



**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)**  
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**Worship services: Sundays at 9am,  
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**Our Mission:** "Reaching out to all people as Disciples of Christ, we serve God, proclaim our faith, and care for all creation."

**Vision Statement:** At Grace, we strive to Guide and nurture all individuals to be Resilient, Accepting Children of God rooted in the Enrichment of God's word.

**Welcome to Worship:** We encourage visitors to talk with our pastor following worship! Know that you are always welcome to join us for worship! If you are interested in becoming a member at any time, please contact the pastor.

**Communion Instruction:** Jesus Christ, present in this Meal of bread and wine, invites every person to share in Holy Communion, especially children. Ushers will direct you to the front, where you will come forward in an orderly fashion, receive a piece of bread, and then select either the red wine or the white grape juice and return to your seat. **Gluten-free wafers are also available; talk to the pastor if you require gluten-free.** If you would prefer not to commune today, you are welcome to come forward with your hands crossed to receive a blessing instead. If you would like your children to receive communion instruction prior to sharing in this Meal, please talk with the pastor before or after worship.

**Offering:** Offerings are not taken during worship. There is an offering plate at the back of the sanctuary and one near the front for you to drop an offering when you come up for communion. You may also scan the QR code on this page to give online.

**Hearing Assistance Available:** This facility is equipped with a hearing-assistance system. Please see an usher for assistance.

**Nursery Available:** We love to have children in worship with us. For those that play quietly there is a space for them to play with quiet toys in worship (the Pray-ground). A separate staffed nursery is provided for healthy children that are more active and like to be a bit louder.

**PRELUDE** (Piano): Anne Krentz Organ (arr.), from Piano Reflections on Hymns of Healing (2018)

1. Abide with Me – Tune: Eventide (ELW #629)
2. Healer of Our Every Ill – Tune: Healer of Our Every Ill (ELW #612)
3. Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song – Tune: Les Petites Soeurs (ELW #808)

**WELCOME**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP** Linda Spevacek (arr.), “Deep River” (based on a traditional Spiritual; 1994)

- Intro) Oh, my Lord, yes my Lord.
- Vs. 1) Deep river, my home is over Jordan.  
Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.  
Oh, don't you want to go to that gospel feast,  
That land where all is peace?
- Vs. 2) Deep river, my home is over Jordan.  
Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.  
Oh, when I get to heaven I'll walk all about.  
There's no one there to turn me out.
- Outro) Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.

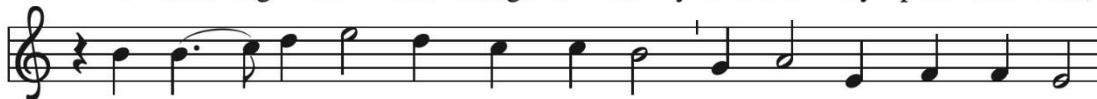
**GATHERING SONG** *All Things of Dust to Dust Return* (ACS 920)



- 1 All things of dust to dust re - turn on earth and in the sky.
- 2 Lord, mark with dust and ash my brow so I may com-pre-hend
- 3 Lord, mark up - on my brow this sign: a stark and bar-ren cross



The hot - test, bright - est suns that burn in time grow dim and die.  
that ev - 'ry mo - ment here and now links me to that same end  
re - mind - ing me that though di - vine you know my pain and loss,



The fish that leap, the birds that soar, the new - born young that play,  
I share with all that breathe and burn, that flare and fade and tire  
and at the touch of dust and ash a - wake my heart to view



the leaves that fill the for - est floor re - vert to dust and clay.  
 yet by their wan - ing light dis - cern your own un - dy - ing fire.  
 how death it - self is but a flash that dies a - way in you.

**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**



Leader or All

Se - ñor, ten pie - dad de no - so - tros. Cris - to, ten pie - dad.  
 O Lord, have . . . mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy.

All



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 O Lord, have . . . mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy.

Leader or All

All



Se - ñor, ten pie - dad. Se - ñor, ten pie - dad.  
 Have mer - cy, O Lord. Have mer - cy, O Lord.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray. (*Silence is kept for reflection*) Almighty and ever-living God...the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

**FIRST READING Joel 2:1-2, 12-17**

<sup>1</sup> Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the LORD is coming, it is near— <sup>2</sup> a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness! Like blackness spread upon the mountains, a great and powerful army comes; their like has never been from of old, nor will be again after them in ages to come.

<sup>12</sup> Yet even now, says the LORD, return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; <sup>13</sup> rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from punishment.

