



*"Bethlehem...*  
out of you will come...  
one who will be  
ruler over *Israel."*

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*Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church*  
*November 13, 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: "Take My Life, That I May Be"

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## Take My Life, That I May Be

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems. The first system has a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a bass clef staff. The melody is in the treble clef. The lyrics are: 1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee; 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love; 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King; 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold; The second system also has a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp and a bass clef staff. The melody continues in the treble clef. The lyrics are: take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise. take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee. take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee. take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;  
it shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is thine own;  
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
at thy feet its treasure store;  
take myself, and I will be  
ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt.  
Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

## 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.**

## 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*

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  
God. A - men.

*Congregation:*

**Hymn of Praise:** "Now the Feast"

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# 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.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*We sit.*

### **WORD**

#### **First Reading: Micah 1:3-5; 5:2-5a; 6:6-8**

A reading from Micah:

<sup>3</sup>For lo, the LORD is coming out of his place,  
and will come down and tread upon the high places of the earth.

<sup>4</sup>Then the mountains will melt under him and the valleys will burst open,  
like wax near the fire, like waters poured down a steep place.

<sup>5</sup>All this is for the transgression of Jacob and for the sins of the house of Israel.

What is the transgression of Jacob?

Is it not Samaria?

And what is the high place of Judah?

Is it not Jerusalem?

<sup>2</sup> But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah,  
from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel,  
whose origin is from of old, from ancient days.

<sup>3</sup>Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth;  
then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel.

<sup>4</sup>And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD,  
in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.

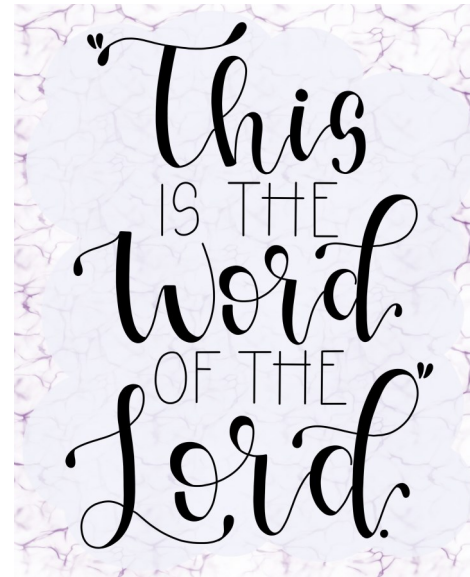
And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth;

<sup>5</sup>and he shall be the one of peace.

*Continued*



<sup>6</sup>"With what shall I come before the LORD,  
 and bow myself before God on high?  
 Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,  
 with calves a year old?  
<sup>7</sup>Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,  
 with ten thousands of rivers of oil?  
 Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,  
 the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"  
<sup>8</sup>He has told you, O mortal, what is good;  
 and what does the LORD require of you  
 but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
 and to walk humbly with your God?



The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL VERSE**

*Congregation:*

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we  
 go? You have the words of e - ter - nal  
 life. Al - le - lu - ia!

*Optional Repeat*

**Gospel: Matthew 9:13**

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



<sup>13</sup>Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

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:** "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" #779, Page 11, Verses 1, 2, 3, 5

## Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that  
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his  
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me  
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found; was blind, but now I see.  
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5  
 Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1851–1921, alt.

## 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**

United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world.

*A brief silence.*

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

Accept these prayers, gracious God, and those known only to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen**

