Grace Lutheran Worship Folder

July 13 & 14, 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.

GATHERING HYMN

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

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- 1 Come, thou Fount of ev 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
- 2 Here I raise my Eb en e zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
- 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt-or dai-ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise. and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home. let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love, Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God; Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove. he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter - posed his pre-cious blood. Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735-1790, alt.

Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813

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 (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

O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Amos 7:7-15

Amos is not the kind of prophet attached to temples or royal courts. Rather, he is an ordinary farmer from Judah (the southern kingdom) called by God to speak to Israel (the northern kingdom). God's word of judgment through Amos conflicts with the king's court prophet Amaziah, whom Amos encounters at Bethel.

⁷ This is what [the Lord God] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸ And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; ⁹ the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." ¹⁰ Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹ For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.' " ¹² And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³ but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." ¹⁴ Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵ and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 85:8-13

I will listen to what the LORD God is saying. (Ps. 85:8)

- ⁸ I will listen to what the LORD God is saying; for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.
- ⁹ Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you, that your glory may dwell in our land. R
- ¹⁰ Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- ¹¹ Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- ¹² The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.
- ¹³ Righteousness shall go before the LORD and shall prepare for God a pathway.

Ephesians 1:3-14

In Jesus, all of God's plans and purposes have been made known as heaven and earth are united in Christ. Through Jesus, we have been chosen as God's children and have been promised eternal salvation.

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵ He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, 6 to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace 8 that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹ he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, 12 so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

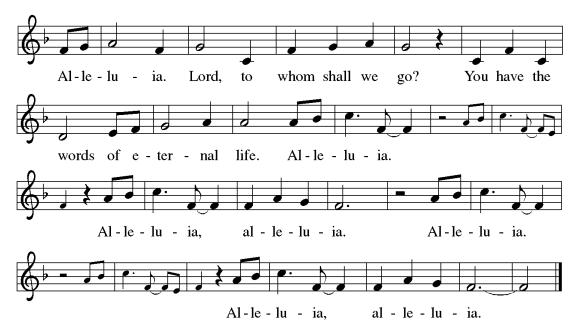
P: The word of the Lord.

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 6:14-29

As Jesus and his disciples begin to attract attention, Mark recalls the story of John the Baptist's martyrdom. Like John, Jesus and his disciples will also suffer at the hands of those opposed to the gospel of salvation.

¹⁴ King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." ¹⁵ But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶ But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." ¹⁷ For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸ For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ¹⁹ And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰ for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹ But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his

courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²² When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." ²³ And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." ²⁴ She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." ²⁵ Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." ²⁶ The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷ Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, ²⁸ brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹ When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

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

HOMILY

(The assembly stands as they are comfortable)



peace per-vade this world our whole life through.

Text: Jane Parker Huber, b. 1926

Music: ST. THOMAS, Aaron Williams, 1731–1776

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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)

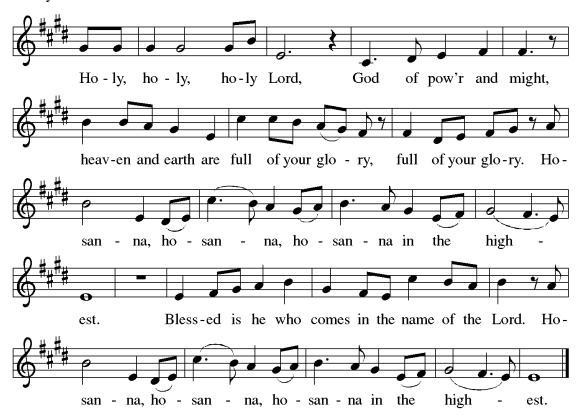


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- P: Let us pray...Jesus, Bread of life,
- C: you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the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

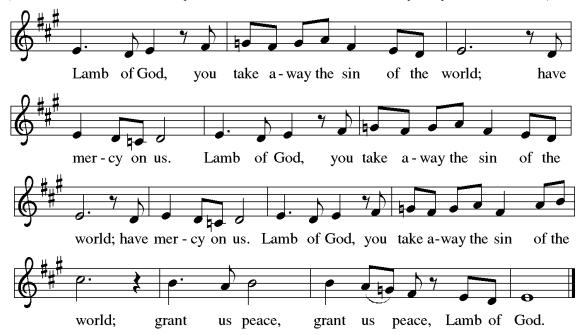
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

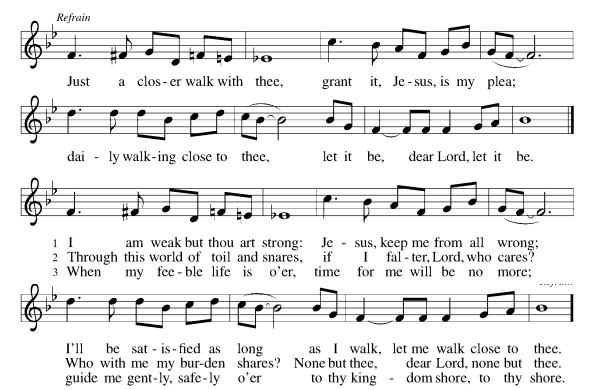
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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)





