Grace Lutheran Worship Folder

September 10 & 11, 2022



Pentecost

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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.

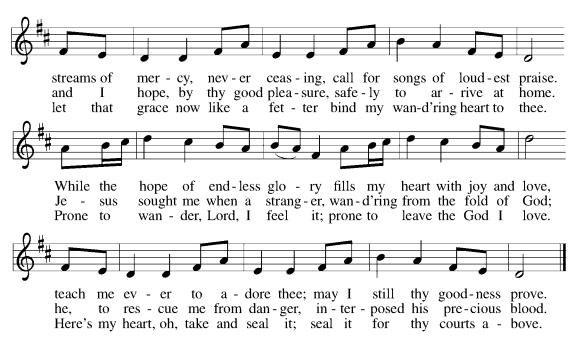
- P: God of mercy and forgiveness,
- C: we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through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



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GREETING

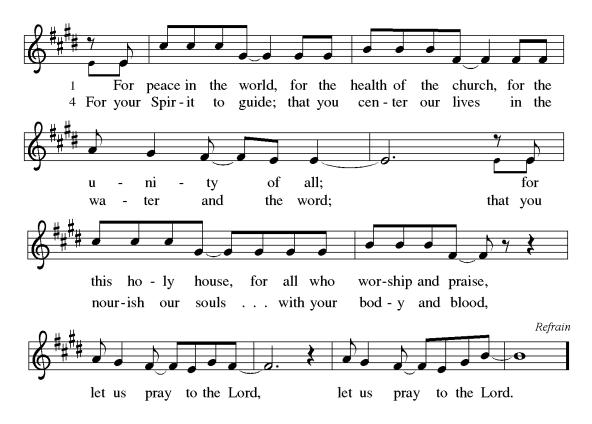
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

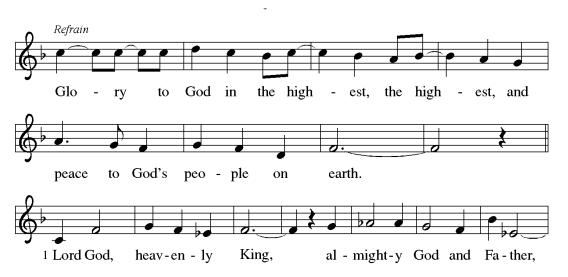
KYRIE



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HYMN OF PRAISE







P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Exodus 32:7-14

While Moses is on Mount Sinai, the people grow restless and make a golden calf to worship. Today's reading shows Moses as the mediator between an angry God and a sinful people. Moses reminds God that the Israelites are God's own people, and boldly asks for mercy for them.

⁷The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; 8they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" ⁹The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. ¹⁰Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation." ¹¹But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹²Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever." ¹⁴And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 51:1-10

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love. (Ps. 51:1)

¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

²Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin.

³For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.

⁴Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.

⁵Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my mother's womb.

⁶Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me, and would have me know wisdom deep within.

⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

⁸Let me hear joy and gladness; that the body you have broken may rejoice.

⁹Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my wickedness.

¹⁰Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

1 Timothy 1:12-17

The letters to Timothy and Titus are called the pastoral epistles because they contain advice especially intended for leaders in the church. Here the mercy shown to Paul, who once persecuted the church, is cited as evidence that even the most unworthy may become witnesses to the grace of God.

¹²I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

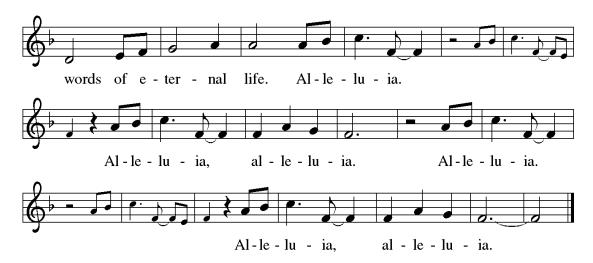
L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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





P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Luke 15:1-10

Jesus tells two stories that suggest a curious connection between the lost being found and sinners repenting. God takes the initiative to find sinners, each of whom is so precious to God that their recovery brings joy in heaven.

¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." ³So he told them this parable: ⁴"Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. ⁸"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

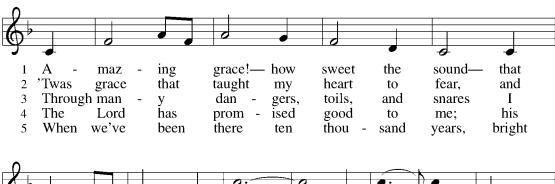
C: Praise to You, O Christ.

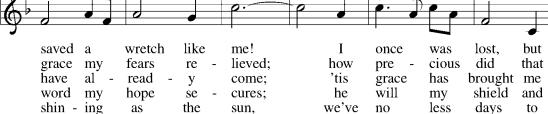
HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

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(The assembly stands as they are able)







Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt., sts. 1-4; anonymous, st. 5

Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835 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)



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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:



EUCHARISTIC 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

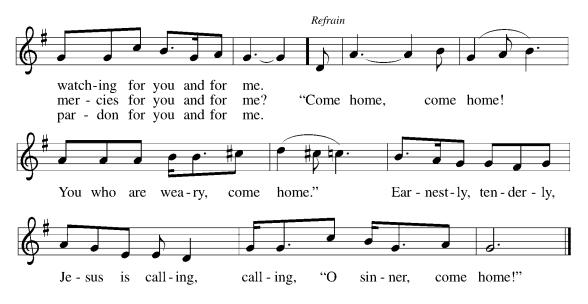
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the 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)





Text: Will L. Thompson, 1847-1909

Music: THOMPSON, Will L. Thompson

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(the assembly stands as they are able)

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

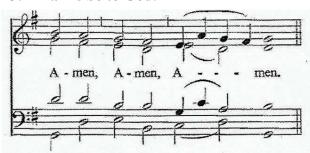
- P: God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
- C: Amen.



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 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

Darlene Freel, Kristin Berles, Don Barnard, Rich McTaggart, Marlene Jobson, 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 -- Matthew & Rebecca, Sandra Christopherson, Tracy Hall (Alane Wills' daughter), Margaret Cousineau (Jobson's daughter), Pastor Mike Schaedig, Maureen Eberhardt, Ryan Guisgand & Nora Grace Guisgand (Budd & Marlene Jobson's grandson and greatgranddaughter), Al Smolinski, Carol Liske, Donna Kendziorski, Geraldine Rhoads, Tiffany Bailey, James Marculewicz, Herb Schiller, Ann Haske, Gary Rich, Carl Ball, Joanne Coughlin, Sylvia Rouech, Jimmy Lappan, Donna Hatch, Jordyn, Maggie, Laura Bleau, Sharon Anderson, Becky, Jodi Kennedy Dinnan, Maria Shelton, Emily Cross, Liz, Lucas David, David Delano (David's Dad), Edna Delano, 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).

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. If you want the person on longer, please notify the office by the end of the month.

PRAYER PARTNERS

From the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, this weekend we pray for the Homebound Parishioners at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Our Synod Prayer Partner for this week: Faith Lutheran Church/Saginaw, Rev. John Soyster and Bishop Craig Satterlee and Synod Staff.

EXPLORING LUTHERANISM

A class on Exploring Lutheranism, Theology and Tradition will be held on Tuesday evenings in September starting on the 13th at 6:30 PM. Whether you are interested in learning about Lutheran beliefs and considering joining Grace, or already are a member and want to refresh your understanding of Lutheran beliefs and thought and maybe learn some more, you are invited to join us for these 3 classes. Please call the office to let us know you are coming and get the book for the class.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY

September 18 at 9:00 a.m. is Sunday School Rally Day. We have lots of fun activities planned. All children are welcome. See you then!

MUSIC AT GRACE

Choir and Bell Choir are starting up in September! If you are interested in either, please sign up in the lobby or contact Claire by email: sclaire489@gmail.com. There will be a music potluck on Wednesday, September 14th at 5:30 pm to go over further information and details. If you would like to bring a dish, you can sign up in the lobby as well.