### **MEAL**

#### **Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also 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**

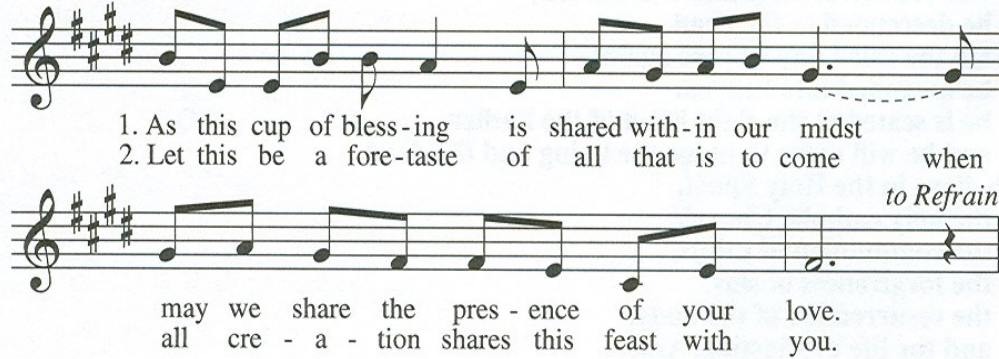
**Refrain**

*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*



# HOLY

*Congregation:*



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



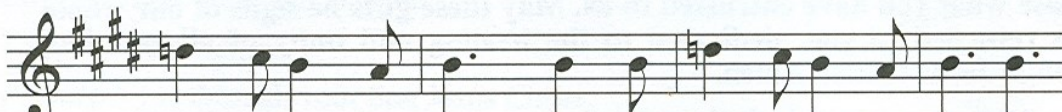
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your



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 spreads a table before you.

Gather here with all the saints.

**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)*

### 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.**



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:

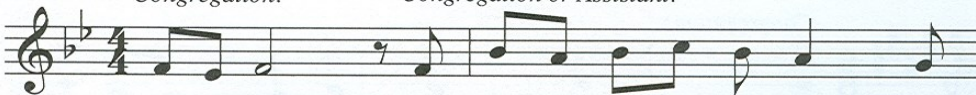
The body of Christ, given for you  
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

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**

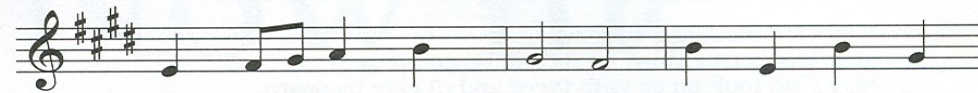
## The Post-Communion Canticle

### 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

We give you thanks, most gracious God,  
**that you have fed us with the bread of heaven  
and given us a foretaste of Paradise.  
Enliven us to be your body in the world  
and to serve those who are in need;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**



**Sending**

### Blessing

The God of peace,  
who creates all things and calls them good,  
who makes us alive in Jesus,  
and who breathes on us the Spirit of hope,  
✚ bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**Benediction**

**Sending Song:** *"Let Justice Roll Like Streams"*

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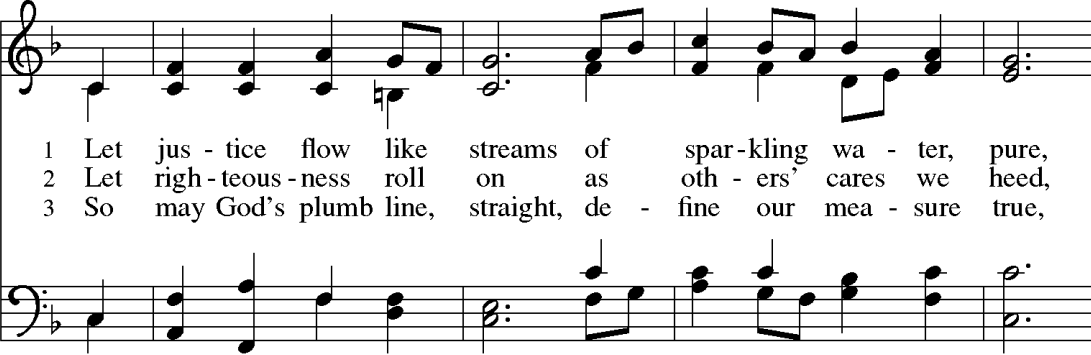
### Dismissal

