

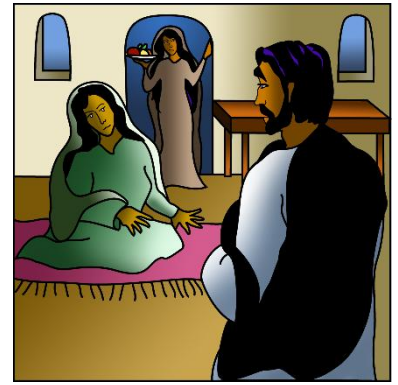
# The 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

*Liturgical Setting: Global Voices in Christ*

July 20, 2025

9:30 am

Grace Lutheran Church  
Wenatchee, WA



## Welcome to Grace!

*The stained-glass windows in our church display a beautiful collection of glass pieces, each one unique and important. The same is true for all of God's children. As people of Grace Lutheran Church, our diversity makes us stronger and more resilient.*

*We strive to welcome all. We want to be a church where all are safe, all are welcome. Believers, non-believers, doubters, seekers, and questioners: You are welcome here. Old and young. Able or disabled. People of all sexual orientations and gender identities: You are welcome here. Rich and poor. Black, brown, and white: You are welcome here. Jeans and a t-shirt or a suit and tie. Addiction and mental health concerns: You are welcome here.*

*You are welcomed and valued here, because we are all pieces of stained glass, broken and beautiful in our own way.*

*As a church, we resolve to open our hearts, our minds, and our doors. We seek to reconcile ourselves to one another and to God, the master artist.*

**Holy Communion:** We celebrate the grace of God with Holy Communion each Sunday. All are welcome!

**If you are worshipping with children:** Children are welcome and encouraged to join us in worship! We have a few options, especially for our young worshipers. Children's bulletins are available from the ushers. Quiet toys are located just outside the back door of the sanctuary for young children and caregivers. Most Sundays we have nursery staff available to help watch the children in that space. You are also welcome to use the quiet area under the balcony, beside the stained-glass window.

**Our Mission Statement:** "To proclaim and celebrate the gospel of Jesus Christ through word and sacraments so that a community of believers is created, trained, nurtured, and sent into mission."

Grace Lutheran is a Reconciling in Christ Congregation



## INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Perhaps the church, at its best, is “all ears.” God urges the faithful, again and again, to “listen up!”—to heed the word that gives life. So it was with Abraham and Sarah, Mary and Martha, and the early church at Colossae. So it is today as we join the assembly to hear the word of God, the word of life.

## + + + GATHERING + + +

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

## WELCOME AND KIDS’ TALK

### PRELUDE

*Holy God, We Praise Your Name*  
Handbell Quartet

arr. Anne Krentz Organ

*Please stand as you are able.*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✙ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful God,  
**you free us to love others,**  
**but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.**  
**You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,**  
**but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.**  
**You surround us with patience, kindness,**  
**and generosity,**  
**but we grow weary in doing what is right.**  
**In your mercy, forgive us.**  
**Do not give up on us.**  
**Heal us, break our bonds,**  
**and show us the path of life. Amen.**

You belong to Christ Jesus  
and you are God’s children through faith.  
In the cross of ✙ Christ,  
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,  
your sins are forgiven.  
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **Amen.**

## GATHERING SONG

ELW #846, *Amen, We Praise Your Name*

Leader                      Assembly

*Ma - si - thi!      A-men si - a - ku - du - mi - sa!      Ma - si - thi!*  
*Sing prais - es!      A-men, we praise your name, O God!      Sing prais - es!*

*A - men si - a - ku - du - mi - sa!      Ma - si - thi!      A - men, ba - wo.*  
*A - men, we praise your name, O God!      Sing prais - es!      A - men, a - men.*

*A - men, ba - wo.      A - men si - a - ku - du - mi - sa!      Ma - si - thi!*  
*A - men, a - men.      A - men, we praise your name, O God!      Sing prais - es!*

Text: South African traditional

Music: AMEN SIAKUDUMISA, attr. S. C. Molefe, as taught by Gobingca George Mxadana

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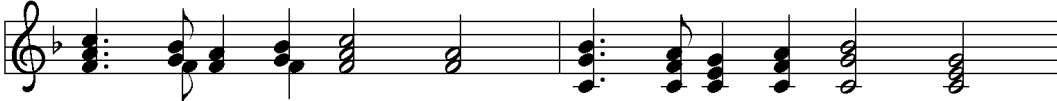
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## GREETING


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

**And also with you.**

## KYRIE



1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.  
 2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.  
 1, 3 Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, . . . . have mer - cy.  
 2 Christ, . . . have mer - cy. Christ, . . . . have mer - cy.



