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Pentecost

Grace Lutheran Church

October 16 & 17, 2021

Grace Lutheran's Purpose Statement

“We share God’s love by welcoming all and making a Christ-like difference in our community and world.”

GATHERING

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

WELCOME

PRELUDE

(The assembly stands as you are able)

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)

P: Trusting in the Word of life given in Baptism, we are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God’s mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: We give you thanks, O God,

C: For in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN “How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord”



1 How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord, when once we heed your call
2 But if, for - get - ful, we should find your yoke is hard to bear;
3 We mar - vel how your saints be - come in hin - dranc - es more sure;
4 In what you give us, Lord, to do, to - geth - er or a - lone,



to live ac - cord - ing to your word and dai - ly learn, re - freshed, re - stored,
if world - ly pres - sures fray the mind and love it - self can - not un - wind
whose joy - ful vir - tues put to shame the ca - sual way we wear your name,
in old rou - tines or ven - tures new, may we not cease to look to you,



that you are Lord of all and will not let us fall.
its tan - gled skein of care: our in - ward life re - pair.
and by our faults ob - scure your pow'r to cleanse and cure.
the cross you hung up - on, all you en - deav - ored done.

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GREETING

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


C: And also with you.

KYRIE

Refrain



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the

2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the

4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the



u-ni-ty of all; for

hun-gry and the poor; that

wa-ter and the word; that you



this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,

we may live out truth and jus-tice and grace,

nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,

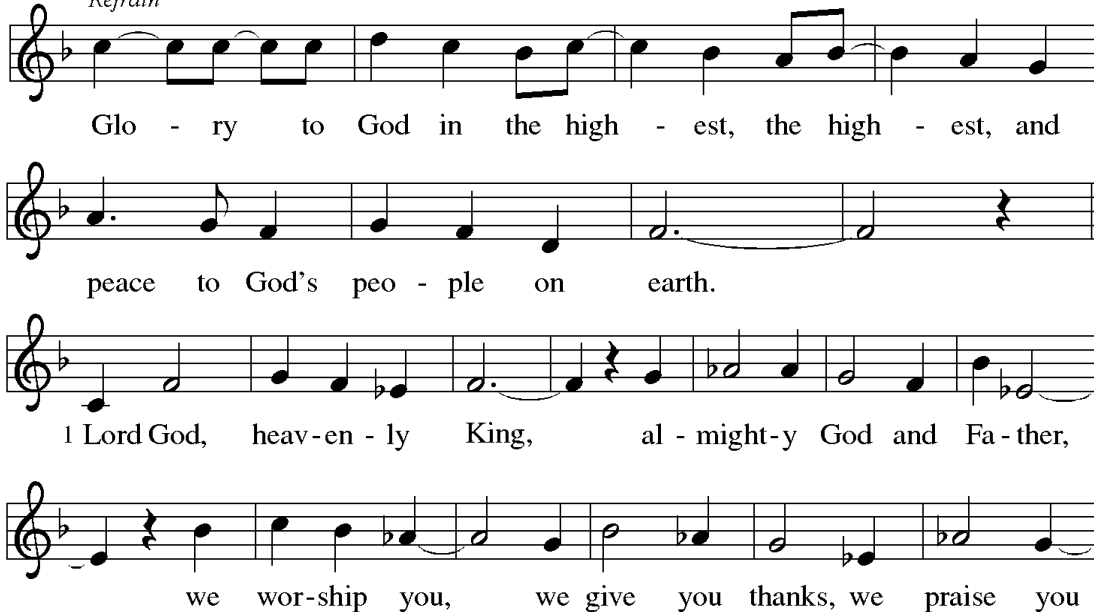


let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Refrain

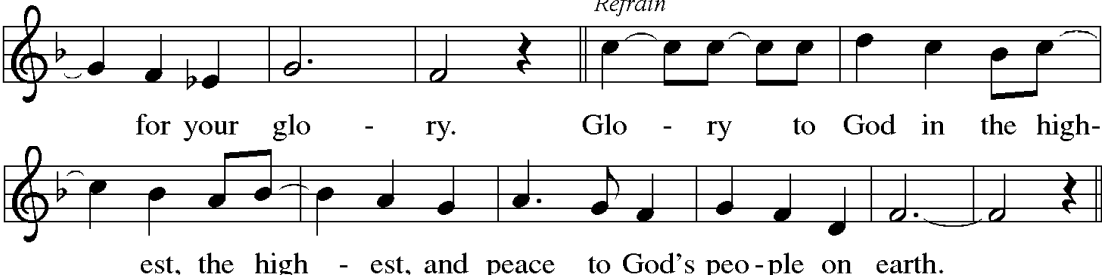
HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and
peace to God's peo - ple on earth.
1 Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther,
we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you

Refrain



for your glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high-
est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a -
lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.
 A - men. A - men. A - men.
Final refrain
 Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and peace to God's
 peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry to God in the high -
 est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 53:4-12

This reading is from the last of four passages in Isaiah that are often called “servant songs.” Christians are probably most familiar with this servant song. In light of Christian faith, the servant’s healing ministry and redemptive suffering are understood to be fulfilled in the life and death of Christ.

⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. ⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. ⁶All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. ⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. ⁸By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. ⁹They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. ¹⁰Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. ¹¹Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. ¹²Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 91:9-16

