



GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)
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**Worship services: Sundays at 9am,
Tuesdays at 12:10pm**



CHURCH STAFF

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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.

♦ = The congregation is invited to stand)

PRELUDE (Piano): from Michael Hassell (1952-2019), *Jazz Americana* (2003)

1. Amazing Grace – Tune: New Britain
2. Down by the Riverside – Tune: Study War No More
3. Jesus Loves Me – Tune: Jesus Loves Me (China)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO WORSHIP (Piano): “My Country, ‘Tis of Thee” from Michael Hassell (1952-2019), *Jazz Americana* (2003) – Tune: National Anthem

♦ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(Please stand)*

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

P: God of all mercy and consolation....Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin....Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive 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.

P: In the mercy of almighty God...and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

♦ GREETING *(Please stand)*

P: The grace of our Lord... be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

♦ PRAYER OF THE DAY *(Please stand)*

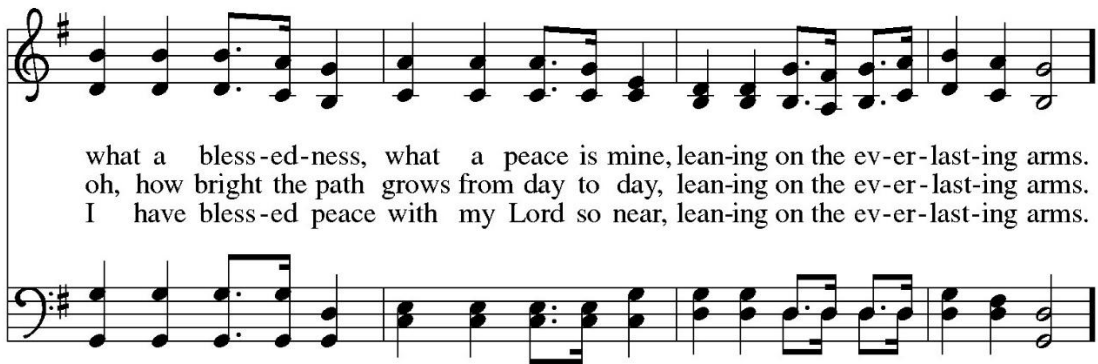
P: Let us pray. *(Silence is kept for reflection)* O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus....through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

GATHERING SONG *What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine*

(ELW 774)

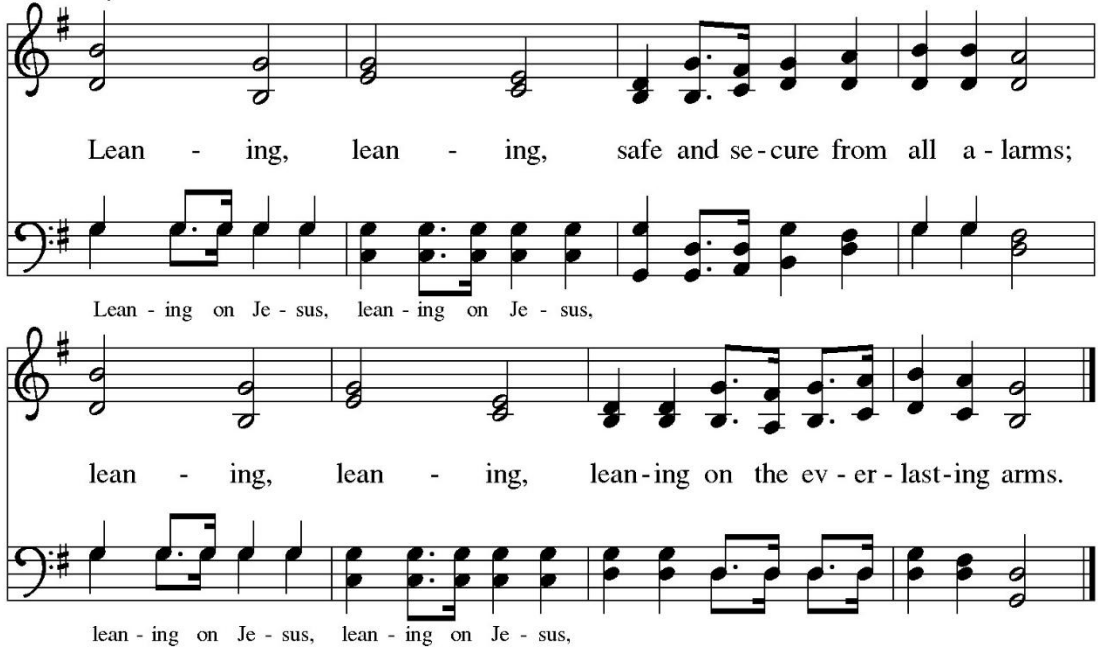
The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine'. It consists of two staves: a treble staff on top and a bass staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. Below the staves, there are three lines of lyrics corresponding to the notes above them.