Ky - ri - e e - le i - son.  
 Chris - te e - le i - son.  
 Lord, . . . have mer - cy.  
 Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

Music: Russian Orthodox traditional

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE

### Glory to God

Leader



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

All



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

Leader All



To God be glo-ry for-ev - er! To God be glo-ry for-ev - er!

Leader Leader



Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

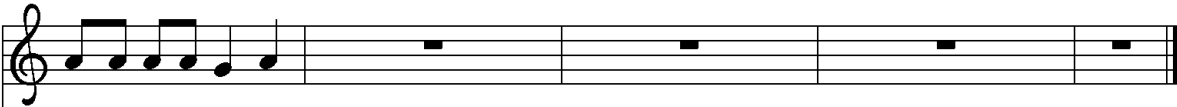
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Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

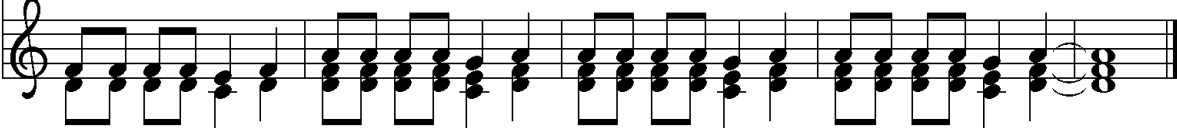
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Leader



Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

All



Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A - men!

Music: Peruvian traditional

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## +++ WORD +++

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

## FIRST READING: Genesis 18:1-10a

*The Lord visits Abraham and Sarah to tell them that the long-awaited promise of the birth of a child will be fulfilled for them in their old age.*

A reading from Genesis.

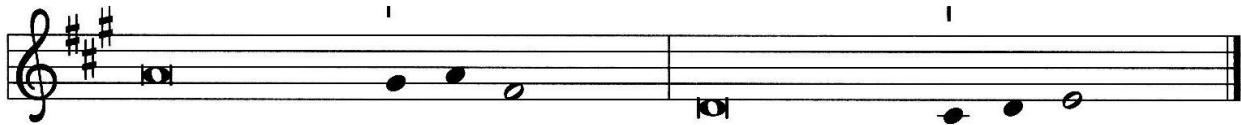
<sup>1</sup>The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup>He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. <sup>3</sup>He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup>Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. <sup>5</sup>Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." <sup>6</sup>And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." <sup>7</sup>Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. <sup>8</sup>Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

<sup>9</sup>They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." <sup>10a</sup>Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*All sing.*



<sup>5</sup> They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes a- | gainst the innocent.  
Those who do these things shall never be | overthrown.

*This letter offers a mystical teaching, that the great mystery of God is “Christ in you.” Because Christ is present in the church, Christians share in his life, suffering, and glory.*

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.*

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## GOSPEL: Luke 10:38-42

*During his visit to the home of Mary and Martha, Jesus reminds Martha that her concern for her many tasks distracts from the one thing that precedes all else: abiding in the presence of God.*

The holy gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>38</sup> Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. <sup>39</sup> She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. <sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup> But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; <sup>42</sup> there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

## SERMON

*Please stand as you are able.*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

### *Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom*

1. Come and seek the ways of Wis - dom,  
 2. Lis - ten to the voice of Wis - dom,  
 3. Sis - ter Wis - dom, come, as - sist us;

she who danced when earth was new. Fol - low close - ly  
 cry - ing in the mark - et - place. Hear the Word made  
 nur - ture all who seek re - birth. Spir - it - guide and

what she teach - es, for her words are right and true.  
 flesh a - mong us, full of glo - ry, truth, and grace.  
 close com - pan - ion, bring to light our sa - cred worth.

Wis - dom clears the path to jus - tice,  
 When the us word to takes root and rip - ens,  
 Free us to be - come your peo - ple,

show - ing us what love must do.  
 peace and us righ - teous - ness em - brace.  
 ho - ly friends of God and earth.

## APOSTLES' CREED

Let us confess our Christian faith:

**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 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.**

**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.**



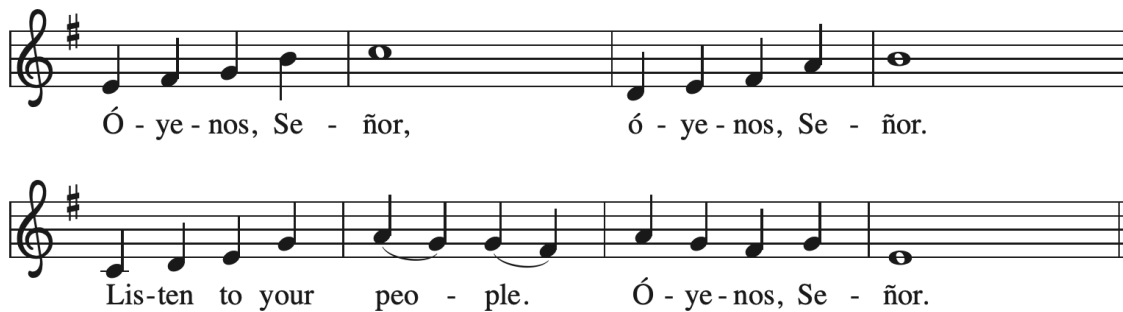
## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

