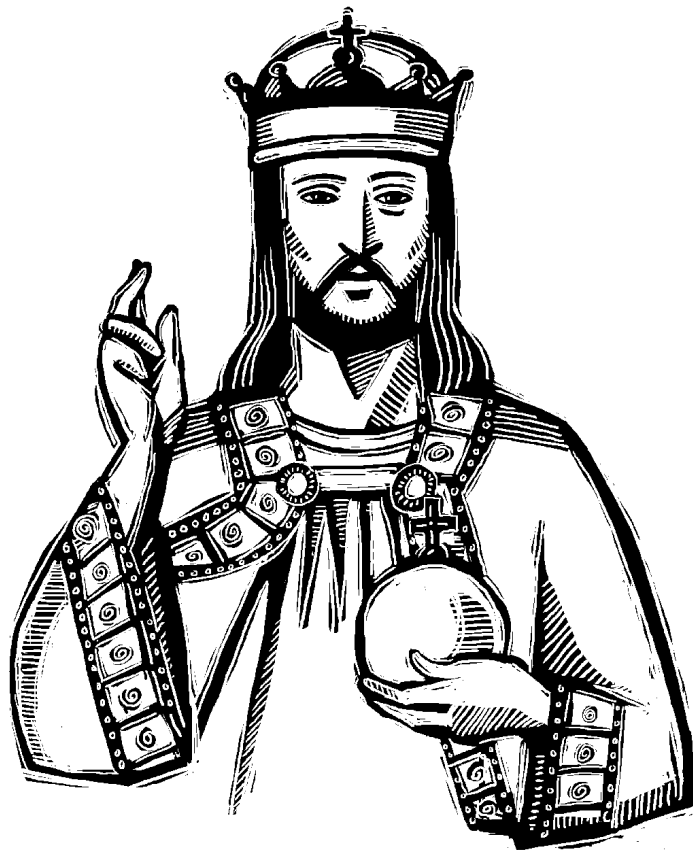


# *Grace Lutheran Worship Folder*

*November 19 & 20, 2022*



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# *Grace Lutheran's Purpose Statement*

*"We share God's love by welcoming all and making a Christ-like difference in our community and world."*

## **GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

### **WELCOME**

### **PRELUDE**

*(the assembly stands as they are able)*

*(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

**C: Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: God of mercy and forgiveness,

**C: 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.**

P: Beloved of God: our sins are forgiven † and we 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.

**C: Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

R855



- 1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
- 2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,
- 3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,
- 4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave
- 5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,



hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.  
whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;  
rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.  
and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.  
cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,  
No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,  
His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,  
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.  
but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.  
who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800–1894, sts. 1–3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 4  
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**GREETING**

**P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C:** And also with you.

## KYRIE

KY-RI-E E-LEI - SON Lord, have mer - cy.

CHRIS-TE E-LEI - SON Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky-RI-E E-LEI - SON Lord, have mer -

cy.

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## HYMN OF PRAISE

GLORY to God in the HIGHEST, and peace to God's people on earth.

LORD GOD, HEAVENLY KING, AL-MIGHTY GOD and FA-THER, we

wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have  
mer - cy on us. You are seated at the  
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.  
FOR YOU ALONE ARE THE HOLY ONE, YOU ALONE ARE THE LORD,  
YOU ALONE ARE THE MOST HIGH JE - SUS CHRIST, with the  
HO - LY SPI - RIT, in the GLORY of GOD the FA - THER.  
A - men. A - men. A - men.