1 What a fel - low-ship, what a joy di - vine, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms;
2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms;
3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms?



what a bless-ed-ness, what a peace is mine, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.
I have bless-ed peace with my Lord so near, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.

Refrain



Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se-cure from all a - larms;
Lean - ing on Je - sus, lean - ing on Je - sus,
lean - ing, lean - ing, lean-ing on the ev - er - last-ing arms.
lean - ing on Je - sus, lean - ing on Je - sus,

FIRST READING 2 Kings 5:1-14

¹ Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. ² Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease." ⁴ So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. ⁵ And the king of Aram said, "Go, then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel."

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. ⁶ He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his skin

disease.” ⁷ When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, “Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.”

⁸ But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, “Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.” ⁹ So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha’s house. ¹⁰ Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, “Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean.” ¹¹ But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, “I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! ¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?” He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³ But his servants approached and said to him, “Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, ‘Wash, and be clean’?” ¹⁴ So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

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

PSALM Psalm 66:1-9

Refrain:



L: Be joyful in God, all you lands; be joyful, all the earth.

C: Sing the glory of God’s name; sing the glory of God’s praise.

L: Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.

C: All the earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your name.” R

L: Come now and see the works of God, how awesome are God’s deeds toward all people.

C: God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in God.

L: Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations; let no rebels exalt themselves.

C: Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

L: Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip. **R**

SECOND READING Galatians 6:1-16

My brothers and sisters, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. ² Bear one another’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³ For if those

who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. ⁴ All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. ⁵ For all must carry their own loads. ⁶ Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.

⁷ Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸ If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh, but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹ So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰ So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all and especially for those of the family of faith.

¹¹ See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹² It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³ Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴ May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. ¹⁵ For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything, but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶ As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

◆ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(ELW Setting 10)

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

◆ GOSPEL Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

P: The holy gospel, according to Luke, the 10th chapter.

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

¹ After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no

purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' ⁶ And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸ Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹ cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹ 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

¹⁶ "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." ¹⁷ The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" ¹⁸ He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹ Indeed, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

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

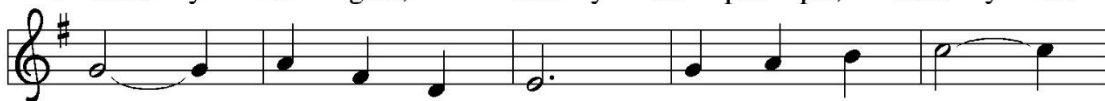
SERMON

♦ HYMN OF THE DAY *Christ, Be Our Light*

(ELW 715)



1	Long - ing	for	light,	we	wait	in	dark - ness.	Long - ing	for
2	Long - ing	for	peace,	our	world	is	trou - bled.	Long - ing	for
3	Long - ing	for	food,	man - y	are	hun - gry.	Long - ing	for	
4	Long - ing	for	shel - ter,	man - y	are	home - less.	Long - ing	for	
5	Man - y	the	gifts,	man - y	the	peo - ple,	man - y	the	