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

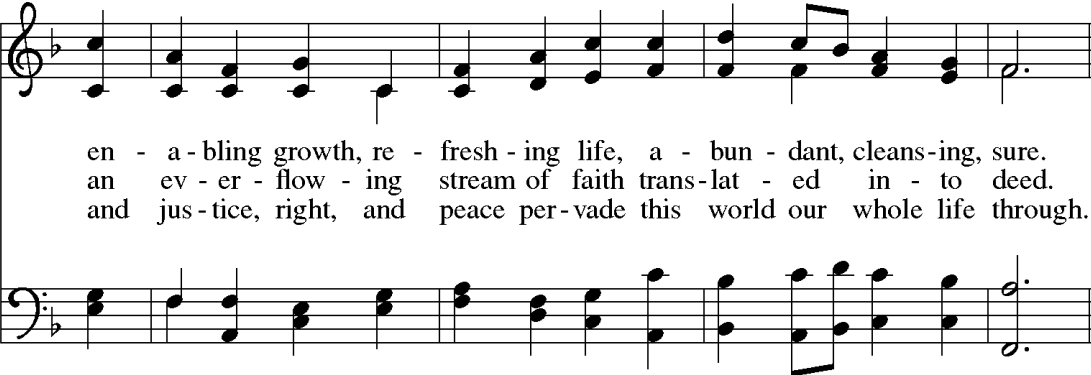
### Postlude

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## Let Justice Flow like Streams



1 Let jus - tice flow like streams of spar - kling wa - ter, pure,  
2 Let righ - teous - ness roll on as oth - ers' cares we heed,  
3 So may God's plumb line, straight, de - fine our mea - sure true,



en - a - bling growth, re - fresh - ing life, a - bun - dant, cleans - ing, sure.  
an ev - er - flow - ing stream of faith trans - lat - ed in - to deed.  
and jus - tice, right, and peace per - vade this world our whole life through.

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Music: ST. THOMAS, Aaron Williams, 1731-1776  
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Altar Flowers

*Chancel flowers this morning  
are given to the Glory of God  
and in loving memory of  
Charles Marks, III*

**Next Sunday's Schedule and  
Lessons**

**November 20, 2022**

***Christ the King***

**Holy Communion**

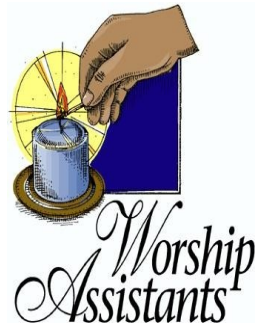
10:00 a.m.

Pastor Paul Pingel  
Presiding and Preaching

Isaiah 36:1-3, 13-20, 37:1-7, 2:1-4

Colossians 1:11-14, 19-20

Luke 23:33-43



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

***Altar Flowers:***

*Peggy Marks*

***Altar Guild:***

*Jean Morgan*

***Assisting Minister:***

*Andrew Sell*

***Communion Assistants:***

*Susan Myers*

*Karen Walck*

***Council Person of the Week:***

*Robin Crowder*

***Offering Stewards:***

*Pat Brady*

*Robin Crowder*

***Ushers:***

*Ron Almarode*

*Lee Lynch*



**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\*)**

**Carolyn Barrette**

**Malachi Dolan**

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

**Eddie Cassano**, Brother-in-Law of Linda Tomey

**Kevin Machon**, Nephew of Linda Tomey

**Monica McCall-Shadle**, Niece of Sharon Lynch

**Judy Simpson**, Sister of Sharon Lynch

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

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

**Emily Almarode**

**Fred Brower**

**Kathryn Johnson**

**Jimmy Owens**

**Lily Skelton**

**Liz Ann Binns**

**Marie Brown**

**Phyllis Kite**

**Janet Parmer**

**Beth Brady**

**Sandra Hoy**

**Glenn and Flossie Myers**

**Ingrid Sevigny**



**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 Ruth Oppert**, Roxane Myer's Mother  
**Family of Jane Wood**, Sister-in-Law of Lesa Jackson

**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  
**Ken & Letty Rosen**, Friends of David and Nancy Schwiesow  
**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**

*David Glover  
Zaden Bandy*

*Charlotte Jones  
Clay Rankin*

**The Needs of the World**

Our nation, and our trust in our Lord Jesus whatever the election results.

**God's Creation, the Climate Summit in Egypt and the world leaders in attendance**

Those in the path of Tropical Storm Nicole, and those recovering from Hurricanes Fiona and Ian

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

This Fall's flu and virus proliferation, and continuing Covid dangers (avg. deaths per day still exceed 200/day)

**The strength of the church's witness in a world in need of Good News**

**The Church**

**Grace's Strategic Planning**

Our friends in Christ at Westminster Presbyterian

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

**Our Neighbors**

Our neighbors in the Wayne Hills Area.