FIRST COMMUNION WORKSHOP

There will be a First Communion Workshop on Saturday, September 24th at 10 am. If you think your child is ready for this next step on their faith journey, please register with the office. First Communion for the children will be Sunday September 25th. For further information, contact Pastor Tom.

RUMMAGE SALE SEPTEMBER 30—OCTOBER 1 Household items, clothes, etc.

Donations can be dropped off at church starting September 18 through September 29. Will have an area in the dining room for donations so items won't have to be hauled to the basement. More details later.

THANK YOU

DID YOU KNOW the Orphan Grain Train sent out 158 truckloads of relief items domestically last year? Some went to Kentucky flood relief, Hurricane Harvey relief, and even hay to farmers in New Mexico for fire relief and Montana for drought relief. **Next year the 162 quilts we sent will be included in the shipments.** THANK YOU TO ALL who have donated material. -- Grace Quilters

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY

For the next week, our special request for the LFP is: **breakfast cereals with powdered milk.** You may place these and any donations in the Office Lobby. Thank you for your support because the pantry is used often!

"GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS." SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Grace Lutheran is one of nearly 8,900 congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) participating in "God's work. Our hands." Sunday on September 11. Across the country, thousands of ELCA members will be engaging in service work to make a positive change in their communities, build and deepen relationships, and share God's love.

This year there will be a special opportunity for members to support the Little Food Pantry as part of the "God's work. Our hands." celebration. For both Saturday and Sunday services, donations maybe placed in front of the altar.

These donations could be from the current needs list of the Little Food Pantry (Items the pantry can always use include toilet paper, paper towels, tuna in can or package, oatmeal, nuts, tea, Dinty Moore microwave stews, deodorant, feminine products, soups, and macaroni.) or they could be something from your own cupboard or pantry that you wish to share. During the service, Pastor Tom will be offering a special blessing of these gifts from our hands.

(We will need a few volunteers to move the donations down to the LFP storage area after service.)

COMMUNITY CHORUS REHEARSALS BEGIN OCTOBER 17

The Community Chorus will be taking place this year at Trinity Episcopal Church (124 E. Washington Ave.) in Alpena. Rehearsals start Monday, October 17th at 7:00pm and continue all Monday nights except November 14th until the performance on Sunday, December 4th at 2:00pm. There are no auditions, but please contact Jean or Don at 989-340-0262. They will need to know what part you sing as well as a \$10.00 charge to help defray costs.

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.

PLEASE RECYCLE BULLETINS

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

A list of September birthdays and anniversaries can be found on the "News" page of our website at www.gracelutheran-alpena.org

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday - 11th	" <u>God's work. Our hands.</u> "
9:30 am	Worship
11:00 am	Adult Ed - Lounge
Monday - 12th 8am-noon 8am - 2pm 10 am	Church Office Open Kitchen Reserved Finance Mtg.
Tuesday - 13th	Church Office Open
8am-noon	Sewing/Quilting
9:00 am	Exploring Lutheranism -
6:30 pm	Lounge

Wednesday - 14th

8am-noon Church Office Open 5:30 pm Music Potluck

Thursday - 15th

8am-noon Church Office Open 8am - 2pm Kitchen Reserved 4pm-6pm Lounge Reserved

Friday - 16th

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

Saturday - 17th

5:00 pm Worship

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

SERVING SEPTEMBER 10/11

MinistersGod's PeoplePastorRev. Tom OrthMusic DirectorClaire SchreiberAccompanistAmy TruthLectorRuby HaskeCommunion	
Assistants Roger & Jeanne Pankey	
Ushers Gary & Kay Grove, Rick Engstrom,	
Cindy Domrase (Sat.)	
Greeters	
Altar Guild Sherie McTaggart, Sandy	
Malaski, Bonnie Cross	
Livestream Team Dawn Anderson, Jan Charter, Don Barnard, Don LaBarre	
Counters Wayne & Chris Christopherson	
Coffee Hour Jo Ann Smith, Anne Gentry,	
Vicki Cripps	

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	Charter, Don Barnard, Don LaBarre
Counters	Wayne & Chris Christopherson
Coffee Hour	Joel & Cindy Suszek

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