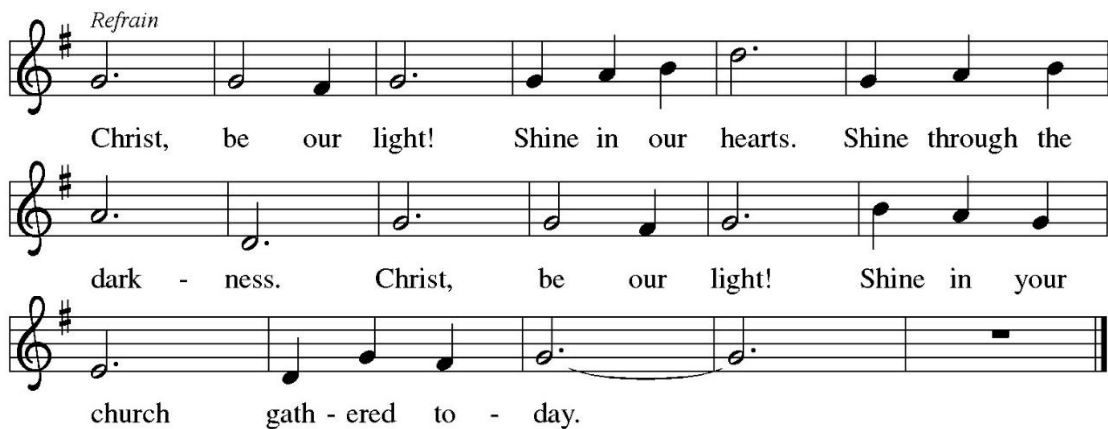


truth,	we	turn	to	you.	Make	us	your	own,
hope,	man - y	de -	spair.	Your	word	a -	lone	
wa - ter,	man - y	still	thirst.	Make	us	your	bread,	
warmth,	man - y	are	cold.	Make	us	your	build - ing,	
hearts that	yearn	to	be - long.	Let	us	be	ser - vants	



your	ho - ly	peo - ple,	light	for	the	world	to	see.
has	pow'r	to	save	us.	Make	us	your	liv - ing
bro - ken	for	oth - ers,	shared	un - til	all	are	fed.	
shel - ter - ing	oth - ers,	walls	made	of	liv - ing	stone.		
to	one	an - oth - er,	signs	of	your	king - dom	come.	

Refrain



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the
dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your
church gath - ered to - day.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

P: Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **C: Amen.**

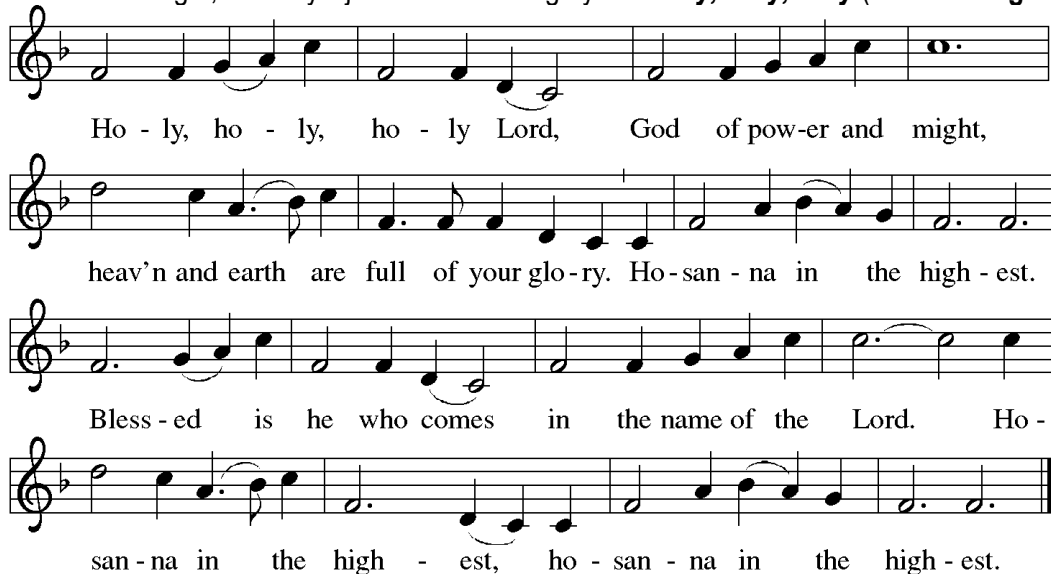
♦ EUCHARISTIC PRAYER *(Please stand)*

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*** (ELW Setting 10)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: Holy God, holy and mighty....we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

