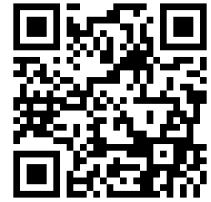




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**Worship services: Sundays at 9am,
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Our Mission: "Reaching out to all people as Disciples of Christ, we serve God, proclaim our faith, and care for all creation."

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 (Saved by Grace Band) Lamont Hiebert, "Unashamed Love" (2000; arr. David Shipps)

Vs. 1) You're calling me to lay aside the worries of my day;
To quiet down my busy mind and find a hiding place;
Worthy, You are worthy;
So I open up my heart and let my spirit worship Yours;
Open up my mouth and let a song of praise come forth;
Worthy, You are worthy.

Chorus) Of a child-like faith, of my honest praise, of my unashamed love;
Of a holy life, of my sacrifice, of my unashamed love.

WELCOME

WELCOME TO WORSHIP (Saved by Grace Band) Joel Houston and Jonas Myrin, "Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)" (2014; arr. John Wasson)

Vs. 1 All these pieces broken and scattered
In mercy gathered, mended and whole.
Empty handed, but not forsaken.
I've been set free, I've been set free.

Pre-Chorus Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me.
Oh, I once was lost but now I am found.
Was blind but now I see

Chorus Oh, I can see You now
Oh, I can see the love in Your eyes,
Laying Yourself down,
Raising up the broken to life.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (*Please stand*)

L: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open....through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

L: If we say we have no sin....cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

L: In the mercy of almighty God... bestows on them the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

GATHERING SONG *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

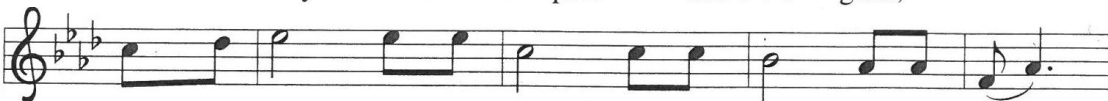
(ELW 773)



1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
2 When my way grows . . drear, pre-cious Lord, lin - ger near,
3 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws . . near,



I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
when my life is . . . al - most . . gone,
and the day is . . . past and . . . gone,



Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.
at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.



Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord... 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.



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.

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*) Bend your ear to our prayers, Lord Christ....now and forever. **C: Amen.**

FIRST READING 1 Samuel 16:1-13

¹ The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." ² Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.'" ³ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do, and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." ⁴ Samuel did what the LORD commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling and said, "Do you come peaceably?" ⁵ He said, "Peaceably. I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

⁶ When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely his anointed is now before the LORD." ⁷ But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him, for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." ⁸ Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." ⁹ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." ¹⁰ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." ¹¹ Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him, for we will not sit down until he comes here." ¹² He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him, for this is the one." ¹³ Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

PSALM: Psalm 23

You have a - noint - ed my head with oil.

L: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

C: The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

L: You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

C: Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. R

L: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

C: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever. R

SECOND READING Ephesians 5:8-14

⁸ Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Walk as children of light, ⁹ for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. ¹⁰ Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹ Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness; rather, expose them. ¹² For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly, ¹³ but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, ¹⁴ for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

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 John 9:1-41

P: The holy gospel, according to John, the 9th chapter.

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

P: The gospel of our Lord. **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Amazing Grace*

(ELW 779)



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

HOLY BAPTISM

P: People of God, do you promise.... their new life in Christ? **C: We do.**

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the son of God?

C: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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.

P: We give you thanks.... in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

P: Madison, I baptize.....the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us pray. We give you thanks...both now and forever. **C: Amen.**

P: Madison, child of God.....cross of Christ forever. **C: Amen.**

P: Let your light so shine.....Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

P: Receive our prayers....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

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.

COMMUNION SONG

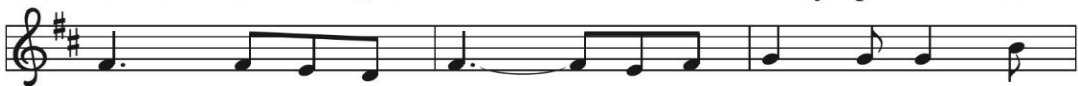
(ACS Setting 11)



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.



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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 - men.

COMMUNION SONG (Saved by Grace Band) Matt Crocker, "I Surrender" (2011; arr. by Dan Galbraith and Brad Henderson)

- Vs. 1 Here I am, down on my knees again,
surrendering all, surrendering all
And find me here, Lord, as You draw me near,
I'm desp'rate for You, I'm desp'rate for You.
I surrender.
- Vs. 2 Drench my soul as mercy and grace unfold.
I hunger and thirst, I hunger and thirst.
With arms stretched wide, I know You hear my cry.
Speak to me now, Speak to me now.
- Chorus I surrender. I surrender.
I want to know You more. I want to know you more.
I surrender. I surrender.
I want to know You more. I want to know you more.
- Bridge Like a rushing wind, Jesus, breathe within.
Lord, have Your way. Lord, have Your way in me.
Like a mighty storm, stir within my soul.

Lord, have Your way. Lord, have Your way in me.