You have made the LORD your refuge, and the Most High your habitation. (Ps. 91:9)

⁹Because you have made the LORD your refuge,
and the Most High your habitation,

¹⁰**no evil will befall you,
nor shall affliction come near your dwelling.**

¹¹For God will give the angels charge over you,
to guard you in all your ways.

¹²**Upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you strike your foot against a stone.**

¹³You will tread upon the lion cub and viper;
you will trample down the lion and the serpent.

¹⁴**I will deliver those who cling to me;
I will uphold them, because they know my name.**

¹⁵They will call me, and I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and honor them.

¹⁶**With long life will I satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.**

Hebrews 5:1-10

Using imagery from scripture and from Jewish worship practices, Jesus is presented as the great high priest who was obedient to God's saving plan. Through his suffering and death he has become the source of eternal salvation.

¹Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; ³and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. ⁴And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. ⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; ⁶as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." ⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (The assembly stands, as you are able, for the Gospel)

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Mark 10:35-45

On the way to Jerusalem the disciples ask Jesus to grant them seats of honor. Jesus responds by announcing that he and his followers will “rule” through self-giving service.

³⁵James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” ³⁷And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” ³⁹They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” ⁴¹When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴²So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all.

⁴⁵For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

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

(The assembly may be seated)

HOMILY

(The assembly stands as you are able)

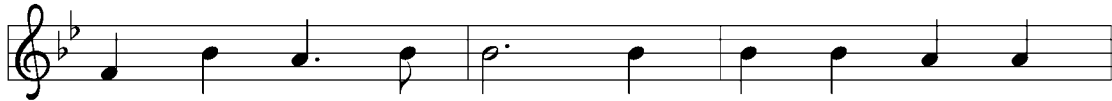
HYMN OF THE DAY “O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us”



1 O Christ, what can it mean for us to claim you as our
2 You came, the im - age of our God, to heal and to for -
3 Though some would make their great - ness felt and lord it o - ver
4 You chose a hum - ble hu - man form and shunned the world's re -



king? What roy - al face have you re - vealed whose
give, to shed your blood for sin - ners' sake that
all, you said the first must be the last and
nown; you died for us up - on a cross with



praise the church would sing? As - pir - ing not to
we might rise and live. To break the law of
ser - vice be our call. O Christ, in work - place,
thorns your on - ly crown. But still, be - yond the



glo - ry's height, to pow - er, wealth, and fame, you
death you came, the law of love to bring: a
church, and home, let none to pow - er cling; for
span of years, our glad ho - san - nas ring, for



walked a dif - f'rent, low - ly way, an - oth - er's will your aim.
dif - f'rent rule of righ - teous-ness, a dif-f'rent kind of king.
still, through us, you come to serve, a dif-f'rent kind of king.
now at God's right hand you reign, a dif-f'rent kind of king!

