Grace Lutheran Worship Folder

June 29 & 30, 2024



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Grace Lutheran Church

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

GATHERING

(the assembly stands as they are comfortable)

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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.
- C: Amen.
- P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: God, our provider,
- C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.
- P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, we are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, we are shown God's mercy: we are forgiven and loved into abundant life.
- C: Amen.



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LORD, I LIFT YOUR NAME PM

GREETING

- 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 (verses 1 & 4)





HYMN OF PRAISE





P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Lamentations 3:22-33

The book of Lamentations is one of our most important sources of information about the fall of Jerusalem to the Babylonians in 587 BCE. Though the people admit that God's judgment was just, today's reading declares a fervent trust that God will not leave them forever.

²²The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; ²³they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴"The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." ²⁵The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. ²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. ²⁷It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, ²⁸to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, ²⁹to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), ³⁰to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults. ³¹For the Lord will not reject forever. ³²Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; ³³for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 30

I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up. (Ps. 30:1)

¹I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

²O LORD my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.

³You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

⁴Sing praise to the LORD, all you faithful; give thanks in holy remembrance.

⁵God's wrath is short; God's favor lasts a lifetime. Weeping spends the night, but joy comes in the morning.

⁶While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.

⁷You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains." Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.

⁸I cried to you, O LORD; I pleaded with my Lord, saying,

⁹"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

¹⁰Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; O LORD, be my helper."

¹¹You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.

¹²Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever.

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Paul encourages the Corinthians to honor their commitment to participate in the collection his churches are organizing for the Christians in Jerusalem. He presents Jesus as an example of selfless stewardship and reminds them that Christians have received abundantly so that they can share abundantly.

Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. BI do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—11 now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. It do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written, "The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

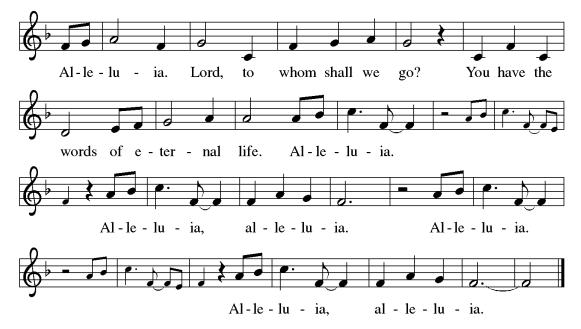
P: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(The assembly stands as they are comfortable for the Gospel)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Mark 5:21-43

Jairus, a respected leader, begs Jesus to heal his daughter. A woman with a hemorrhage was considered ritually unclean and treated as an outcast. Both Jairus and the unnamed woman come to Jesus in faith, believing in his power to heal and bring life out of death.

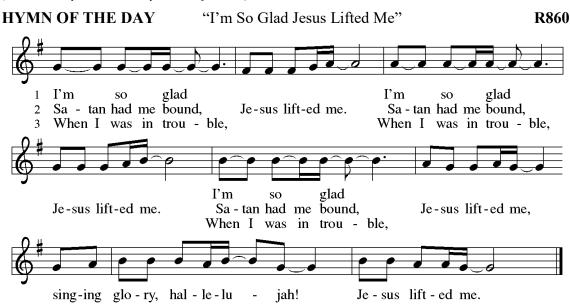
²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. ²²Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet ²³ and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." ²⁴So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." ²⁹Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus

turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" ³¹And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?" "32He looked all around to see who had done it. 33But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease." ³⁵While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." ³⁷He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" 42 And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

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

HOMILY

(The assembly stands as they are comfortable)



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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: Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

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



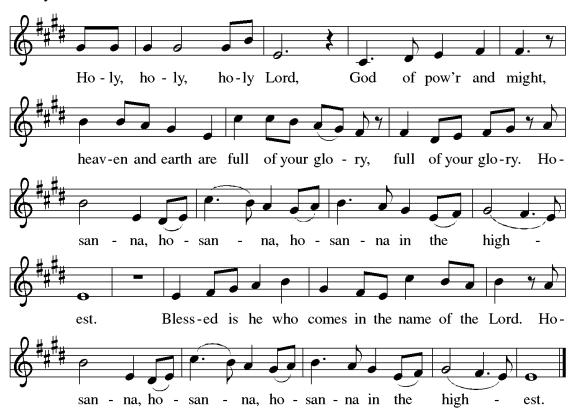
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P: Let us pray...Jesus, Bread of life,

C: you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. 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 right, 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:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER/WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,...(concluding)...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.

C:Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray.

C: 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;

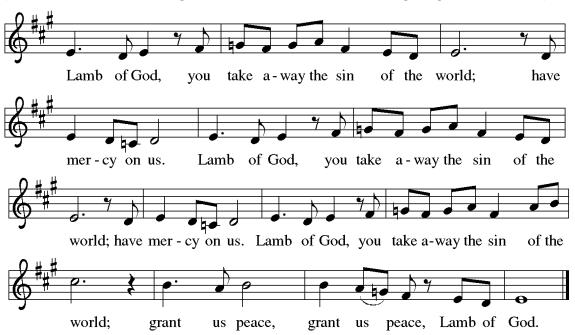
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

HOLY COMMUNION

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





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(the assembly stands as they are comfortable)

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

C: Amen.