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P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** Choir “Khudaya rahem kar” R. F. Liberius

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## **WORD**

*God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.*

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

#### **Jeremiah 23:1-6**

*Today's reading builds on the common, ancient Near Eastern metaphor of the king as shepherd. Judah's unjust rulers have caused their people, their "flock," to be scattered. Nevertheless, God will raise up a new and righteous shepherd who will rule a restored Judah.*

<sup>1</sup>Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. <sup>2</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. <sup>3</sup>Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. <sup>4</sup>I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. <sup>5</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup>In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

**L:** The word of the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

#### **Psalm 46**

*I will be exalted among the nations. (Ps. 46:10)*

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

<sup>2</sup>**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,  
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

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

<sup>4</sup>**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

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

<sup>6</sup>**The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;  
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

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

<sup>8</sup>**Come now, regard the works of the LORD,  
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;**

<sup>9</sup>behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;  
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

<sup>10</sup>**“Be still, then, and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”**

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

### Colossians 1:11-20

*An early Christian hymn praises the mystery of the political, personal, and mystical Christ, the one who was present at creation and is eternally reigning with God.*

<sup>11</sup>May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully <sup>12</sup>giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. <sup>13</sup>He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup>in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

<sup>15</sup>He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; <sup>16</sup>for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup>He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

<sup>18</sup>He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. <sup>19</sup>For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup>and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*(The assembly stands as they are able for the Gospel)*

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the Gospel Acclamation. Both staves are in G major (one sharp) and 8/8 time. The first staff has a 12-measure introduction, followed by a 3-measure phrase, and a final 12-measure phrase. The second staff has a 12-measure introduction, followed by a 3-measure phrase, and a final 12-measure phrase. The lyrics 'Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!' are written below the notes in a cursive script.

Gathered together on this holy day: may we be open to all that you say.

Grant us your peace + sal-va-tion, we pray. Al-le-lu - ia!

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu ia! Al-le-lu - ia!

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu ia! Al-le-lu - ia!

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P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

**Luke 23:33-43**

*Amid scoffing and slander from those who sarcastically call him Messiah and king, Jesus reveals that to be Messiah and king is to give one's life for others. Here he uses his power to welcome a despised sinner to paradise but puts his own death into God's hands.*

<sup>33</sup>When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>34</sup>□ Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." □ And they cast lots to divide his clothing. <sup>35</sup>And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" <sup>36</sup>The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, <sup>37</sup>and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" <sup>38</sup>There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." <sup>39</sup>One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" <sup>40</sup>But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" <sup>41</sup>And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." <sup>42</sup>Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into

your kingdom.”<sup>43</sup> He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

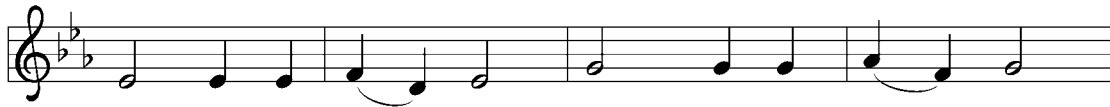
**P:** The Gospel of Our Lord.  
**C:** Praise to You, O Christ.

### HOMILY

### HYMN OF THE DAY “Beautiful Savior”

**R838**

*(The assembly stands as they are able)*



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,  
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,  
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,  
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,



Son of God and Son of Man!  
robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;  
bright the spar - kling stars on high;  
Son of God and Son of Man!



Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,  
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,  
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er  
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,



light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.  
than all the an - gels in the sky.  
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904  
Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent. This selection is in the public domain.

## APOSTLES' CREED

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 power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again;  
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again 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.

## INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

*(Response after each petition)*

P: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

## MEAL

*God feeds us with the presence of Christ.*

## OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** *(the assembly stands as they are able and sings as the gifts are brought forward)*



We place up - on your ta - ble, Lord, the food of life, the  
Ac - cept them, Lord; they come from you; we take them hum - bly  
bread and wine, as sym - bols of our dai - ly  
from your hand. These gifts of yours for high - er  
work, ac - cord - ing to your grand de - sign.  
use, we of - fer up as you com - mand.

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P: Let us pray... Gracious God,

C: 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.



## GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...*(concluding)*... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho-ly HO-ly HO-ly LORD, GOD OF POWER + MIGHT!  
HEAVEN + EARTH + FULL of your GLO-ry, HO-SANNA in the Music: Amy  
HIGHEST. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-  
SAN-NA! Ho-SAN-NA in the HIGHEST. Ho-SAN-NA! Ho-  
SAN-NA in the HIGHEST.