<sup>14</sup> Who knows whether he will not turn and relent and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD your God? <sup>15</sup> Blow the trumpet in Zion; consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly; <sup>16</sup> gather the people. Consecrate the congregation; assemble the aged; gather

the children, even infants at the breast. Let the bridegroom leave his room and the bride her canopy. <sup>17</sup> Between the vestibule and the altar, let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep. Let them say, "Spare your people, O LORD, and do not make your heritage a mockery, a byword among the nations. Why should it be said among the peoples, 'Where is their God?' "

L: Word of God. Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM Psalm 51:1-17

### Refrain



Have mer-cy on me, O God, ac-cord-ing to your stead-fast love.

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

**C: Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin.**

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

**C: Against 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. R**

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

**C: Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me, and would have me know wisdom deep within.**

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

**C: Let me hear joy and gladness; that the body you have broken may rejoice. R**

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

**C: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

L: Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

**C: Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit. R**

L: Let me teach your ways to offenders, and sinners shall be restored to you.

**C: Rescue me from bloodshed, O God of my salvation, and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness.**

L: O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

**C: For you take no delight in sacrifice, or I would give it. You are not pleased with burnt offering.**

L: The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit; a troubled and broken heart, O God, you will not despise. **R**

## SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 5:20b--6:10

<sup>20b</sup> We entreat you on behalf of Christ: be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup> For our sake God made the one who knew no sin to be sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

<sup>6:1</sup> As we work together with him, we entreat you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup> For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have

helped you.”

Look, now is the acceptable time; look, now is the day of salvation! <sup>3</sup> We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup> but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: in great endurance, afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup> beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup> in purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, <sup>7</sup> truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup> in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors and yet are true, <sup>9</sup> as unknown and yet are well known, as dying and look—we are alive, as punished and yet not killed, <sup>10</sup> as sorrowful yet always rejoicing, as poor yet making many rich, as having nothing and yet possessing everything.

L: Word of God. Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(ACS Setting 11)

En tu in - a - go - ta - ble a - mor, oh Dios,  
Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.

en tu in - a - go - ta - ble a - mor, oh Dios,  
Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.

cum - ple la pro - me - sa de tu sal - va - ción;  
Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word,

tu pa - la - bra con - fia - ré.  
we will trust . . . . . your word.

## GOSPEL Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

P: The holy gospel, according to Matthew, the 6th chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.** (*The gospel is announced*)

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>1</sup> “Beware of practicing your righteousness before others in order to be seen by them, for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. <sup>2</sup> “So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. <sup>3</sup> But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, <sup>4</sup> so that your alms may be done in secret, and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>5</sup> “And

whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. <sup>6</sup> But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

<sup>16</sup> “And whenever you fast, do not look somber, like the hypocrites, for they mark their faces to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. <sup>17</sup> But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, <sup>18</sup> so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>19</sup> “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, <sup>20</sup> but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

P: The gospel of our Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## SERMON

### INVITATION TO LENT

P: Friends in Christ.....death and resurrection.

### CONFESSION OF SIN

P: Let us confess....merciful God, **C: we confess to you and to one another, and before the whole company of heaven, that we have sinned by our fault, by our own fault, by our own most grievous fault, in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

P: We have not loved....been forgiven. **C: Have mercy on us, O God.**

P: We have shut our ears.... your Holy Spirit. **C: Have mercy on us, O God.**

P: Our past unfaithfulness .... we confess to you. **C: Have mercy on us, O God.**

P: Our self-indulgent appetites .... we confess to you. **C: Have mercy on us, O God.**

P: Our negligence in prayer .... we confess to you. **C: Have mercy on us, O God.**

P: Our neglect of human need .... we confess to you. **C: Have mercy on us, O God.**

P: Our false judgments.... we confess to you. **C: Have mercy on us, O God.**

P: Our waste and pollution.... we confess to you. **C: Have mercy on us, O God.**

P: Restore us, O God, and let your anger depart from us.