*After each portion of the prayers:*

God of grace,

*(All sing: oh-yeh-nohs seh-nyohr)*



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Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## +++ MEAL +++

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

*Please be seated.*

## OFFERING

### MUSICAL OFFERING

*My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness*  
Handbell Quartet

arr. Anne Krentz Organ

*Please stand as you are able.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.  
Creator God,  
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good  
and the harvest is plentiful.  
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth  
and our labor,  
that we may work for the good of all;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
**Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



San - to, san - to, san - to, oh Dios del u - ni - ver - so:  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of might and mer - cy,

. . . lle-nos es-tán el cie - lo y la tie - rra de tu glo - ria.  
your glo - ry fills all heav-en and earth. . . . You are ho - ly, God.

Ben - di - to el que vie - ne en nom - bre del Se - ñor. . . .  
. . . Bless - ed be the Sav-ior, the one who comes in your name.

Ho - san - na en el cie - lo. San - to e-res, oh Dios.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. You are ho - ly, God.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer ...

Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

*Please be seated.*

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The kingdom of God is set before you.

Eat and rejoice.

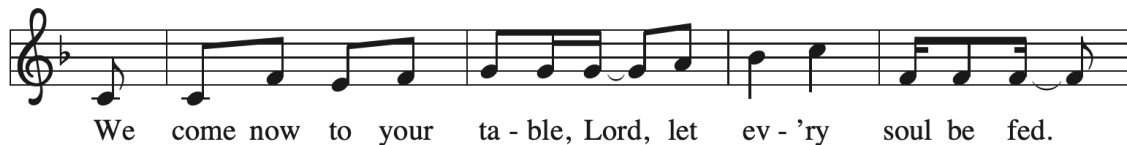
## COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

## DISTRIBUTION SONG



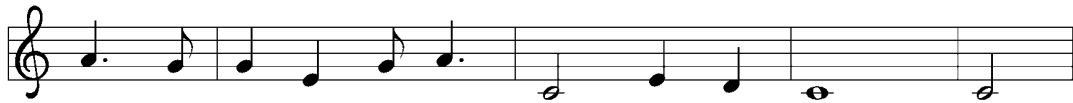
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ELW #770, *Give Me Jesus*

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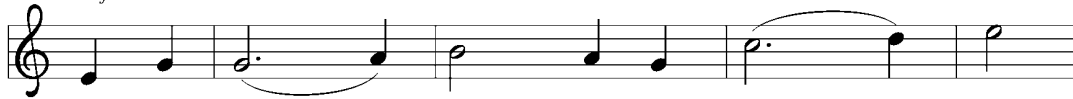


1 In the morn-ing when I rise, in the morn-ing when I rise,  
2 Dark . . . mid-night was my cry, dark . . . mid-night was my cry,  
3 Just a - bout the break of day, just a - bout the break of day,  
4 Oh, . . . when I come to die, oh, . . . when I come to die,  
5 And . . . when I want to sing, and . . . when I want to sing,



in the morn-ing when I rise, give me Je - sus.  
dark . . . mid - night was my cry, give me Je - sus.  
just a - bout the break of day, give me Je - sus.  
oh, . . . when I come to die, give me Je - sus.  
and . . . when I want to sing, give me Je - sus.

*Refrain*



Give me Je - sus, give me Je - sus.



You may have all the rest, give me Je - sus.

*Please stand as you are able.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

**+++ SENDING +++**

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

*Please be seated.*

## MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand as you are able.*

## BLESSING

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;  
and the life of the Spirit ✠ bless you and give you peace.

**Amen.**

# SENDING SONG

## ELW #547, *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,  
 2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,

the peo - ple of our God from this dwell - ing take leave.  
 the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face—

The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed  
 our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,

the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.  
 em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.

The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls  
 With your feast you feed us, with your light now

reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.  
 lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.

Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us  
 Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing

to work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.  
 give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

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Music: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune

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Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

**Thanks be to God.**

# POSTLUDE

## *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

Robert Powell

### **Serving in Today's Worship**

Presiding Minister:	Rev. James Aalgaard
Lector:	Suellen Harris
Flutes:	Karen & Lisa Zanol
Guitar:	Sherry Krebs
Percussion:	Candy Koch, Marlena La Paz
Handbell Quartet:	Katie Hall, Sherry Krebs, Vinny Lee, Dane Schmidt
Tech:	Marlena La Paz

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