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## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER/WORDS OF INSTITUTION

O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise, call us to your table, grant us your life.

When the earth was a formless void, you formed order and beauty. When Abraham and Sarah were barren, you sent them a child; When the Israelites were enslaved, you led them to freedom. Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath, and the psalmists cried out for healing, and full of compassion, you granted the people your life.

You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother. He was born among the poor, he lived under oppression, he wept over the city. With infinite love, he granted the people your life.

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.

P: Remembering his death, we cry out Amen. C: **Amen.**

P: Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen. C: **Amen.**

P: Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen. C: **Amen.**

O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal. O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself. O God, you are Wine: warm our hearts and make us one. O God, you are Fire: transform us with hope.

O God most majestic, O God most motherly, O God our strength and our song, you show us a vision of a tree of life with fruits for all and leaves that heal the nations. Grant us such life, the life of the Father to the Son, the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior, life in you, now and forever. **Amen.**

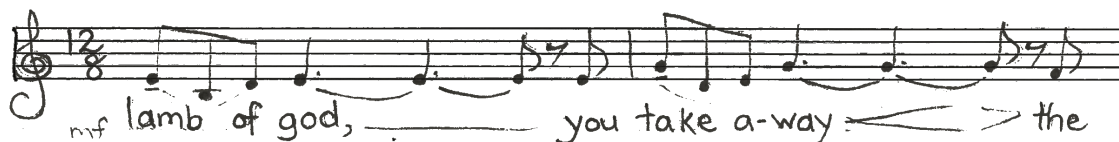
### LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

### HOLY COMMUNION

P: Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

*(All who desire to receive Christ's presence in bread and wine are welcome to participate in the Eucharist)*





sin of the world; *mp* have mer - cy on us.  
*mf* Lamb of god, you take a-way the  
 sin of the world; *mp* have mer - cy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
 sin of the world: grant U.S.  
 peace... grant U.S.  
 peace... grant  
 U.S. *pp* peace...

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COMMUNION HYMN “Be Still and Know”

ACS1083

1\* 2

Be still and know that I am God.

Be still and know that I am God.

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the hymn "Be Still and Know". The first staff is marked with a "1\*" and the second with a "2". Both staves are in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics "Be still and know that I am God." are written below each staff. The second staff includes a fermata over the final note.

\* May be sung in canon

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(the assembly stands as they are able)

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

P: Let us pray... God of the abundant table,

C: **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.**

**BLESSING**

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN “O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us”

R431

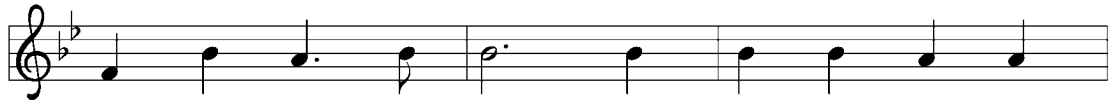
1 O Christ, what can it mean for us to claim you as our  
 2 You came, the im - age of our God, to heal and to for -  
 3 Though some would make their great - ness felt and lord it o - ver  
 4 You chose a hum - ble hu - man form and shunned the world's re -

The image shows a single staff of musical notation for the hymn "O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us". The key signature has one flat (B-flat major or D minor) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staff, with four numbered lines of text.

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king? What roy - al face have you re - vealed whose  
 give, to shed your blood for sin - ners' sake that  
 all, you said the first must be the last and  
 nown; you died for us up - on a cross with



praise the church would sing? As - pir - ing not to  
 we might rise and live. To break the law of  
 ser - vice be our call. O Christ, in work - place,  
 thorns your on - ly crown. But still, be - yond the



glo - ry's height, to pow - er, wealth, and fame, you  
 death you came, the law of love to bring: a  
 church, and home, let none to pow - er cling; for  
 span of years, our glad ho - san - nas ring, for



walked a dif - f'rent, low - ly way, an - oth - er's will your aim.  
 dif - f'rent rule of righ - teous-ness, a dif - f'rent kind of king.  
 still, through us, you come to serve, a dif - f'rent kind of king.  
 now at God's right hand you reign, a dif - f'rent kind of king!