P: With this bread and cupall our sins and sorrows will be no more.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Holy God, holy and merciful one....sharing your bounty with all the world.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P: Holy and benevolent God....the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

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

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION SONG

(ELW Setting 10)



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION SONG *In the Garden*



1. I come to the gar - den a - lone, While the dew is
2. He speaks, and the sound of His voice Is so sweet the
3. I'd stay in the gar - den with Him Tho' the night a -



still on the ros - es; And the voice I hear, fal-ling on my ear,
birds hush their sing - ing; And the me - lo - dy that He gave to me
round me be fal - ling; But He bids me go; thro' the voice of woe,



The Son of God dis - clo - ses.
With - in my heart is ring - ing. And He walks with me, and He
His voice to me is cal - ling.

talks with me, And He tells me I am His own, And the joy we

share as we tar - ry there, None o - ther has e - ver known.

SONG AFTER COMMUNION *Blessed Be God, Who Chose You* (ELW 215)

Bless - ed be God, who chose you in Christ.

Live in love as Christ loved us.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: God of abundance.....our Lord. **C: Amen.**

◆ **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** *O Lord, Now Let Your Servant*

(ELW 313)

1 O Lord, now let your ser - vant de - part in heav'n - ly peace,
 2 Then grant that I may fol - low your gleam, O glo - rious Light,

for I have seen the glo - ry of your re - deem - ing grace:
 till earth - ly shad - ows scat - ter, and faith is changed to sight;

a light to lead the na - tions un - to your ho - ly hill,
 till rap - tured saints shall gath - er up - on that shin - ing shore,

the glo - ry of your peo - ple, your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
 where Christ, the bless - ed day - star, shall light them ev - er - more.

◆ **DISMISSAL** (*Please stand*)

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE (Piano): “We Shall Overcome” from Michael Hassell (1952-2019), *Jazz Americana* (2003)

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Music Notes:

Each of today's hymns was chosen by a member of the congregation. Both the text and the tune of the **Hymn of the Day** are by Bernadette Farrell (b. 1957). She is a liturgical composer in Great Britain who has been part of the church's liturgical renewal since the Second Vatican Council. She is a founder of the St. Thomas More Group of composers in North London.

The **Piano Music** is by Michael Hassell, the "dean of Lutheran piano jazz". Mr. Hassell was a graduate of the Berklee College of Music and Boston University, and later taught music theory at Berklee and founded the Berklee College Choir. He was a church music director, organist and pianist for eight different denominations (including Lutheran). He had a deep and abiding interest in Americana, including jazz (which originated in this country).

Next week: The Chancel Choir warms up at 8:15am and sings for worship at 9:00am. Instrumental music on the organ.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Sunday Worship Leaders

Greeter: TBD
Reader: Dawn Omernik
Wine: Bobby Koppa, Kim Nagel
Usher: TBD
Comm. Set Up: Michelle Hogan
Coffee Fellowship: Chris & Karen Larsen

Next Sunday Worship Leaders

Greeter: TBD
Reader: Pam Johnson
Wine: TBD, TBD
Usher: TBD
Comm. Set Up: TBD
Coffee Fellowship: TBD

This week at Grace

Sun 7/6 9:00am Worship – Hymn Sing!
10:15am Community Life Team Meeting

Tue 7/8 12:10pm Devotional Worship
6:30pm Council Meeting

Thu 7/11 11am Violin Lessons

Sun 7/13 8:15am Chancel Choir Warm Up
9:00am Worship – Chancel Choir Sings

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.