**Monday**

Hosea 11:12—12:1  
Acts 26:1-23  
Luke 8:26-39  
Morning Psalm 145, Evening 9

**Tuesday**

Hosea 12:2-14  
Acts 26:24—27:8  
Luke 8:40-56  
Morning Psalm 146, Evening 7

**Wednesday**

Hosea 13:1-3  
Acts 27:9-26  
Luke 9:1-17  
Morning Psalm 147:1-12, Evening 134



**Thursday**

Hosea 13:4-8  
Acts 27:27-44  
Luke 9:18-27  
Morning Psalm 147:13-21, Evening 130

**Friday**

Hosea 13:9-16  
Acts 28:1-16  
Luke 9:28-36  
Morning Psalm 148, Evening 40

**Saturday**

Hosea 14:1-9  
Acts 28:17-31  
Luke 9:37-50  
Morning Psalm 149, Evening 90

## Covid Policy at Grace

- Masking is optional during worship.
- We will continue to post the CDC "risk" color (green [low], yellow [medium] or orange [high risk] in the narthex
- There is a "social distance" section available in the front right of the worship space
- Holy Communion will continue to be offered by coming up front and receiving bread and individual cups of wine; pastor and assistants will mask when the CDC "risk" color is orange (high)
- Masks and hand sanitizer continue to be available in the narthex.

### ***We continue to encourage:***

- Vaccination and keeping up-to-date with current shots
- Staying home when not feeling well, especially with flu and other infections on the rise this time of year
- Masking for Covid, flu or other infections.



**Youth Service Event with other Downtown Churches!** Grace youth in 6th - 12th grades are invited to join First Baptist, St. John Episcopal, St. John Catholic and Westminster Presbyterian Churches to help with the **Green Hanger Project at Embrace Community Center in Waynesboro**. We will be helping to sort clothing for Youth to wear, and putting together specific packages of clothing for kids who don't have clothing for school, work and every day. We meet today, November 13th. at 2:00 p.m.!



Funeral Reception

There will be a **Celebration of Life 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.



It's time for the **St. James Annual Oyster Dinner & Cake Auction** – and we would like to invite the good people of Bethlehem and Grace to join us! **Date/Time:** Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**Menu:** Fried Oysters, Ham, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Baked Apples, Desserts, and Beverages. **Cost:** \$15 per person; \$7.50 for kids 6-12; and kids 5 and under are free.

**Reservations Required:** Contact Anne Putnam at 434-465-0206 or [anneputnam55@gmail.com](mailto:anneputnam55@gmail.com) by Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. Take Out is available, however, we really hope you'll enjoy the fellowship over dinner and stay for all the fun of the cake auction (which follows dinner)!



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 have a box outside the office door for drop off. Any questions, please call Cindy Trauscht at 434-227-6100. Thank you!



**February Mission Trip to Nicaragua**—By action of the congregation council, Grace will sponsor a mission trip to Nicaragua next February. Grace members are welcome to be part of the team that will go to learn and serve.

The mission team will lodge and work in partnership with the Nicaraguan Christian Children's Center (CICRIN – see [www.cicrinus.org](http://www.cicrinus.org)), a school and refuge for children and youth on Ometepe Island. Team leaders are Mark and Tami Radecke; this will be their 21<sup>st</sup> mission trip to Nicaragua.

**Dates: February 10-18, 2023**

**Cost: \$1,995 per person**

Pastor Radecke will be presenting a Temple Talk on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, and offer an Information Seminar after worship (on the 20<sup>th</sup>) in the Seminar Room (located next to the worship space; exit the narthex, then turn left and go straight). You can also contact Pr. Radecke at [radecke@susqu.edu](mailto:radecke@susqu.edu).



The **Giving Tree** has been put up in the Nave. If you would like to participate, please come by the church to pick up one or more tags, sign your name and the gift tag(s) taken in the book, purchase appropriate gift(s), and bring unwrapped gift(s) with the original tag attached back to the Nave by Sunday, **December 4**. If you have questions, please contact Jane Stein, 540-649-0979.