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**P:** Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

**C:** Thanks be to God.



**POSTLUDE**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT GRACE LUTHERAN**  
**A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

We are glad to have you here worshipping with us. For visitors, we would be glad to tell you more about Grace Lutheran and how we share God's love. Please leave the best way to contact you on the visitor sheets in the Sanctuary Narthex or the Office Lobby or use the bulletin and give it to an usher.

**COFFEE HOUR AFTER SUNDAY WORSHIP**

Join us for a time of fellowship with coffee/tea/juice and treats in the Fellowship Hall off the Office Lobby after our Sunday worship.

**IN OUR PRAYERS**

Harry Kautz, Lisa Woolf, Kristin Berles, Don Barnard, Rich McTaggart, Meredith Smith, Robert Larsen, Vicki Piontkowski, Elaine Hatch, Scott Lancaster, Gerald Lancaster, Dorothy Hansen, Larry Nelson, Michele Amelotte, Joanne Nicholls, Deb Nitchman's Family, Diane Prevost, Jim Malaski, Emma Nelson, Kathy Rettell -- Kevin Furze, Arlie Prevost, Jan & Walt Soltysiak, Ted Durany (Karen Gould's father), Jack Thompson, Candee and Neviah Fetty, Matthew & Rebecca, Tracy Hall (Alane Wills' daughter), Margaret Cousineau (Jobson's daughter), Pastor Mike Schaedig, Al Smolinski, Donna Kendziorski, Geraldine Rhoads, James Marculewicz, Herb Schiller, Ann Haske, Gary Rich, Carl Ball, Joanne Coughlin, Sylvia Rouech, Jimmy Lappan, Donna Hatch, Jordyn, Maggie, Laura Bleau, Becky, Jodi Kennedy Dinnan, Maria Shelton, Emily Cross, Liz, Lucas David, and Joseph Hansen. We also remember the family of Tiffany Bailey, who passed away November 10th.

*Our prayer list is redone each month. If you, or a family member, would like to continue on the prayer list, please call the office (354-2640).*

**PRAYERS - PEOPLE TO ADD**

Forms for adding people to our prayer list are located at each entrance to the sanctuary. Give completed forms to the ushers for inclusion in the prayers during the service. Please be sure that you have the person(s)' permission to have their name read during public worship. And also remember that our worship and bulletin are available online so that it will be widely disseminated. Thank you. Names are on the list for the calendar month.

**PRAYER PARTNERS**

From the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, this weekend we pray for the Funeral Service Groups at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Our Synod Prayer Partner for this week: Immanuel Lutheran Church/Suttons Bay, Rev. Jonathan Reid, and Bishop Craig Satterlee and Synod Staff.

## **ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

### **November 20 - Would-Be Mass-Murderer Who Changed**

A Middle East war veteran came back with such hatred toward Muslims that he planned a bombing of a mosque in his hometown. When he went to the mosque to check it out, the way people greeted and welcomed him changed him and his attitudes toward Islam. What stereotypes of other religions or even other Christians do we have that prevent us having faithful exchange with them? What of our faith should we bring to conversations with others that are difficult or even frightening? Do you think you would have the courage to approach someone who you perceived as dangerous? Join us at 11 in the Lounge as we talk of living out our faith in our world today.

### **November 27 - Apologies and Reconciliation**

In July, Pope Francis offered apologies to Indigenous Peoples of Canada for the church-run boarding schools in that country. The U.S. also had Indian boarding schools, government run and church-run, that attempted to strip away native language and culture from Native children involuntarily removed from families. This gives us the opportunity to talk about apologizing, forgiveness and reconciliation in both our personal lives and in our society. Join us at 11 in the Lounge for the class. See Pastor Tom if you are not getting the materials prior to class.