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Music: ALL SAINTS NEW, Henry S. Cutler, 1824–1902

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APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord,

**who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.**

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again;

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

(Response after each petition)

P: Merciful God,

C: Receive our prayer.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *(The assembly stands, as you are able, and sings as the gifts are brought forward)*



1 Ac - cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place up - on your ta - ble.
2 The vines were plant - ed, seeds were sown. They grew in your good plea - sure.
3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer be - fore you.



We do not wor - ship as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble.
What once was com - mon, dail - y food be - comes a ho - ly trea - sure.
Lord, by your grace now come to us, as hum - bly we a - dore you.

Text: Beth Bergeron Folkemer, b. 1957

Music: BARBARA ALLEN, English folk tune

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P: Let us pray...God of abundance,

C: you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

P: O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

SENDING

BLESSING

P: People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, + one God, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the
3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter
4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings
bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to
joy like seed and, all our days, to
to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
share a dream and help the blind to see.
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE



IN OUR PRAYERS

Roger Pankey, Dale Schultz, Mike & Donna, Vicki Piontkowski, Elaine Hatch, Scott Lancaster, Paul Denstaedt, Gerald Lancaster, Charlotte Werth, Hannelore Duenkel & Family (Charlotte Werth's niece), Dorothy Hansen, Verna & Tammy Furze, Larry Nelson, Michele Amelotte, Joanne Nicholls, Deb Nitchman's Family, Diane Prevost, Harold Kissau, Jim Malaski, Emma Nelson, Allison, Bishop Craig Satterlee and Synod staff, Gus Gillard, Jennifer Rottweiler & Family (Nancy Platt's daughter), Genie Diamond, Ann Haske, Gary Rich, Carl Ball, Amanda Lema (Betty Dulebohn's granddaughter), Lyn Marshall, Joanne Coughlin, Sylvia Rouech, Jimmy Lappan, Donna Hatch, Jordyn, Maggie, Laura Bleau, Sharon Anderson, Becky, Jodi Kennedy Dinnan, Stephanie Bradford, Jamie Shipman, Betty Kelly, Maria Shelton, Emily Cross, Liz, Lucas David, David Delano (David's Dad), Edna Delano, and Joseph Hansen.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayer concerns received by the church office by Tuesday each week will be included in the coming weekends bulletin. Please do have the person's permission for inclusion and realize it is published online, so more than our congregation will know about it.

PRAYER PARTNERS

From the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, this weekend we pray for the Church Leadership at First Congregational UCC. Our Synod Prayer Partner for this week: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church/Holland, Rev. Jessica Rivera-Walker.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Rev. Dr. Dan Maxwell for leading worship and preaching while Pastor Tom is on vacation. Rev. Maxwell is a deacon in the Episcopal church ordained to Word and Service. Thus communion will not be celebrated these 2 weeks while Pastor Tom is gone.

ALTAR FLOWERS

In honor of Tammy Furze's birthday (October 14) with love from her mom, brother, sister-in-law and nieces.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

After an attack that killed 13 U.S. military service people and over 100 Afghans during the withdrawal from Afghanistan, the U.S. retaliated with a drone strike ostensibly on the perpetrators. Tragically that drone strike killed 10 civilians, including 7 children. Are there acceptable ways and means to wage war? Is there such a thing as a "just war?" Join the class at 11 in the Lounge as we discuss this topic from the news and how we live out our faith. Thank you to Jan Charter for leading the class.

