00 a.m.

Pastor Paul Pingel  
Presiding and Preaching

1 Kings 3:4-9 (10-15)

Matthew 6:9-10





**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\*)**

**William Proctor**

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

**Samantha Hesler**—Wife of Pat and Sandy Brady's Grandson

**Bruce Whitfield**, Father of Zanny Bandy

**Gordon Putnam and members of St. James Lutheran Church**, Friends to Many at Grace

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

**The marriage of Sam Biggers and Micah Davenport on Saturday, October 1st**

**The marriage of Hannah Lundstrom and Ty Comer on Saturday, October 8th**

**Gail Johnson's 55 years of service with Augusta Health**

**25th Wedding Anniversary of E. G. and Karla Rankin October 18**

**The marriage of Michael Bailey and Pastor Kristen Van Stee on Saturday, October 15**

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

**Emily Almarode**

**Liz Ann Binns**

**Beth Brady**

**Fred Brower**

**Marie Brown**

**Sandra Hoy**

**Kathryn Johnson**

**Phyllis Kite**

**Glenn and Flossie Myers**

**Jimmy Owens**

**Janet Parmer**

**Ingrid Sevigny**

**Lily Skelton**

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

**Timothy Bradford**, Friend from Christ Tabernacle

**Janice Collins**, Friend of Grace

**Kyle Getler**, Member Relative

**Darren Graf**, Son of Woody and Irma Graf

**Jen Kearney**, Friend to Many at Grace

**Members/Friends Grieving**

**Family of Eric Hahn**, Neighbor of Pastor and Jill Pingel

**Family of Mike Jones**, Son of Carl and Peggy (Moyer) Jones

**Family of Roy Stiehl**, Husband of June Stiehl

**Family of Jane Wood**, Sister-in-Law of Lesa Jackson

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

**Natalie and Nicole Dodge**, Friend of Ron and Sylvia Almarode  
**Regan Grant**, Friend of Richard and Kathy Bump  
**James Hepner**, Father of Gloria Nelson  
**Sandy Higgs**, Friend of David and Nancy Schwiesow  
**Rosalind Holt**, Friend of Gail Johnson  
**Joshua Horn**, Friend of Mike and Cindy Trauscht  
**Helen McClung**, Cousin of Nancy Schwiesow  
**Dot Metz**, Sister of Marge Cloutier  
**Margarett Neely**, Mother of Jill Pingel  
**Larry Spoon**, Husband of Bonnie Spoon, Friend of Many  
**Kay Truslow**, Friend of Mike and Cindy Trauscht  
**Douglas Williams**, Friend of Sylvia Almarode, deployed to Kuwait for one year  
**Toretta Wyatt**, Friend from Christ Tabernacle

**Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout  
the Year Celebrating Birthdays**

*Margaret Quickel*

*Bob Shumate*

*Lee Lynch*

**The Needs of the World**

**Westminster and Grace's Congolese  
refugee family, the Mmeswa/  
Madawa family, are now in their  
5th month in Waynesboro**

The election on November 5 and the gift of  
our democratic process

**Teachers in our schools, and our  
children's learning this school  
year**

Victims (34) of Thailand childcare center  
shooting

**Victims of Hurricane Fiona and Ian**

Victims (125) of Indonesian stadium crush

**The Church**

**Grace's Strategic Planning**

Our friends in Christ at St. John's Episcopal

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

**Our Neighbors**

Our neighbors in the Country Club Area.





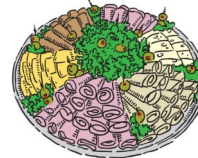
**Today is Commitment Sunday!** Together we can grow in Grace through generosity, be deepening our love for Christ, and by caring for those in need with open hearts. Please make your commitment today.



Youth and their people are invited to an **Ice Cream SUNDAY Party, today,** at 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up to bring yourselves and something to the party at: [bit.ly/glwiyouth](http://bit.ly/glwiyouth)



Joint in for the **Property/Grounds Fall Work Day** Saturday, October 29, 9:00 a.m. to noon. We will be trimming shrubs, cleaning out beds, etc. If you have questions, contact Fred Biggers, 434-981-1954.



*Funeral Reception*

There will be a **funeral for Pete Rufe**, followed by a reception in the Fellowship Hall, on Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. Please contact Sylvia Almarode if you can help with food, 540-476-5730.

There will be a **memorial reception for Mike Jones** on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Sylvia Almarode if you can help with food, 540-476-5730.



**Grace and the WARM Cold Weather Shelter (CWS)!** The Farmer's Almanac is predicting a very cold, long winter; we've already had overnight temps in the 40's and 30's. The WARM-CWS will run for 20 consecutive weeks and Grace will host the CWS from January 23 @ 6:00 p.m. through 7:00 a.m. January 30, 2023! And, we will host as an overflow facility for a 2nd week, dates to be determined. SUPPLIES: We will begin collecting toiletry supplies in November - more information coming in Nov Grace Notes. AND, a plethora of VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES with Sign-Up Sheets are coming soon to a table near you. Questions? Please contact Susan Myers 434-760-1660 or [sparkelmyers@gmail.com](mailto:sparkelmyers@gmail.com).



**New Member Class Available in October!** If God's Spirit is calling you to join in membership with the people of Grace, we'll be scheduling a class in October that works best with the schedule of everyone possible. There is also the opportunity to attend the class via Zoom if family or Covid levels prevent us from meeting together in-person. See the Sign-Up sheet in the Narthex, or call Nancy Dowdy at the Church Office 540-949-6171 if you are interested!