### **Special Adult CE in January & February - *Corinthian Correspondence: Conflict, Case Studies, Contemporary Congregations, and Christ***

Our Synod is offering a special Adult Education Class early next year. On Tuesday evenings for 6 weeks starting January 10, a presentation by Rev. Dr. Walter Taylor, retired New Testament professor for Trinity Lutheran Seminary will be offered online. The following Sunday our ACE class (Adult Christian Education) will discuss the presentation. We will have a "watch party" here at church on Tuesday evenings where we can watch his presentation together. Or you could watch it at home by registering yourself with the Synod, you would be able to watch the recording at another time. See Pastor Tom for more details.

## **THANKSGIVING DINNER AT GRACE**

**Thursday, November 24, 2022**, Grace Lutheran will provide a church family Thanksgiving Dinner at 5:00 pm. The turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy will be provided. Everyone is welcome to bring a dish to pass – your favorite side, dessert, rolls, salads, whatever you feel inclined to bring! We will offer delivery to our Loving Care Members at 4:00 pm to allow them to also partake in our Thanksgiving Dinner. Sign up for the dinner and the committees to make this successful are in the office lobby. **Requests for delivered meals need to be called into the church by Monday, November 21 so deliveries can be coordinated.** All are welcome!

## **2022 CHRISTMAS WISH LIST**

The Wish List is comprised of local families experiencing hardships. We have been assigned 12 children from 3 families and with your generous assistance, we are confident of another successful outcome. *The recipient tags are available on the giving tree in the office lobby.* Gifts will need to be wrapped (NO GIFT BAGS), with the gift tag securely taped to the package and **returned to the church no later than SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27.** Thank you for making a difference in our community. -- The Discipleship Committee

## **BAKE SALE - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, FROM 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM**

The Ruth Circle is planning a bake sale at Grace again this year on December 3rd. *Please check your recipes for all kinds of goodies. We depend on everyone to help us make this a success.* Sale items may be brought in on Friday, December 2, from 9 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. We appreciate all baked or homemade goods, canned items, and craft items donated.

Please invite your family and friends to this annual event sponsored by the women of Grace. Contact Darlene Freel at 354-8866 if you can help set up on Friday or help the day of the sale. Thanks! **This event is sponsored by the women of Grace, but all members of the congregation are invited to donate items or help and shop on the day of the event.**

## **FILL A PLATE WITH COOKIES FOR THE BAKE SALE – DECEMBER 3**

Some Hummel plates have been donated for the Bake Sale. It would be great to fill them with cookies or treats and have them out for the sale. They're sure to go fast. See Chris Christopherson to let her know that you will have something for them.

## **CHRISTMAS CAROLING**

You are invited to join in Christmas caroling around the community! There will be lunch provided after church on **Sunday, December 11 at 11:00 am** and caroling will begin at 12:00pm. A sign up sheet will be posted. We will be going to assisted living homes as well as homes of some of our members. Please join in the fun!

## **CHRISTMAS DECORATING AFTER WORSHIP - SUNDAY DECEMBER 4**

Plan to stay for fellowship and fun after the worship service on December 4. Come and help make our sanctuary beautiful for Christmas. We will be putting up and decorating our large Christmas tree again this year along with many other decorations.

## **HURRICANE IAN DISASTER RELIEF**

Thank you to those who contributed to our hurricane relief efforts. A total of \$530 was sent to the ELCA to help those affected by Hurricane Ian. This included \$200 of Grace Lutheran's Community Outreach money. Thank you for helping to make a Christ-like difference in our community and world.

### **LITTLE FOOD PANTRY**

Thankfulness for our blessings this month and always! Most of us have enough to eat and shelter to keep us warm and we are so grateful. Our Little Food Pantry helps with those who don't. We see a lot going out and are thankful for all those who contribute! We need bread, boxed stuffing and nonperishable items that might go in a Thanksgiving meal. Also collecting hats, mittens and gloves.