P: Let us pray...Jesus, Bread of life,

C: we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

BLESSING

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us + be upon us now and forever.

C: Amen.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

P: Go in peace. We are the body of Christ.

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 worshiping 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

Bill Platt, Gary Bettega, Don & Myra Cross, Adam Kamyszek, Kelly Pankey, Joanne Kindt, Ali Lewis, Tammy Furze, Mary Barney-Bock, Eleanor Coddington, Sandy Malaski, Janet Chroninger, Bonnie Cross, Elfie Jahnke, Budd & Marlene Jobson, Lisa Wooll, Kristin Berles, Don Barnard, Meredith Smith, Robert Larsen, Vicki Piontkowski, Elaine Hatch, Scott Lancaster, Gerald Lancaster, Dorothy Hansen, Larry & Emma Nelson, Michele Amelotte, Jim Malaski -- Julie Stafford, Daphne Flack, Dixie Crevier, Annie Olsen, Brenda Donajkowski, Rev. Laraine Sundin, Rev. Sarah Samuelson, Duane Morin, Linda, Kaye Harry, Sandra Beck, Kevin Carlson, Laura Fettes (Don Cross' granddaughter), Arlie Prevost, Donna Kendziorski, Jeff Kendziorski, Geraldine Rhoads, James Marculewicz, Herb Schiller, Ann Haske, Joanne Coughlin, Jimmy Lappan, Donna Hatch, Jordyn, Maggie, Emily Cross, and Joseph Hansen.

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).

PRAYER PARTNERS

From the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, this weekend we pray for Spiritual Growth and Renewal at Trinity Episcopal Church. Our Synod Prayer Partner for this week: Ascension Lutheran Church/Saginaw, Rev. Julie Bailey and Bishop Craig Satterlee and Synod Staff.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED

Wrapping up world's thoughts on Christianity

We got through many of the article's twelve thoughts last Sunday and will finish the last few in our Sunday class. How would we answer these questions and objections? How do we explain our faith to others? These require us to decide how we define Christianity, and what purpose it is for us and for the world. Join us at 11 in the lounge, even if you weren't part of the first discussion.

FIRST OUTDOOR WORSHIP OF THE SUMMER - JUNE 29 & 30

Join us for worship outdoors this weekend. Bring a lawn chair and sunscreen - we hope. For the weekend of outdoor worship, both Saturday and Sunday we could use a couple of people to help take out some of the equipment we need. Let Pastor Tom know if you are available. Thanks.

ONE BOX FOR UKRAINE

Grace's giving mission for June is ONE BOX FOR UKRAINE. Cash donations will go toward purchasing a washing machine (\$275) and solar lanterns with a USB plug (\$10). Please note on giving envelope "ONE BOX" and preference of item if you wish. (Checks payable to Grace Lutheran; ONE BOX in memo line). Boyd Byelich from Rogers City started this project when he had a calling to aid the Ukrainian people during the war. For more information about this amazing 501c3 non-profit organization: https://www.one-box.org. For more info contact Dawn Gentry 989.356.2816.

HELP GRACE LUTHERAN WITH OUR MINISTRIES

Please let us know how you want to help Grace do what God and Jesus are calling us to. There are many ways to serve in worship and the Work Groups (Committees) of the church. An online survey was sent out to all on our email list. It takes only a few minutes. Paper copies are also available in the Office Lobby which can be returned to the Church Office or at weekend worships. Completing it by **JULY 14** allows schedules to be ready for the fall. THANK YOU.

PEACE GATHERING FROM THE ALPENA PEACE COMMUNITY Sunday July 14 from 7 - 8 PM at Grace Lutheran Church

Mediations and prayers with music by Charles Madison. Everyone is welcome. Non-perishable food donation to the Little Food Pantry appreciated.

SAVE THE DATE - WEDNESDAY AUGUST 7 - NEIGHBORHOOD PICNIC

Put it on your calendar and invite friends to join us as Grace hosts a Neighborhood Picnic with games and activities for the church and the neighborhood. More info to come.

RUMMAGE SALE - AUGUST 23 & 24

Please remember our Rummage Sale as you are Spring cleaning. Your donations will be accepted at the church starting Saturday, August 10 through Wednesday, August 21, just before the sale. Please no pieces of furniture or other large items.

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

The Little Free Library is getting steady usage. If you have any books you are no longer using, please consider donating them to the library, especially children's books which go quite fast.