**C: Hear us, O God, for your mercy is great.**

### IMPOSITION OF ASHES (Organ) Selections from Dom Paul Benoit, O.S.B., *Fifty Elevations* (1948)

*All are welcome to come to the altar to receive the imposition of ashes.*

P: Almighty God...Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

P: Remember that you are dust....your salvation,

**C: that we may show forth your glory in the world.**

P: By the cross and passion of your Son, our Savior,

**C: bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.**

**P: Almighty God.....in eternal life. C: Amen.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *Savior, When in Dust to You*

**ELW (601)**



1 Sav-ior, when in dust to you low we bow in hom-age due;  
2 By your help-less in-fant years, by your life of want and tears,  
3 By your hour of dire de-spair, by your ag-o-ny of prayer,  
4 By your deep ex-pir-ing groan, by the sad se-pul-chral stone,



when, re-pen-tant, to the skies scarce we lift our weep-ing eyes;  
by your days of deep dis-tress in the sav-age wil-der-ness,  
by the cross, the nail, the thorn, pierc-ing spear, and tor-turing scorn,  
by the vault whose dark a-bode held in vain the ris-ing God,



oh, by all your pains and woe suf-fered once for us be-low,  
by the dread, mys-te-rious hour of the in-sult-ing tempt-er's pow'r,  
by the gloom that veiled the skies o'er the dread-ful sac-ri-fice,  
oh, from earth to heav'n re-stored, might-y, re-as-cend-ed Lord,



bend-ing from your throne on high, hear our pen-i-ten-tial cry!  
turn, oh, turn a fa-v'ring eye; hear our pen-i-ten-tial cry!  
lis-ten to our hum-ble sigh; hear our pen-i-ten-tial cry!  
bend-ing from your throne on high, hear our pen-i-ten-tial cry!

**NICENE CREED**

**C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: .... God of mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Receive our prayers, O God, through Jesus Christ, our strength and salvation. **C: Amen.**

### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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...join their unending hymn: **Holy, Holy, Holy (ACS Setting 11)**



San-to, san - to, san - to Dios de glo - ria y po - der,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God of pow - er and might,



cie - los y tie - rra pro - cla - man tu glo - ria.  
heav - en and earth . . . are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na en los cie - los.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na en los cie - los.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Ben - di - to a - quel que vie - ne en el nom - bre de Dios.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of our God.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na en los cie - los.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na en los cie - los.  
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe.....the mystery of faith:

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P: O God of resurrection.... Grace our table with your presence. **C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: Reveal yourself to us .... justice, peace, and love. **C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: With your holy ones ..... now and forever. **C: Amen.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*Please stand*)

**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; lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**COMMUNION SONG**

(ACS Setting 11)



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe -  
 O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



ca - do del mun - do: ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.  
 sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe -  
 O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



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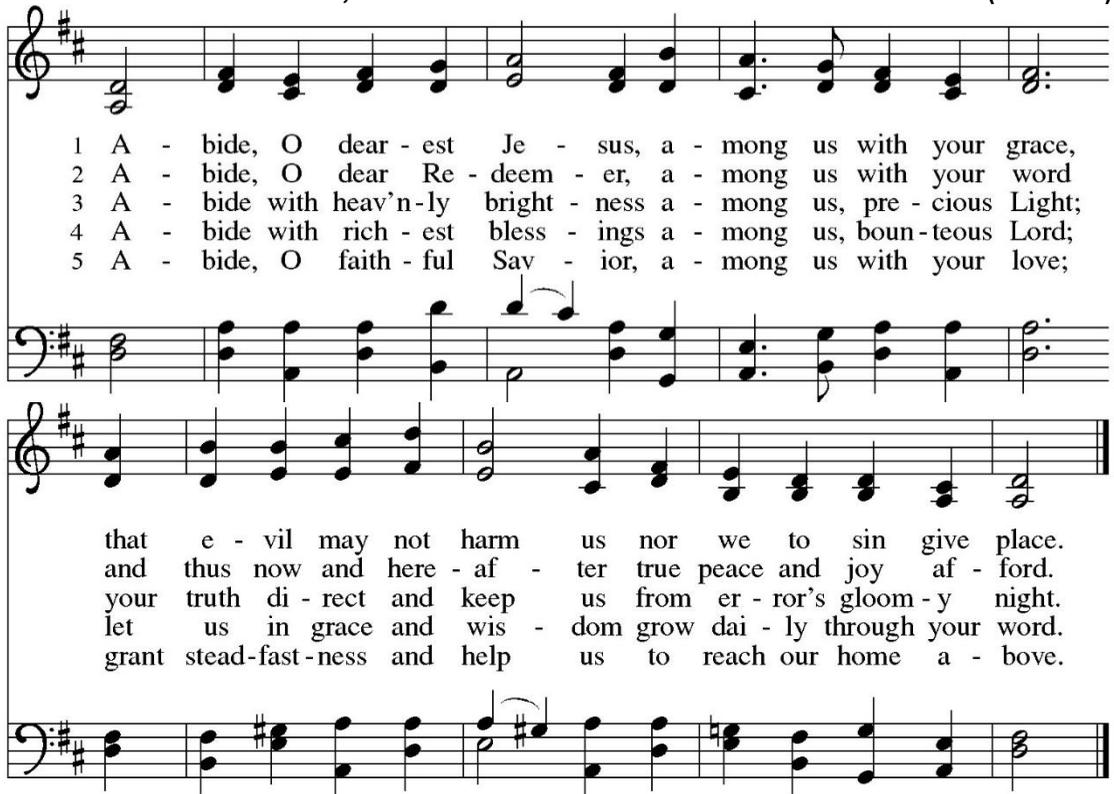
ca - do del mun - do: ten pie - dad de no -  
sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up -