**All Saints Sunday is November 6, 2022**—Each year on All Saints Sunday we remember the saints who have gone before us; those Grace members who have received the promises for all time, of God's Grace given to us freely through Jesus Christ and his death and resurrection. In addition to Grace members, if you would like to include a family member or friend who has died, please notify the Church Office by Friday, October 28th, with their **name and date of death**.



Donations

**COLD WEATHER DONATIONS REQUEST**—We are collecting donations of socks, hats, scarves, gloves, toothbrushes and toothpaste for distribution at the Disciple's Kitchen breakfasts during the upcoming cold months. We would like to collect items for women, men, and children. New or clean, gently used items will be greatly appreciated! We will have a box outside the office door for drop off. Any questions, please call Cindy Trauscht at 434-227-6100. Thank you!



**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-nine** deliveries thus far, fourteen 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 3075 pounds of food!** If you can help, please donate to our box set inside the office door for you to drop off.



**Living Lutheran** can be accessed on line: <https://www.livinglutheran.org/> For our members who do not have internet access, they have been subscribed by mail. Copies are also available for visitors/members to pick up in the narthex.

**The Covid Policy of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, revised to the following as of Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>:**

- Masking during worship will be optional in all cases - the CDC Orange color will no longer mandate universal masking during worship.
- The CDC color of Waynesboro AND Augusta County will continue to be noted during the Phone Blast on Fridays, and will be on display on a table in the Narthex to inform worshipers of the risk level in our area.
- We will no longer register people for tracing at the table in the Narthex.
- Masks and hand sanitizer will continue to be made available on the narthex table where the CDC colors are displayed.
- Holy Communion will still be offered in the way it is currently offered. For now, pastor and assistants will mask when the CDC indicates an “orange” or high risk in Waynesboro and Augusta County.
- We will take down the tape on the pews EXCEPT for a section (eight pews, meaning four taped and four usable pews) designated as a Socially Distanced worship area. Masking will not be required in this section.
- ANYONE who wishes to mask anywhere in the worship space is welcomed and encouraged to do so.

*Education will continue concerning:*

- the continuing risk of Covid, especially those who are immuno-compromised
- the importance of vaccination
- courtesy toward one another who have differing opinions
- encouragement to stay home when not feeling well
- the effectiveness of masking not only for Covid but flu, colds, etc.
- the shift of contact tracing onto individuals who attend worship - that in the event of contracting Covid, the worship attendee should be report their infection to those around them in worship, and the Church Office
- *will continue regularly in newsletter, bulletin and other Grace communications.*

This policy also applies to meetings other than Sunday worship: Valley Music Academy, Bridge, Newcomers and all other building users and events.

Food events – Funeral luncheons, receptions, special events, etc., will also be governed by this policy.

We will review the policy automatically in early December, OR if there is a dramatic change in infection and/or danger from current CDC or other official policy.



*Daily* **DISCIPLESHIP**

**Monday**

Esther 4:4-17  
Acts 18:1-11  
Luke (1:1-4) 3:1-14  
Morning Psalm 145, Evening 112

**Tuesday**

Esther 5:1-14  
Acts 18:12-28  
Luke 3:15-22  
Morning Psalm 146, Evening 86

**Wednesday**

Esther 6:1-14  
Acts 19:1-10  
Luke 4:1-13  
Morning Psalm 147:1-12, Evening 4

**Thursday**

Esther 7:1-10  
Acts 19:11-20  
Luke 4:14-30  
Morning Psalm 147:13-21, Evening 27

**Friday**


Esther 8:1-8, 15-17  
Acts 19:21-41  
Luke 4:31-37  
Morning Psalm 148, Evening 139

**Saturday**

Esther 9:1-32  
Acts 20:1-16  
Luke 4:38-44  
Morning Psalm 149, Evening 111



## Life of Grace Church October 23—30, 2022

DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
Sunday	10/23	10:00 a.m.	<b>Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost</b> <i>Service of Holy Communion</i> <i>In Person and via You Tube</i> <b>Pastor Paul Pingel</b> Presiding and Preaching <b>Commitment Sunday</b>
		10:50 a.m.	 <b>Coffee Fellowship Zoom</b>
		11:00 a.m.	<b>Confirmation Class</b>
		4:00 p.m.	<b>Ice Cream Sunday Party (Fellowship Hall)</b>
Monday	10/24		<i>No School</i>
		7:00 p.m.	 <b>Worship and Music Committee</b> (Conference Room)
Tuesday	10/25	9:30 a.m.	 <b>Quilting Group (Fellowship Hall)</b>
Wednesday	10/26	10:00 a.m.	 <b>Prayer Group (Chapel)</b>
Thursday	10/27	8:30 a.m.	<b>Grace Walkers (Meet in Parking Lot)</b>
		Noon	<b>Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)</b>
		6:00 p.m.	 <b>CCE&amp;J Group (Zoom)</b>
Saturday	10/29	11:00 a.m.	 <b>Grace Clean Up Day</b> <b>Yoga (Fellowship Hall))</b>
Sunday	10/30	10:00 a.m.	 <b>Reformation Sunday</b> <i>Service of Holy Communion</i> <i>In Person and via You Tube</i> <b>Pastor Paul Pingel</b> Presiding and Preaching <b>Celebration Sunday</b>
		10:50 a.m.	<b>Coffee Fellowship Zoom</b>
		11:00 a.m.	<b>Confirmation Class</b>

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