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: We give you thanks, almighty God ...for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS & TEMPLE TALK

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 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

(WOV 721)



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.
4 "I the Lord will bless and keep you, and give you peace.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.
I the Lord will smile up - on you, and give you peace.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here his ten - der com - fort stilled you.
I the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Com - fort - er and Broth - er.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."
Go, my chil - dren, I will keep you, and give you peace."

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE (Saved by Grace Band) Don Ostebo, Jordan Mohilowski, Josh Havens and Matt Fuqua, "Lift Me Up" (2011; recorded by The Afters)

Intro You lift me up (with your love)

Vs. 1 I'm waiting for the sunrise, waiting for the day,
Waiting for a sign that I'm where You want me to be.
You know my heart is heavy and the hurt is deep.
But when I feel like giving up, You're reminding me
That we all fall down sometimes.
When I hit the ground

Chorus You lift me up. When I am weak, Your arms wrap around me.
Your love catches me, so I'm letting go.
You lift me up when I can't see; Your heart's all that I need.
Your love carries me so, I'm letting go.

Vs. 2 I know I'm not perfect, I know I make mistakes,
I know that I have let You down, but You love me the same.
And when I'm surrounded, when I lose my way,
When I'm crying out, and falling down,
You are here to

Bridge I can see the dawn is breaking, I am feeling over taken
With Your love, with Your love.
I don't know what I can offer; in this moment I surrender
To Your love, to Your Love.

See blue sheet for Music Notes

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<u>Today's Worship Leaders</u>	<u>Next Sunday Worship Leaders</u>
Greeter: JoAnn Holdmann	Greeter: TBD
Reader: Pam Johnson	Reader: Skip Blick
Wine: Geri Schesel, Nathan Campbell & parent	Wine: Nancy Perez, TBD
Usher: TBD	Usher: TBD
Comm. Set Up: JoAnn Holdmann	Comm. Set Up: TBD
Coffee Fellowship: Community Life	Coffee Fellowship: TBD

This week at Grace

- Sun 3/15 8:15am SBG Band Warmup
9:00am Worship ~ SBG Band leads worship music
10:15am WAM Team Meeting
10:15am Grateful Giving Team Meeting
- Tue 3/17 12:10pm Devotional Service
3:30pm Violin Lessons
5:30pm Scouts
- Wed 3/18 9am Guest House Sandwiches
10:30am Lenten Book Discussion
3:30pm Violin Lessons
6:30pm SBG Vocalists Only Rehearsal
- Thu 3/19 12pm Bible Study
6:45pm Lenten Book Discussion
- Sat 3/21 9am SBG Band Practice
- Sun 3/22 8:15am Chancel Choir Warmup
9:00am Worship ~ Chancel Choir sings
10:15am Faith Formation #4 with Mr. Dearing in the Sanctuary: Cherwien, Green,
and Wren: Hymn Writing Is Alive and Well
10:15am Children's Education

Grace's Welcome Statement: Grace Lutheran Church is a religious community that celebrates the gifts of God that empower us to engage in the struggles of life, to care for each other, and to serve Christ where we work and live. Grace is a "Reconciling in Christ" congregation, which means we welcome the participation of people of all ages, races, ethnic backgrounds, sexual orientations, gender identities, education backgrounds, and economic conditions – all who want to join us in serving God, proclaiming our faith, and caring for all creation.

Holy Baptism: This morning we welcome Madison Locksley Stueber to God's family through holy baptism. Madison is the daughter of Zack and Kristina Strueber. Madison's sponsors are Erika Campbell and Tony Cresco. Congratulations and blessings to the Stueber family!

Grace Membership: If you have been visiting Grace either in person or online and are interested in becoming a member, please let Pr. Bill know, email the office (padmin@grace53092.org) or call the office (262-242-1174).

Easter Flowers: You are invited to contribute lilies, daffodils, and/or tulips again this year in honor or memory of special people in your life. Designations will be printed in the Easter bulletin. There is no cost, but a donation amount of your choice is welcome. Please order by March 22. If you would like to make a donation with your order, you can use the QR code, or include a check marked "Easter Flowers" in the memo line, or cash with your form. Forms are available on the communication desk.



Holy Week Worship Schedule: Below is the worship schedule for Holy Week.

March 29, 9am ~ Palm Sunday worship

March 31, 12:10pm ~ Tuesday Lenten Devotional

April 2, 7pm ~ Maundy Thursday worship

April 3, 2pm & 7pm ~ Good Friday worship

April 5, 8am & 10am ~ Easter Sunday worship

Easter Activities for Kids: There will be an Easter egg hunt and other activities for kids between the Easter morning services. Watch Grace Notes and bulletin announcements for more details.

March 8 Sermon Definitions and Questions

Definitions:

Loathed ~ to dislike greatly.

Questions:

What does "sacrament" mean? The word comes from the Greek work "sacramentum" and means "holy". Something that is holy is set apart from all other things as special.

Why do we not get to look at God's light? There are several stories in scripture where people were given hints of God's light. As sinful creatures ourselves God's light it difficult for us to see for its holiness is too great. So, God shelters the light to protect us. However, as believers we can see parts of God's light and glimpses of it in the way we live our lives and the way we see others living their lives.



Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge: If you have any new or gently used coats, boots, or other cold weather clothing you would like to donate, please drop them off at the church in a box outside the Luther room.

Growing in Grace: Families involved in our children's education ministry, don't forget to check our ministry website for updates on events, Education classes, and volunteer opportunities! You can also email Katy Koppa for updates at kathrynkoppa@gmail.com. Call 877-232-2376 or use the QR code here.



Guest House Sandwiches: We assemble sandwiches for the guests at the Guest House *twice* each month – on the first and third Wednesdays at 9am. Join us for this opportunity to serve and to enjoy fellowship with one another on **March 18**.

Isaiah 55 Food Pantry (All Peoples Church): Donations to the food pantry are appreciated more than ever as the need continues to increase. You may drop food and hygiene items off in the bins outside the Luther room.



Sunday Coffee Fellowship Information: We're looking for friendly faces to help with coffee fellowship on Sunday mornings. It's an easy but important ministry towards hospitality. There is a great guideline to follow and support is provided!! Just set up coffee, bring a few treats, one always gluten free, and help create a warm, welcoming space for connection after worship. If interested, please sign up using one of the following options:

- Communication desk signup sheet
- Online with SignupGenius using the link in the Grace Notes or the QR code here
- Call the office and let Sandy know
- Theresa and Jen will also be reaching out by phone as well
- You can also reach out to: Jen Bartz ~ 414-550-5231, Theresa Umhoefer ~ 262-227-8840



SignupGenius

Worship Volunteers: Calling all readers, wine servers, ushers, greeters,

communion setup folks and coffee fellowship helpers! There is a hard copy of the SignupGenius form on the communication desk for those that find it easier to sign up on their way in or out of church. The link sent out in the Grace Notes is still active and available, and this QR code can also be used to connect to the Signup Genius. Emails and phone calls are always welcome as well. Thank you for all your help!



SignupGenius

Celebrations this week:

Birthdays: Mickey Ferguson - 3/15, Larry LaCrosse - 3/17, Diana Koppa - 3/19, Emma Bartz - 3/21, Tillie Kucharski - 3/21, Rachel Nemcek - 3/21

Anniversaries: Scott & Sheri Besag - 3/16

Prayers: **Chevelle** Lutze (Veronica Junker's great-niece), **Lana** (Janie Robbins's cousin), **Andy** Roehrborn (cousin of Matt Junker), **Debbie** (friend of Dawn Omernik), **Rick** Chu (Veronica Junker's uncle), **Jerry** Karthaus, **Judy** Schwartz (friend of Delaine Jacobs), **David** Rauth, **Tucker** Kucharski, **Judy** Hogan (Ken Hogan's mother), **Anita** (friend of Geri Schesel), **Ron** (friend of Diane Omdahl), **Holly** Grassin-Kremmel, **Nancy**, **Joyce** Winghart, **Bryce**, **Lindsay**.

Music Notes:

The **Prelude** is a song by Lamont Hiebert. Hiebert was born and raised in British Columbia, Canada, moved to the US and eventually settled in New Haven, CT, where he started Ten Shekel Shirt along with original band members Austin Morrison and Tommy Lee. Together, they released two acclaimed albums, *Much* in 2001 and *Risk* in 2003. As the **Last Prelude**, we hear a song from the Hillsong album, "No Other Name." Like many praise songs, this one incorporates a snippet of the text from a traditional hymn (in this case, "Amazing Grace").

The **Distribution Song** is a song by Matt Crocker, who grew up in Hillsong Church and spent most of his teenage years in the youth ministry writing songs. He is now part of the Hillsong Worship and Hillsong United worship teams, traveling the world as part of the ministry. He, his wife Breanna, and their two daughters reside in Sydney, Australia. This song was written while the team was preparing for the annual Encounter youth conference, the theme of which was having a hunger and desperation for God. As the **Postlude** the Band offers a song by The Afters, of which band member Matt Fuqua wrote: "We hope you all are enjoying our song and video for 'Lift Me Up!' The word of God is one of the best places to receive that encouragement from the Lord each day, so I wanted to share one of my favorite verses that has always lifted me up! The passage of scripture that comes to mind when I think of 'Lift Me Up' is Psalm 23. I memorized it when I was a kid, and a few years ago when I was going through some hard times, I remembered that passage and would quote it to myself. It never failed to remind me that God is with me, and loves me, and would always lift me up."

The **Hymn of the Day** was written in 1772 by John Newton (1725-1807), a former English slave trader who, after a near-death experience in a 1748 storm at sea, converted to Christianity and later became an Anglican minister and abolitionist. The hymn reflects on his redemption, describing a "wretch" saved by divine mercy. The tune, "New Britain," is a sturdy shape-note hymn first associated with this text in *The Southern Harmony* (pub. 1835).

Next week: Chancel Choir warms up at 8:15am and sings for worship at 9:00am. Faith Formation after worship at 10:15am in the sanctuary with Mr. Dearing: "Cherwien, Green, and Wren: Hymn Writing Is Alive and Well".