Text: North American traditional

Music: CLOSER WALK, North American traditional

(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

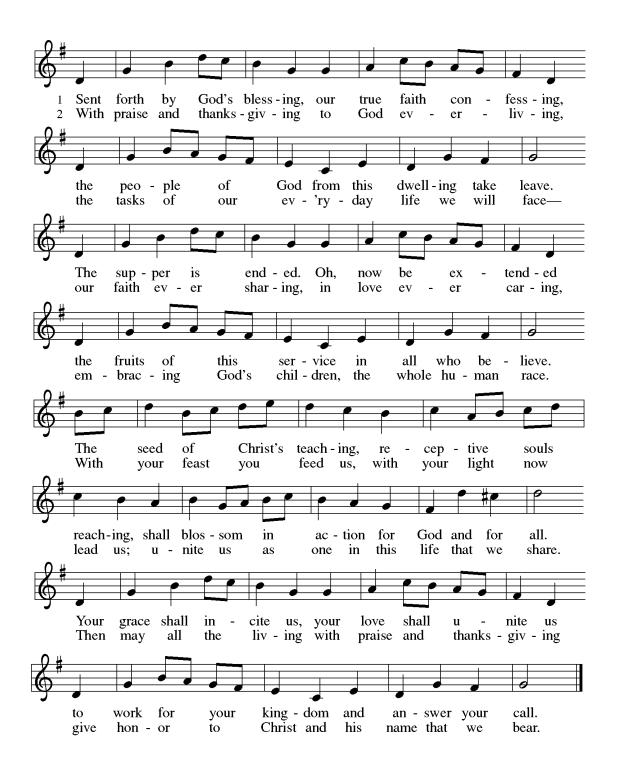
P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us + be upon us now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

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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.

ALTAR FLOWERS

In Celebration of Myra's 80th Birthday by Don & Myra Cross

IN OUR PRAYERS

Bill Whitscell, 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 the RCIA/Adult Ed. at All Saints Catholic Parish. Our Synod Prayer Partner for this week: Our Savior Lutheran Church/Saginaw, Rev. Andreas Teich, Supply Pastor and Bishop Craig Satterlee and Synod Staff.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED

Honoring Our Neighbor's Faith - Islam

This week we will take a look at Islam, certainly a faith that is in the news a great deal. We will look to particulars of their tradition and how that compares to Christianity. Join us in the Lounge at 11 for our discussion.

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

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

OUTDOOR WORSHIP - JULY 20 & 21

Join us for outside Worship that Saturday and Sunday. And hopefully, it will be truly summer on both those days. Bring a lawn chair and maybe sunscreen. Worship is at our usual times

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.

LET'S HAVE SOME FUN!!!!

There are 6 balloons, 3 big black and 3 small gold, left flying in the Office Lobby from our 150the Celebration on April 28th. Amazing!!!!! Some good balloons Janet Bettega purchased. They are now numbered. Guess the last balloon still at the top of it's ribbon and win a surprise. Sign up sheet on the table with the balloons. Pastor Tom is the final judge of flying.

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.

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY

We are looking for a volunteer to fill the Little Food Pantry on Fridays. If you might be interested please contact Mary Lappan at tomala49707@yahoo.com or 989.255.7511 (call or text). Bread, peanut butter and jam can be a meal for someone. If you are shopping could you consider buying an extra loaf of bread?

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.

Anniversaries of Baptism





July 1 Sharon Engstrom Kelly Pankey

July 8

July 11

July 15 Scott Lancaster July 4

Caitlin Wade July 17

Michele Amelotte July 5 Myles Granata

July 14

Richard Carlson

Ann O'Connor July 20 Rhonda Anderson Christopher Carlson July 6 Rachel Chroninger Amelia Kamyszek Taylor Chroninger

July 22 Mike Schiller July 7

Grace Kuligowski Harper Suszek July 24 Vicki VanEssen

Charity Corwin July 29 Kathy Piontkowski Oliviah Viegelahn

Emily Szymanski

Wedding **Anniversaries**

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

July 1 Christopher Carlson Dale Schultz

July 2 Jonathan Lang

July 4 Riley Gohlke

July 6 Wayne 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

July 21 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



HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday –14th

9:30 am Worship

Adult Ed - Lounge 11:00 am

Alpena Peace Community 7:00 pm

Gathering at Grace

Monday - 15th

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

Tuesday - 16th

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

Wednesday - 17th

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday - 18th

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

Friday - 19th

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

Saturday - 20th

Outdoor Worship 5:00 pm

SERVING JULY 13/14

Ministers	God's People
Pastor	Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director	Claire Witt
Recorded AccompanimentKat Tomaszewski	
Lector	Sharon Engstrom
Comm. Asst Wayne & Chris Christopherson	
Ushers	Dale Schultz, June Daly
Di	iane Prevost (Saturday)
Greeter	. Steve & Janie Hansen
Altar Guild	Chris Christopherson
Livestream Team	Dawn Anderson, Jan
Charter, Don LaBarre, Alex Struble	
Counters	Gary & Kay Grove
Coffee Hour Anno	e Gentry, Jo Ann Smith

SERVING JULY 20/21

God's People	
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Claire Witt	
Recorded AccompanimentKat Tomaszewski	
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Schultz, June Daly	
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Livestream Team Dawn Anderson, Jan	
Charter, Don LaBarre, Alex Struble	
Gary & Kay Grove	
Sherie McTaggart	

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

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