### ***LITTLE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS HELP***

Do you have some time to help stock the LFP? Mondays and Saturdays need someone to bring things up to fill the inside shelves and outside box. Takes just a bit of time. Interested? Call Mary Lappan for more info. 989.255.7511

### **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS/DECORATIONS**

This year we are again asking for donations for Christmas flowers/decorations for the church in lieu of individual poinsettias. They can be made in honor or memory of someone. Several larger poinsettias will be ordered and greenery or other decorations needed will be purchased with the money. This will alleviate throwing away so many poinsettias. **Forms are available in the Office Lobby and on our website at [www.gracelutheran-alpena.org](http://www.gracelutheran-alpena.org) and may be placed in the offering plate or turned in to the church office no later than December 16.**

### **NEW ADDRESS**

Gary Rich has moved and would love to hear from folks at Grace. His new address is: 3951 W. Milham Ave., Apt. 24, Portage, MI 49024

### **SUNDAY WORSHIP LIVESTREAMED AND RECORDED**

Our Sunday worship service is livestreamed, shown on the internet, as it is happening and recorded for viewing online later. People in the sanctuary attending the Sunday service may be seen as part of the livestream and recording.

### **COVID TEST KITS FOR AT-HOME USE**

COVID test kits continue to be available in the church office. Just stop by or give us a call.

### **PLEASE RECYCLE BULLETINS**

You can place your bulletin in the recycle bin by the elevator as you leave the sanctuary.

**Large print worship folders &  
hearing assistance devices are available from ushers**

## *Update from David Delano...*

November 4, 2022

Hello to everyone!

It's impossible to believe that a year ago, almost to the day, we were packing our vehicle and heading to Maine. It has been an incredible year full of challenges and blessings, and we are so blessed to be able to have been near family and friends for so much of it.

Bri and I have spent a lot of time reflecting on our time spent in Alpena, the friends we made, the places we lived, and the places we were able to work and serve during our time there. We are so thankful for all the cards, gifts, emails, and kind thoughts that have been sent along in the last year wishing us well, and they always seem to find their way at exactly the right times.

While there is so much we miss, we constantly receive affirmation that we have made the right choices and are on the right path. Through the retail pet store that she works at here in Belfast, Bri has been able to begin making house calls and appointments with folks in the area who are struggling with certain types of care for their animals. She has been able to help many people with nail trims, administering medication, or other small tasks that some may struggle with. This, on top of 4-5 days of retail work, keeps her quite busy, but with fulfilling tasks!

As for myself, I have been working as the overnight stock crew manager for our local grocery store, Hannaford. I have been working this role for about 6 months, and working overnights was a very hard transition, but I have been able to work with the time I have to manage my sleep, and time with family and friends as well.

The animals are all very happy at the new house. All nine cats have adjusted incredibly well to the new hiding places, and thankfully have found no critters thus far, even though it is an older house. Their favorite activities include playing with their catnip toys, and climbing on my back when I least expect it. Our two dogs, Beau and Puck, have been joined by a new sister Maizie, and they are all doing very well. They love going to doggie day care to see their friends, and going for hikes here in the woods of Maine!

I have been so glad throughout the year to tune in to the YouTube feed and see and hear you all. One of my biggest challenges throughout the year was missing the unique service to music and worship that Grace provided, so I was very glad to be able to hear services during this time.

Thank you all for the work that you do within your communities, your support of the arts, and your support of us here in Maine. I know there will be a day that we get to visit in person, but until then we are together in spirit.

With love, David and Bri





### **SUNDAY SWEETS AND TREATS**

Wouldn't it be fun to share our favorite sweets and treats during Sunday's fellowship hour? Let's do it!

The goal is to have a few people to bring their goodies each Sunday. Use the sign-up sheet on the table in the Office Lobby so we know which Sunday you will share. The goal is to have a few people each week.

Join your Grace family on Sundays after the service to enjoy one another's company and to share and enjoy yummy sweets and treats! See you there.

Brought to you by your REBOOT team.

### **WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS DUE WEDNESDAY AT 9AM FOR BULLETIN**

We ask that any announcement for the bulletin be to the office in a written form or by email by 9 am Wednesday. The information is sent out in multiple forms - printed bulletins, email blast, Facebook and on our webpage - so that it reaches everyone who participates at church or attends worship in person or online. We offer all these means for everyone to be aware of all that is going on and for the chance to be involved in our work for God's Kingdom. Thank you.