It's time for setting up the outdoor **Advent Wreath** at Grace. The first Sunday in Advent is November 27 (the Sunday after Thanksgiving). We will plan to do it Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 9:00 a.m. If it happens to rain that day, then Friday or Saturday, the 25<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup>. If you are available to help, it would be greatly appreciated. Please let Jack Eckstrom know if you can be there. If you know any others that could also help, please invite them. Thanks for your service.



**Grace Walkers on Thursdays!** This is a regular Grace group that walks on Thursday mornings at 8:30 a.m. on the Greenway. Gathering for good exercise, good fellowship and conversation; gathered as people of Grace! We have walkers of all stripes, from easy-going to brisk. You are welcome to join!



This is a reminder that the Church has a **Columbarium**. A niche will hold two brass urns, the final cost is \$2,2500 per niche. There are no addition charges. The Church furnishes the two bass urns. You can contact Ron Almarode, Pastor, or Bradley Keefer for more information. There is also a **Memorial Brick Garden** in which the bricks are engraved with the names for those who are buried else where. The cost per engraved brick is \$300.



**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.



GRACE - WARM Cold Weather Shelter  
Collecting Toiletries (travel/hotel-sized: shampoo/conditioner, soap, toothpaste, lotion)  
Box will be located in the Nave starting November 16th

**Volunteer Opportunities January 23 - 30:**

*Sign-up Sheets will be located in the nave beginning November 16*

- Set-up team: January 22 and/or 23 to organize and set-up check-in, Fellowship Hall tables, cots, chairs, dividers. Additional date TBD (when we're the overflow facility housing 15 people for Westminster Presbyterian).
- Check-In: 3-4 volunteers/night; assist Staff Host and welcome guests - make them feel welcome, let them know we care, participate in time of fellowship – let them know that God's love is present in their lives! Make coffee!
- Shower Host: 1 volunteer/night; ensure guests have needed toiletries, towel; monitor shower schedule and collect towels
- Meal Teams: We have 7 Team Leaders! Join a team to provide dinner for about 50 people each evening and assist with kitchen clean-up (35 guests, 2 Staff Hosts, and our volunteers). Assist preparing sack lunches/breakfast if time.
- Overnight Hosts: 2-3 volunteers/night; assist the Staff Host overnight (in-person OR by telephone); prepare 35 sack lunches and breakfasts; in morning, make coffee and put out  
Clean up: sweep/mop Fellowship Hall, clean bathrooms and showers during the day, when guests are gone.
- Laundry: wash towels each day during the day, when guests are gone.

Questions? Suggestions?      Please contact Susan Myers 434-760-1660  
or [sparkelmyers@gmail.com](mailto:sparkelmyers@gmail.com)



**Life of Grace Church**  
**November 13-20, 2022**

DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
Sunday	11/13	10:00 a.m. 10:50 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	<b>Twenty-Third Sunday of 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>Coffee Fellowship Zoom</b> <b>Confirmation Class</b> <b>Youth Ecumenical Event</b> Embrace Community Center
Tuesday	11/15	9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	<b>Quilting Group</b> (Fellowship Hall) <b>Council Meeting</b> (Conference Room)
Wednesday	11/16	10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	<b>Prayer Group</b> (Chapel) <b>Women's Book Group</b>
Thursday	11/17	8:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. Noon 6:00 p.m.	<b>Newcomers Club</b> (Fellowship Hall) <b>Grace Walkers</b> (Meet in Parking Lot) <b>Bridge Club</b> (Fellowship Hall) <b>CCE&amp;J Group (Zoom)</b>
Saturday	11/19	11:00 a.m. 1:00	<b>Prayer Vigil for Racial Reconciliation</b> (North Park) <b>Celebration of Life for Mike Jones</b> (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday	11/20	10:00 a.m. 10:50 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m.	<b>Christ the King</b> <i>Service of Holy Communion</i> <i>In Person and via You Tube</i> <b>Pastor Paul Pingel</b> Presiding and Preaching <b>Coffee Fellowship Zoom</b> <b>Confirmation Class</b> <b>Pastor—Summit Square Vespers</b>



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