COUNCIL BRIEFS - MAY 21, 2024 May 21, 2024 Council Briefs

Pastor Tom Orth's report -

ACE (Adult Christian Ed) classes continue

Catechism is upcoming

Organizations that use Grace reminded to lock inside doors while meeting is taking place

Treasurer's report given by Dennis Werblow

February, March and April financial report was approved as presented and we are in good financial shape

Worship Group - Sharon Engstrom

Continue to look for ushers, altar guild, and greeters. Need volunteers

Discipleship

Reboot continues to meet and plan

Little Food Pantry - Mary Lappan

Use frequently and filled daily. Thanks for the donations that come in.

Little Free Library - Connie Stepanski

Located across from the church and up and running

Property - Bill Platt

Successful work bee on May 18, 2024

Bids are out for a commercial dishwasher if parts can not be located

Discussion and recap of our 150 celebration

Fellowship

Easter breakfast led by the Haske's.

150 celebration was lead by Janet Bettega and Elsa Phillips and Pam Kirchhoff making the cake

Thanks to all involved!

New business -

AED and CPR workshop coming soon

Donation Policy-

Grace Lutheran Church Council accepts on behalf of the congregation gifts and donations and uses them in the best way that furthers mission and ministry the church is called to do.

Maintenance and Repair authorizations

Grace Lutheran Church Council authorizes the following people to order maintenance and repair services for the church:

Chair of Property Work Group, Pastor, Council President, Council Vice President, or others as designated by one of these.

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY

This past week Perch's IGA donated over \$200 of nonperishable food. We wish Julie and Terry Curtis good luck as they retire from the store and find new adventures. Our pantry is in need of pasta of any kind. Thank you for all of your donations.

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.







July 1 Sharon Engstrom Kelly Pankey

July 4 Caitlin Wade

July 5 Myles Granata Ann O'Connor

July 6 Rachel Chroninger Taylor Chroninger

July 7 Grace Kuligowski Harper Suszek

July 8 Charity Corwin

July 11 Emily Szymanski **July 14** Richard Carlson

July 15 Scott Lancaster

July 17 Michele Amelotte

July 20 Rhonda Anderson Christopher Carlson Amelia Kamyszek

July 22 Mike Schiller

July 24 Vicki VanEssen

July 29 Kathy Piontkowski Oliviah Viegelahn July 1

Christopher Carlson Dale Schultz

July 2 Jonathan Lang

July 4 Riley Gohlke

July 6Wayne Christopherson
Jon Crow
Donald LaBarre

July 7 Elaine Hatch

July 10 Stephanie Suszek

July 12 Britni Nowak Hadleigh Suszek

July 15 Myra Cross Vicki Denstaedt

July 16 Clarence Cross **July 17** Leslie Reynolds

July 18 Scott Kuligowski

Margaret Clemens Dorothy Hansen Brian Nelson Patti Tucker

July 22 Joel Fraley Kay Grove

July 23 Scott Henning

July 24 Christena Christopherson Jim Hansen

July 27 Pam Gohlke Anthony Thompson

July 28 Paige Timmreck

July 31 Rodney Szymanski



Wedding Anniversaries

6th	Ken & Nancy Amelotte
8th	Brady & Taylor Loop
14th	Jim & Denise Timrick
	Dennis & Cheryl Werblov
15th	Jeff & Shirley Diemond
19th	Fred & Joanne Kindt
27th	Scott & Judy Black
30th	Ray & Leslie Reynolds



HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday –30th

9:30 am Outdoor Worship 11:00 am Adult Ed - Lounge

Monday - 1st

8am-noon Church Office Open 8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved 6:00 pm ROC - Lounge

Tuesday - 2nd

8am-noon Church Office Open 9:00 am Sewing/Quilting 11:00 am Pastor's Text Study

Wednesday - 3rd

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday - 4th

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved

Friday - 5th

8am-noon Church Office Open 8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved

Saturday - 6th

5:00 pm Worship

SERVING JUNE 29/30

Ministers God's People		
Pastor Rev. Tom Orth		
Music DirectorClaire Witt		
Recorded AccompanimentKat Tomaszewski		
Lector Joe Gentry		
Comm. Asst Sherie McTaggart, JoAnn Smith		
Ushers Wayne & Chris Christopherson		
Greeter Cindy Domrase, Mary Rowader		
Altar Guild Kathy Piontkowski, Kelli Liske		
Livestream Team Dawn Anderson, Jan		
Charter, Don LaBarre, Alex Struble		
Counters Wayne & Chris Christopherson,		
Darlene Freel		
Coffee Hour Rick & Sharon Engstrom		

SERVING JULY 6/7

	God's People	
	Rev. Tom Orth	
Music Director	Claire Witt	
Recorded AccompanimentKat Tomaszewski		
Lector	Ruby Haske	
Comm. Asst	Joe Gentry, Wayne Lewis	
Ushers	Dale Schultz, June Daly	
	Diane Prevost (Saturday)	
	yne & Chris Christopherson	
Altar Guild	Chris Christopherson	
Livestream Team Dawn Anderson, Jan		
Charter	, Don LaBarre, Alex Struble	
Counters	Gary & Kay Grove	
Coffee Hour	Joel & Cindy Suszek	

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