SPECIAL REQUEST TO MEMBERS

Some members at Grace with asthma or allergies can react to and have difficulty breathing with various perfumes or colognes. For those with special sensitivity (like Pastor Tom), it can be surprising how little it takes to cause the reaction and even being at distance away doesn't always help as the scent can travel a good distance. We would ask that you consider wearing as little as possible or even refraining from any perfumes or colognes for worship services allowing others to worship in ease and comfort.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Would you like to serve the church and help share God's love and welcome. Talk to Council President Tom Lappan, Vice President Rick Engstrom or Pastor Tom about the tasks and joy of being a Council Member.

**OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE AT
www.gracelutheran-alpena.org/2021-birthdays**

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7 following 9:30 am worship
On the agenda: budget adoption and election of officers. Please plan to attend!

RUTH CIRCLE

The Ruth Circle will meet on Wednesday, October 20, at 1:00 p.m. in the Lounge.
All women are welcome!

SUNDAY WORSHIP LIVESTREAMED AND RECORDED

Our Sunday worship service is livestreamed, shown on the internet, as it is happening and recorded for viewing online later. People in the sanctuary attending the Sunday service may be seen as part of the livestream or recording.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS DUE WEDNESDAY AT 9AM FOR BULLETIN

With our weekly bulletin as our main communication to members and visitors, we ask that all announcements be turned in by 9 AM on Wednesday in a written form. As announcements are highlighted in the email blast that sends the bulletin link out, on our web page and Facebook as well as in the printed bulletin for weekend services and highlighted at the end of the livestream this gives multiple opportunities for people to see the information spreading the word. With as much as 1/3 of our worship attendance online, we need to offer these various ways for everyone to be aware of what is going and have the info to refer to and then get involved. Thank you for helping to share God's Love and welcome *ALL* in some new ways.

NO RECYCLED ITEMS PLEASE

At this time we are not able to take any recycled items due to extremely limited recycling availability.

MASKS ARE OPTIONAL - WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO WEAR THEM

If you are more comfortable wearing a mask, we welcome your doing so. Let us take care of each other and help end this pandemic.

POLLY COOK HAS MOVED

Polly has decided not to return to Alpena and will now be residing in Wisconsin where she has more family nearby. She would love to hear from her friends in Alpena. Her address (please note that this is a correction from the information printed in last week's bulletin) and phone number are:

Polly Cook
Scandia Village Apartments
10554 Applewood Rd. #224
Sister Bay, WI 54234

Phone: 989.884.9245

PLEASE RECYCLE BULLETINS

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

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday - 17th
9:30 a.m. **Worship**
11:00 a.m. Adult CE - Lounge

Monday - 18th
8am-noon Church Office Open
8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved

Tuesday - 19th
8am-noon Church Office Open
9:00 am Sewing/Quilting
6:00 pm Council

Wednesday - 20th
8am-noon Church Office Open
10am-noon Huron Pines Committee
Fellowship Hall
1:00 pm Ruth Circle - Lounge

Thursday - 21st
8am-noon Church Office Open
8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved

Friday - 22nd
8am-noon Church Office Open
10am-2pm Kitchen Reserved

Saturday - 23rd
5:00 p.m. **Worship**

**Large print worship folders
are available from ushers**

SERVING OCTOBER 16/17

Ministers God's People
Pastor Rev. Dr. Daniel Maxwell
Music Director..... David Delano
Lector Donna Czarnecki
Ushers (Sunday) Gary & Kay Grove
(Saturday) Steve & Janie Hansen
Altar Guild ... Cindy Suszek, Cheryl Werblow
Livestream Team Phran Ludington, Dawn
Anderson, Jan Charter, Don Barnard
Counters..... Gary & Kay Grove
Coffee Hour

SERVING OCTOBER 23/24

Ministers God's People
Pastor Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director..... David Delano
Lector Sandy Welch
Communion
Assistants Roger & Jeanne Pankey
Ushers (Sunday) Roger & Jeanne Pankey
(Saturday) Steve & Janie Hansen
Altar Guild ... Cindy Suszek, Cheryl Werblow
Livestream Team Phran Ludington, Dawn
Anderson, Jan Charter, Don Barnard
Counters..... Gary & Kay Grove
Coffee Hour

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