Grace Membership: We will be receiving new members in August. If you are interested in becoming a member and haven't already contacted Pastor Bill, please do so (262-674-4714) or respond to this email.

August Outdoor Worship Service: Mark your calendars for our outdoor worship service to be held on **August 10 at 10am**. Note the change in time for this service. There will be a 9am devotional service in the sanctuary for those that cannot or prefer not to sit outside. Watch Grace Notes and the blue sheets for more details.

Sunday Coffee Fellowship Volunteers Needed: 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
- You can also reach out to: Mary Gieschen ~ 262-573-8317, Jen Bartz ~ 414-550-5231, Theresa Umhoefer ~ 262-227-8840, Janie Robbins ~ 262-646-4628



We really need help during the summer months!

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!



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 **July 16**.

Update to 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 just outside the Luther room.



“Lend a Hand” board. This board contains small tasks that need to be done around the building from time to time. Perhaps you have some time on a rainy afternoon? Perhaps you are waiting for a loved one to get out of a meeting? Perhaps you’re bored and want to do an act of service? This board will help you find jobs around the church that help make this place looking great from day to day. Just take a task off the board if you plan on doing it and when the task is complete, place the card in the offering plate. This will help us to know things are done. Let us know if you see anything around the building that we can add to this list and have a great time keeping Grace clean and in good shape.

Mutual Ministry Team Members: Below are the current Mutual Ministry Team members in the event you would like to contact one of these leaders. The MMC is the liaison between the congregation, the pastor and other staff.

Dan Umhoefer Theresa Umhoefer
Matt Junker Pam Stockbridge

2025 Council: Below are the 2025 Council members in the event you would like to contact one of these leaders.

Ryan Bernard (President): 920-418-5235 Janie Robbins (VP): 262-646-4628 Kevin Sibley (Treasurer): 262-302-8182 JoAnn Holdmann (Secretary): 262-290-1609	Diana Koppa: 414-254-9983 David Rockwood: 262-389-4045 Geri Schesel: 262-227-9251
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Pastor's Patio Ponderings: Pastor's Patio Ponderings is our summer educational opportunity at Grace Lutheran. It is a one night/one topic discussion that happens on the pastor's patio. If there is inclement weather, we will meet in the gathering area at the church. Please bring a lawn chair and be prepared for some interesting discussion.

- **July 16 @ 7pm** - What is God's Will? How does the Bible guide us through turbulent times? So many times, when things happen, people will respond, "Well, it must be God's will." Handy excuse or biblical reality?
- **July 30 @ 7pm** - The Revelation of John or What is heaven? - The Revelation of John (the final book of the Bible) gives us some amazing views of heaven. Is this what we can expect? What about all those people who 'went to heaven' and came back?
- **August 13 @ 6:30pm** - Confirmation Class Questions - Each week we ask our confirmation students to do sermon notes. On these sheets they can ask questions about the worship or the scriptures. These questions have been so thought provoking we wanted to share them with the rest of the congregation. Come hear what the younger members of our congregation ask, and bring some of your own questions as well.

Celebrations this week:

Birthdays this week: Ally Darga – 7/6, Ben Lindsay - 7/6, Judy Button - 7/7, Wesley Kline- 7/7, Lola Johnson – 7/8, Lori Rauth - 7/10, Courtney Kihslinger – 7/12, Helen Mutz - 7/12

Anniversaries: Jerry & Mary Karthausen – 7/6, Jerry & Lucy Laabs – 7/8

Prayers: Chevelle Lutze (Veronica Junker's great-niece), Lana (Janie Robbins's cousin), Andy Roehrborn (cousin of Matt Junker) Liane Callow (Pr. Bill's Sister), Debbie (friend of Dawn Omernik), Rick Chu (Veronica Junker's uncle), Drew Liegeios, John Haut (friend of Matt Junker), Warren Hamby (Michelle Hogan's dad), Roman, Jerry Karthausen.