## Birthdays

# November

### Anniversaries of Baptism



**November 9**  
Mary Bock

**November 11**  
Jessica McKenzie  
Rodney Szymanski

**November 12**  
Nicholas Schillerstrom

**November 13**  
Norman Schillerstrom

**November 21**  
Elaine Hatch

**November 23**  
Ashley Timmreck-Walker  
Madison Timmreck  
Melissa Timmreck  
Nicholas Timmreck  
Paige Timmreck  
Dan VanEssen

**November 24**  
Chris Christopherson

**November 26**  
Bruno Hirzel

**November 27**  
Beckett Granata

**November 29**  
Scott Kuligowski  
Brian Schiller  
Ellie Walker



**November 2**  
Olivia Haske  
Cindy Suszek

**November 4**  
Britni Nowak

**November 5**  
Lori Graham  
Raylynn Suszek

**November 7**  
Phyllis Colagross

**November 8**  
Edward Jahnke  
Melissa Timmreck

**November 10**  
Hannah Matzke

**November 11**  
Linda Gapske  
Gracie Gillard  
Brent Welch

**November 12**  
Diane O'Connor

**November 13**  
Doug Chroninger

**November 14**  
Mary Bock

**November 17**  
Chloe Hayward  
Kassandra McInerney

**November 18**  
Nancy Stachnik  
Karyn Vass

**November 20**  
Kelli Liske  
Sherie McTaggart  
Chris Moors

**November 21**  
Kevin Graham

**November 24**  
Melissa Chabot

**November 25**  
Jeffrey Diemond  
Monica Jahnke  
Erin McCourt

**November 26**  
Bruno Hirzel

**November 28**  
Janie Hansen  
Lisa McIntosh  
Brody Yuchasz

**November 30**  
Matthew Timrick

### Wedding Anniversaries

4th Bill & Mary Bock  
9th Ian & Amelia Kamyszek  
25th Anthony & Laura Thompson  
27th Alex & Anna-Marie Struble

**HAPPENING THIS WEEK!**

**Sunday - 20th**

8:50 am Choir Practice  
9:00 am Sunday School  
**9:30 am Worship**  
11:00 am Adult Christian Ed

**Monday - 21st**

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED  
8am - 2pm Kitchen Reserved

**Tuesday - 22nd**

8am-noon Church Office Open  
9:00 am Sewing/Quilting

**Wednesday - 23rd**

All Day Kitchen Reserved -  
Thanksgiving Dinner Prep  
8am-noon Church Office Open  
9:00 am Weekly Bulletin  
Announcements Due  
6:00 pm Bell Choir Practice

**Thursday - 24th**

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED  
All Day Kitchen Reserved  
5:00 pm Thanksgiving Dinner  
at Grace

**Friday - 25th**

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED  
8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved

**Saturday - 26th**

**5:00 pm Worship**

**SERVING NOVEMBER 19/20**

**Ministers** ..... God's People  
**Pastor** ..... Rev. Tom Orth  
**Music Director** ..... Claire Schreiber  
**Accompanist** ..... Amy Truth  
**Lector** ..... Bob Greene  
**Communion**  
**Assistants** ..... Clarence & Bonnie Cross  
**Ushers**..... Gary & Kay Grove, Rick Engstrom,  
Cindy Domrase (Sat.)  
**Greeters**..... Mary Rowader, Cindy Domrase  
**Altar Guild**..... Sandy Welch, Karen Slaght  
**Livestream Team** ..... Dawn Anderson, Jan  
Charter, Don Barnard, Don LaBarre  
**Counters**..... Cheryl Lang, Cindy Suszek  
**Coffee Hour** ..... Anne Gentry, Vicki Cripps

**SERVING NOVEMBER 26/27**

**Ministers** ..... God's People  
**Pastor** ..... Rev. Tom Orth  
**Music Director** ..... Claire Schreiber  
**Accompanist** ..... Amy Truth  
**Lector** ..... Ruby Haske  
**Communion**  
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**Ushers**..... Gary & Kay Grove, Rick Engstrom,  
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