so - tros, ten pie - dad de no - so - stros.  
on us, have . . . mer - cy up - on us.

Da - nos tu paz. A - mén.  
Grant us your peace. A - mén.

**COMMUNION SONG** *Abide, O Dearest Jesus*

(ELW 539)



1 A - bide, O dear - est Je - sus, a - mong us with your grace,  
2 A - bide, O dear Re - deem - er, a - mong us with your word  
3 A - bide with heav'n - ly bright - ness a - mong us, pre - cious Light;  
4 A - bide with rich - est bless - ings a - mong us, boun - teous Lord;  
5 A - bide, O faith - ful Sav - ior, a - mong us with your love;

that e - vil may not harm us nor we to sin give place.  
and thus now and here - af - ter true peace and joy af - ford.  
your truth di - rect and keep us from er - ror's gloom - y night.  
let us in grace and wis - dom grow dai - ly through your word.  
grant stead - fast - ness and help us to reach our home a - bove.

## SONG AFTER COMMUNION

(ACS Setting 11)



A - ho - ra, Se - ñor, se - gún tu pro - me - sa, pue - des de -  
At last, Lord, your word of prom - ise ful - fill - ing, you let your



jar a tu sier - vo ir - se en paz. Por - que mis  
ser - vant go forth in free - dom and peace. With my own



o - jos han vis - to a tu Sal - va - dor, a quien has  
eyes I have seen the sal - va - tion you have pre -



pre - sen - ta - do an - te to - dos los pue - blos: . . .  
pared . . in the sight of all of the peo - ples: a



luz pa - ra a - lum - brar a las na - cio - nes, y  
light that will re - veal you to the na - tions, and the



glo - ria de tu pue - blo Is - ra - el.  
glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Compassionate God....Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. **C: Amen.**

**SENDING SONG** *Change My Heart, O God*

(ELW 801)

Change my heart, O God; make it ev-er true.

Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

You are the pot - ter; I am the clay.

Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.

**DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE** (Piano): Anne Krentz Organ (arr.), "When Memory Fades," from *Piano Reflections on Hymns of Healing* (2018) – Tune: Finlandia (ELW #792)

**See insert for Music Notes****Reader:** Pam Johnson**Wine Servers:** Geri Schesel, JoAnn Holdmann**Communion Set Up:** JoAnn Holdmann**COPYRIGHTS**

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## **Music Notes:**

As the **Last Prelude**, the Chancel Choir presents a traditional Spiritual arranged by Linda Spevacek (b. 1945). She has sold more than 7 million copies of over 700 compositions and arrangements. She has a degree in education from UW-Madison with a primary emphasis on voice, piano and theory. She lives in Phoenix, AZ.

The **Hymn of the Day** is by Robert Grant (1779-1838). He was born in Bengal, India, where his father was a philanthropist and director of the East India Company. After studying at Magdalene College, he was admitted to the bar, entered Parliament in 1818, became solicitor general in 1832, and was named governor of Bombay in 1834. He lived the rest of his life in India.

During the **Imposition of Ashes**, the organ is heard in music of Dom Paul Benoit. Benoit was organist at the Abbey of Saint-Maurice et Saint-Maur de Clervaux in Luxembourg. In the words of the American publisher, "He is an inspired composer of organ music that has few equals in its delicate imaginative content... These short musical contemplations could only have come from the mind and spirit of a devout and sincere man, rapt in his contemplation of the great mystery of Christ on earth."

The **Prelude** and **Postlude** comprise settings of familiar hymns of healing by Anne Krentz Organ, who serves as Director of Music Ministries at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Park Ridge, IL. She earned a Bachelor of Music degree in Piano Performance from Valparaiso University, a Master of Music degree in Piano Pedagogy from the University of Illinois, and a Certificate of Advanced Studies in Church Music from Concordia University Chicago. She is a past-President of the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians.

Next week: First Sunday in Lent. Chancel Choir warms up at 8:15am and sings for worship at 10:15am.

